

Interactive comment on “Large Asian dust layers continuously reached North America in April 2010” by I. Uno et al.

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Based on the analysis of CALIOP data and global aerosol model, the manuscript revealed that frequent dust emissions occurred in northwestern China because of stronger-than-average near-surface winds, and that strong stable westerly winds carried the Asian dust from northwestern China to the central Pacific Ocean. They found that northern-path dust was trapped and stagnant for a longer time than southern path dust and finally subsided under a high pressure system. They also investigated the the complex conditions that resulted in a multi-layered structure of dust over North America. The manuscript is well organized and written. I recommend to publish it some technical revisions.

1) There should have some explanations in the caption for the numbers of 1,..8 in the Fig 1. So do the Fig. 3.

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2) The quality of Fig. 2 is not so good, it is better to enlarge it. So do Fig. 5 and 6.

3) English spelling should also be carefully checked.

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