Interactive comment on “Projeto Vida no Vale: universal access to water and sanitation in the North East of Minas Gerais (Brazil)” by L. Kauark-Leite et al.

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I wish strongly to recomend this article / This paper has a double interest both from an empirical point of vue and for its methodology.

The case study &\#8211; a project for accès to water and sanitation supply in Brasil started in 2006&\#8211; is a good choice to explore governance building up from bottom to top. It adresses key issues on governance, from an institutional point of view

The project analyzed is an effort to develop universal acces to water and sanitation ; the area of study in Minas Gerais is covered by a complex and intricated system of projetcs and subprojects
The paper has good primary documentation and original field work. The group of authors are social scientist (political science) and operators (planning and management and water company). This allows for a good balance for a multidisciplinary approach.

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