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PART 1: Review Comments

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Please write a few sentences regarding the importance of this manuscript for the scientific community. Why do you like (or dislike) this manuscript? A minimum of 3-4 sentences may be required for this part.	This manuscript significantly contributes to understanding how tillage practices, irrigation levels, and NPK fertilizer rates influence soil temperature as a key factor for crop growth. This study equips local farmers with data-driven insights to optimize crop management. Implementing these findings can help farmers achieve better crop yields while conserving water, reducing input costs, and minimizing environmental impacts. Local agricultural extension programs can further leverage these findings to train farmers in best practices, enhancing food security, economic stability, and environmental resilience in the region using this information as reference.	No correction needed here
Is the title of the article suitable? (If not please suggest an alternative title)	The title is concise and commendable, but it can be revised into "Optimization of Soil Temperature Dynamics under Different Irrigation Schedules, Tillage Methods, and NPK Fertilizer Application Rates"	OPTIMIZATION OF SOIL TEMPERATURE DYNAMICS UNDER DIFFERENT IRRIGATION SCHEDULES, TILLAGE METHODS, AND NPK FERTILIZER APPLICATION RATES.
Is the abstract of the article comprehensive? Do you suggest the addition (or deletion) of some points in this section? Please write your suggestions here.	The abstract is comprehensive, but it can be improved. You may add a sentence that clearly describes the research gap that the study specifically addresses.	Using response surface methodology (RSM) to study the effect of tillage, irrigation and NPK application on soil temperature for the study area is grossly lacking in literature.
Are subsections and structure of the manuscript appropriate?	<p>The subsections and structure of the manuscript are appropriate. The materials and methods are appropriate. However, some sub sections could be more improved to provide in depth information and understanding to the readers and future researchers who intends to do similar work. For example, for the results and discussion, you may further improve by interpreting the results through discussions like why is the results like that? what could be the possible effect or meaning? what might be the cause or effect?</p> <p>The statement of previous works is commendable, however you can add more related and similar works to support your discussion.</p>	Done
Please write a few sentences regarding the scientific correctness of this manuscript. Why do you think that this manuscript is scientifically robust and technically sound? A minimum of 3-4 sentences may be required for this part.	The manuscript is very informative making it technically robust and can be easily understood by a reader and a future researcher who wishes to conduct similar work. The method of optimization strengthens the reliability of the results.	No correction
Are the references sufficient and recent? If you have suggestions of additional references, please mention them in the review form. =	The references are sufficient, however, it might be beneficial to include more studies from similar agro-ecological zones or related research on drought-prone wheat cultivation to provide a broader context. You may also try to look into this and add into your reference that I ran into, for additional citation on soil temperature and irrigation. Cooling Effect of Different Irrigation Methods in the Growth Stages of Chili Pepper (Capsicum frutescens L.) Ilocos Sur Polytechnic State College	Done
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