

## ***Interactive comment on “Validating a 1-D SVAT model in a range of USA and Australian ecosystems: evidence towards its use as a tool to study Earth’s system interactions” by G. P. Petropoulos et al.***

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COMMENT: There is also a lot of activity in Australia linked to model evaluations of land surface models not cited here - perhaps see papers by Haverd or Abramowitz or Ying Ping Wang .... all in the international literature.

ANS: As this was not a comparison study of land surface models we have kept the reference to other models to a minimum and concentrated on validating the results only in relation to previous validation studies of SimSphere. However, we have added

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the suggested references in our revised manuscript at the introduction section which have also modified in an attempt to address comments we received by 2 of the other reviewers related to this section of our manuscript.

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