

Interactive comment on “The fate of seeds in the soil: a review of the influence of overland flow on seed removal and its consequences for the vegetation of arid and semiarid patchy ecosystems” by E. Bochet

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Dear author, I found your paper excellent. This is a great contribution that will help the international scientific community to understand better the fate of the seeds and their role in the Earth Systems. I suggest that the introduction will show how important are the seeds to fight against land degradation and achieve the development. This will give to your paper the chance to reach a wider audience. Sincerely, Artemio Cerdà. See below Raizada, A., Juyal, G. P. 2012. Tree species diversity, species re-

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