

***Interactive comment on “Does drought advance the onset of autumn leaf senescence in temperate deciduous forest trees?” by Bertold Mariën et al.***

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Various soil parameters are related to the level of water stress in many tree species. The variability in space and time introduced by the interactions due to climate change effects is high and difficult to predict for (sustainable) forest management purposes. However, changes in crown transparency and/or crown coloration may help in order to identify suitable environmental indicators. What are your findings in this respect?

Please also note the supplement to this comment:

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