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Dear Prof. Batista,

I'm submitting the work entitled "**Assessment of land use/ land cover change in Tecolutla river basin, Veracruz, Mexico; during the period 1994-2010.**". The authors contributing in this work and their corresponding electronic mail addresses are listed in as follows:

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Remote sensing and geospatial analysis were used in the study area to describe the main changes in land use and vegetation. The applied methodology allowed the evaluation of the space-temporal variations processes mainly caused by human activities such as deforestation and the spread of the urban areas. In this sense, this research becomes an important contribution to evaluate the impact of anthropogenic activities in the Tecolutla River watershed which is located in the state of Veracruz, Mexico. This work proposes innovative methodological tools to identify and evaluate the most damaged zones in the study area, as well as the most threatened to suffer changes in the next years. The results of this work provide useful information in environmental planning, future land use plans, and planning strategies for the conservation of natural resources at basin level.

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