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PART 1: Review Comments

	Reviewer's comment	Author's comment (if agreed with reviewer, correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)
<u>Compulsory</u> REVISION comments	1) Section 2 Objective needed to be revised: you should define levels of institutions on gender awareness. For instance, you can provide some kinds of measurement. 2) Please introduce more about how you conducted the survey. 3) Please explain why you choose Akwa Ibom State as your study site. Does it represent all the 9 states in Nigeria Delta? Or it is the area under a higher risk in climate change compare to other states. 4) Please add more information about local institutions. For instance, what kind of activities they do. 5) Please compare your results with other countries' survey (existing studies). For instance, something in commons. 6) Please provide one or two case studies on what kind of gender policy those institutions conduct with and what kind of duty the gender focal person has. Please also provide explanation or reasons why these institutions are different with others. 7) Please provide your questionnaire in Appendix. Otherwise, readers could not know how you create the climate change awareness and knowledge indicators. 8) Please provide more evidence on how local institutions affect local communities by your survey data. (since you concluded it in line 246-248)	This is noted for subsequent studies. The awareness index was intended and determined. Done Done Done Not within the scope of the present study Not within the scope of the present study Not necessary. Please refer to 4.3 Reframed.



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<u>Minor</u> REVISION comments	Line 42 please add citations Line 46 Neymayer and Plumper(2007) Line 52 (IUCN, 2004) Line 76 Space before "Also..." Line 89 this research ... respond to gender Please explain CCKL in details in sector 3.2 Please add mean value, S.D., min and max values in Table 1. Line 208~212 who are respondents? The head of local institutions? Or people working in those local institutions? How many respondents from one institution? Line 233 18.61% Line 244 Please add citations	Done
<u>Optional/General</u> comments	Table 3 can be represented by figures rather than table. For instance, radar chart could be an option.	Noted