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Interactive comment

## Interactive comment on "Water tracks intensify surface energy and mass exchange in the Antarctic McMurdo Dry Valleys" by Tobias Linhardt et al.

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Thank you for the thoughtful, response—Becky! We think that the energy balance of the water tracks may play a significant role in any temperature or water-activity-related biogeochemical reactions that happen in the tracks. We'll assemble some thoughts on this and will include them in the revisions. You're absolutely correct that this pilot study was a snap-shot in a pair of nearby locations, which makes it a useful initial datapoint for a much larger ecosystem.

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