Review of: "Policy-Based Water Management Challenges at the Local Level Under Non-traditional Security Perspective: The Case of Hanoi City, Vietnam"

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In general, the article is well written and clear.

The introduction could expand the explanation of how access to water and sanitation services also contributes to the reduction of structural poverty. Continuous access to quality water and sanitation is not only related to Sustainable Development Goal 6, but also to Sustainable Development Goal 1.

At a theoretical level, it is recommended to specify definitions related to the dimensions of analysis. In the technical dimension, it is clear that the minimum is water for human consumption. However, regarding sanitation, it should be better explained what basic sanitation refers to, what type of system it implies. In the political and legal dimension, it could be indicated what notion of governance is being used, for example: multilevel governance, environmental governance, in general what "good governance" is. Thus, the concepts referred to in the six dimensions must be clarified.

Although the 2030 Agenda and its 17 sustainable development goals are used to support research, each country has adapted this agenda to its reality and context. In this sense, it should be incorporated how Hanoi (Vietnam) is interpreting the 17 SDGs and their goals. That is, how the measurement of what the 2030 Agenda proposes is being operationalized, and what is appropriate for this territory.

The constructed index accounts for the state of the provision of water and sanitation services, and is a contribution.

Regarding the case study, it is important to describe the actors involved in the provision of water and sanitation services. Are only local actors involved, or also private actors, international organizations, etc.? If the actors and their relationships are not identified, it is not possible to define responsibilities, and with it the recommendations regarding the value of the constructed index and its variables.