## Total vegetation cover soil protection Region:LGA Cabonne\_(A) NSW

## **Date: December 2023**

This report describes vegetation protecting the soil surface from erosion during a chosen month compared to previous years. This report has been generated using MODIS fractional vegetation cover information available in Rangelands and Pasture Productivity (RAPP) map tool https://map.geo-rapp.org/#australia. The report is based on 500 metre pixel data on monthly time steps. Land use forest cover:

Results can be shown for the whole region (polygon), and separated by land use and forest cover classes which are likely to show different cover patterns and targets. Land use is divided into four broad classes: Conservation and natural environments, Agriculture, production native forests and plantation forests (no report), and other (no report). Agriculture is divided into grazing, crops and horticulture which are sub-divided into non-irrigated and irrigated. If forest is present land use is further divided into: non-forest, woodland forest and non-woodland forest. The area of each land use and forest class are shown as a map and chart. The report content is repeated for each land use and forest covers at least 1% of the area of the chosen region. Total vegetation Cover:

The total vegetation cover indicates where soil is likely to be protected from wind and or water hillslope erosion. Total vegetation cover for this month is shown on a map and chart classified into 4 classes.

• 71-100% High cover - protected from wind and usually water erosion (high rainfall, steep slopes, and erodible soils may need greater than 80, 90, 95 and up to 100% cover)

- 51-70% Moderate cover protected from wind erosion
- 31-50% Low cover not protected
- 0-30% Very Low cover not protected

Erosion protection: Wind erosion 50% total vegetation cover

The vegetation cover threshold required to prevent soil erosion is usually 50% to reduce wind erosion, 70% or 80% to reduce water (hillslope) erosion depending on the steepness and rainfall. Areas protected from erosion for the month:

- Map: water erosion protection (>70% cover) percentage area and hectares.
- Map: wind erosion protection (>50% cover) percentage area and hectares. Comparison with previous years:
  - Map: anomaly comparing this month to the average cover from the same month in previous years.
  - Map: deciles rank of month against the same month in previous years.

Anomalies and deciles until September 2019 are calculated comparing to the same months 2001 to 2019. Extra monthly data will be used to calculate anomalies and deciles post September 2019 as they become available. Time series monthly from January 2001 to current:

#### **Erosion protection**

- Wind erosion protection time series: percentage of the area of the region with greater than 50% cover for each month (orange lines). Horizontal lines are 10th (cover target) and 50th percentiles.
- Water erosion protection time series: percentage of the area of the region with greater than 70% cover for each month (blue line). Horizontal lines are 10th (cover target) and 50th percentiles.

#### Rainfall

• Millimetres rainfall each month (black line).

Each time series is also stacked by year. The black line shows the current year of data. Water erosion protection for higher rainfall and steeper slopes:

Water erosion protection on higher slopes. As slope increases, more cover is required to control water erosion. The thresholds reported are:

- the percentage area with pixels greater than 80% total cover.
- the percentage area with pixels greater than 90% total cover.
- the percentage area with pixels greater than 95% total cover.

#### Acknowledgment of data:

- 1. http://www.agriculture.gov.au/abares/aclump/land-use/alum-classification
- 2. http://www.agriculture.gov.au/abares/forestsaustralia/sofr/sofr-2018
- 3. https://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/agriculture/pastures-and-rangelands/establishment-mgmt/production-management2/groundcover
- 4. MODIS Fractional cover algorithm:

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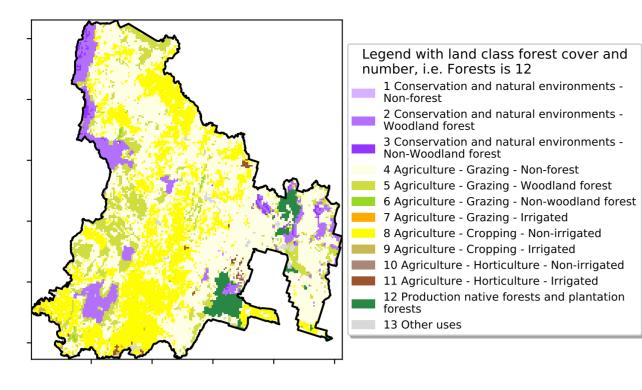


## **Vegetation Cover Dec 2023**

#### Land use and forest cover

#### Proportion of each land class in area

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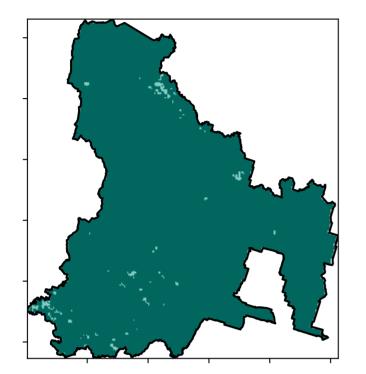
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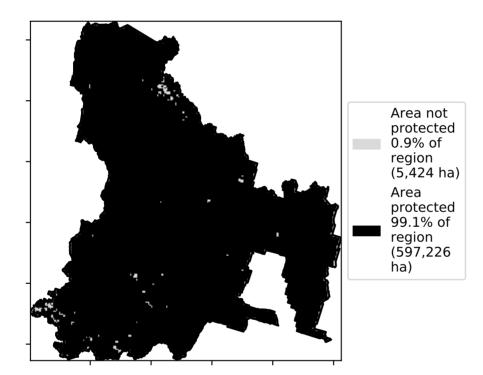
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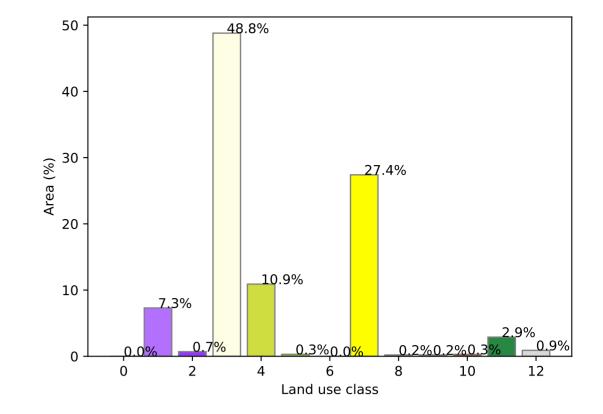
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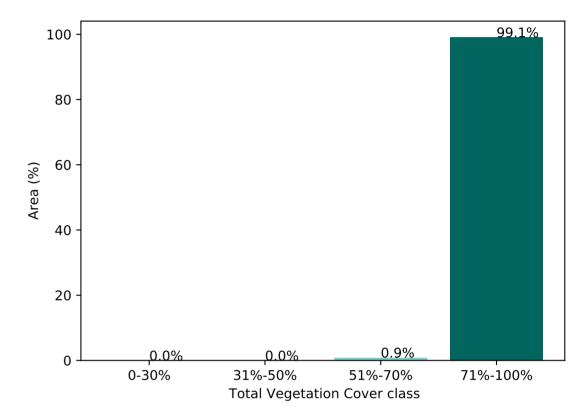


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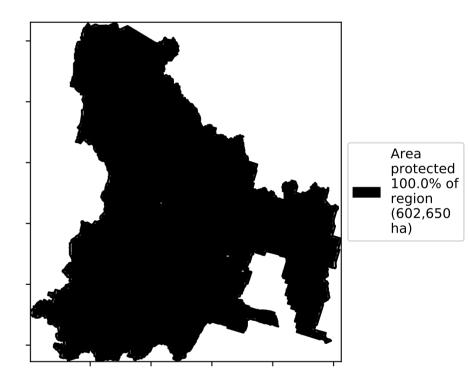




#### Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

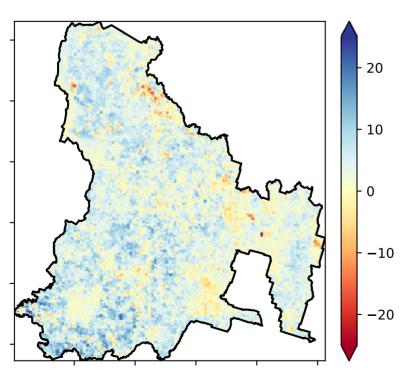


#### % Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

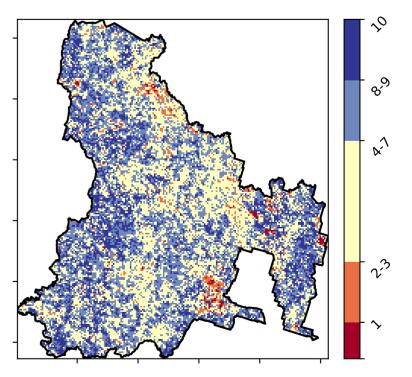


**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 

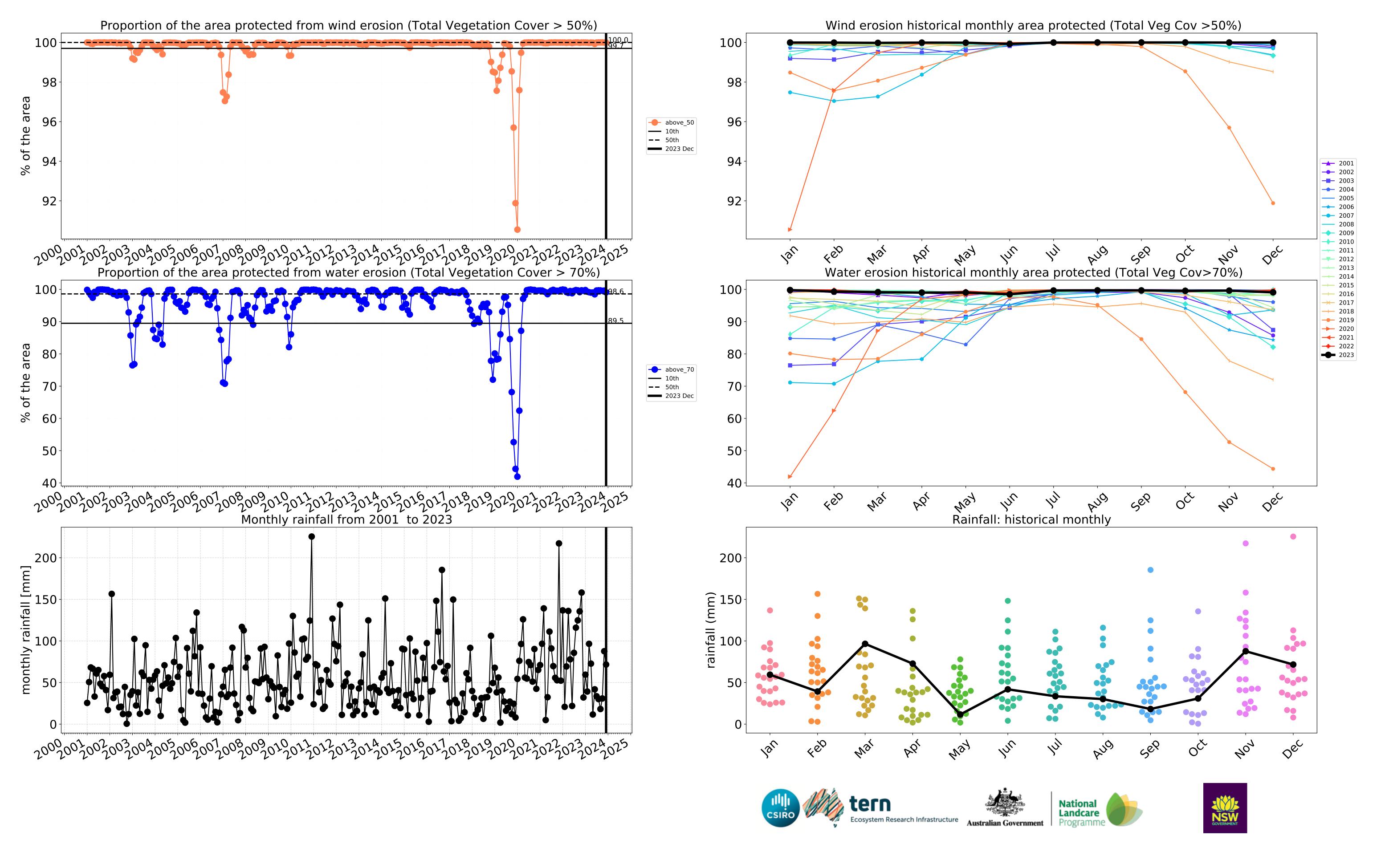
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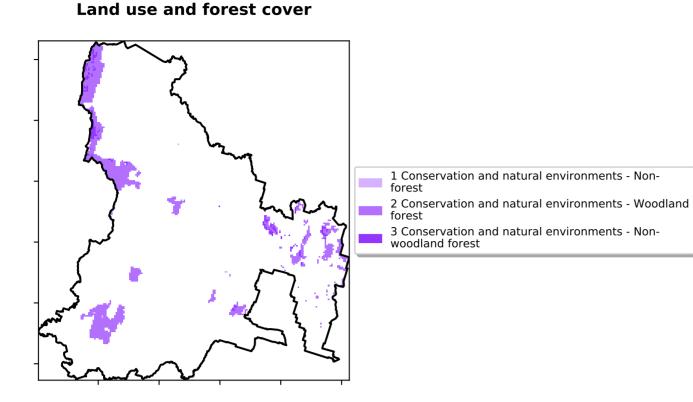






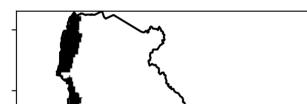
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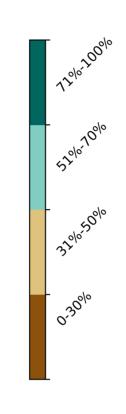
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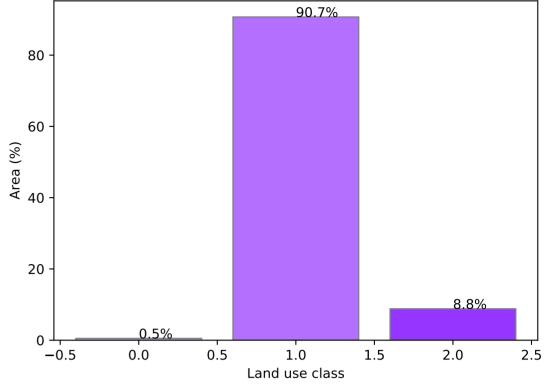
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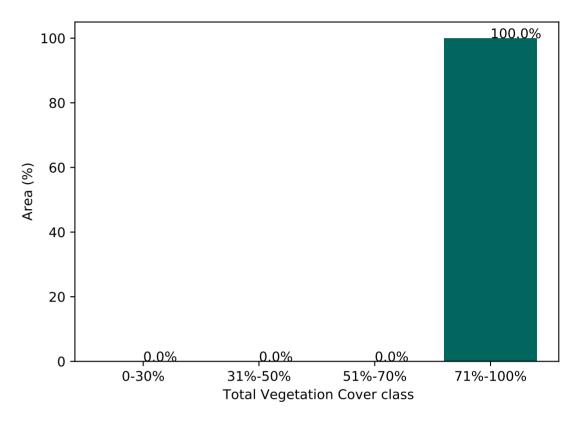




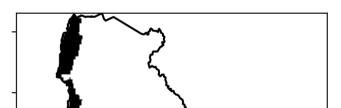


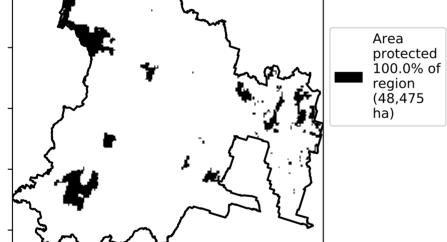


Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



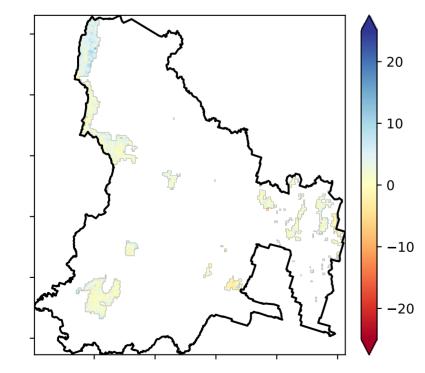
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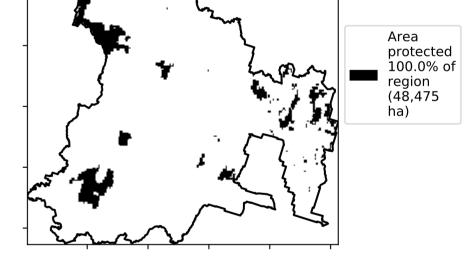


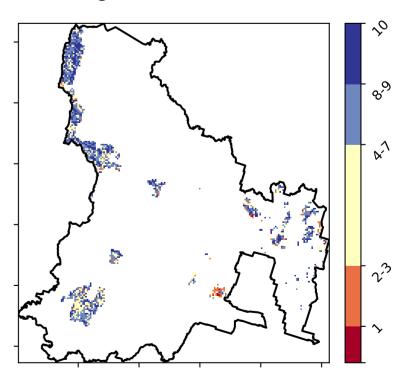
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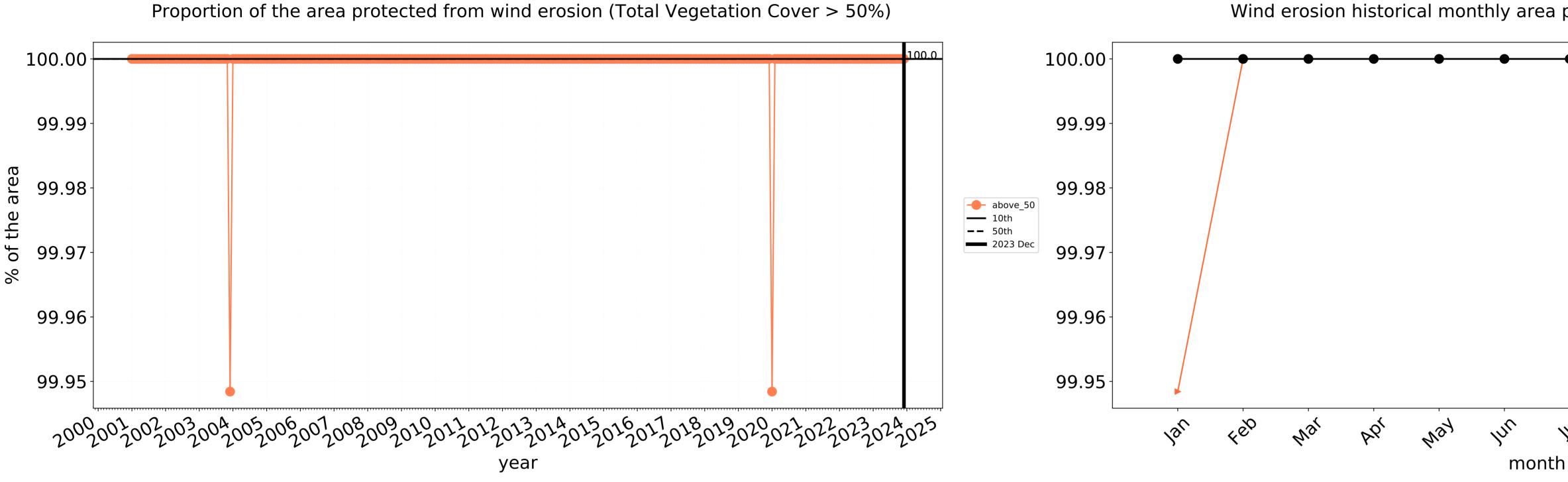
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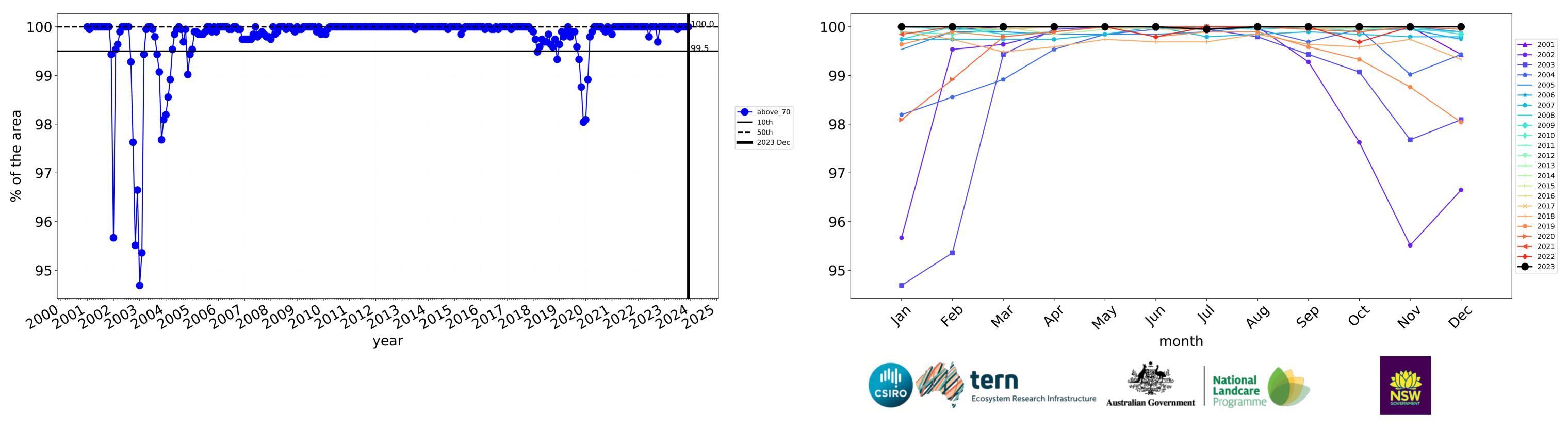






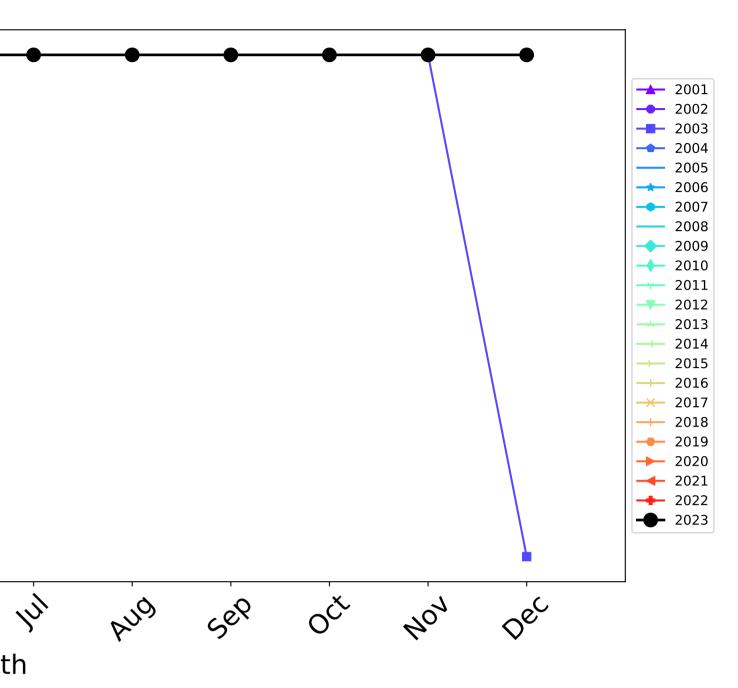






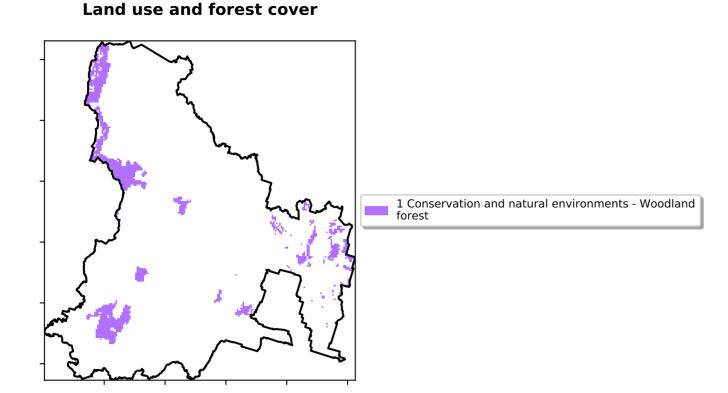
Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)

Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)

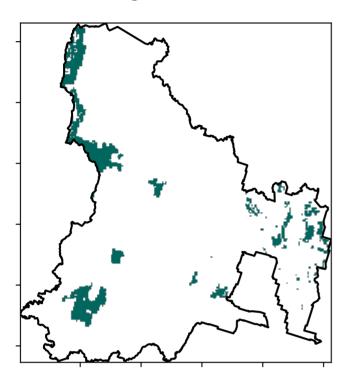


#### **Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest**

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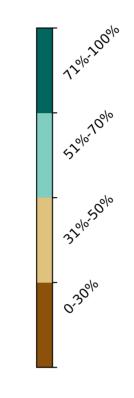


Total Vegetation Cover [%]

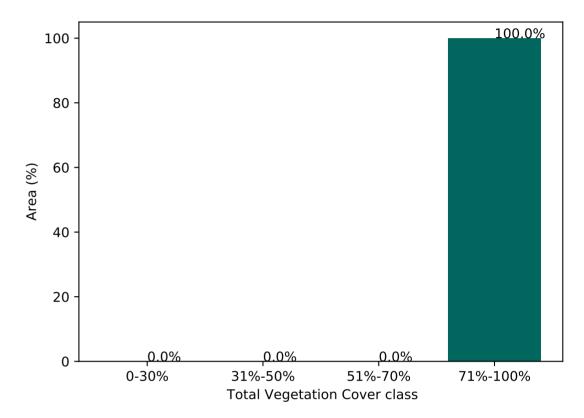


% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)

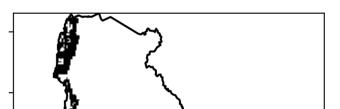


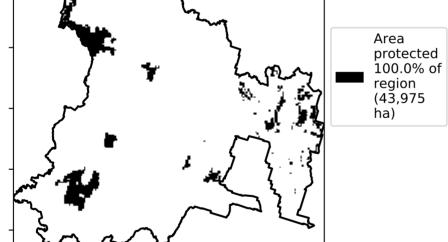






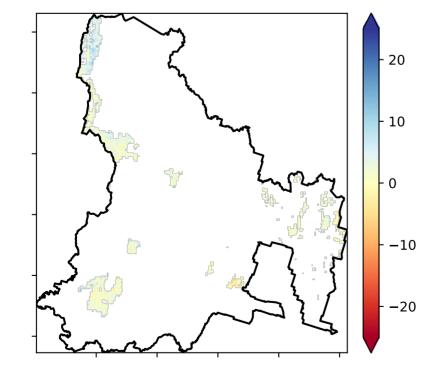
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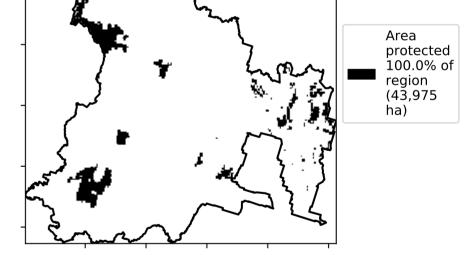


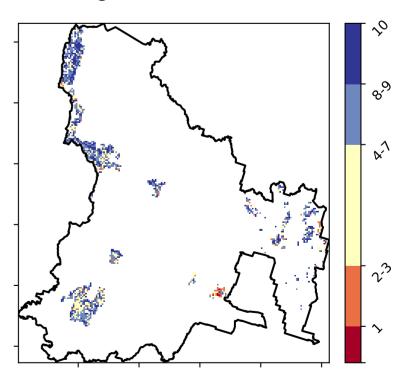
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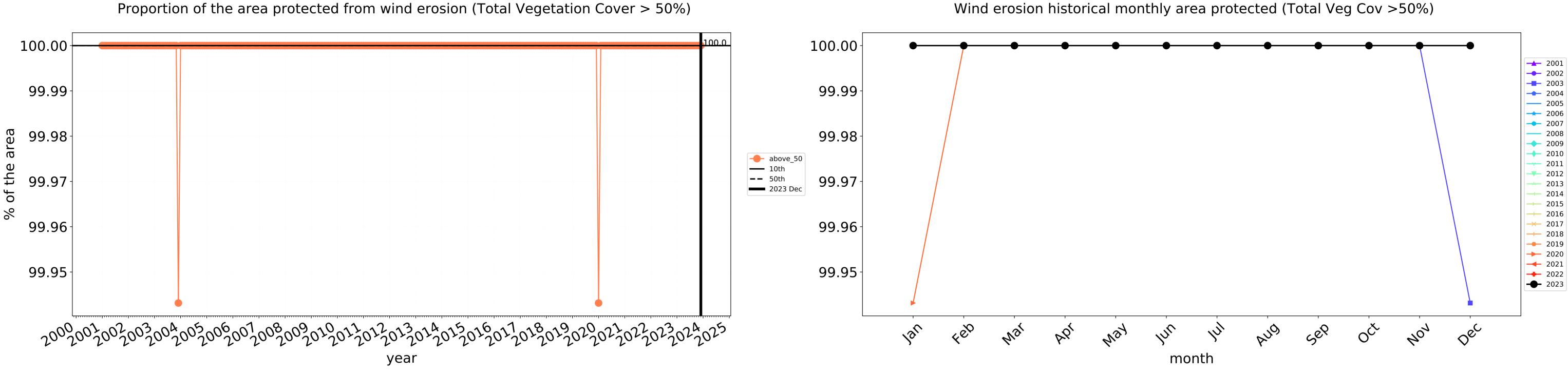
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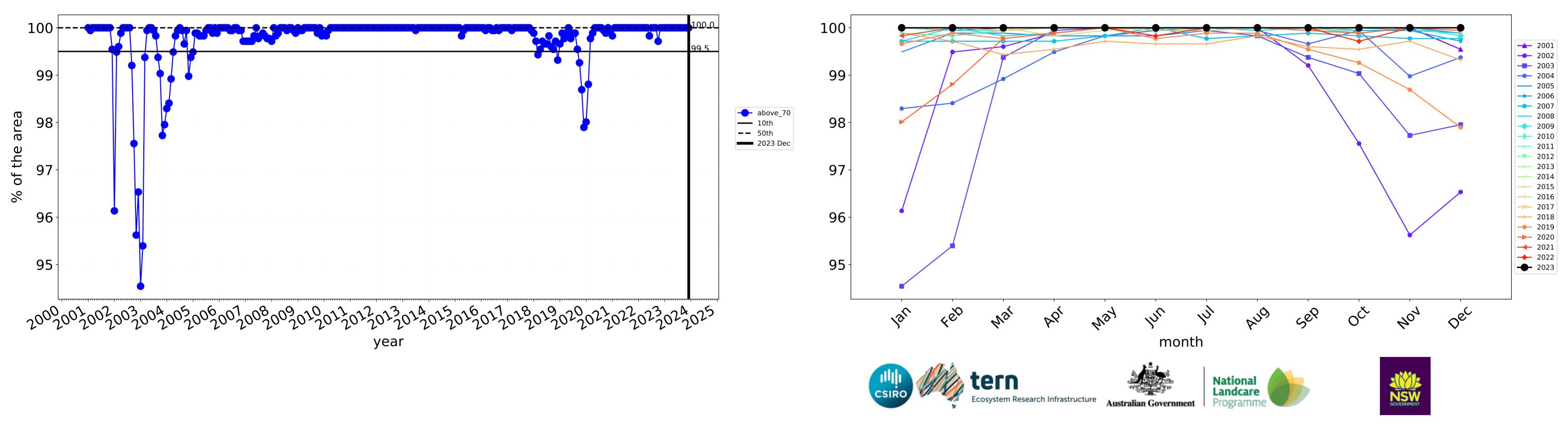




## **Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest timeseries**



Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

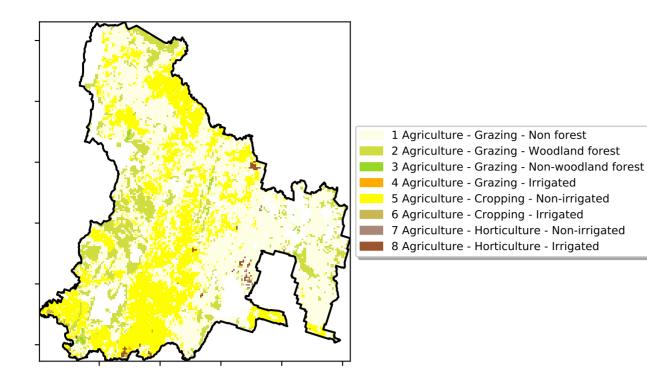


Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)

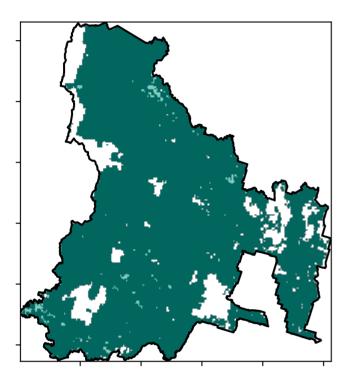
#### Agriculture

Land use and forest cover

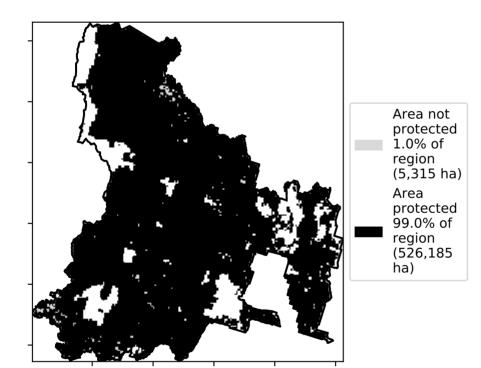


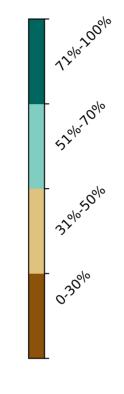


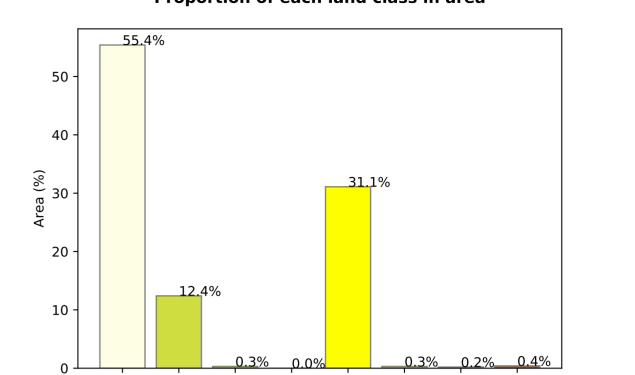
**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 



% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)







#### Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

Land use class

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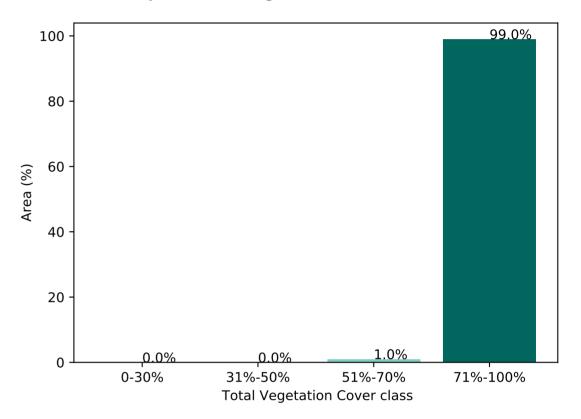
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% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



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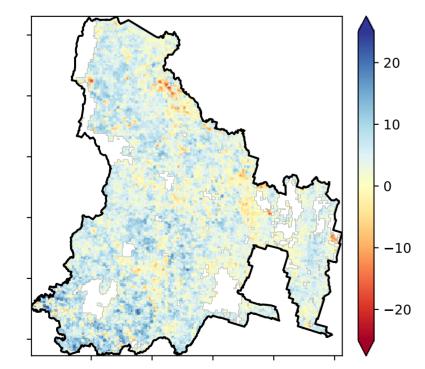
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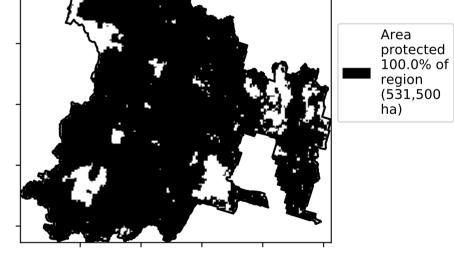
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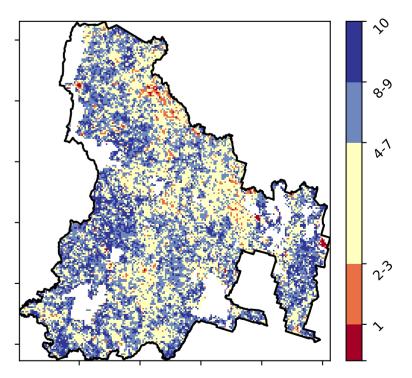
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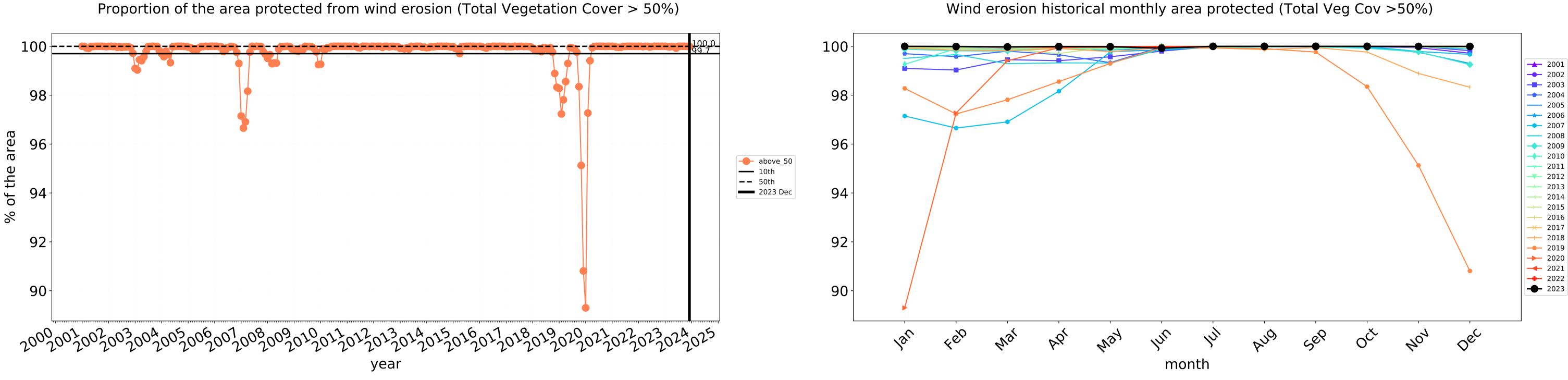


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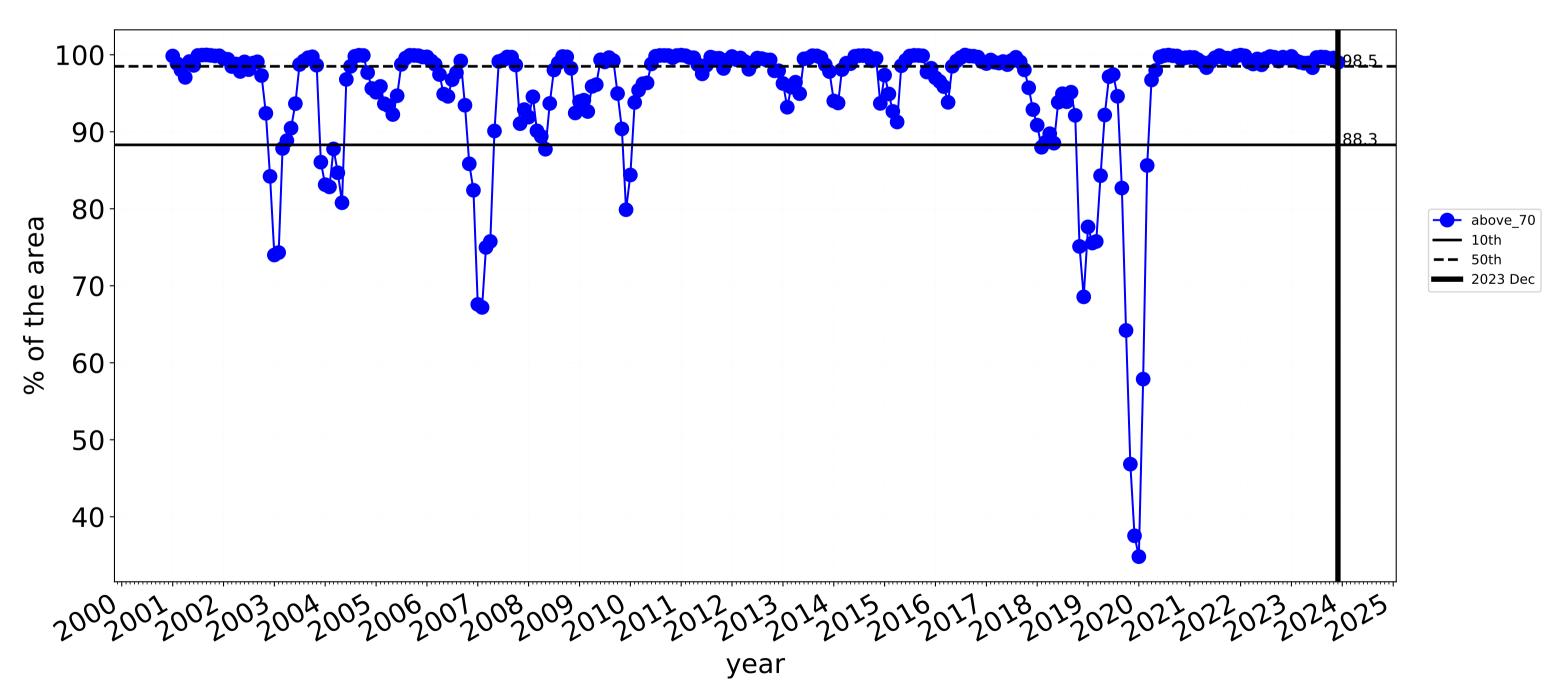








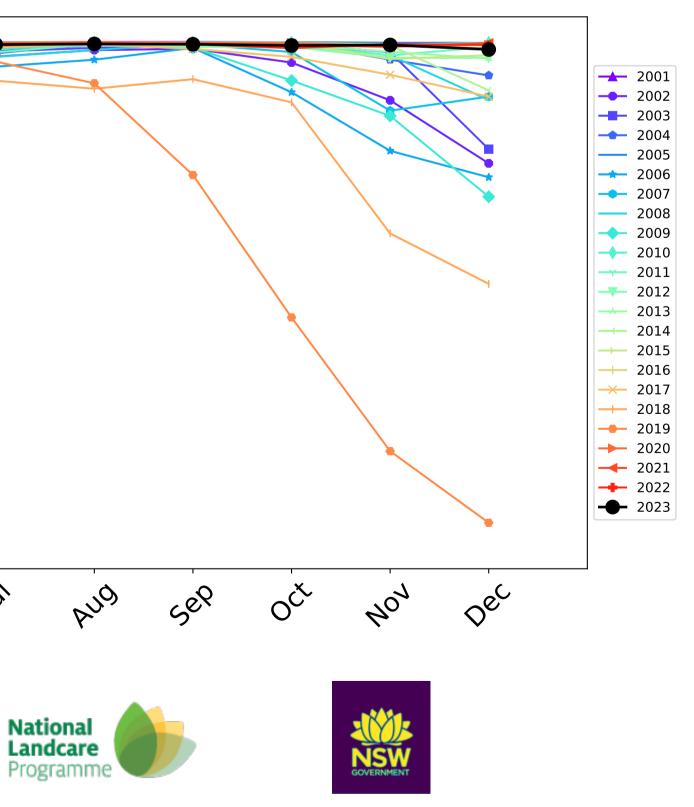
Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)



## **Agriculture timeseries**

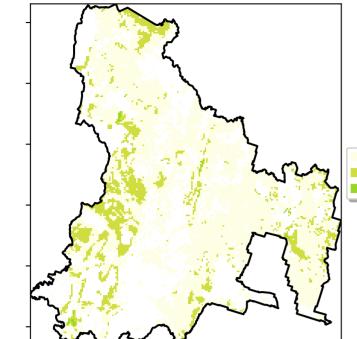
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Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)



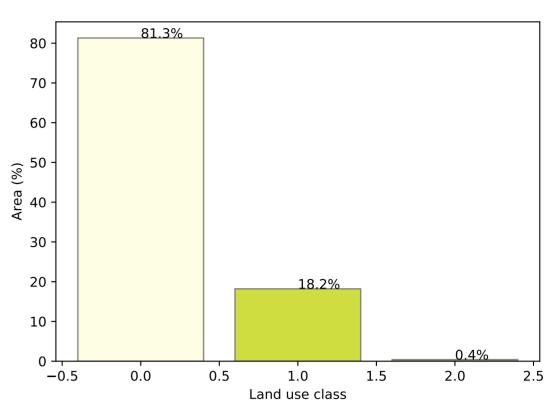
#### Grazing

Land use and forest cover

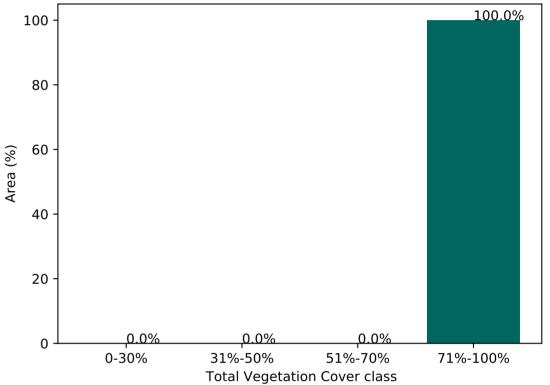


Agriculture - Grazing - Non forest
Agriculture - Grazing - Woodland forest
Agriculture - Grazing - Non-woodland forest

#### Proportion of each land class in area



Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

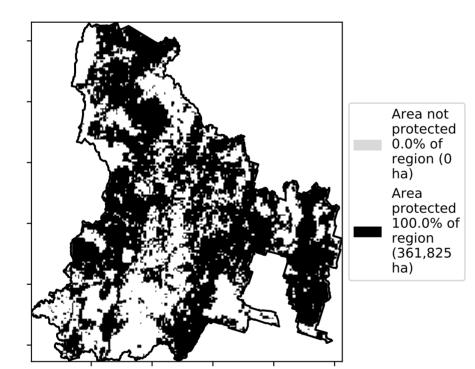


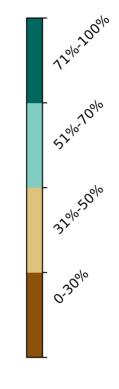
% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 

% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)





**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 

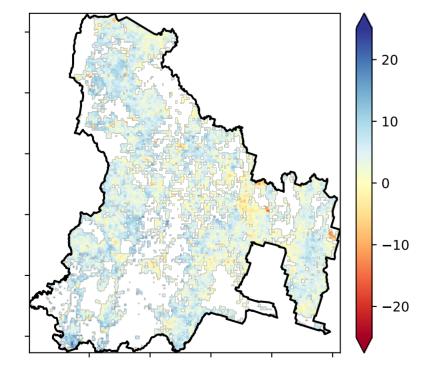
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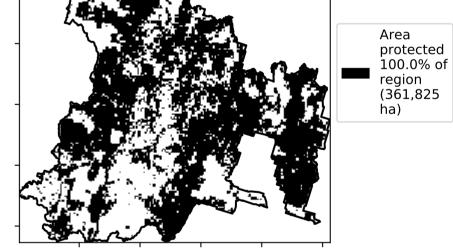
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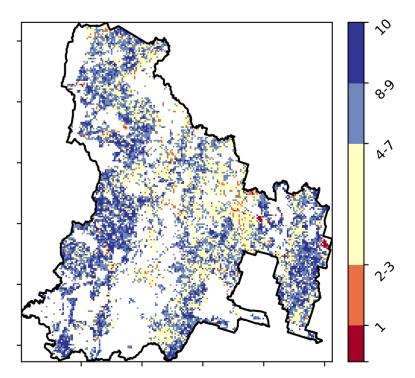
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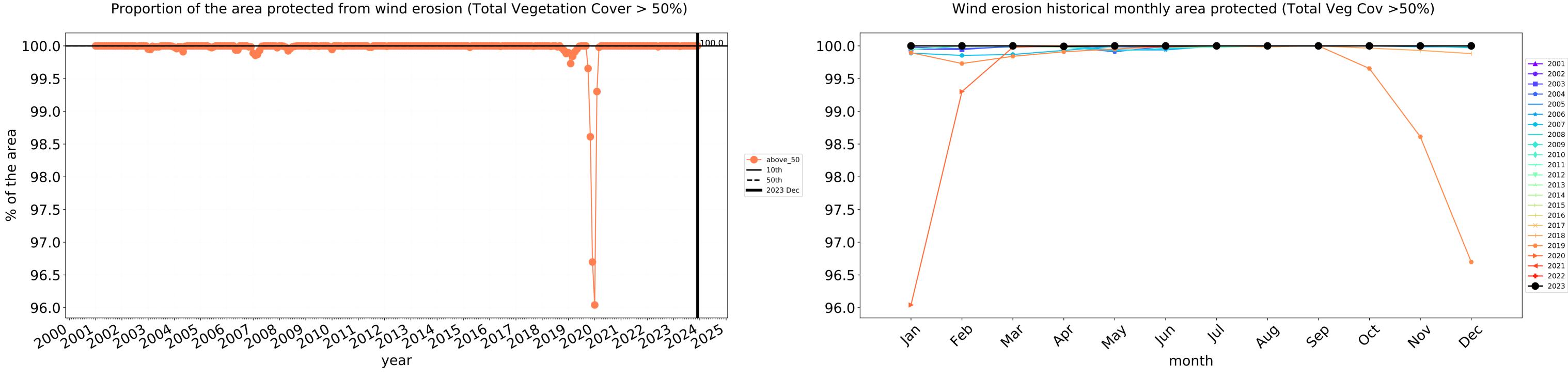
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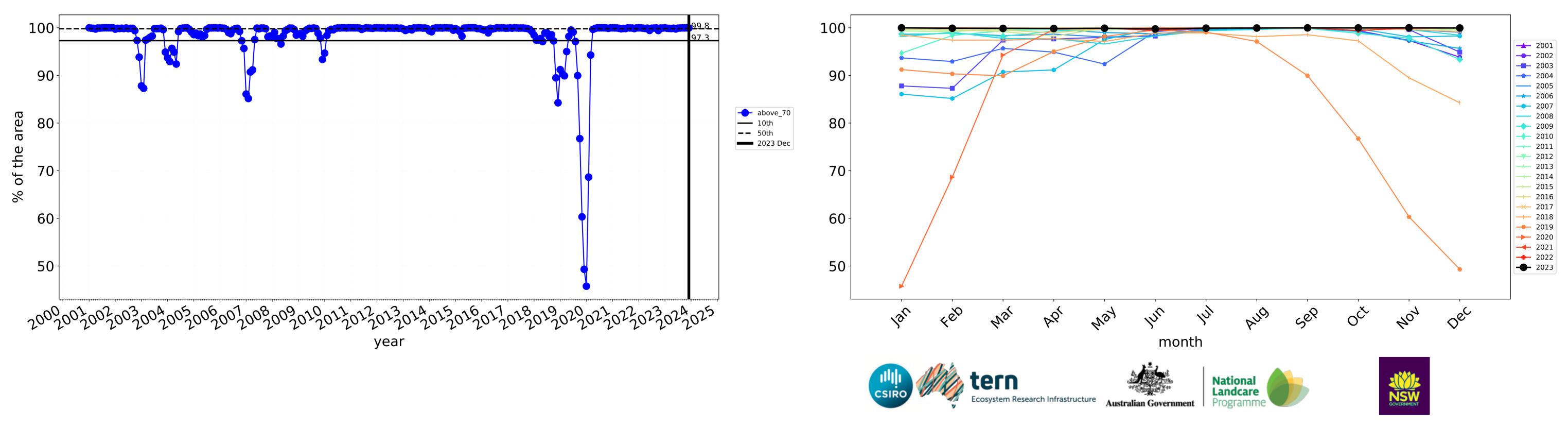












## Grazing timeseries

Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)

#### **Grazing non forest**

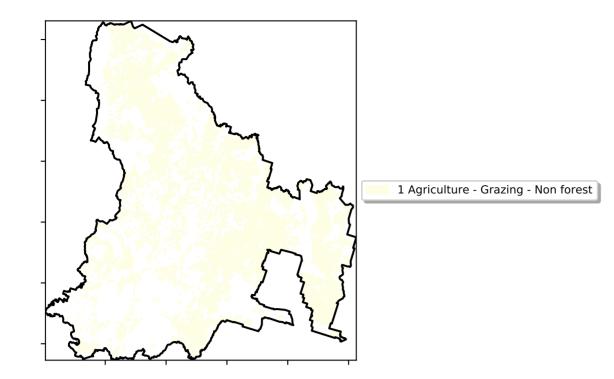
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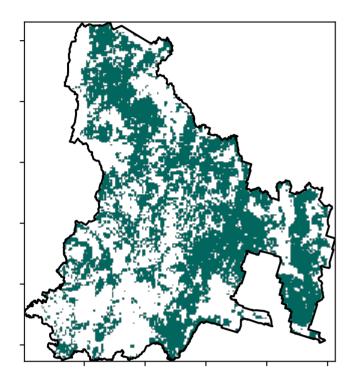
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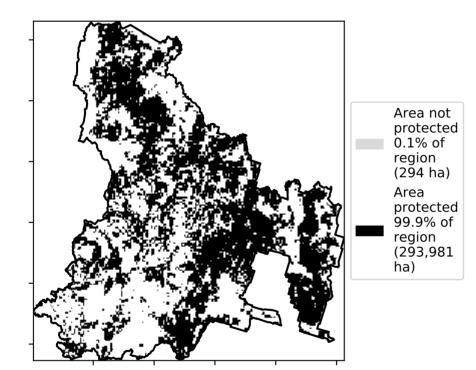
Land use and forest cover



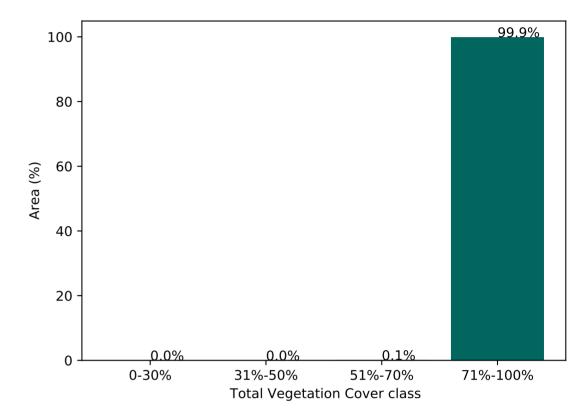
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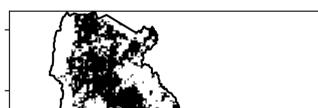
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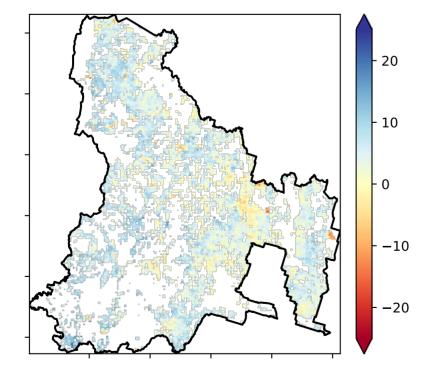
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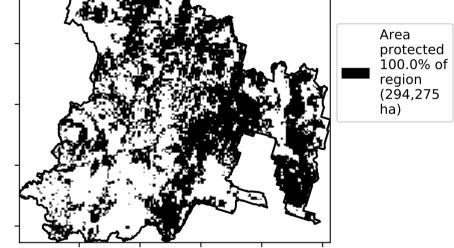
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Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

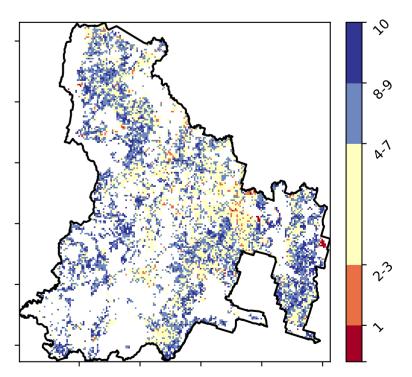
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Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]

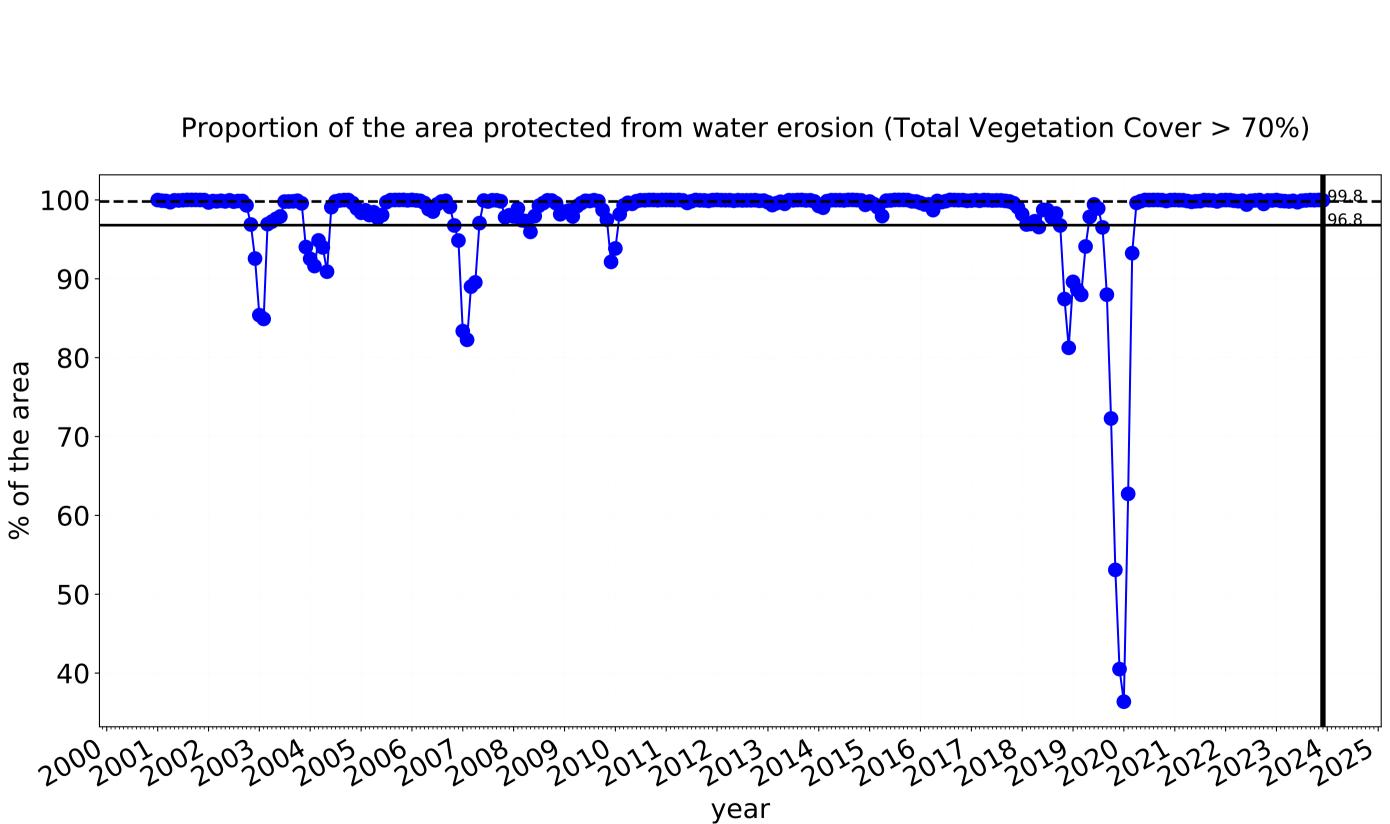




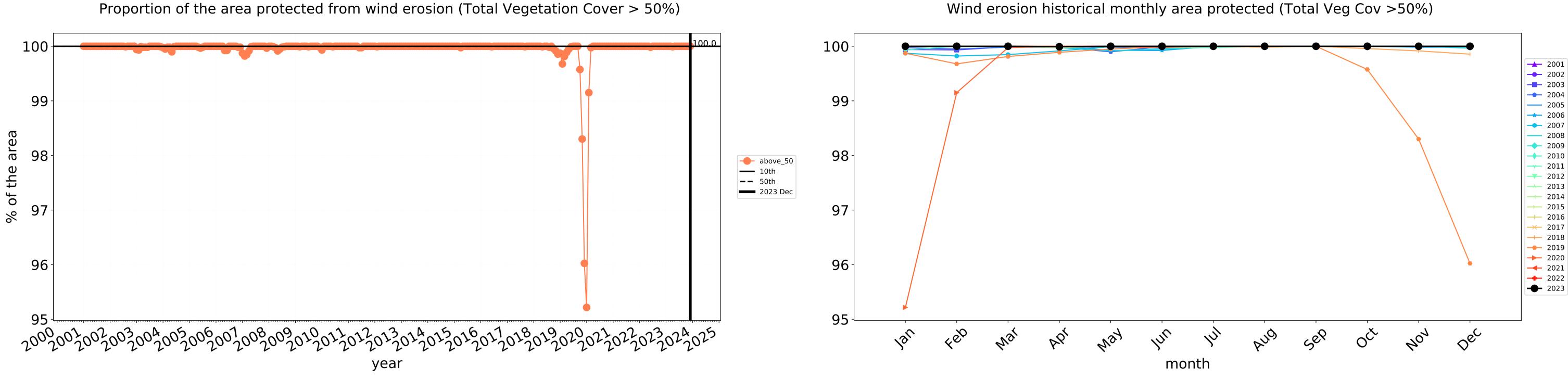
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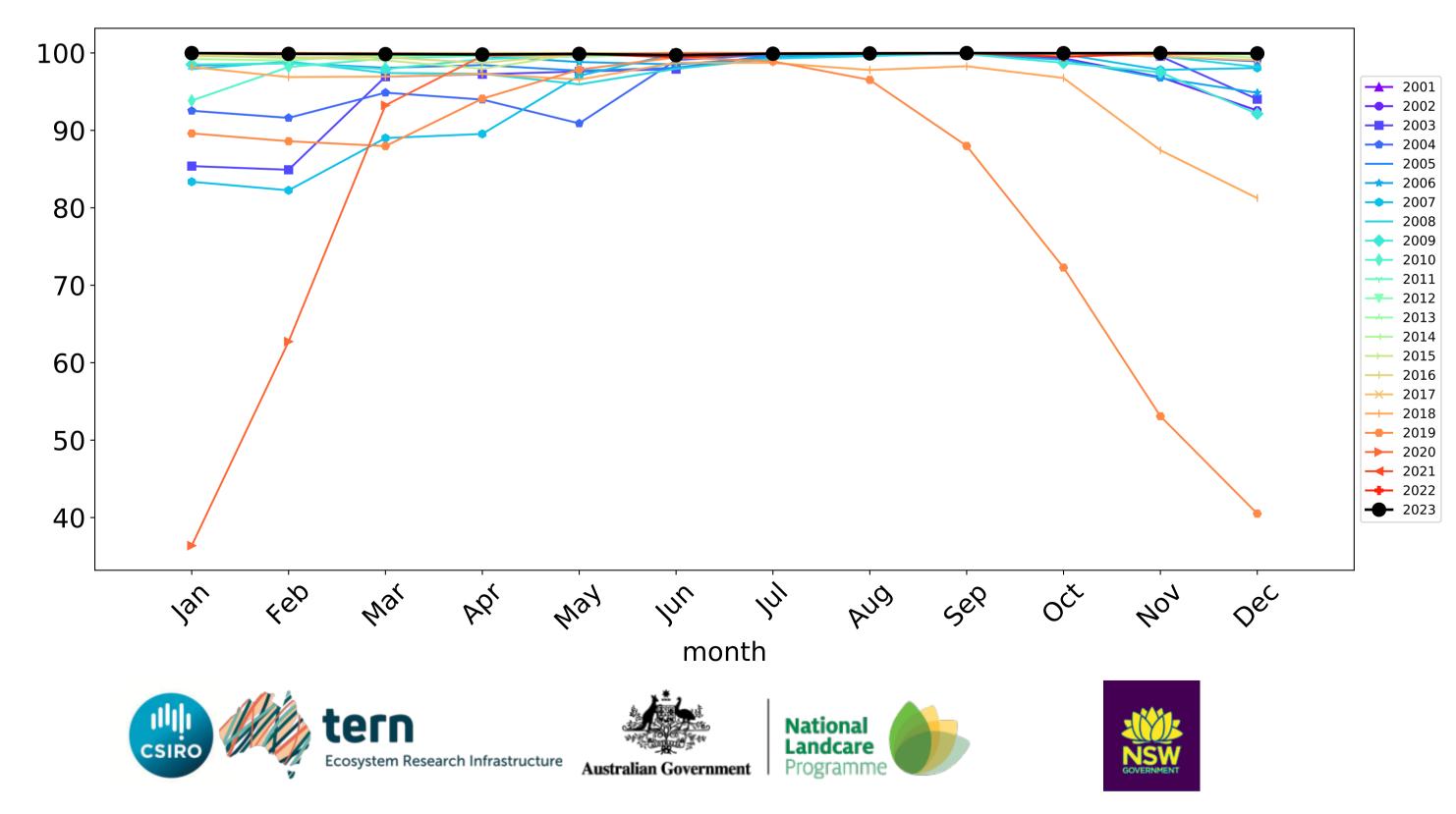
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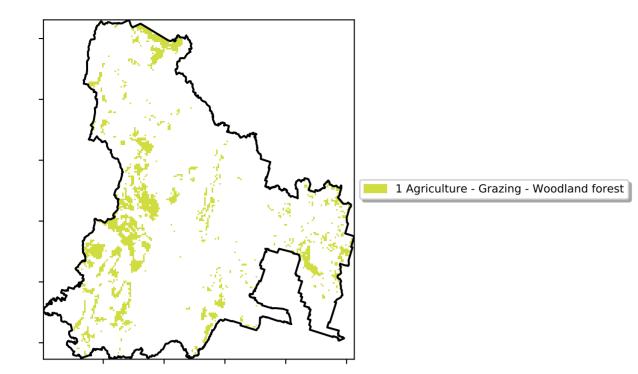
## Grazing non forest timeseries

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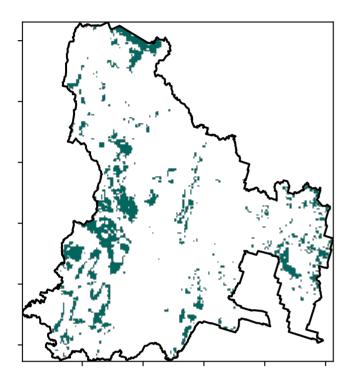


#### **Grazing Woodland forest**

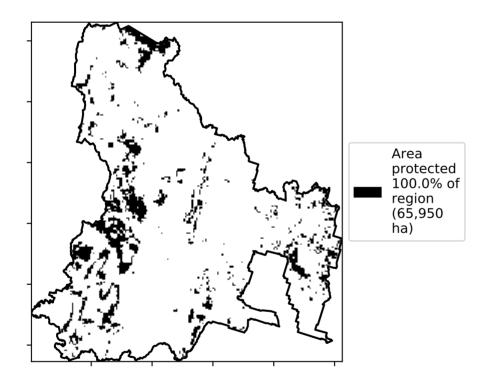
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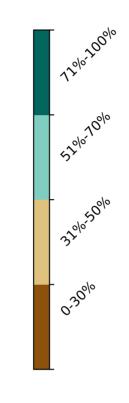


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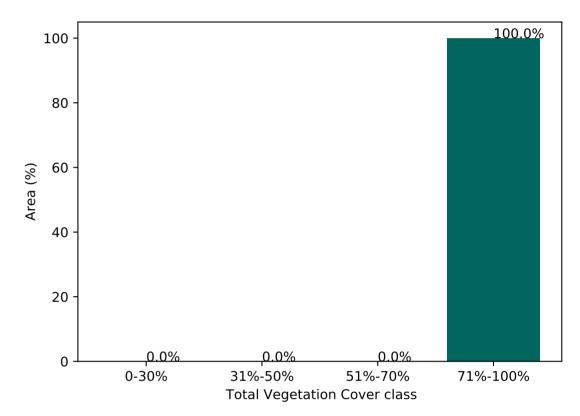


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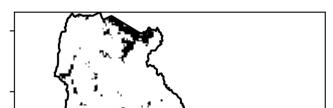




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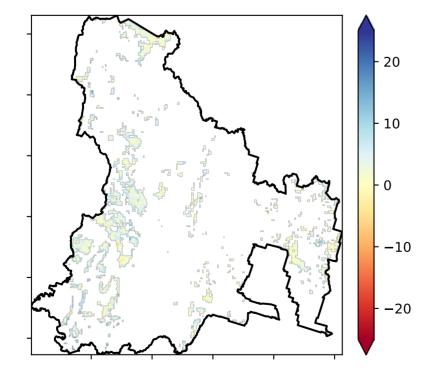
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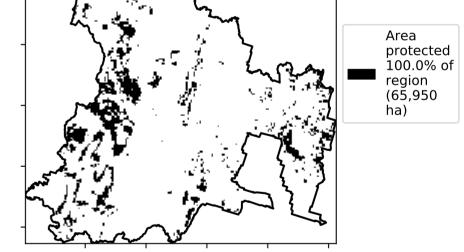
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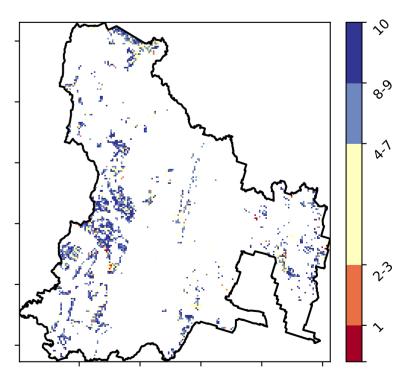
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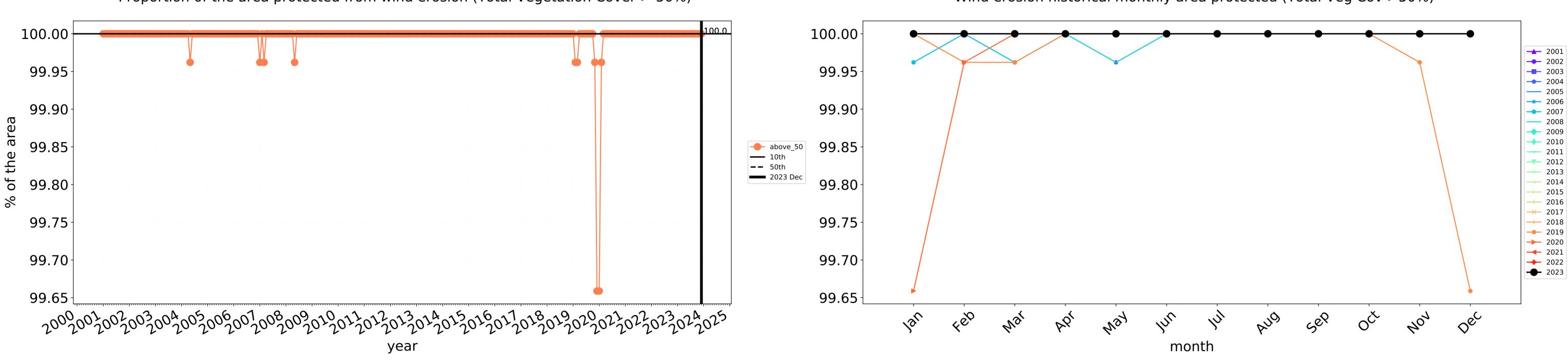


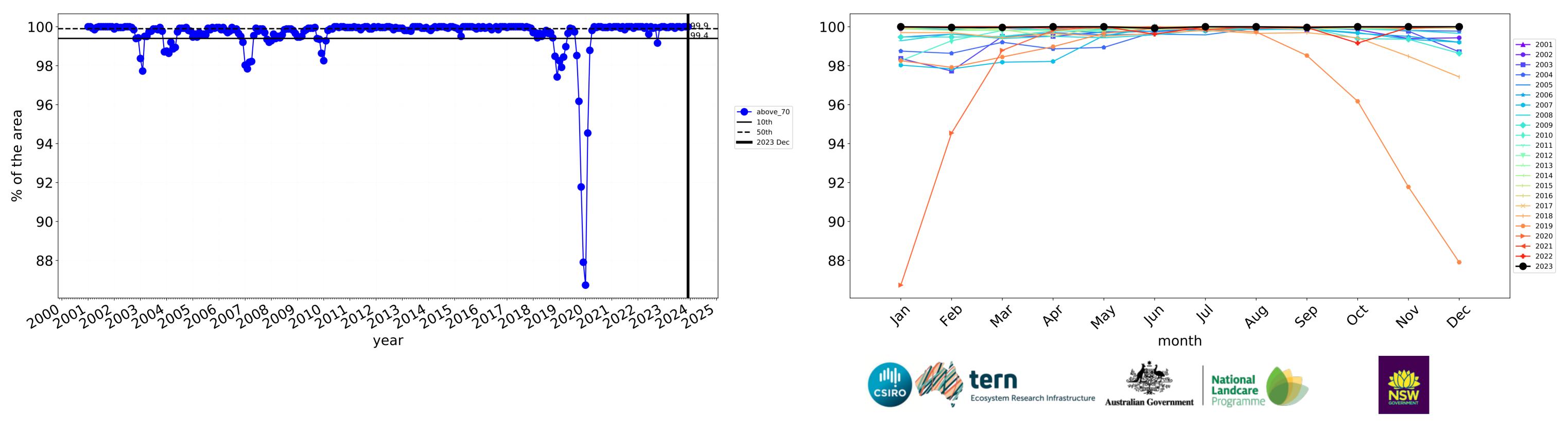
Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]





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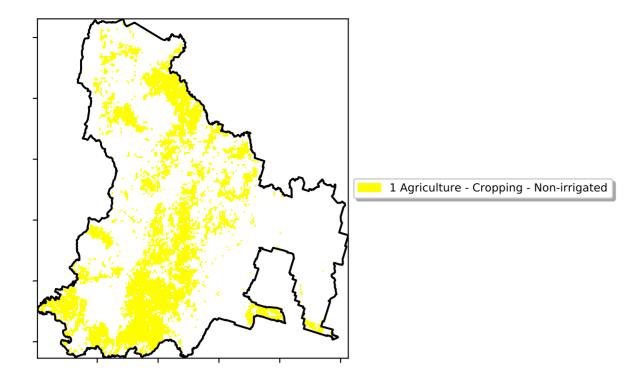


Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)

Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)

#### Cropping

Land use and forest cover



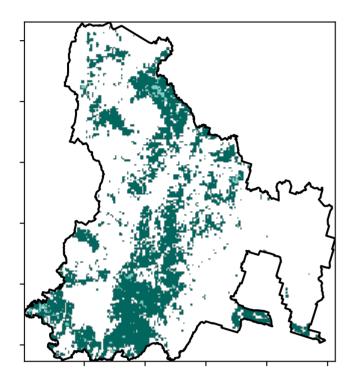
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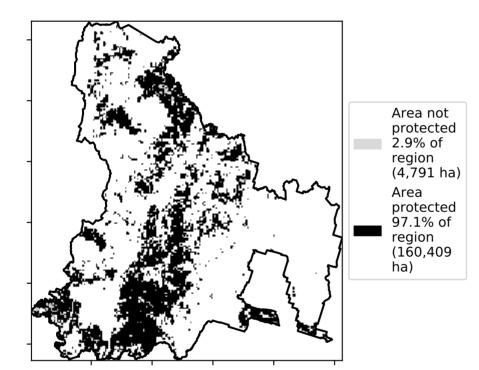
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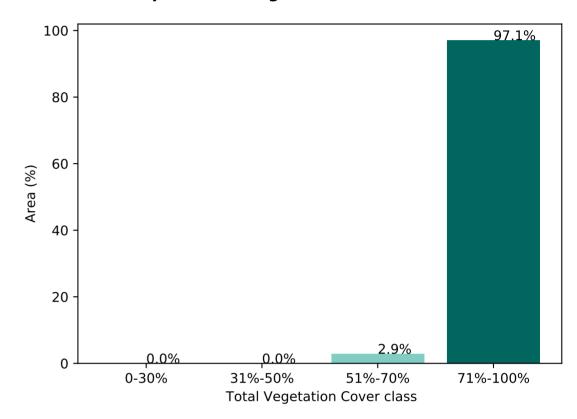
Total Vegetation Cover [%]







Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 

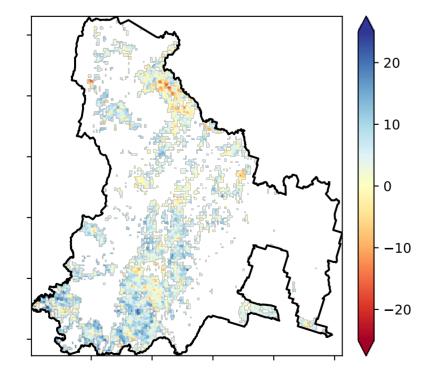
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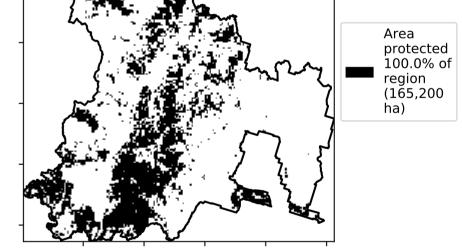
Catchment Scale Land Use of Australia (2018) and Forests

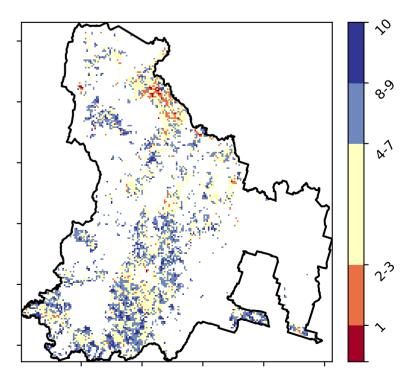
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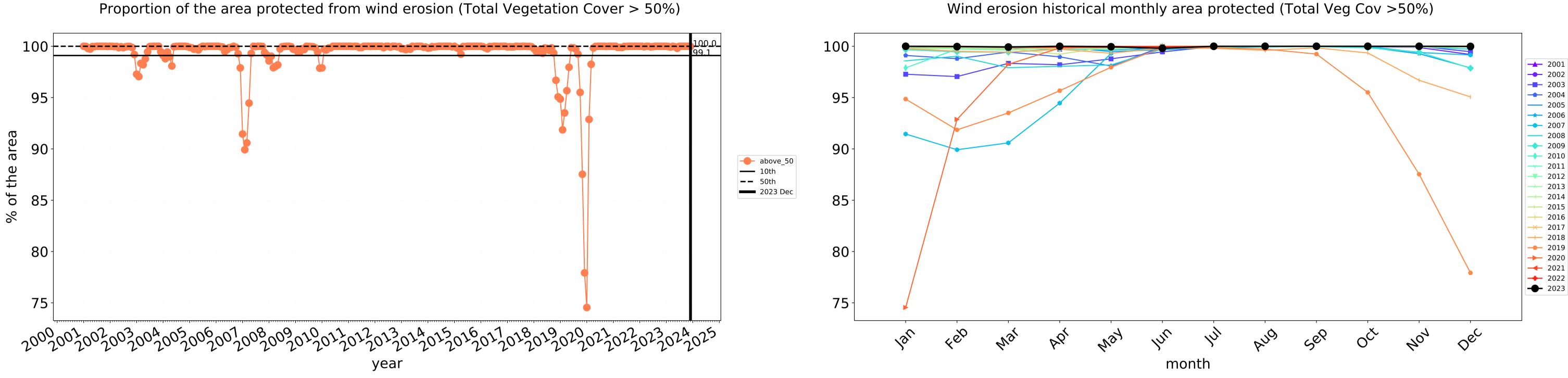


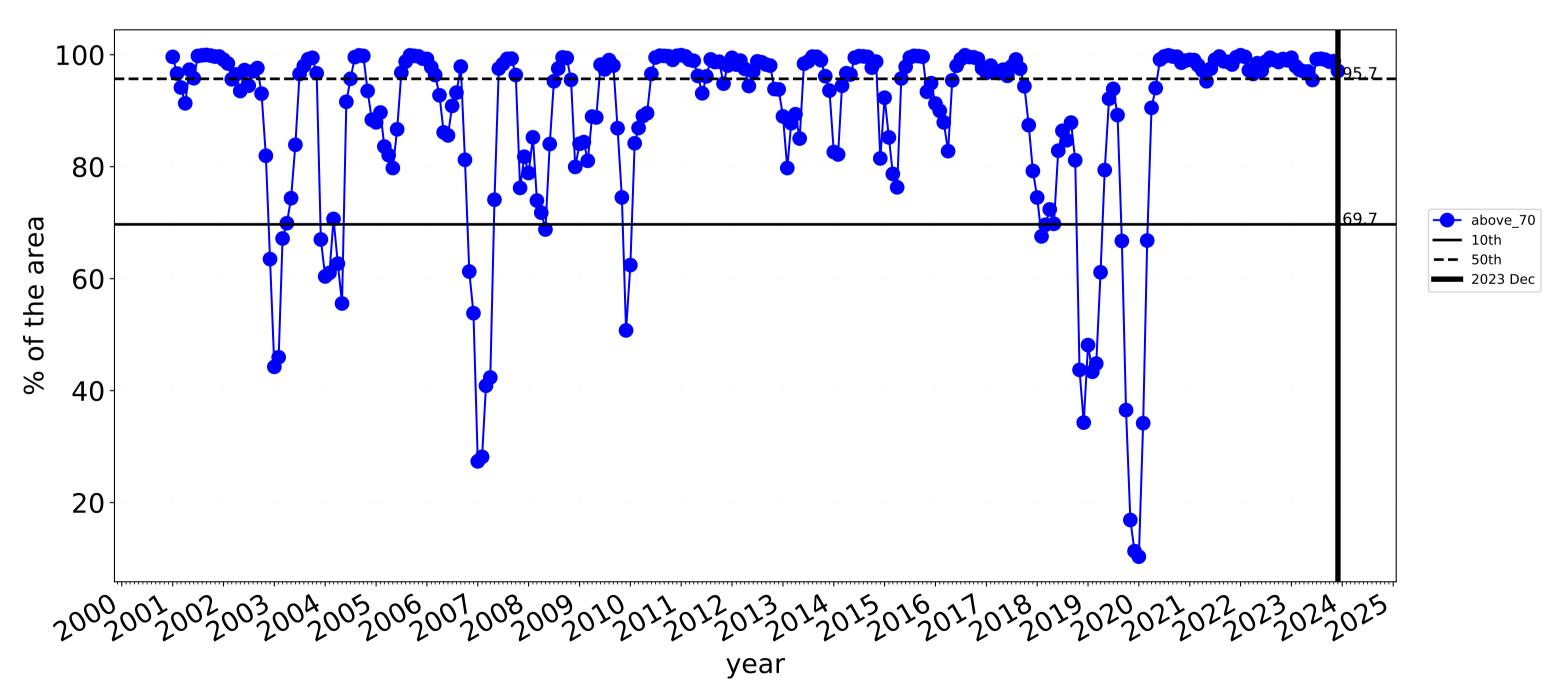
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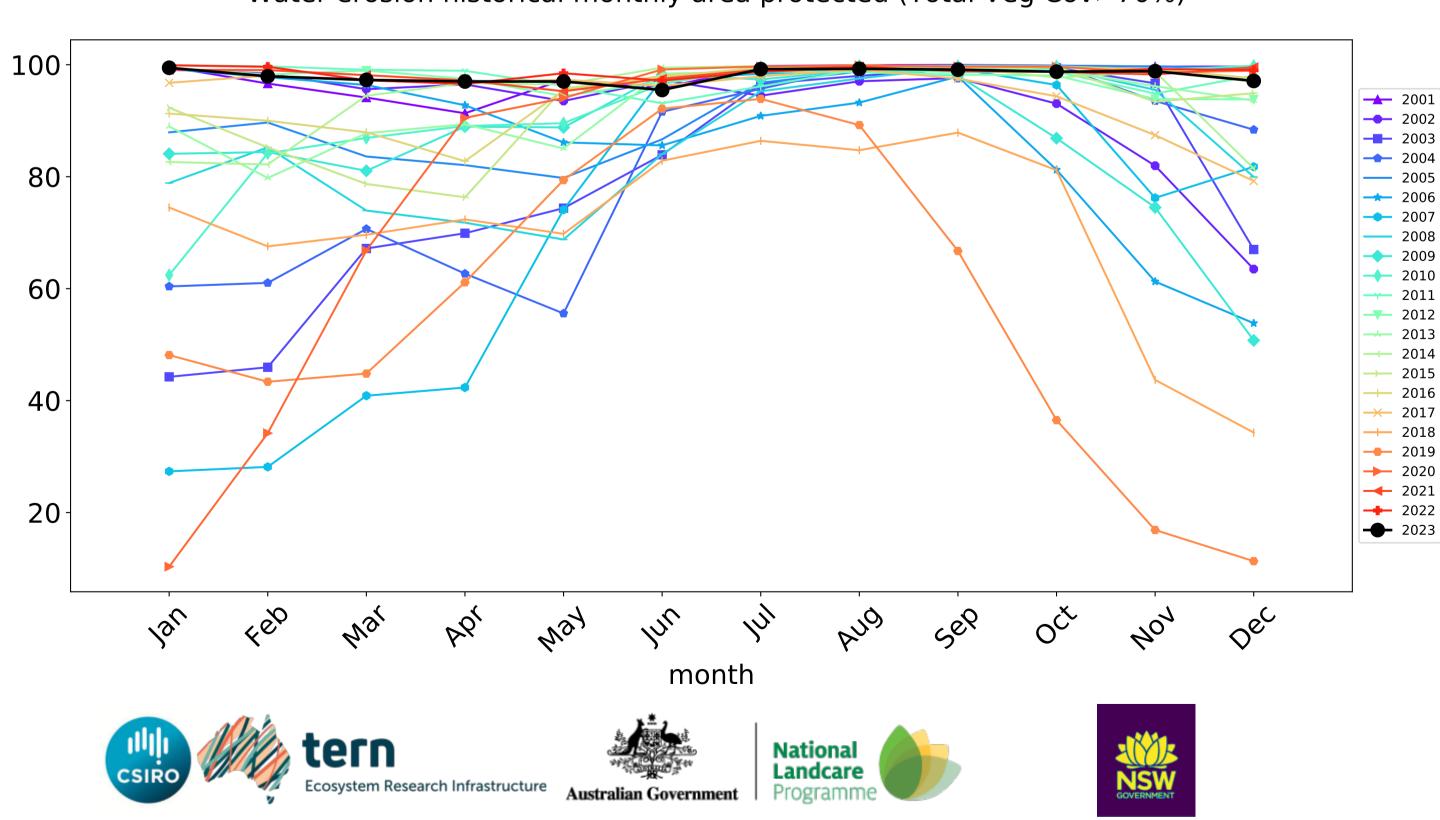








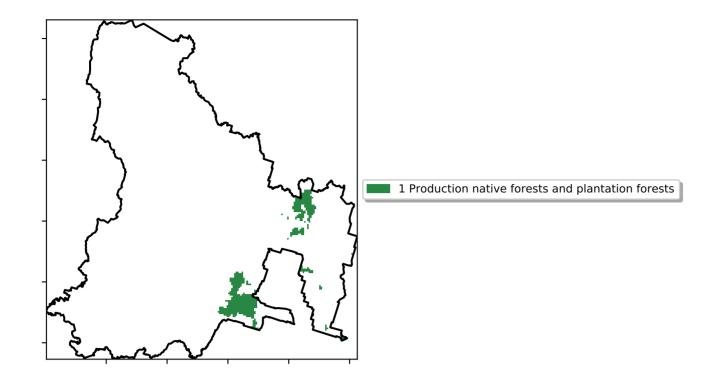
## **Cropping timeseries**



Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)

### **Production native forests and plantation forests**

Land use and forest cover



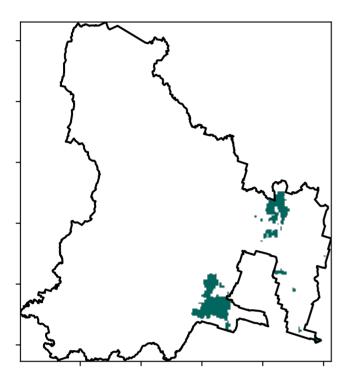
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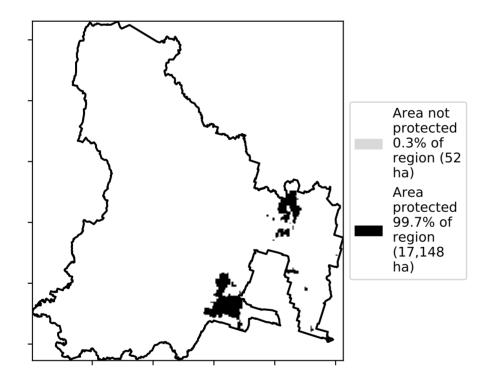
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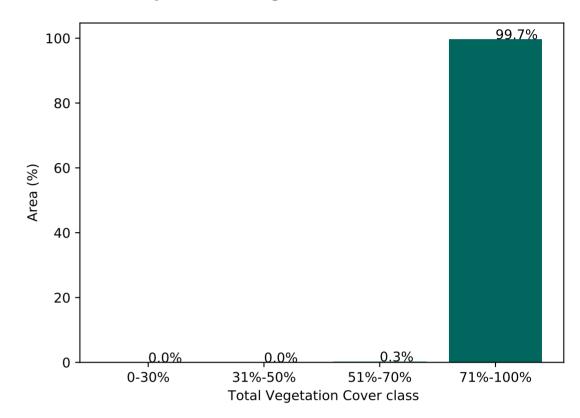
Total Vegetation Cover [%]



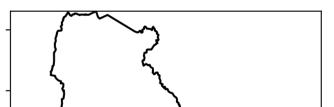








% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



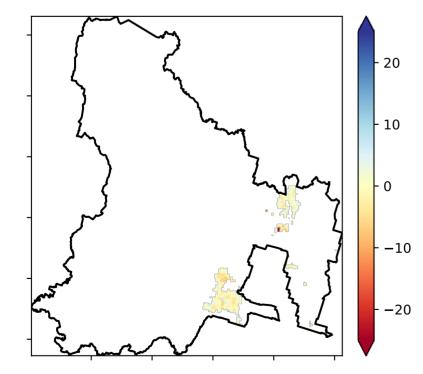
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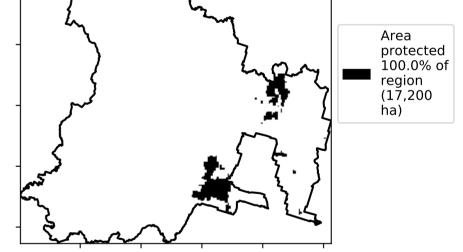
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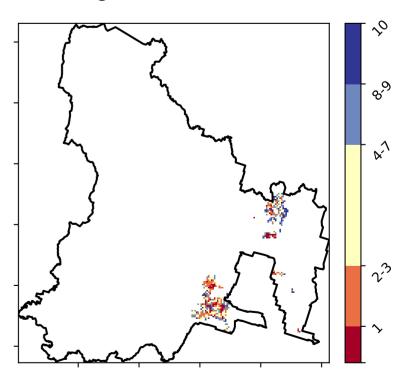
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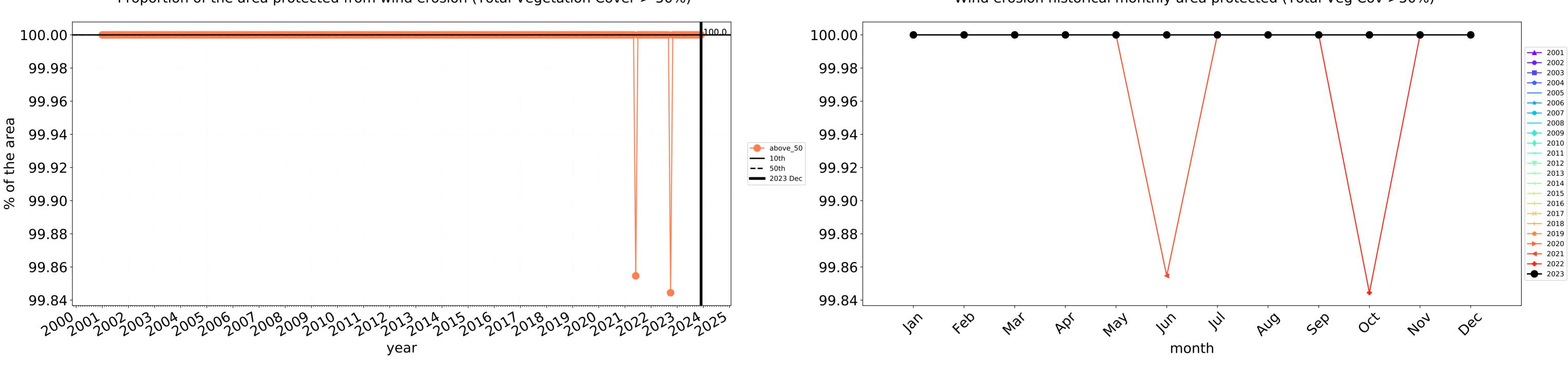
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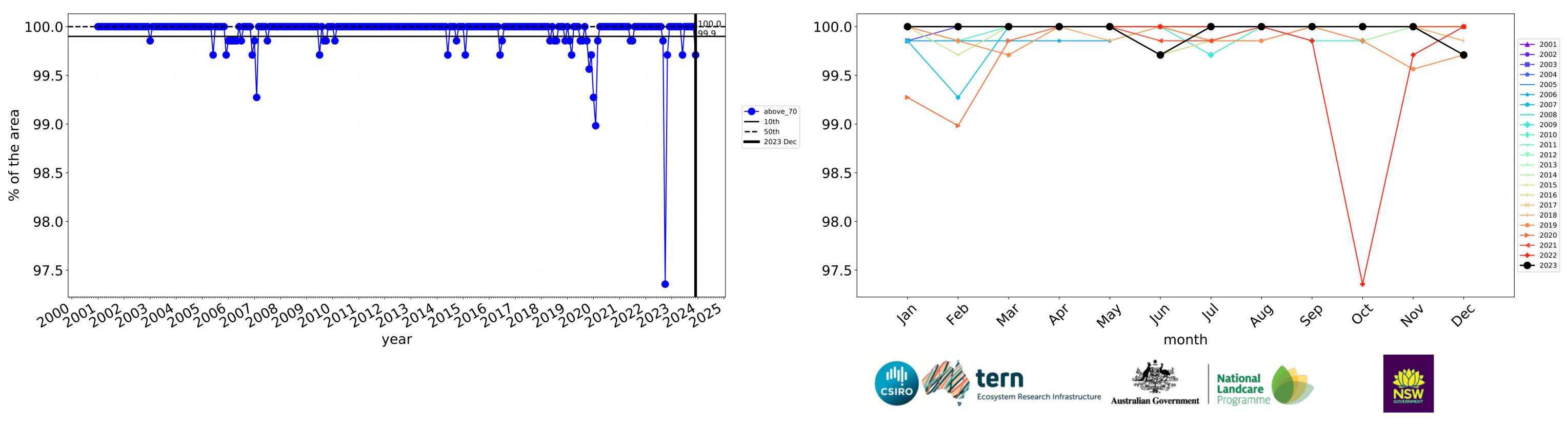












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# Cabonne\_(A) (total 602,650 ha) Percentage area and hectares protected with TVC threshold 30,50,70,80,90 and 95%

Land use and forest cover Class	area(ha)	above_30	above_50	above_70	above_80	above_90	above_95
Entire region	602,650	100.0% 602,650	100.0% 602,625	99.1% 597,100	92.1% 554,750	52.3% 314,900	11.2% 67,575
Conservation and natural environments	48,475	100.0% 48,475	100.0% 48,475	100.0% 48,475	99.9% 48,450	73.6% 35,675	6.1% 2,975
Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest	43,975	100.0% 43,975	100.0% 43,975	100.0% 43,975	100.0% 43,975	73.7% 32,400	6.4% 2,800
Agriculture	531,500	100.0% 531,500	100.0% 531,475	99.0% 526,200	91.2% 484,500	49.8% 264,950	11.6% 61,825
Grazing	361,825	100.0% 361,825	100.0% 361,825	100.0% 361,650	97.8% 353,800	63.7% 230,600	15.3% 55,275
Grazing non forest	294,275	100.0% 294,275	100.0% 294,275	99.9% 294,100	97.4% 286,525	62.1% 182,825	16.0% 47,150
Grazing Woodland forest	65,950	100.0% 65,950	100.0% 65,950	100.0% 65,950	99.6% 65,675	71.0% 46,800	12.2% 8,075
Cropping	165,200	100.0% 165,200	100.0% 165,175	97.1% 160,425	77.2% 127,525	20.4% 33,675	3.9% 6,425
Production native forests and plantation forests	17,200	100.0% 17,200	100.0% 17,200	99.7% 17,150	99.4% 17,100	70.2% 12,075	13.5% 2,325

