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Interactive comment on "From Engineering Hydrology to Earth System Science: Milestones in the Transformation of Hydrologic Science" *by* Murugesu Sivapalan

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I am grateful to Keith Beven's mostly positive comments on the manuscript. As he mentioned the paper already benefited from comments he made on an earlier version of the manuscript.

Keith made comments on the appropriateness of some of the key references from his own work and suggested alternatives, which I will fully accept.

The only other (major, new) comment is to query whether the Wegener figure from Wikipedia is really necessary - I do feel strongly that I need to keep it even though I

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myself have not provided examples of Wegener style of connecting the dots in hydrology. However, I think it may provide the motivation to a future generation of hydrologists to move in this direction. In other words, it is an important element in my story-telling.

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