

1. The authors mentioned that this work is part of a larger project with a broader scope, which also includes field work. I am looking forward to future results from the project. Perhaps it might be of interest to the readership to read in the manuscript that this manuscript presents the first of a series of contributions from a broader project. I would leave it up to the authors to decide whether to mention this in the introduction or maybe in the conclusions.

*This reference is included on line 438.*

2. The authors could add a table that summarizes the details of all the experiments. This could be Table 1.

*A Table 1 is now included for the editor's consideration.*

3. Within section 3, but before subsection 3.1, it would be helpful to include a summary of how the results will be presented in later sections. I believe it would make the reading smoother.

*We added a short paragraph to Section 3.0 that references the new summary Table 1 (per comment #2).*

I also found a couple of typos while reading the manuscript.

Line 73. Replace "iron" with "Fe". Fe was introduced in line 72.

*It was our understanding that it is inappropriate to begin a sentence with an abbreviation.*

Line 225. "were fitted with".

*Changed as requested.*

*Note to editor: Hyperlinks, which we use to aid in the editing process, have been removed and appear in tracked changes.*