

Review of: "The Failure of Public Water Utility Privatization From Araral's Perspective: Implications for Ethiopia's Water Sector"

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My general comment is as follows.

- Interesting topic.
- 2. Third-person narrative is puzzling.

My specific comments is as follows.

- 1. Title. Who or what is Araral?
- 2. Introduction. What are the research questions?
- 3. The Efficiency Hypothesis and Evidence. Please elaborate on the justification for efficiency gains from privatization based on public choice theory.
- 4. The Efficiency Hypothesis and Evidence. Where is the Harris (2003) reference?
- 5. Major Findings and Conclusion. Please do not refer to yourself in the third person.
- 6. Major Findings and Conclusion. Is the focus of the review a critical analysis of NPM?
- 7. Implication for Ethiopia. Suggest breaking out the different types of water services based on agricultural irrigation, home waste, home drinking, etc. There is also the international component of countries which rely on one upstream water source like the Nile River to enter into agreements on access.

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