

Review of: "Assessment of Quality of drinking waterbased on the water quality index method in Hawassa Zuria Woreda, Sidama Regional State, Ethiopia"

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Title

The Title is interesting but needs to be rephrased. Please consider tweaking it so that it reads well.

Abstract

The objectives are not clear the abstract. The suggestion is to restructure the abstract and be implicit on the objectives of the study, and the WQI used in the study. Furthermore, the abstract does not need to have sub-headings (introduction, methods, results and conclusion). The reader must be able to note them from the flow of the abstract.

Authors need to summarise the abstract, it is too long for a manuscript.

Introduction

- Authors have failed to indicate/specify the name of the WQI used in this study.
- Authors need to expand the literature on the WQIs that have been used in the African context.
- Authors are making claims that there hasn't been a study on the application of WQI. I think the Authors need to be more specific and state that no known Study in Ethiopia has applied the WQI. Please see this article for some of the literature on IWQs used in the African context: Mnyango, S.S.; Thwala, M.; Oberholster, P.J.; Truter, C.J. Using Multiple Indices for the Water Resource Management of a Monomictic Man-Made Dam in Southern Africa. *Water* **2022**, *14*, 3366. <https://doi.org/10.3390/w14213366>

Overall comment

The article has a potential of being published, however, it's lacking novelty and needs major revision before being accepted for publication. There are too many typos in this manuscript. Please consider getting a friend to proofread this work or a professional to proofread your work.