

# Review of: "A Review of the Drawdown Zone in African Reservoirs: Current Knowledge, Understudied Areas and Recommendations for Future Research"

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It is a very valuable work, which will serve as a basis for future studies. However, it does not fully achieve the stated objectives. The Abstract is not clear enough. You must resume here the main results and conclusions. As it is exposed, it seems to be part of the introduction. Please, re-write the abstract. During the Introduction, I recommend following an order in the redaction. It is quite messy, and several affirmations are repeated. Take an idea and then explain it - how, why, etc. The same for the rest of the work. Moreover, be careful with English grammar.

-Is it true that natural and artificial drawdowns are necessary? If you think so, explain why and how they are necessary.

-3.1 is too long and messy. Rewrite it in a summarized way. For example, the "overlap zone" in Figure 4 doesn't coincide with what the text says.

-Maybe you can evaluate the ecological evolution in selected reservoirs, as you have data from the last decades.

-To better explain what you exposed, taking an example and evaluating it should be great, presenting the particular data, not just making generalizations.