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Title of the paper: Characteristics and development of steepland gullies in the Dry valleys of Southwest China

If the proposed co-author helped with the correction of the paper and the fieldwork, as stated by the authors, he should be included in the co-authorship of this paper. Of course, only if it is in accordance with the journal's rules and the editor-in-chief agrees. I am satisfied with the responses to my suggestions and comments. The answers are satisfactory. I have pointed out that they have no comparative examples from the world for this type of gully. The authors did include an example, but not for an arid area like the research area, but an example of gullies in New Zealand, which has a completely different climate, so I am not sure that the comparison of these two areas can be properly presented and compared. The change in the name of the paper now fully reflects the text and methodology of the paper. There are clear improvements in the paper, but the methodology remains the same, which is fine now that the title of the paper has been changed.

There was a lack of clarity in the research objectives, but the text added by the authors, as well as the change in title, have largely remedied this deficiency.