

***Interactive comment on “Origin of the Hawaiian
rainforest ecosystem and its evolution in
long-term primary succession” by
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Referee 1 remarked that our title could be improved.

Let us shorten it to:

Origin of the Hawaiian rainforest and its transition states in long-term primary suc-
cession

This modified title also clarifies our paper’s objective in relation to the title of this BGD
Special Issue for which ours was invited by the editors Huettl, Hinz, Koegel-Knabner,
Schulin, Gerwin & Subke: Ecosystems in transition: interactions and feedbacks with

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emphasis on initial development.

Comment: Any initiation or a transition state is also an initial development.

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