

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

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I commend the author/s for their significant effort in preparing this review paper. The significance of the work is not clear. The work is not novel per se as it is a review paper. It is obviously a long review paper to the extent that it loses focus, so it weakens its strength. The number of research objectives is too many and needs to be prioritized and reduced.

My key comment is the necessity of addressing the impact of climate change on drawdown zones in African reservoirs. This requires a comprehensive and multidisciplinary approach, focusing on understanding ecosystem dynamics, assessing vulnerability, and developing adaptive strategies to ensure the resilience of both ecosystems and human communities.

My overall opinion is that the article is essential. However, my decision is that major revisions are required, as mentioned above, to give the review paper significance, insight, focus, and strength.

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