

Interactive comment on “The impact of ancestral heath management on soils and landscapes: a reconstruction based on paleoecological analyses of soil records in the middle and southeast Netherlands” by M. Doorenbosch and J. M. van Mourik

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Very interesting paper that describes the heath management in the eastern part of The Netherlands during a large part of the Holocene. Good quality of palaeoecological analyses from four different regions illustrate the interplay between natural vegetation cover and soil processes with archaeological data, such as barrow systems.

Care should be taken in describing the results in order to make a fine distinction be-

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tween data from this research and that published elsewhere. See also my notes attached to this post.

This paper deserves to be published in this special issue of Soil as a Record of the past, because it underscores the important influence between humans and soil processes in the Holocene.

Please also note the supplement to this comment:

<http://www.soil-discuss.net/soil-2015-83/soil-2015-83-RC1-supplement.pdf>

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