

Interactive comment on “A Systematic Exploration of Satellite Radar Coherence Methods for Rapid Landslide Detection” by Katy Burrows et al.

Anonymous Referee #1

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The paper is well written, and the results clearly presented. The topic is of interest for the readers since the research on radar-based post event landslide mapping based on coherence/amplitude is still ongoing. My minor comments are listed below. Abstract L5, “triggering events”. You can specify the type of event L6 “ARIA”, specify the acronym L10 “useful landslide density”, I would say landslide mapping Introduction L22 “could have been much longer had the earthquake occurred during Nepal’s monsoon season”, check this L30 “reliability of global empirical rainfall-triggered landslide susceptibility maps”, the scale itself is a limitation L31 “style of landsliding”, I would say landslide type L41 there are thousands of published paper in this field. I think the reference list can be extended, see some recent examples: _Dai, K., Li, Z., Tomás, R., Liu, G., Yu, B., Wang, X., ... & Stockamp, J. (2016). Monitoring activity at

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