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### 1) Scientific Significance

Does the manuscript represent a substantial contribution to the understanding of natural hazards and their consequences (new concepts, ideas, methods, or data)?

Excellent

**Good** The manuscript represent the study – preliminary balance of the Alta Val d'Agri region. DPSIR methodology has been used to outline the environmental impacts mainly caused by the oil extraction. This study could be as a background information for future developments. This preliminary analysis is essential to identify the strengths and weaknesses of the study area, the potential risks as well as to define strategies and measures to promote a sustainable development of the energy system.

Fair

Poor

### 2) Scientific Quality

Are the scientific and/or technical approaches and the applied methods valid? Are the results discussed in an appropriate and balanced way (clarity of concepts and discussion, consideration of related work, including appropriate references)?

Excellent

**Good** The applied methods are valid, only one remark concerning this methodology – the methodology was initiated in 1995 (it means long time ago), but still is useful and still is in use. Despite that, the additional indicators were applied and today's scientific information was used for the study and results interpretation.

Fair

Poor

### 3) Presentation Quality

Are the scientific data, results and conclusions presented in a clear, concise, and well-structured way (number and quality of figures/tables, appropriate use of technical and English language, simplicity of the language)?

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Good

Fair

Poor

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