Interactive comment on “CO$_2$ enrichment increases nutrient leaching from model forest ecosystems in subtropical China” by J. X. Liu et al.

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Dear Prof. Xu,

Thanks a lot for your positive comments on our manuscript. Just like you said, there are few papers that are concerned about the effects of elevated CO2 on the mineral nutrients. Up to date, we only found two papers which reported that the elevated CO2 would increase mineral nutrient loss and these two papers only studied the temperate and boreal forests. Hence, more research should be done about this topic, especially in the tropics and subtropics in the future.

As suggested by you, we will do the further experiment to see whether the nutrient concentrations will vary in the same way over a long time period.
Sincerely,

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