Interactive comment on “Assessment of flood risk perceptions and adaptation capacity: a comparative study between rural and peri-urban areas in Greece” by K. Karagiorgos et al.

Anonymous Referee #2

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To assess the flood risk perceptions and adaptation capacity is an important research topic which could help hydrologist, major readers of HESS, to understand how flood risk is perceived from the social perspective. The authors claim that "this paper links these self-assessed measures from individuals who belong to at-risk communities with direct experience with floods of previous years". This could be very useful to develop a social-hydrological solutions for flood adaptation. However, there are many ways in which this manuscript will be improved. Specifically,

1) the research aim is not straight forward, it is not very clear to me "what are your major research question?"

2) the questionnaires and this survey have to be improved. What are questions were C1
included in the questionnaires, why were they asked? how were they asked? how was the survey conducted? did you have a pilot survey? did you do sampling?.......These are central questions to be addressed.

3) how did the surveyed sample represent the population in terms of age and gender?

4) you did a comparative study between rural and peri-urban areas in Greece, some discussions on why they were different? and what are implications?

5) Figures and tables could be presented in a better way.

6) I can not draw your conclusions from your results.

7) What are implications of these survey results to hydrologists, who are major readers of this Journal?