

Dear Sebastian Gerland,

Thanks for accepting our manuscript with technical corrections. In this last iteration, we have kept all previous edits and just amended the following:

- 1) Steve Warren, who provided helpful insights to the timing of the rainfall event in 2007, is now referenced in the text with “pers.comm.” and his input as reviewer mentioned in the acknowledgements.
- 2) The labelling of the appendices has been updated to match the instructions for authors, and all references to them in the text body have been updated accordingly.

Thanks again for your editorial input.

Best regards,

Dorothea Moser