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Interactive comment on "Simulating Coupled Surface-Subsurface Flows with ParFlow v3.5.0: Capabilities, applications, and ongoing developmentof an open-source, massively parallel, integrated hydrologic model" *by* Benjamin N. O. Kuffour et al.

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This is an executive editor comment highlighting the ways in which this manuscript is not currently compliant with GMD policy on code and data availability. In this case, there is just a single technical issue which needs to be remedied in the revised submission:

1. Github URLs. Github is an excellent development platform, but it lacks the features required of an archive. GitHub themselves tell authors to use Zenodo for this purpose. The authors should follow the procedure detailed there to archive the exact version of the software used to create the results presented: https://guides.github.com/activities/citable-code/. The resulting Zenodo repositories present the correct bibliography entries to use.

Further details on code and data availability requirements are in the GMD model code and data policy: https://www.geoscientific-model-development.net/about/code_and_data_policy.html. The reasons for the policy and more detail are provided in this editorial: https://doi.org/10.5194/gmd-12-2215-2019.