



# ***Interactive comment on “A climate index for the Newfoundland and Labrador shelf” by Frédéric Cyr and Peter S. Galbraith***

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Dear Editor,

We are pleased to provide a new version of our manuscript entitled “A climate index for the Newfoundland and Labrador shelf” which we hope to publish in ESSD. We have carefully addressed the comments from the 3 reviewers. Among important changes, the NL climate index (NLCI) was extended to include the year 2020. Consequently, a new climatological period (1991-2020) was used. The relevant figures to the NLCI and its subindices have also been provided using the 1981-2010 climatology in a new appendix. Another important change is a complete re-writing of the Introduction and the Discussion following comments made from the reviewers.

Finally, since the submission of the data set and the apparition of our manuscript in the Discussion Forum of ESSD, the climate index had a great success among our colleagues. As of March 15th , the manuscript and the data set have been seen 266 and 108 times, respectively. Both were submitted mid-November 2020. We are confident that this early enthusiasm for our study and the climate index indicates a high citation potential for the journal.

Best Regards,

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