

## Interactive comment on "Agricultural uses reshape soil C, N, and P stoichiometry in subtropical ecosystems" by H. Y. Liu et al.

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The manuscript shows that in agricultural areas, due to inputs of fertilizers, soil nitrogen and phosphorus contents are higher than at natural woodlands. The authors go further and attempt to include landscape features (slope) as a explanatory variable for spatial variability in soil characteristics. This last objective was, in my view not fully explored as most of the natural woodland areas occur at high slope regions, while most of the agricultural areas occurs at low slope areas. I believe that the manuscript does not bring enough novelty to justify publication, although it presents a new and large dataset.

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