

## 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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Potential competing interests: No potential competing interests to declare.

The study is quite remarkable and I think it is an important study in terms of being a study on environmental and water pollution, which has recently increased considerably.

Minor changes are recommended for publication of the work as outlined below.

The map of the study area should be attached to the "Description of the Study Area" section of the article.

The reason why the determined sample number is in this amount should be stated in the "Sampling size for water quality" section.

The time and frequency of sampling should be included in the study.

In the study, it was mentioned that samples were taken from 2 boreholes, but in the conclusions section "The groundwater of Hawassa Zuria Woreda is, although fit for domestic and drinking purpose, need treatments to minimize the contamination, especially the Electric conductivity, Ammonia, Phosphate, Fluoride, Lead, and Nickel." contains a sentence. How accurate would it be to make such a comment with 2 examples?

The data analysis section of the study should be expanded.

Tables and figures used in this paper could not be seen in the manuscript for review. Tables and Figures should be appeared for understanding the study.

Why the statistical analyses used for in this study?

The newest references should be added to the study.

Abstract can be shortened.

A graphic abstract to be given for the study may be more explanatory.