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Title: ESTIMATION OF POLLUTANT FLOWS IN THE SÃ" AND DJONOU RIVERS TRIBUTARY TO LAKE NOKOUE IN WEST AFRICA,

Recommendation:	Rating	Excel.	Good	Fair	Poor
Accept as it is	Originality		Х		
Accept after minor revision Accept after major revision	Techn. Quality		Х		
Do not accept ( <i>Reasons below</i> )	Clarity			Х	
	Significance			Х	

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Detailed Reviewer's Report

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### Strengths

- 1. Relevant Topic: The subject addresses a primary environmental concern for the West African region.
- 2. Clear Methodology: Use of well-established methods (spectrophotometry, atomic absorption spectrometry, and EPA-based pollutant flow estimation).
- 3. Robust Data Set: Data collected over 12 months, capturing seasonal variations.
- 4. Meaningful Comparisons: The study builds on and compares with existing work (e.g., Madon River, Rhône-Méditerranée-Corse Basin).

#### Weaknesses

- 1. Imprecise English: Numerous grammatical and syntactic errors. A professional scientific English review is essential for international publication.
- 2. Poorly Integrated Figures: Some figures and graphs are poorly placed or inadequately labeled in the PDF.
- 3. Lack of Statistical Analysis: No statistical methods are used to validate the significance of monthly or seasonal variations.
- 4. Rough Flow Estimation: Using monthly averages with spot concentration values may introduce bias if variability is high.
- 5. Unpolished Presentation: Layout and formatting need improvement (uneven spacing, inconsistent numbering, disorganized structure).

### Recommendations

- 1. Thorough English Proofreading by a professional with experience in scientific writing.
- 2. Improved Figures and Tables: Ensure proper labeling, clarity, and visual coherence.
- 3. Include Statistical Analyses: Mean, standard deviation, and significance tests (e.g., ANOVA) for seasonal variations.
- 4. Add a Dedicated Section on Methodological Limitations to acknowledge uncertainties in pollutant flow estimation.
- 5. Better Structural Organization: Separate and label sections such as "Results," "Discussion," and "Conclusion."