August 16, 2014

Ref.: MWR-D-14-00222 Monthly Weather Review Editor Decision

Dear Prof. Monteverdi,

I have obtained three reviews of your manuscript, "AN ANALYSIS OF THE 7 JULY 2004 ROCKWELL PASS, CA TORNADO: HIGHEST ELEVATION TORNADO DOCUMENTED IN THE U.S." Two of the reviewers believe the manuscript is ready for publication. One has suggested changes and this review is provided below, and is also available on the Editorial Manager website (see link at the end of this letter).

The reviewer recommends major revisions, and notes that "In some respects, this paper shows substantial improvement." (I note that this reviewer previously recommended rejection.)

The official editorial decision is Return for Minor Revisions. (Note: I do not think that the revisions needed to address the reviewer's concerns would rise to the level of "major" because it seems no new figures and analyses are needed; rather, revisions to existing figures/text should cover things.) However, I may ask this reviewer to take one last look at the revised manuscript to see if his/her concerns have been addressed.

Please submit a revised paper by Oct 14, 2014. If you anticipate problems meeting this deadline, please contact me as soon as possible at XXXXX@ucar.edu to discuss an extended due date.

Along with your revision, please upload a point-by-point response that satisfactorily addresses the concerns and suggestions of each reviewer. Should you disagree with any of the proposed revisions, you will have the opportunity to explain your rationale in your response

Thank you for submitting your manuscript to MWR. I look forward to receiving your revision.

With best regards,

Dr. George H. Bryan Editor Monthly Weather Review