

I would like to thank for your interest in this paper and for your thoughtful insights, comments, and recommendations. We have made a number of changes based on your reviews. In the previous version of the manuscript the primary concern raised by the review team was to improve the schematic model. We would like to thank for your interest in the schematic model. You have done great job in order to improve the schematic model. The idea behind producing this scheme is to understand the pattern of nematode species in this transition series from shelf to deep basin. As you mentioned the scheme is extremely important for the discussion in the MS. I would like use this new version of schematic model.

I would be glad if you could send me the detailed version of the model with methodology.

Thanks Jeoren

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