

Interactive comment on “Role of glaciers in watershed hydrology: Himalayan catchment perspective” by R. J. Thayyen and J. T. Gergan

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Dear Drs. Thayyen and Gergan:

I have read, with great interest, the manuscript you have submitted to the Cryosphere. The paper has generated considerable discussion and I believe would be a good addition to the literature.

Despite the lengthy set of comments provided during the discussion, I encourage the authors to submit a revised version, and respond to the comments provided by the referees. My main comment follows the thread raised by the other reviewers in that the dataset is perhaps short or incomplete. Having said that, there is value in publishing these results, and perhaps emphasizing that this is a preliminary study would solve

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some of these issues. Even incorporating this aspect in their title would be beneficial! For instance, modifying the title to: "Role of glaciers of watershed hydrology: A preliminary study in a Himalayan catchment" or such may alleviate some of the concerns raised in the interactive discussion.

I trust these comments will be beneficial in revising the manuscript.

With kind regards,

Stephen

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