Dear editor, please confirm that the below requested changes by the authors are acceptable:

AC3 - we would like make two changes to the text on page 15, sentence beginning line 30: "...non-renewable groundwater for irrigation of 150-400km3 yr-1..." and "over the years 2000-2010 (Bierkens and Wada, 2019) and more than 10 times greater than the current global desalination capacity of ~35 billion km3 yr-1 (Jones et al., 2019). Please note Jones et al., 2019 is already in the reference list so no addition is needed here.

In a further email the authors requested to change “35 billion” to “35”.

**The sentence before**:

To put wastewater as a potential resource into perspective, its estimated global volume of $\sim360\,\unit{km^{3}\,yr^{-1}}$ is comparable to the global consumptive use of non-renewable groundwater of 150--400\,\unit{km^{3}\,yr^{-1}} over the years 2000--2010 (Bierkens and Wada, 2019).

**The sentence including the requested change if you agree**:

To put wastewater as a potential resource into perspective, its estimated global volume of $\sim360\,\unit{km^{3}\,yr^{-1}}$ is comparable to the global consumptive use of non-renewable groundwater for irrigation of 150--400\,\unit{km^{3}\,yr^{-1}} over the years 2000--2010 (Bierkens and Wada, 2019) and more than 10~times greater than the current global desalination capacity of $\sim35$\,\unit{km^{3}\,yr^{-1}} (Jones et al., 2019).

**The explanation by the authors why this should be changed**:

we have included this sentence (comparing wastewater to desalination) to demonstrate the potential of wastewater for supply augmentation