Reviewer's report

**Title:** Race and region have independent and synergistic effects on dietary intakes in black and white women

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**Reviewer:** Maureen Murtaugh

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For the most part the issues have been addressed.

**Major Compulsory Revisions**

The paper still reads more like the statistical equations than the underlying conceptual framework. In other words, race is not going to change, in this case region is fixed. Differences in dietary intake across race and region is what the conceptual framework is. This reviewer still objects to the language used making race and region the interact.

**Level of interest:** An article whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests

**Quality of written English:** Acceptable

**Statistical review:** No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.

**Declaration of competing interests:**

I declare that I have no competing interests.