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PART 1: Review Comments

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Minor REVISION comments	<p>Abstract</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It needs clearly stated objective of the study • Use Plus or minus (+ or -) for the all figures(percentages) <p>Introduction</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State objective of the study <p>study area</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Check Latitude extension of the study area • Size of the study area. It does not match with data analyzed or finding. In the land use cover analysis the total area is between 361.17 and 361.19 during the study periods • Check about the correct unit(g/cm2) • How Ejenma (2013) could be reference for 2017? Otherwise it should be projection <p>MATERIALS AND METHODS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year and their version (ERDAS and GIS software) <p>Image classification and change detection</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is too long, it is better to break it in to separate sentences • Mention UTM zone and WGS • If the spatial resolution of the images is uniformly 30m, therefore, what is needed to resample to 30m?? <p>RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • From where to where conversion was not done • The causes for increasing and decreasing in LULC as well as its socio-economic and environmental was not mentioned • Key informants interviews and direct field observations were used to identify the key drivers of LUC change in the area. This sentence is stated in the abstract but there was no collected and analyzed data. Therefore socio-economic data must be included in the analysis , if not it is better avoid it from abstract • Grammar • Tables and figures/maps) need to placed at right place in the body of the paper than appending them 	
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