

***Interactive comment on “The impact of Great Basin Desert dust on the summer monsoon system over southwestern North America” by C. Zhao et al.***

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We thank Dr. Perez Garcia-Pando for his short comment to the manuscript. The simulations in our study are “free” runs (i.e., without re-initialization every few days). The simulation is conducted as a continuous run for Apr. 15-Aug. 31 every year from 1995-2009. We will clarify this in the revised manuscript.

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