

***Interactive comment on “Hydraulic Shortcuts
Increase the Connectivity of Arable Land Areas to
Surface Waters” by
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We would like to thank Referee #1 for the constructive and valuable feedback. We mostly agree with the referee's comments and will address them individually in the following. We still think that the manuscript part about the up scaling to the national level is important and scientifically interesting and will explain our arguments in more detail below. Nevertheless, we agree on the criticism brought up concerning to this part and proposed some adaptations to address it. All our answers are provided in the appended supplement PDF file.

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Please also note the supplement to this comment:

<https://hess.copernicus.org/preprints/hess-2020-391/hess-2020-391-AC1-supplement.pdf>

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