# Total vegetation cover soil protection Region:LGA Carrathool (A) NSW

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:

Date: March 2023

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 cover class that 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:

https://doi.org/10.4225/08/5848a3f19a7b3









# **Vegetation Cover Mar 2023**

### Land use and forest cover

# Legend with land class forest cover and number, i.e. Forests is 12 1 Conservation and natural environments - Non-forest 2 Conservation and natural environments - Woodland forest 3 Conservation and natural environments - Non-Woodland forest 4 Agriculture - Grazing - Non-forest 5 Agriculture - Grazing - Woodland forest 6 Agriculture - Grazing - Irrigated 7 Agriculture - Grazing - Irrigated 8 Agriculture - Cropping - Irrigated 9 Agriculture - Cropping - Irrigated 10 Agriculture - Horticulture - Non-irrigated 11 Agriculture - Horticulture - Irrigated 12 Production native forests and plantation forests 13 Other uses

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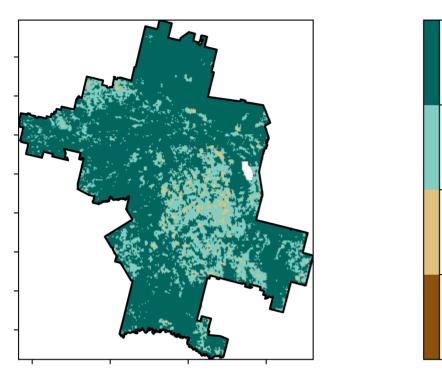
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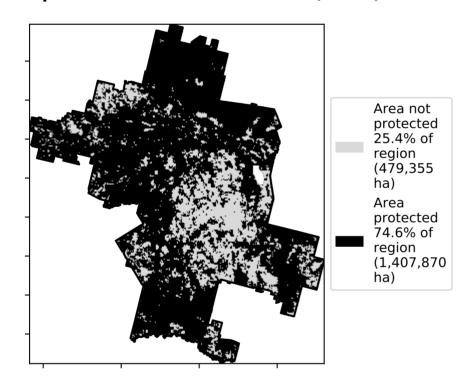
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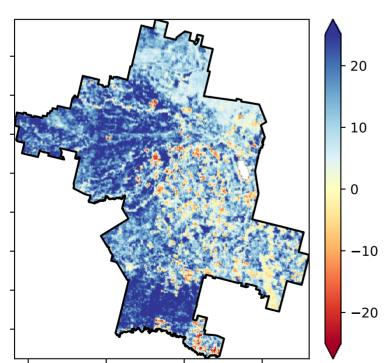
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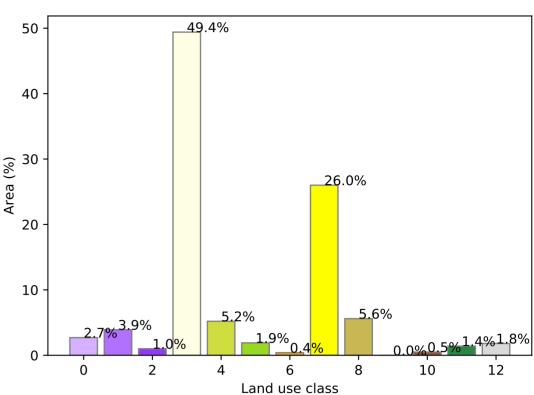


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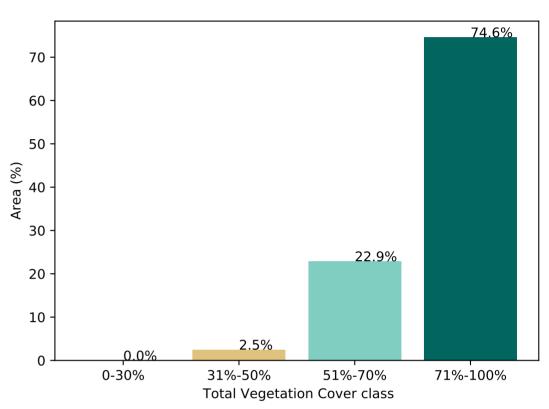


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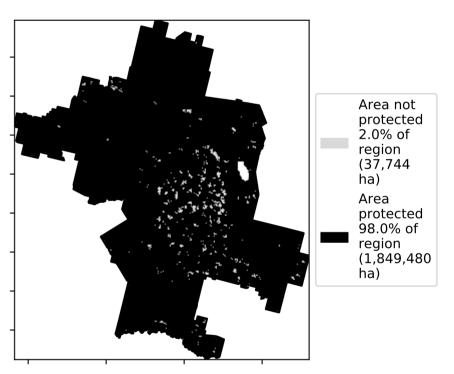
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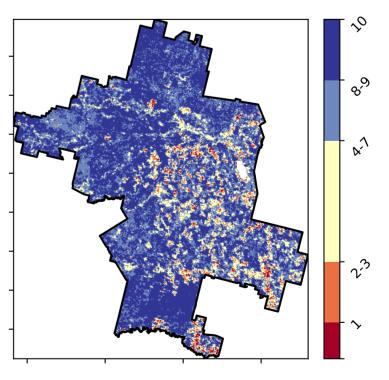
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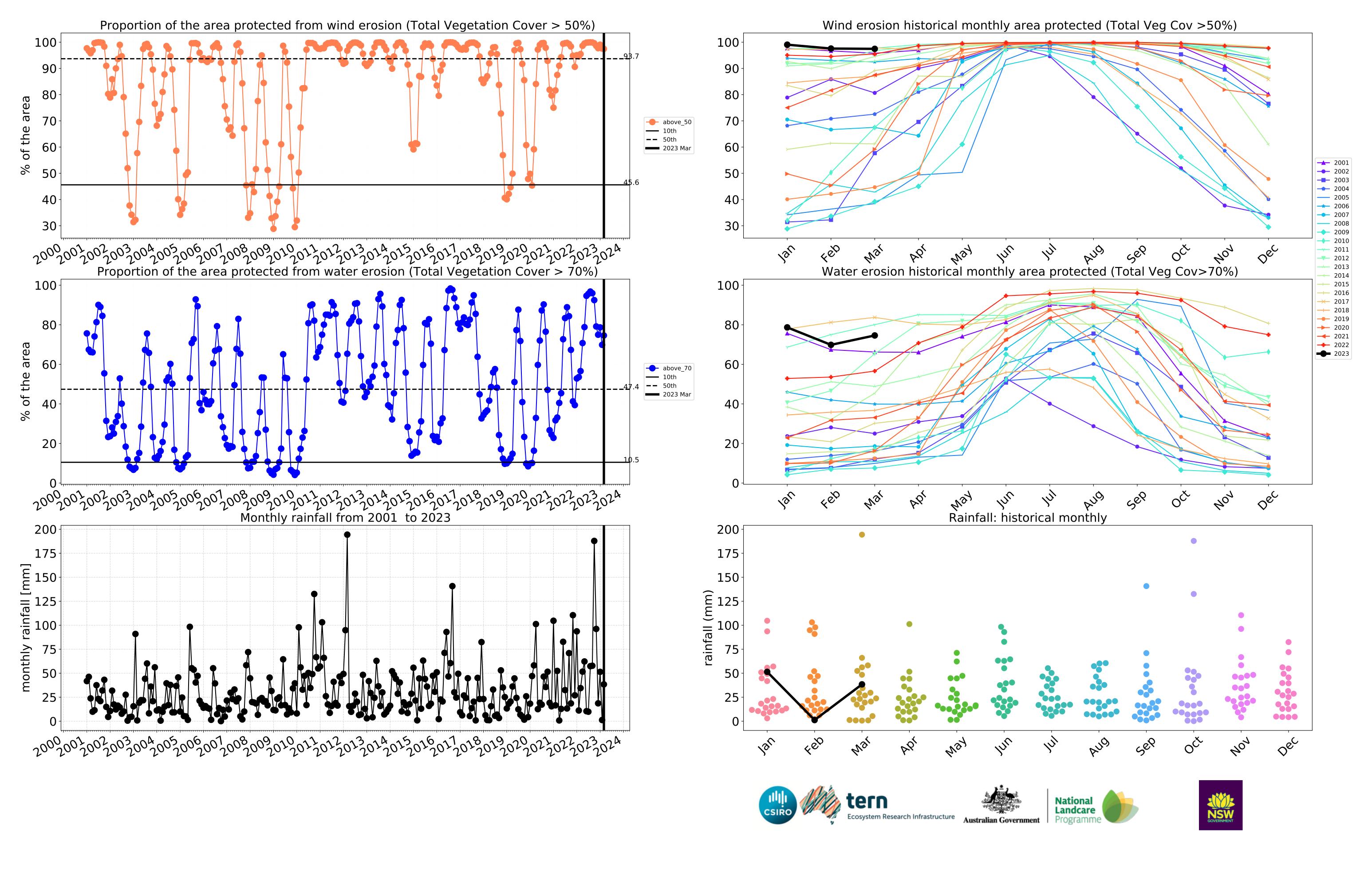












# **Conservation and natural environments**

# Land use and forest cover

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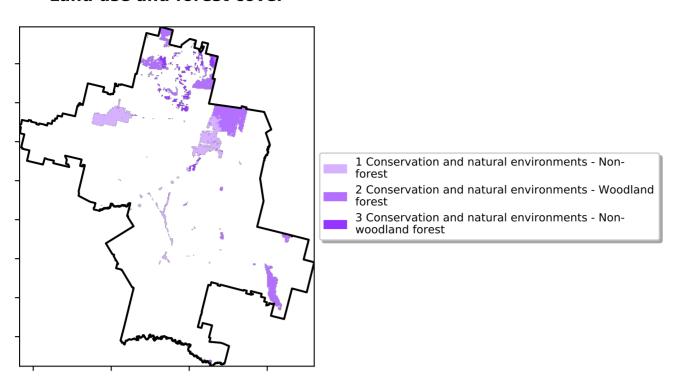
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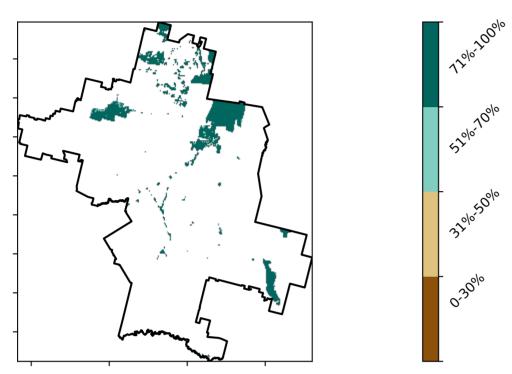
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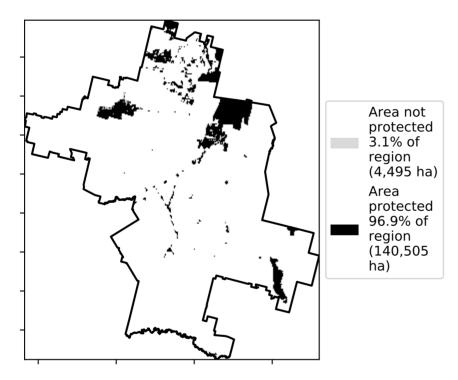
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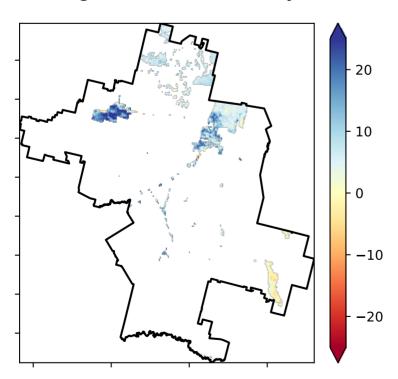
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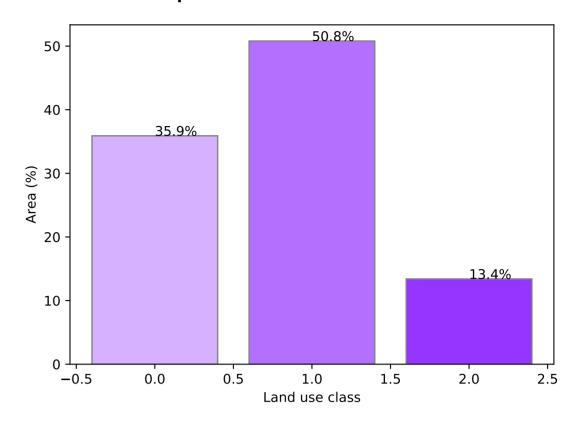


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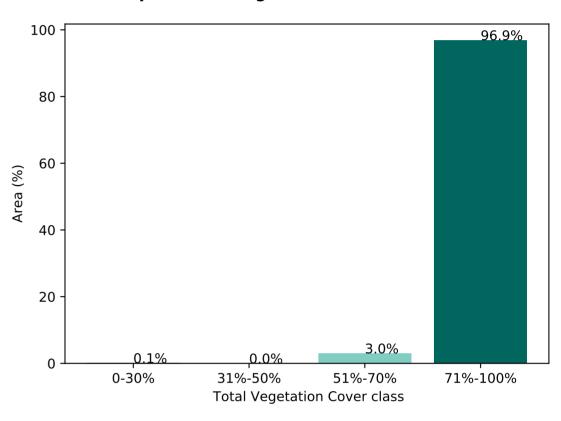


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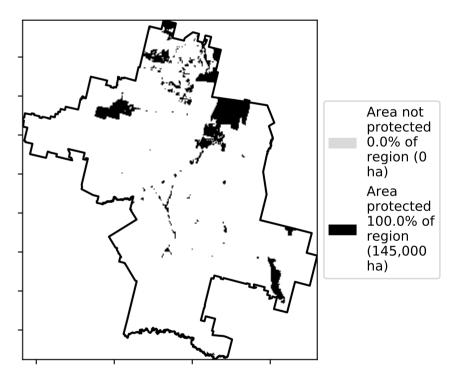
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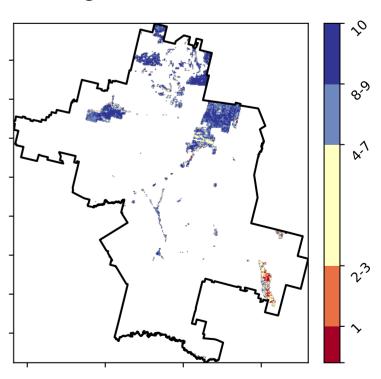


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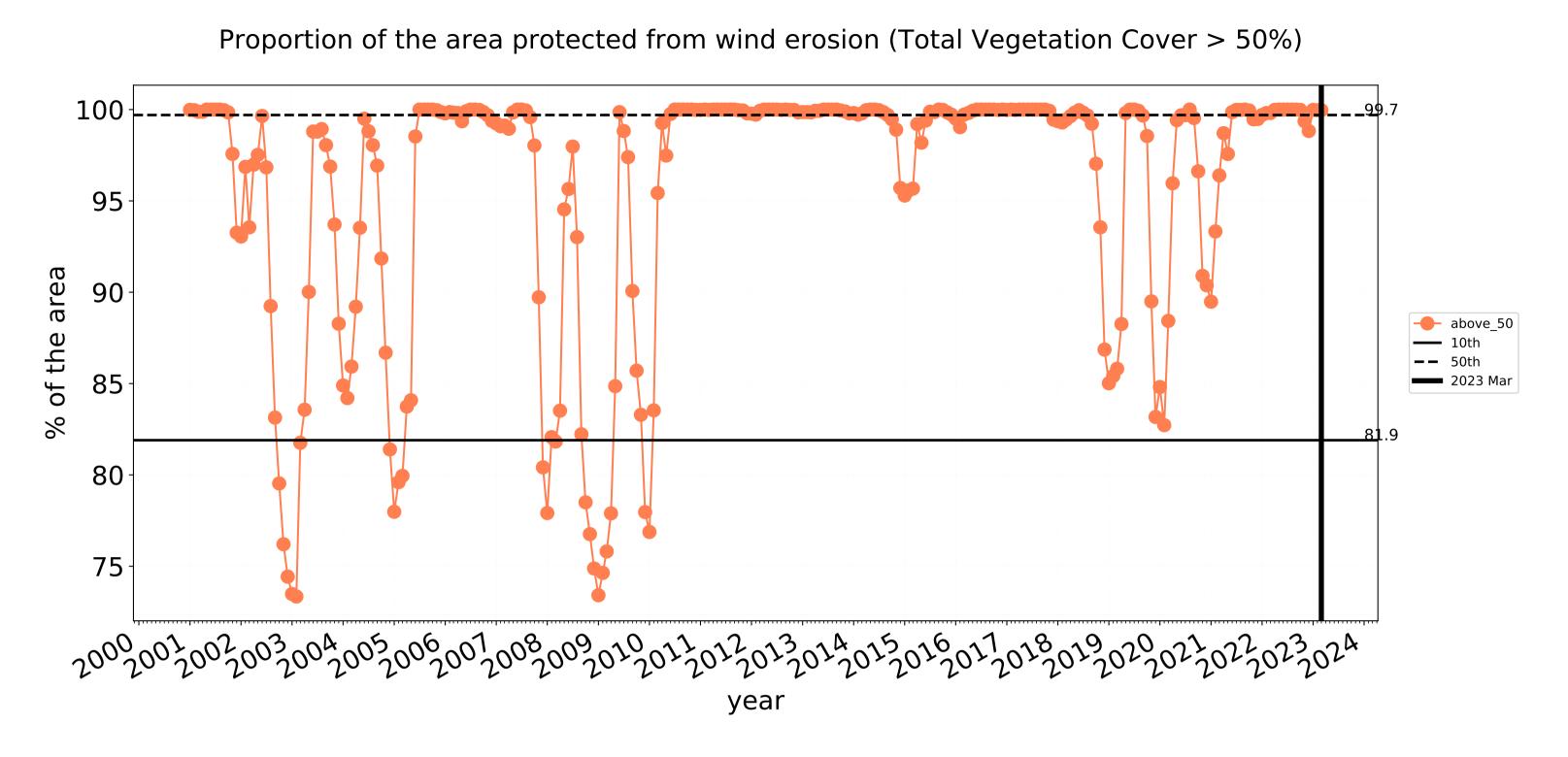


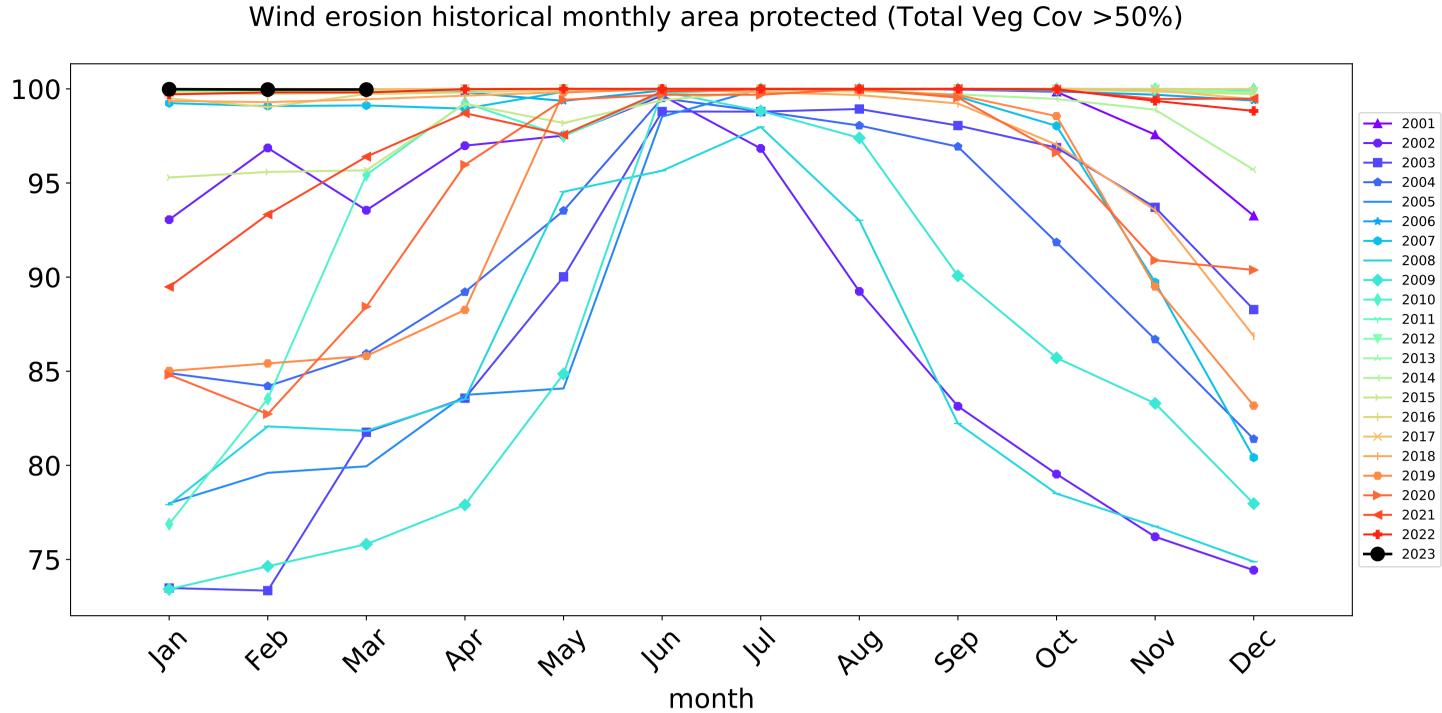


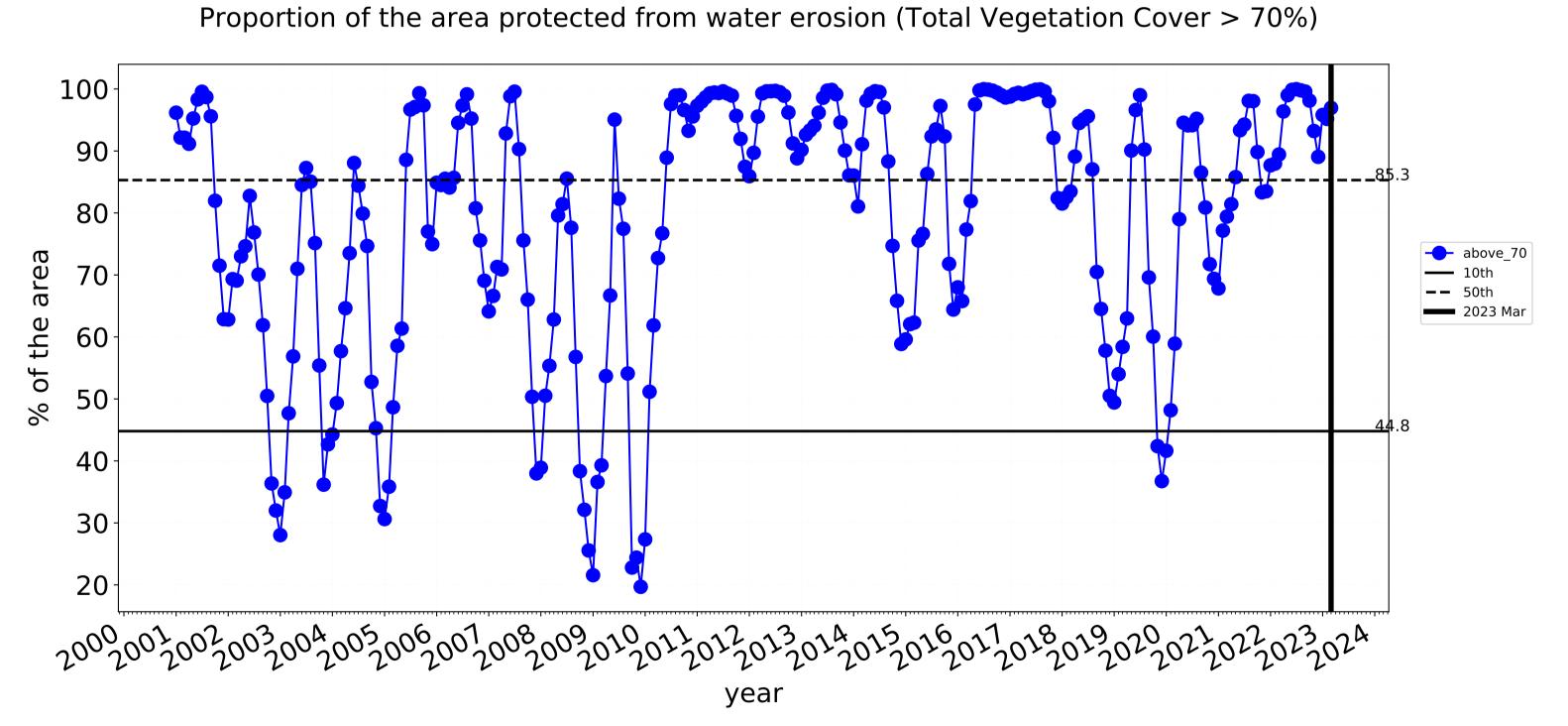


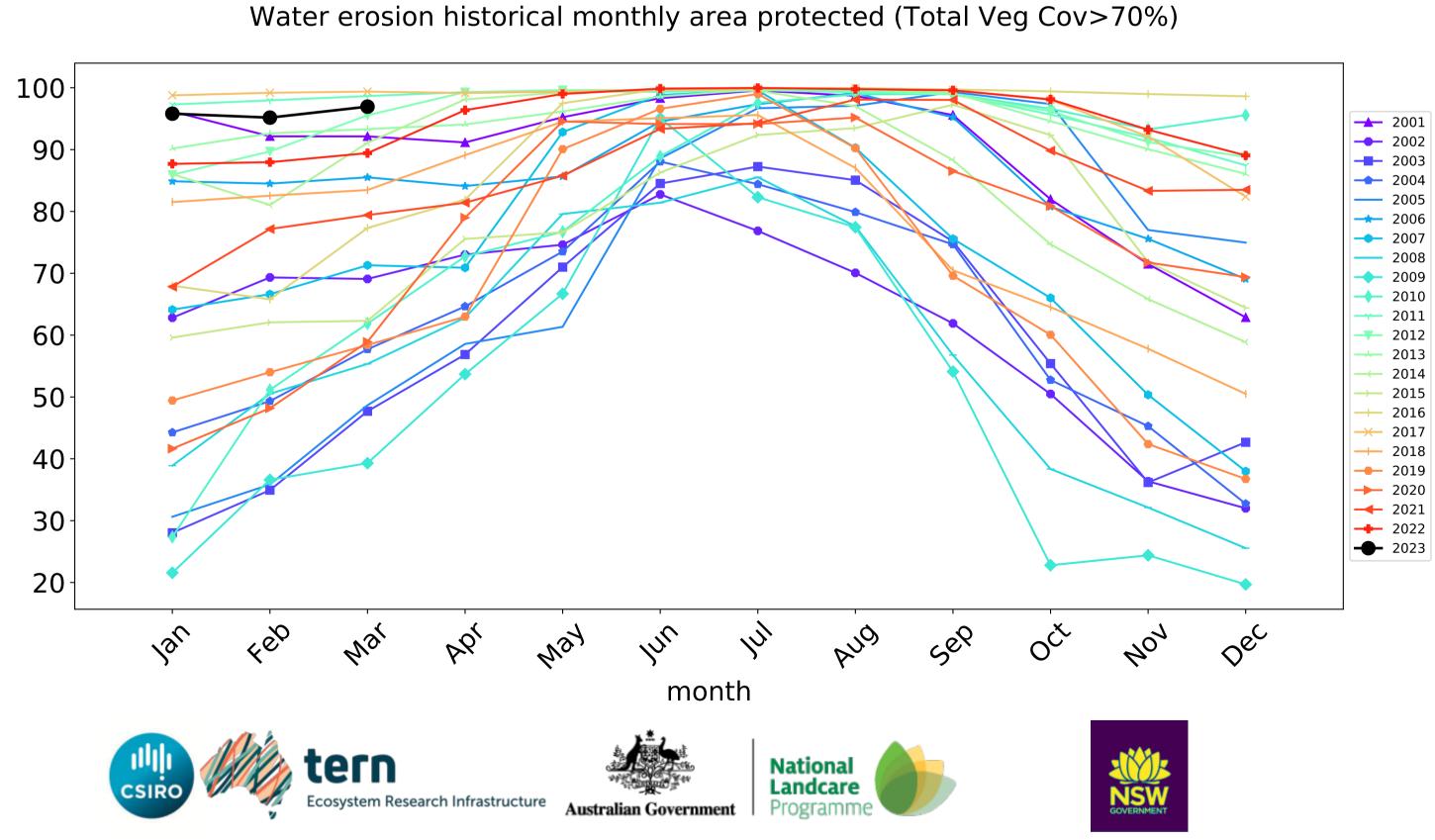


# **Conservation and natural environments timeseries**









# Conservation and natural environments non forest

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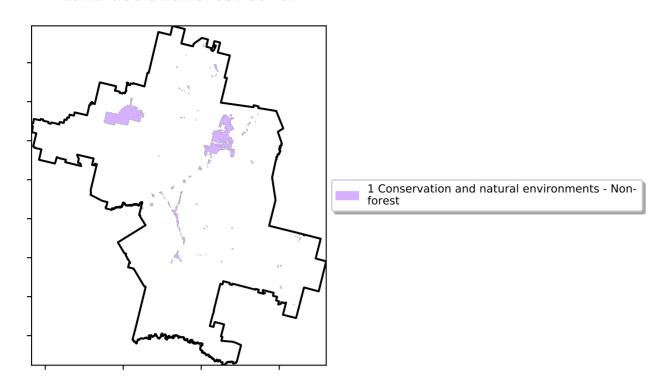
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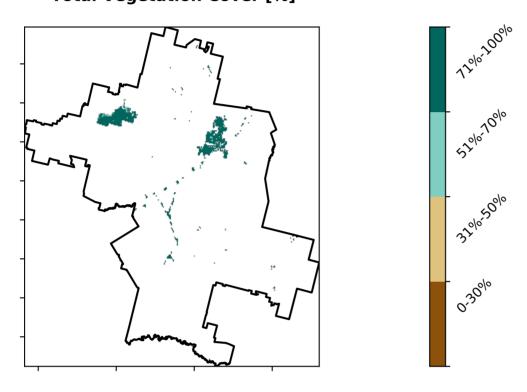
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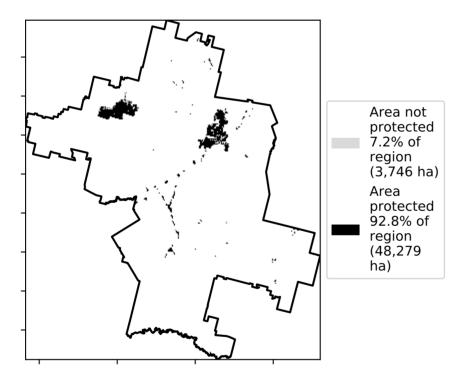
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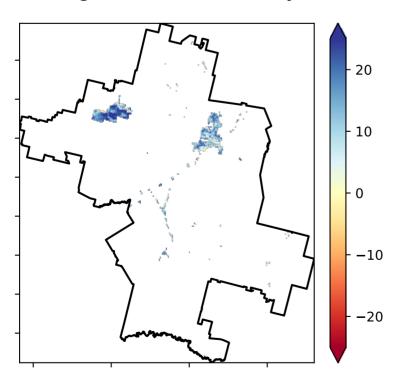
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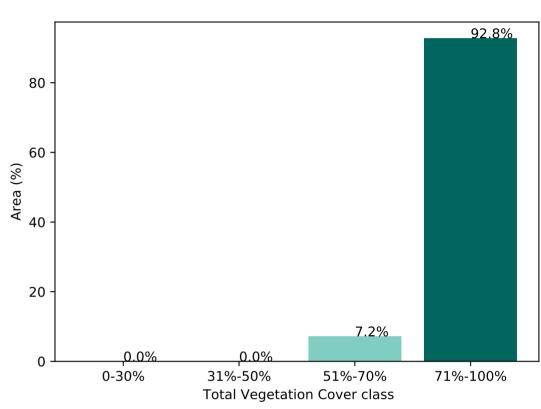


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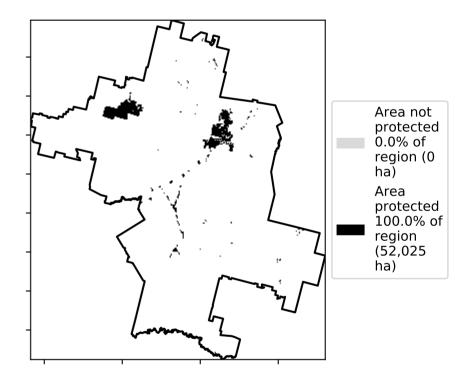


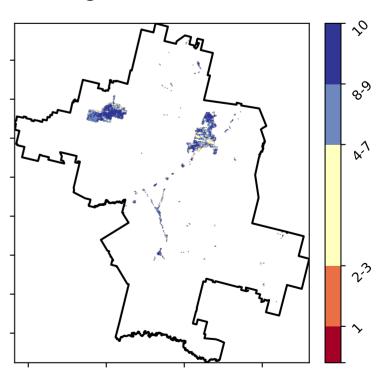
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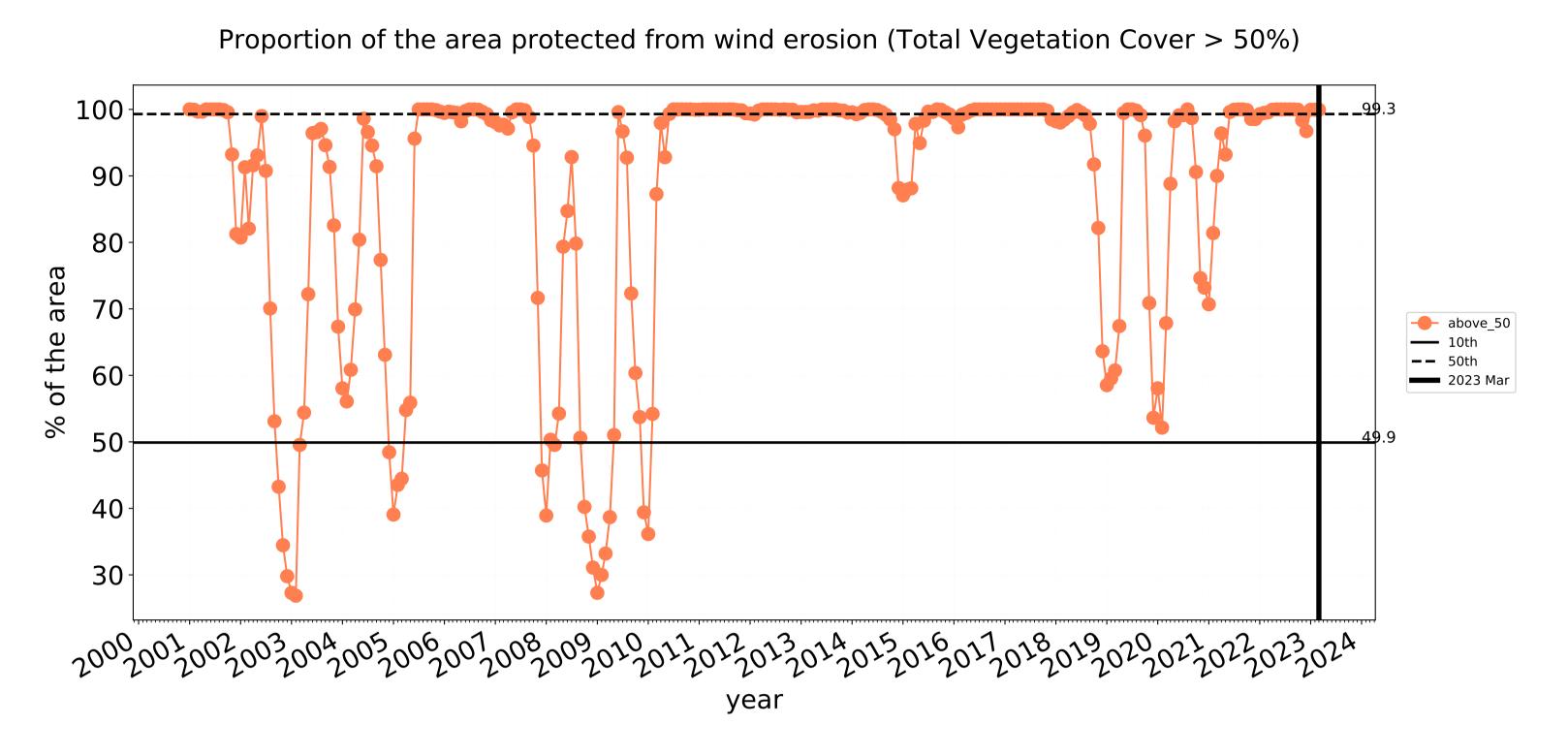


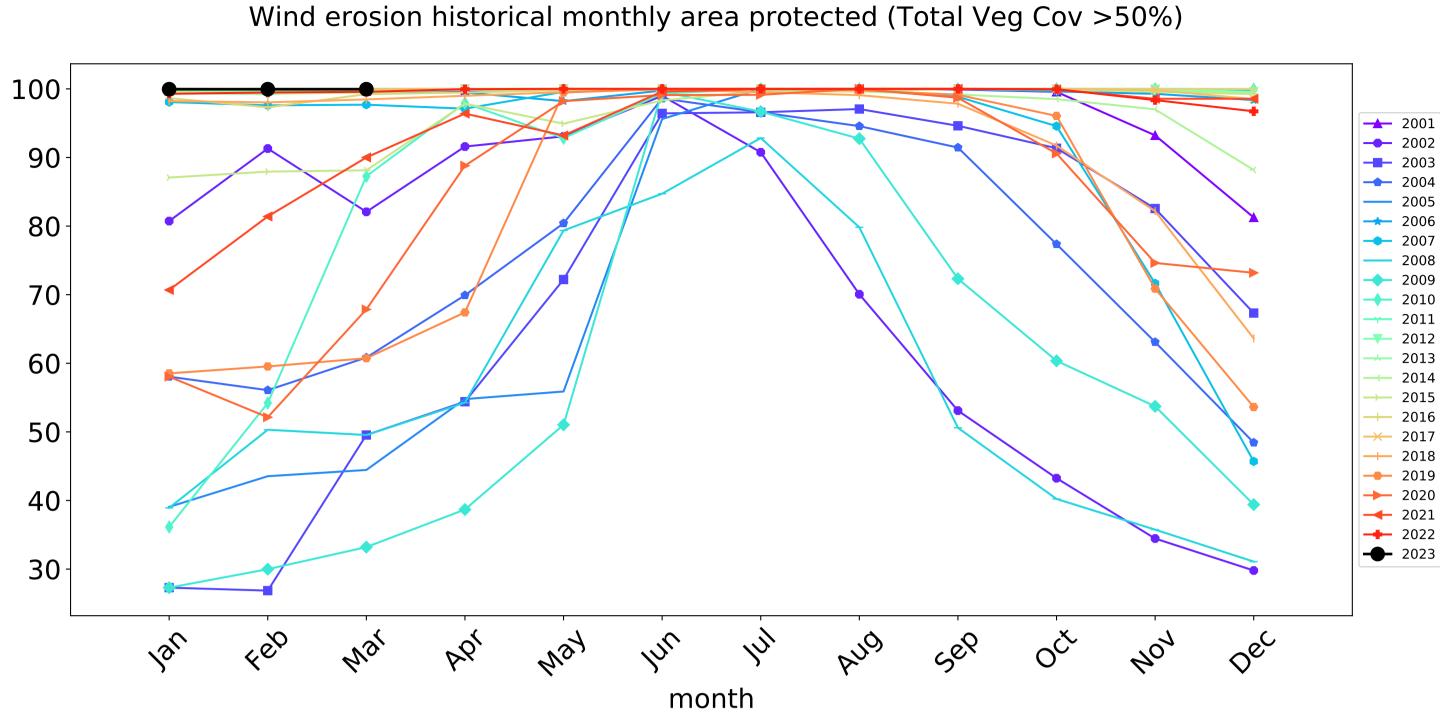


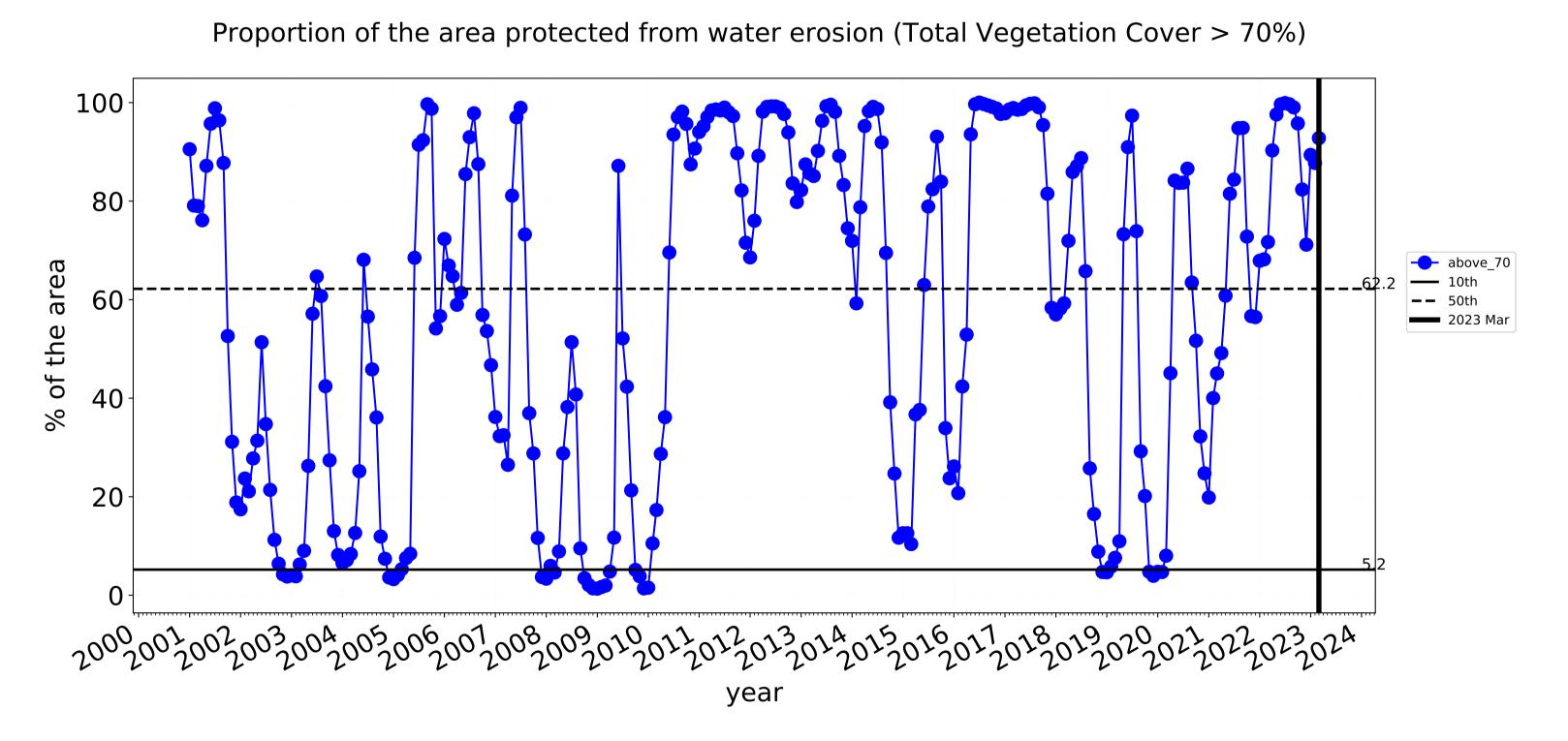


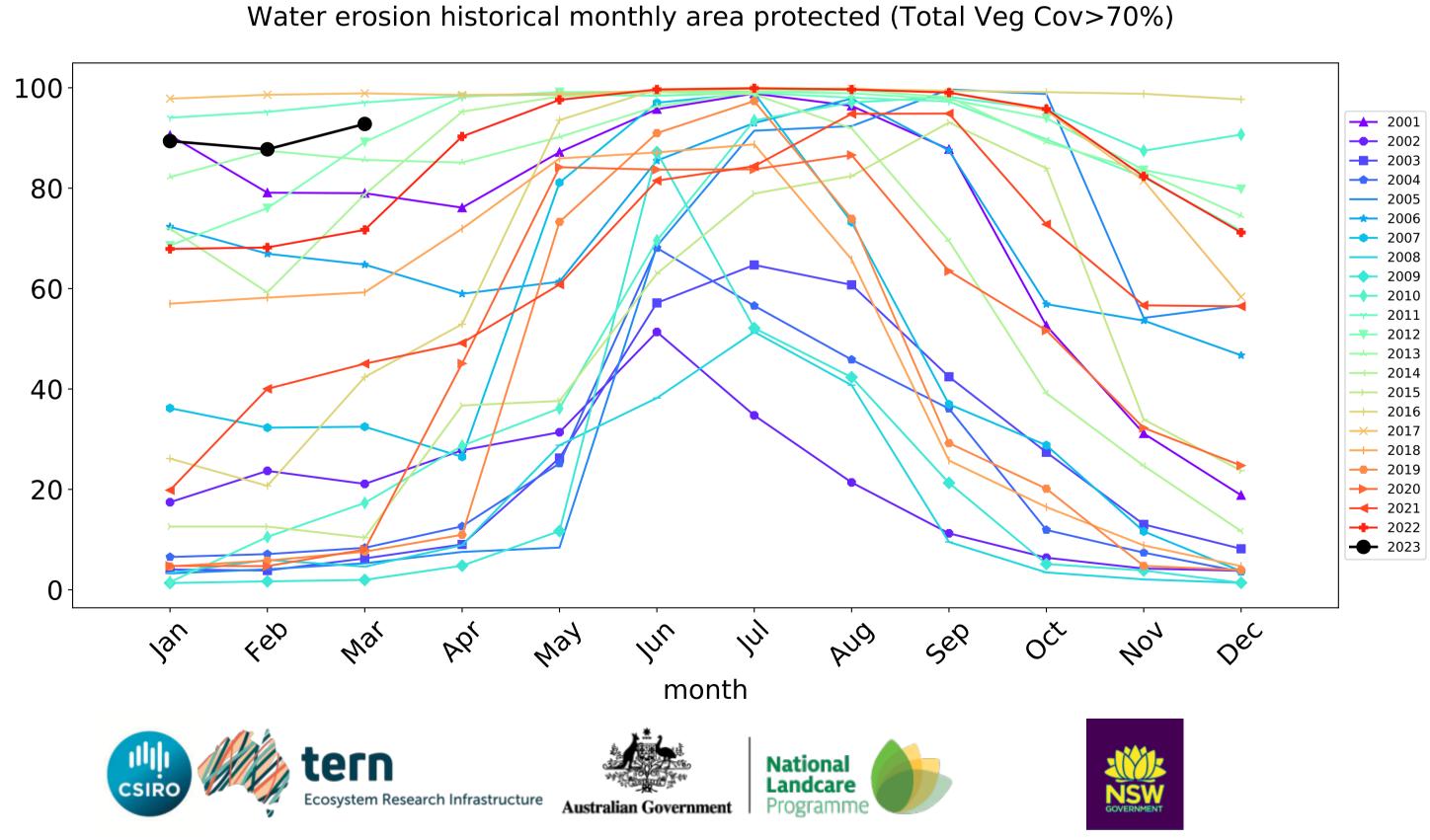


# **Conservation and natural environments non forest timeseries**









# **Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest**

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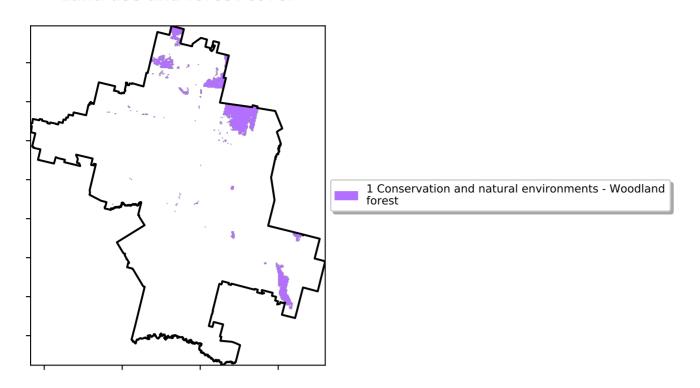
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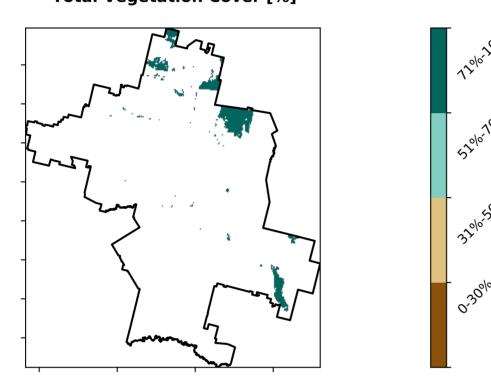
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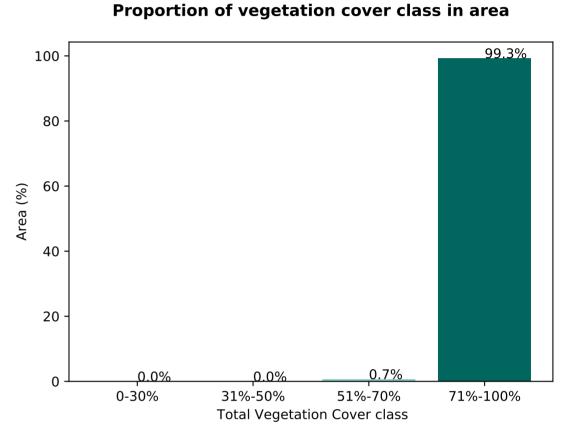
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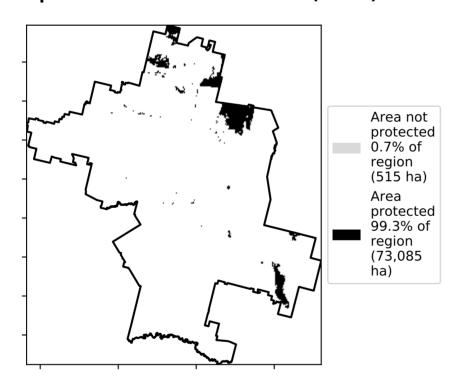


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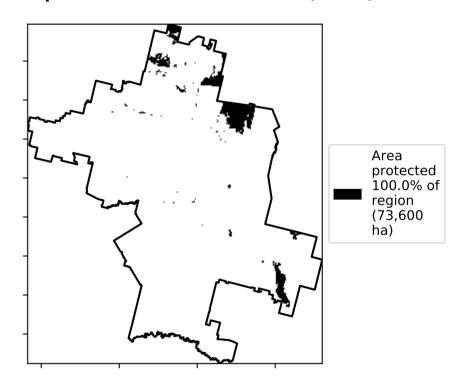




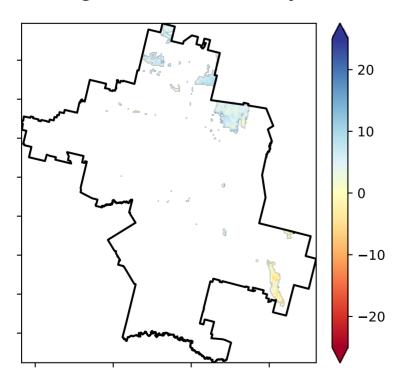
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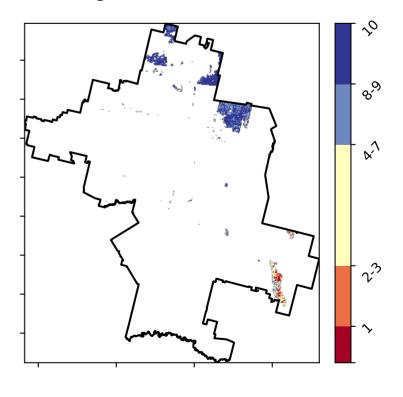
% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



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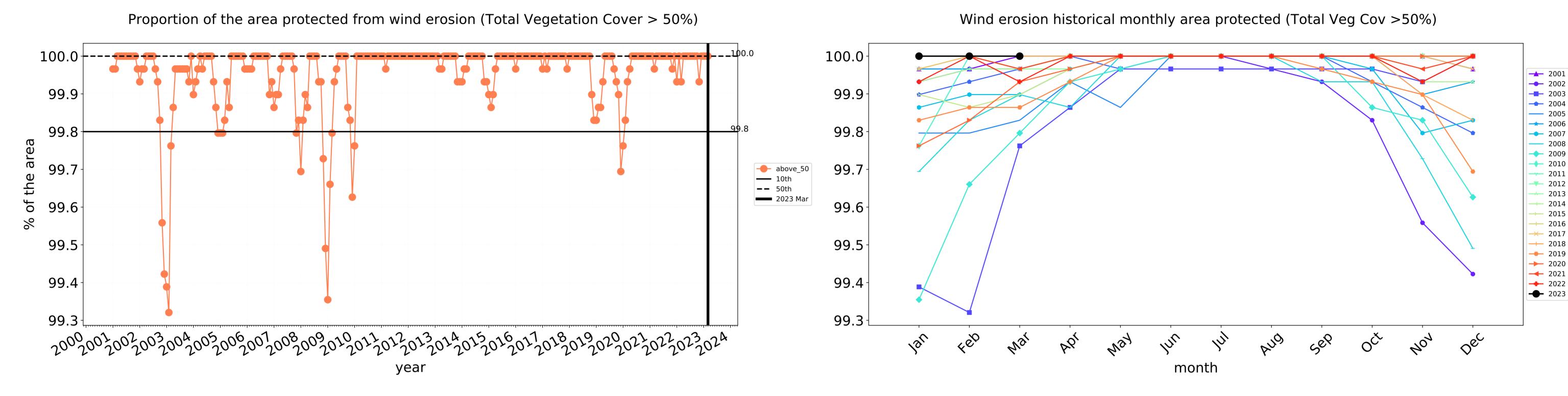


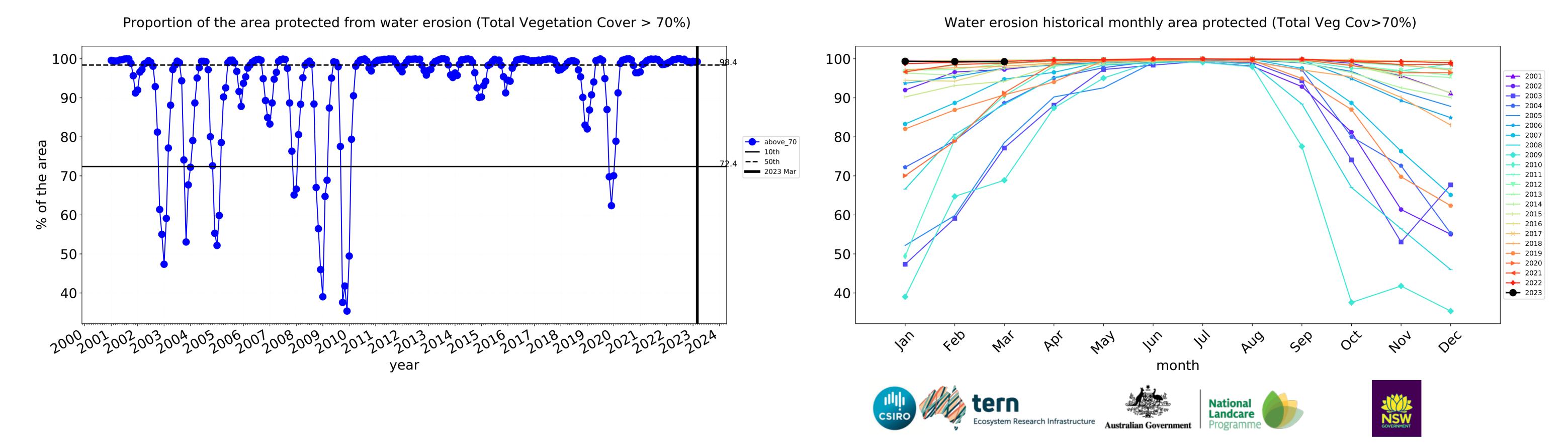






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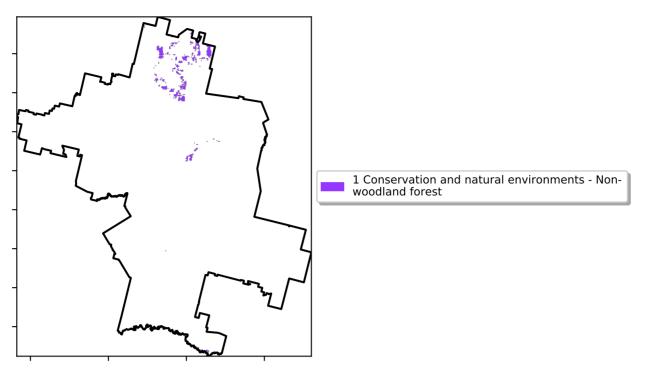




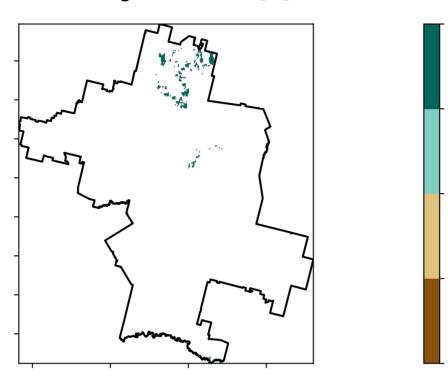
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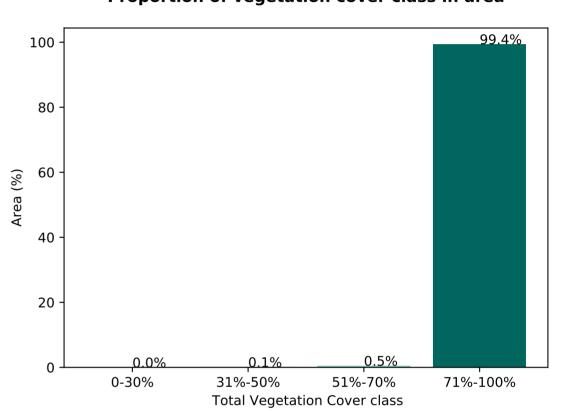
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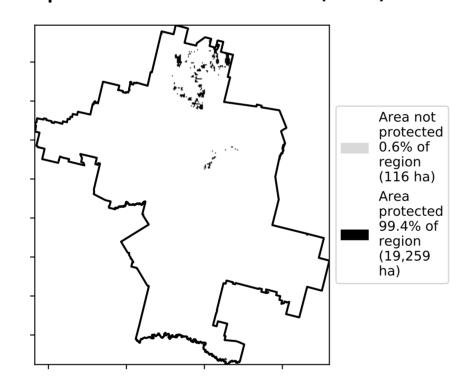
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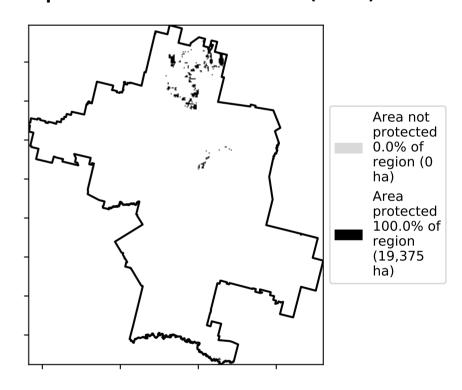
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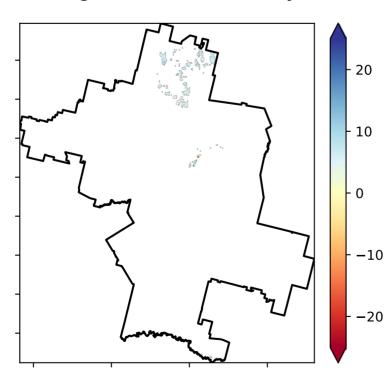
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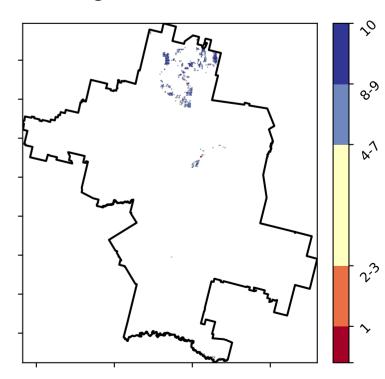


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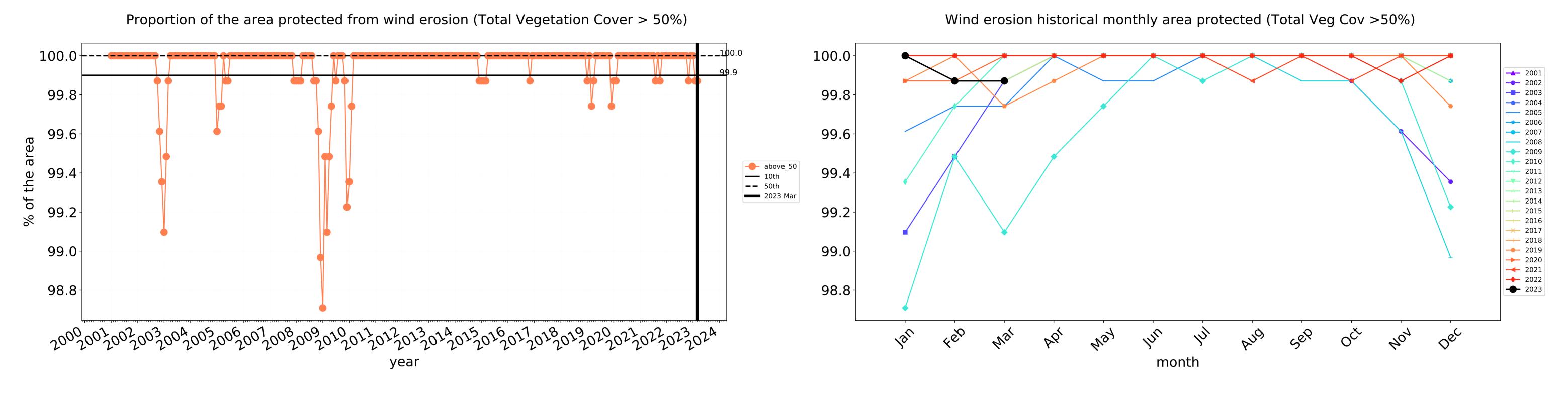
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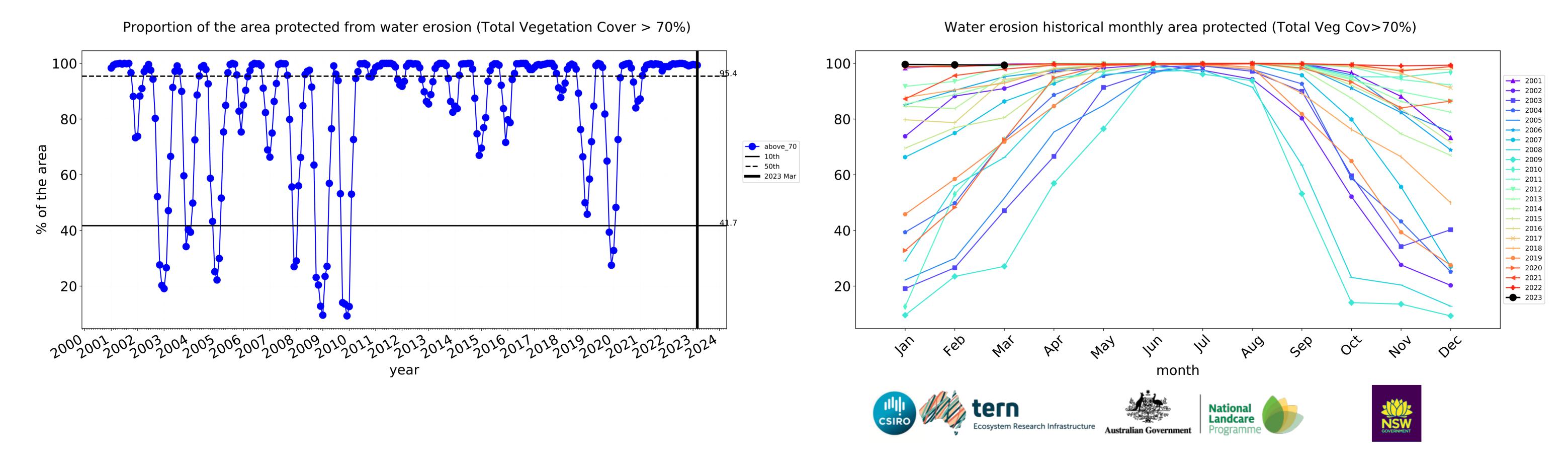










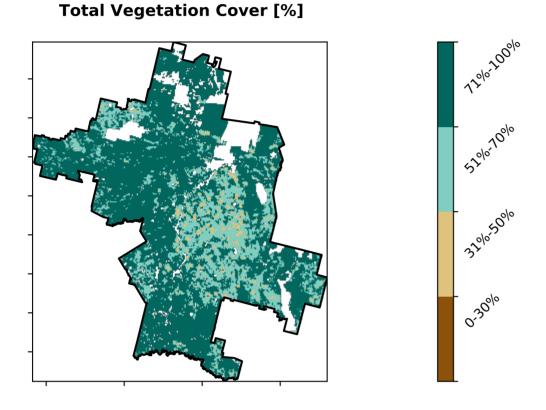


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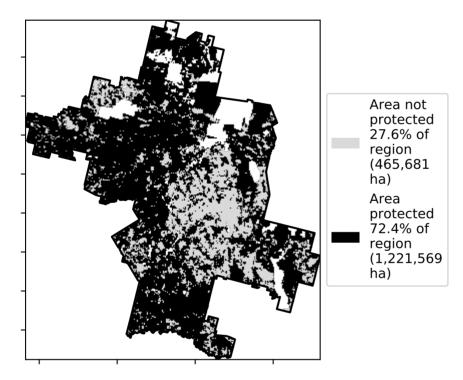
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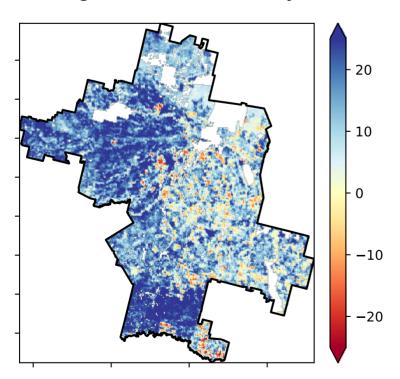
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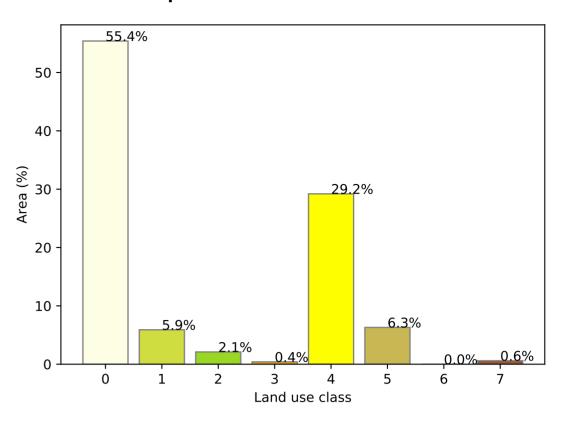
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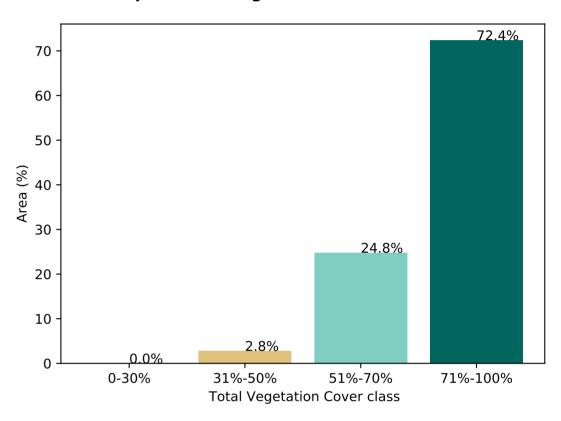


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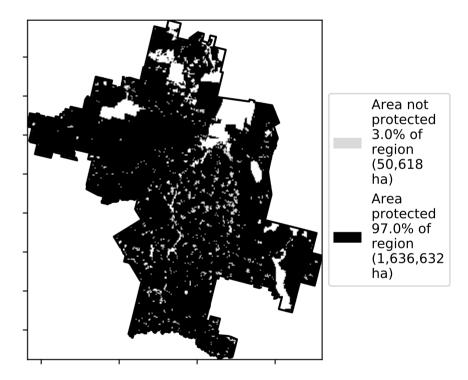
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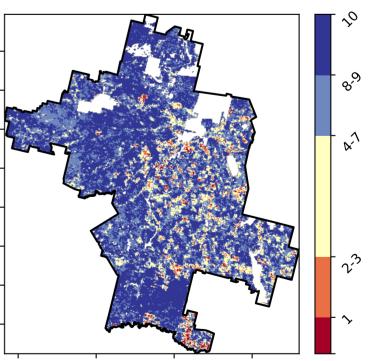


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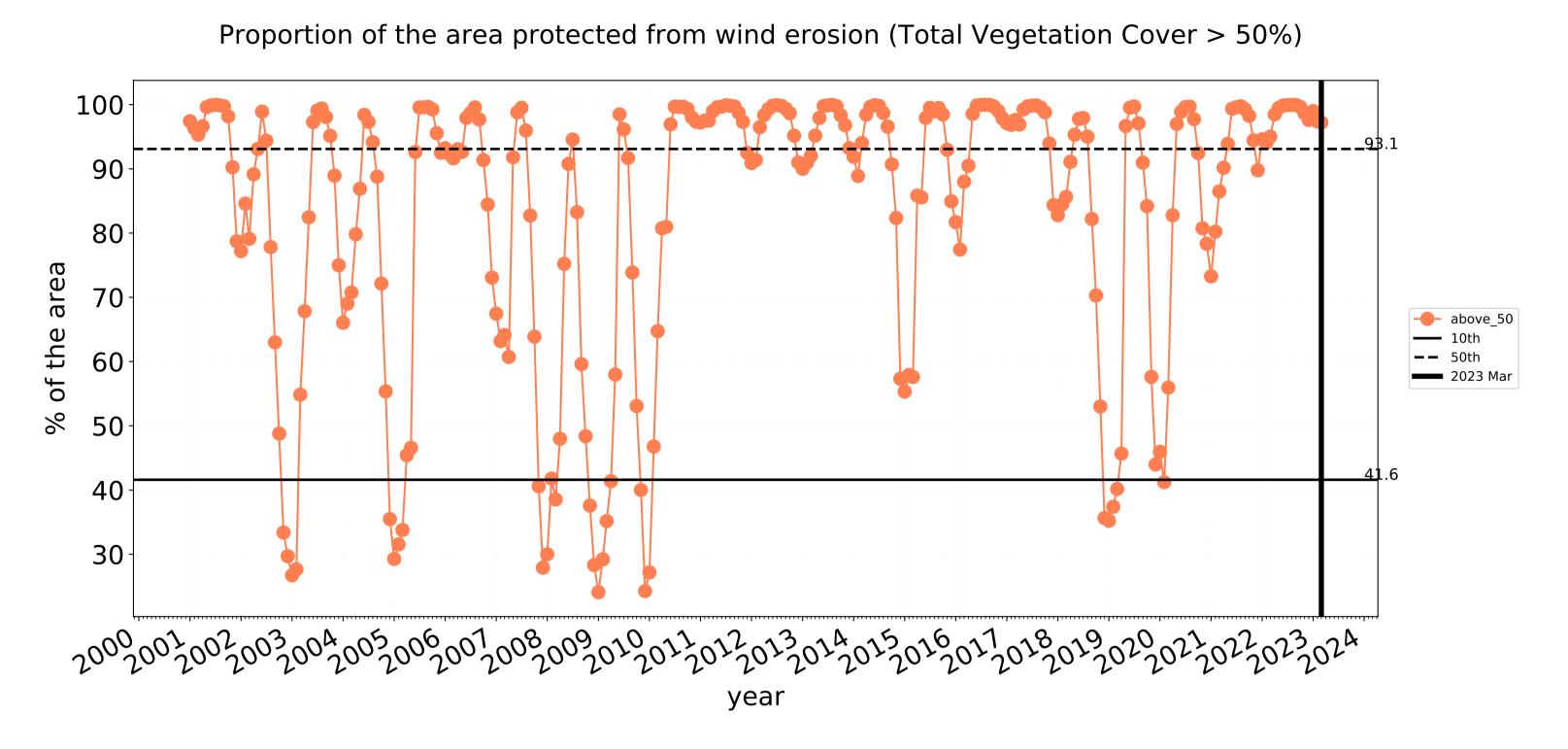


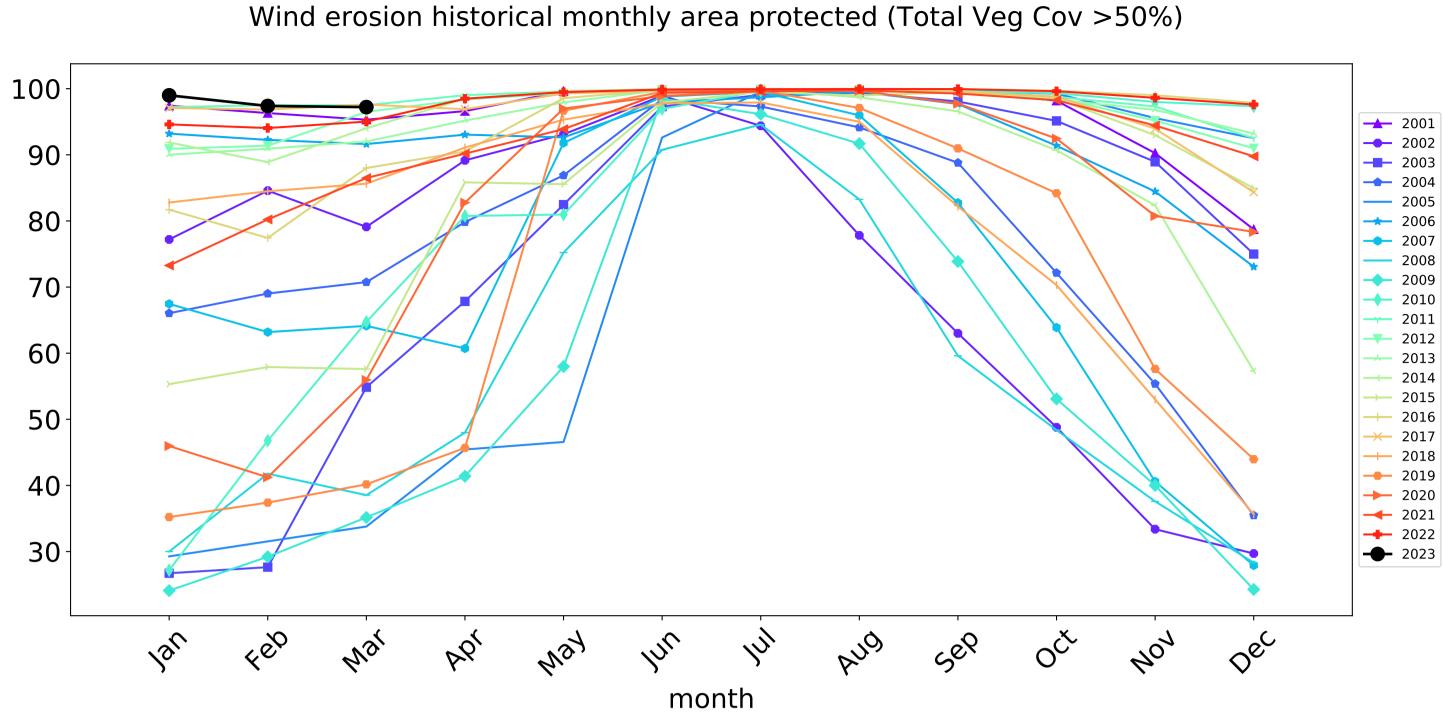


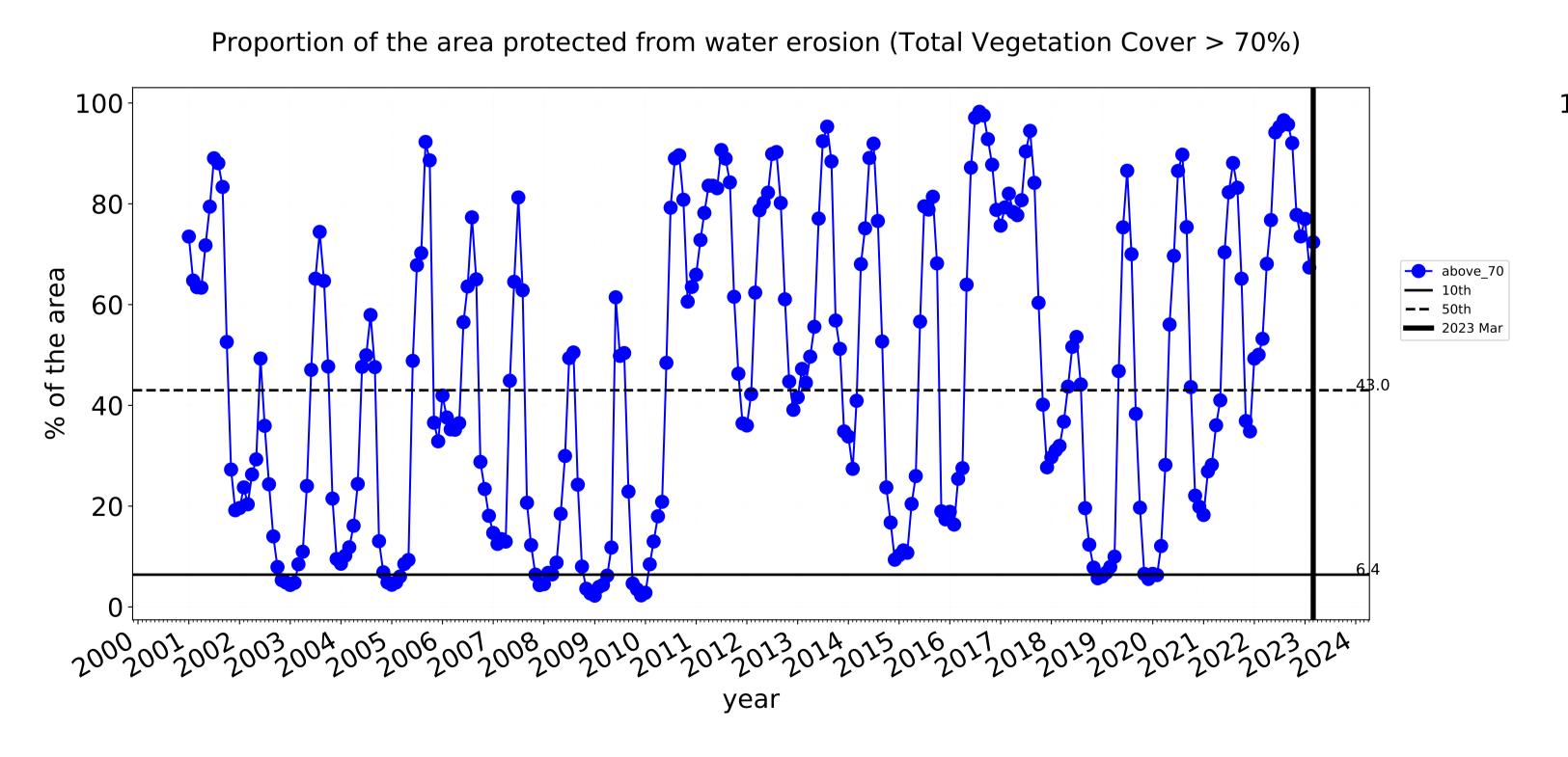


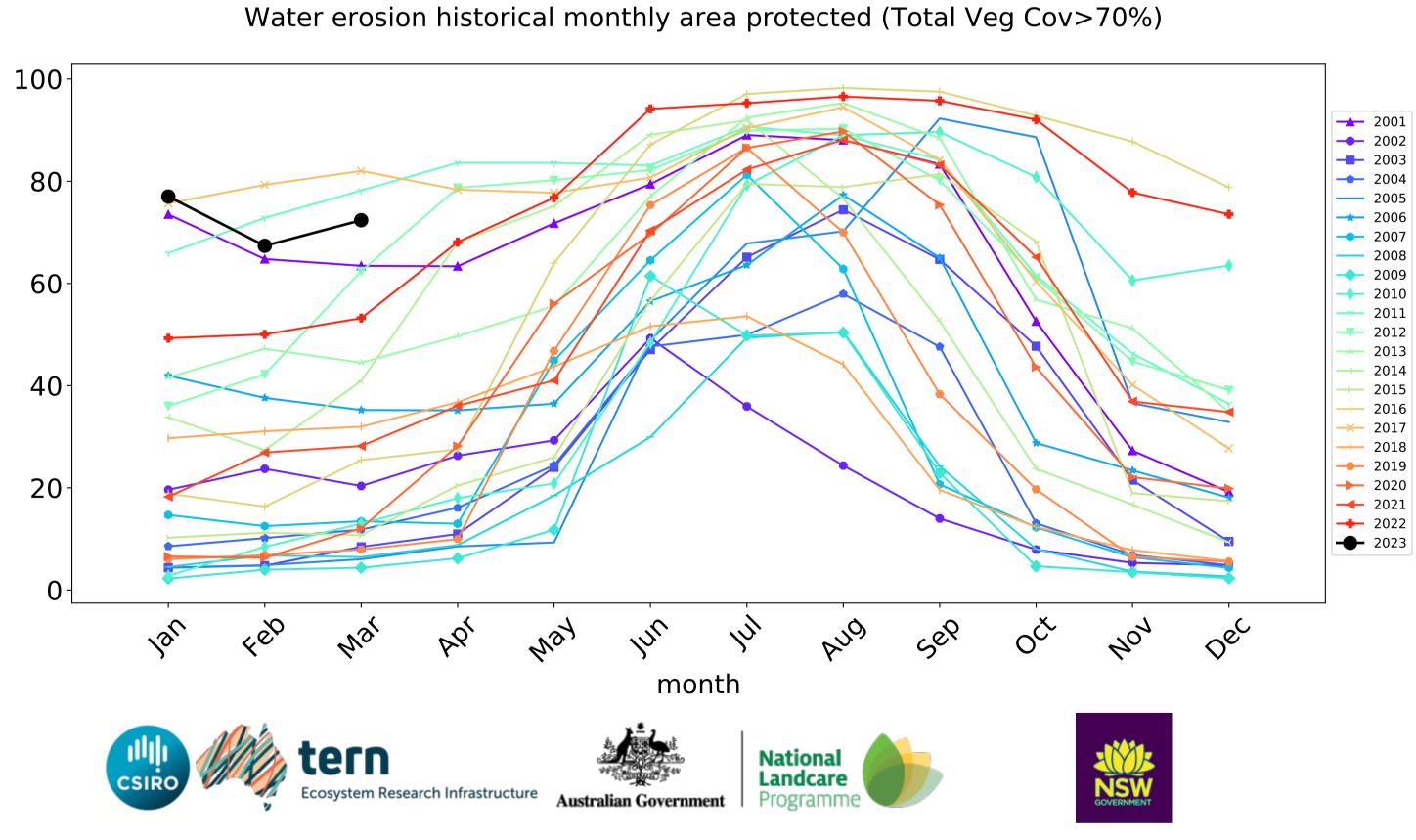


# **Agriculture timeseries**









# **Grazing**

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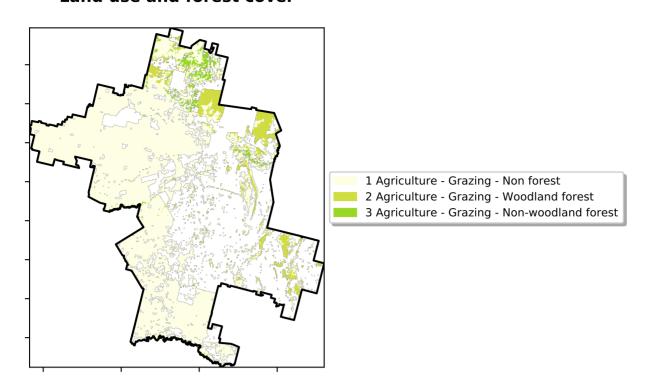
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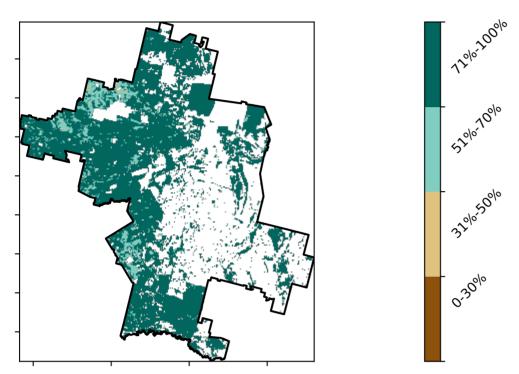
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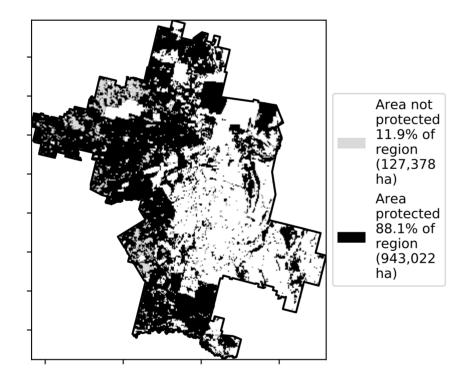
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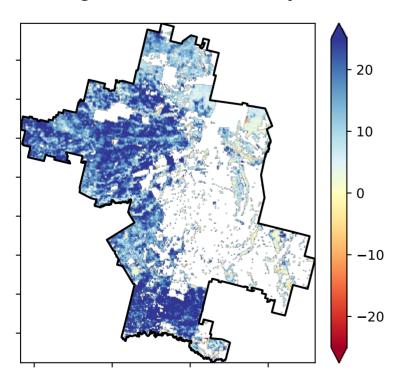
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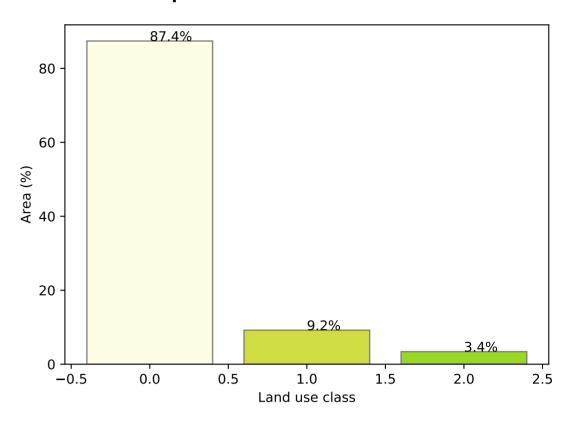


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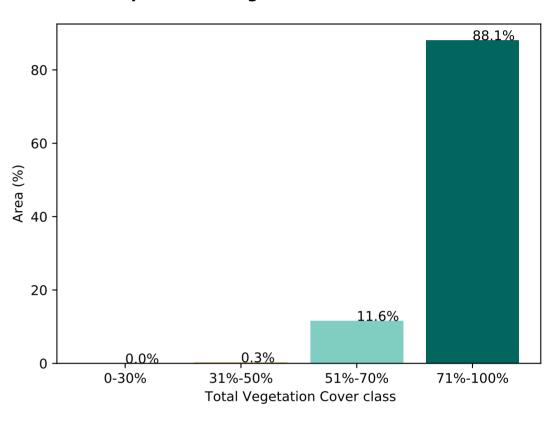


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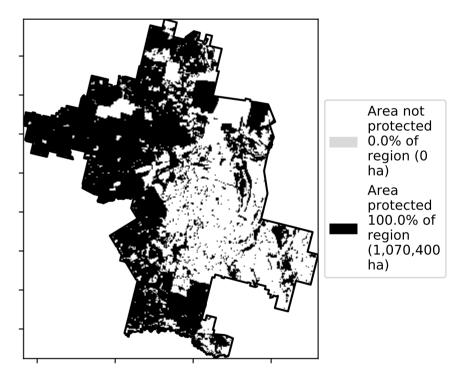
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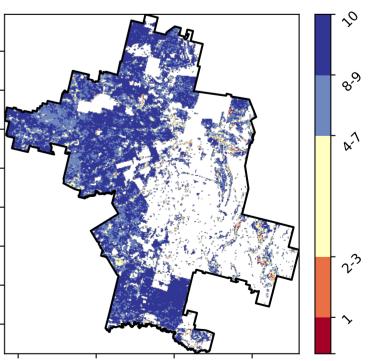


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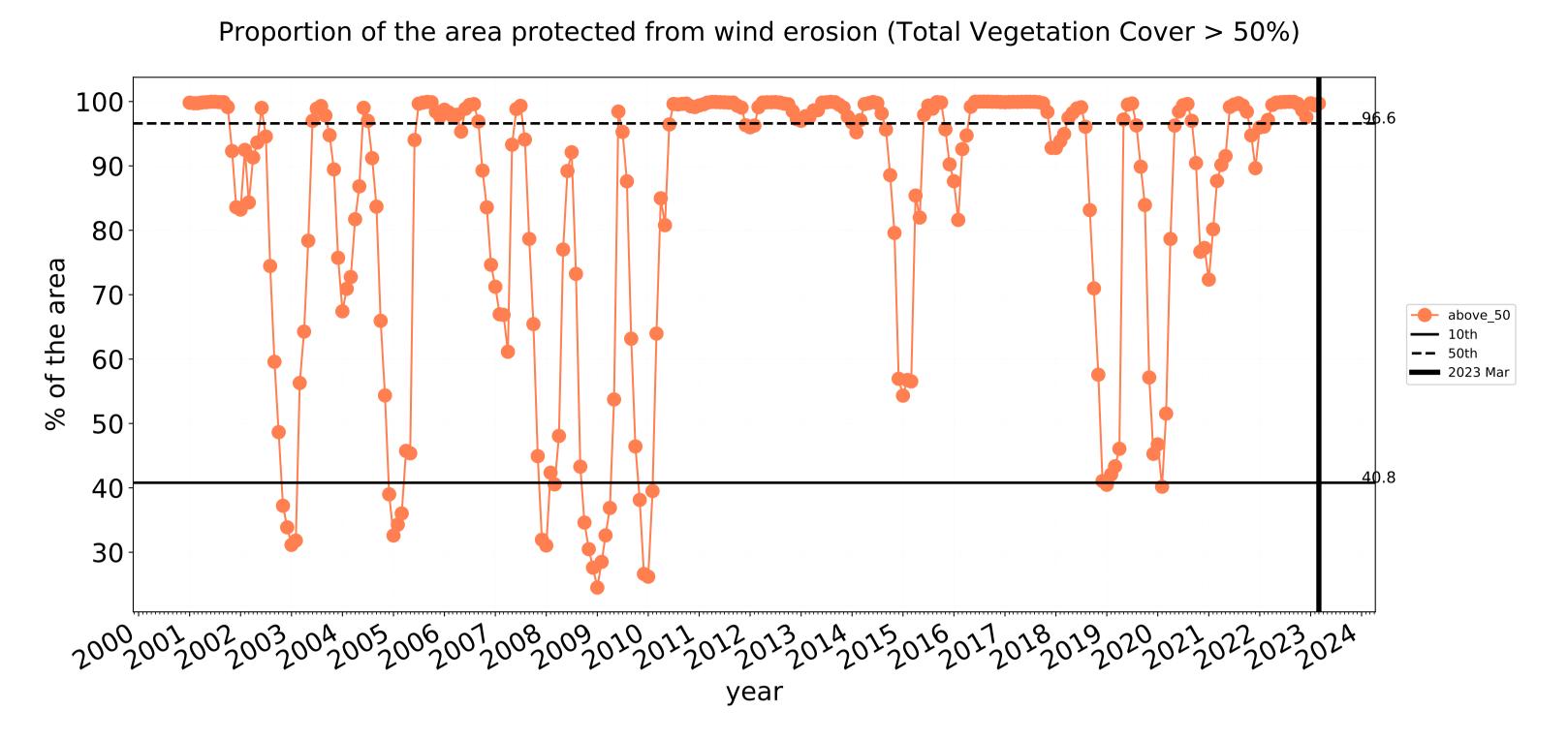


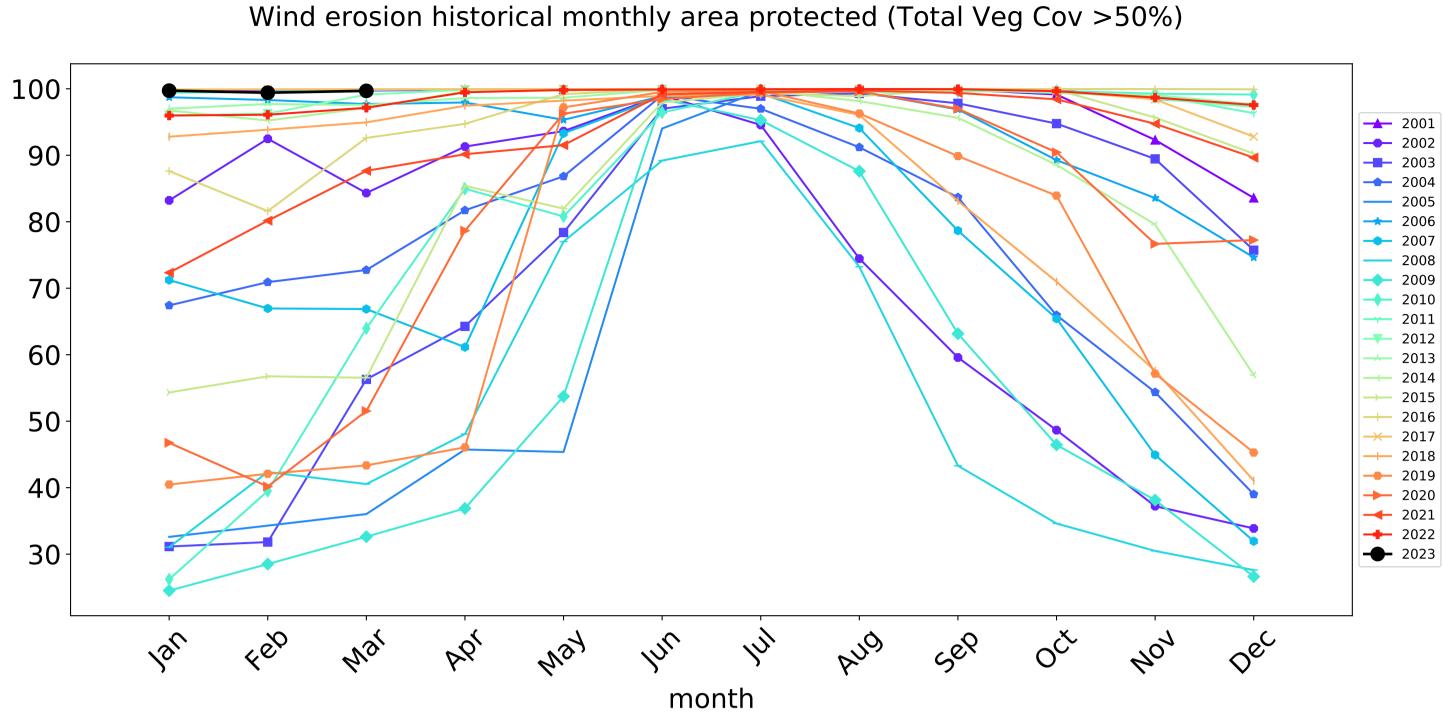


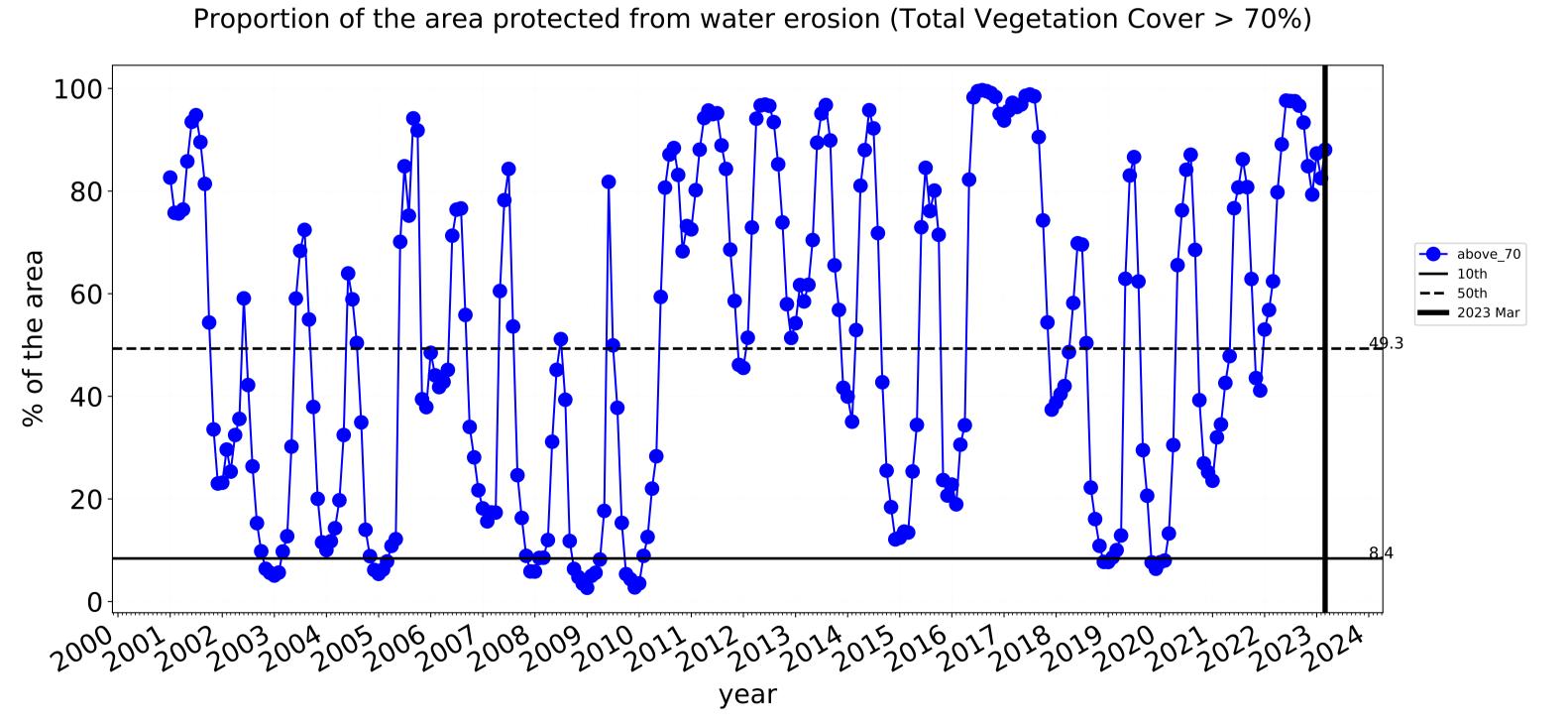


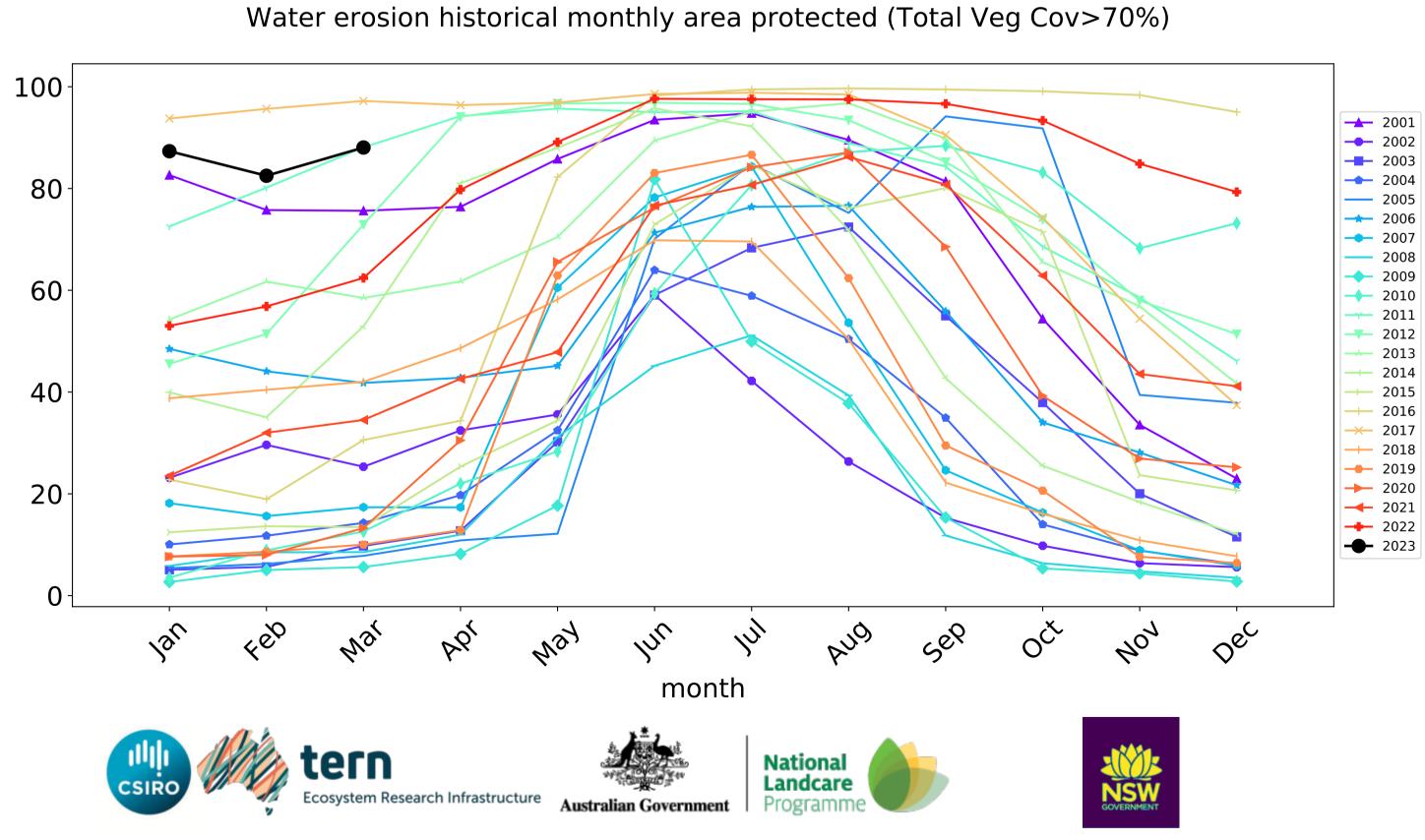


# **Grazing timeseries**









# **Grazing non forest**

### Land use and forest cover

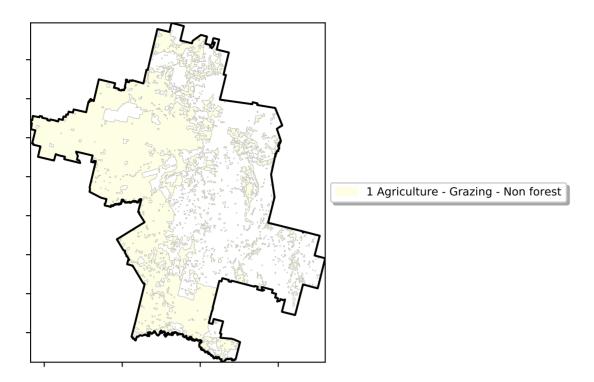
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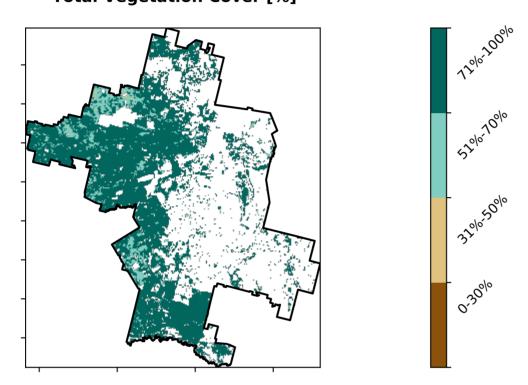
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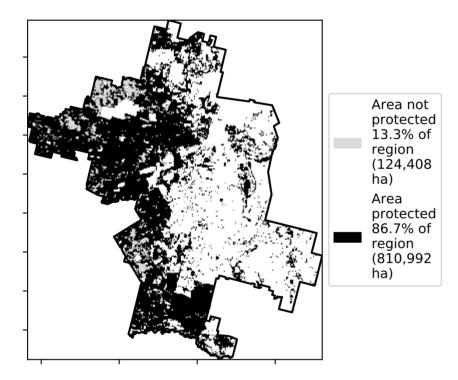
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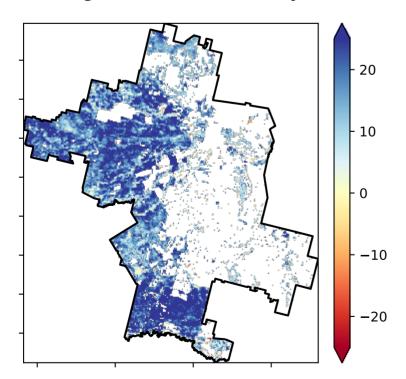
# **Total Vegetation Cover [%]**



# % Area protected from water erosion (>70%)

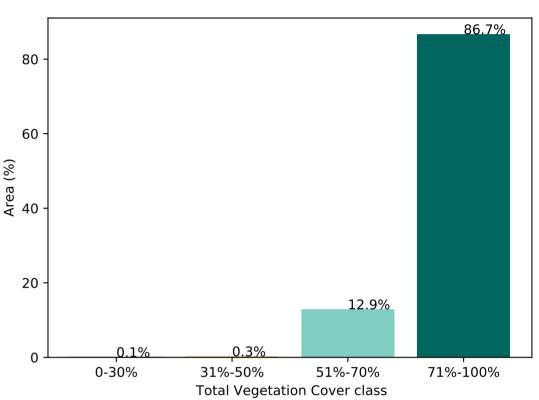


# **Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]**

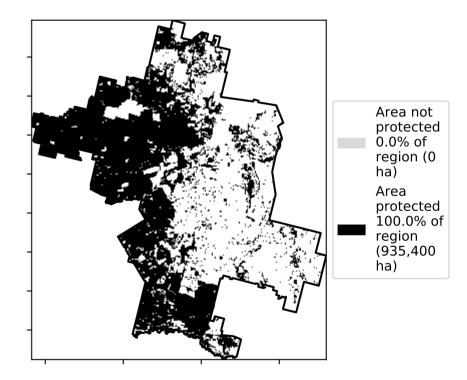


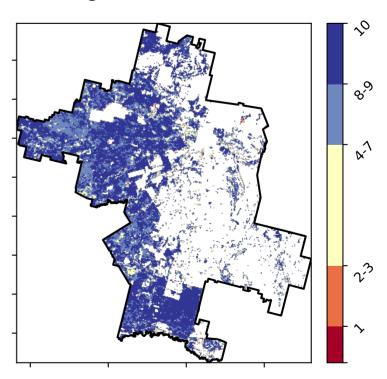
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# Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



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





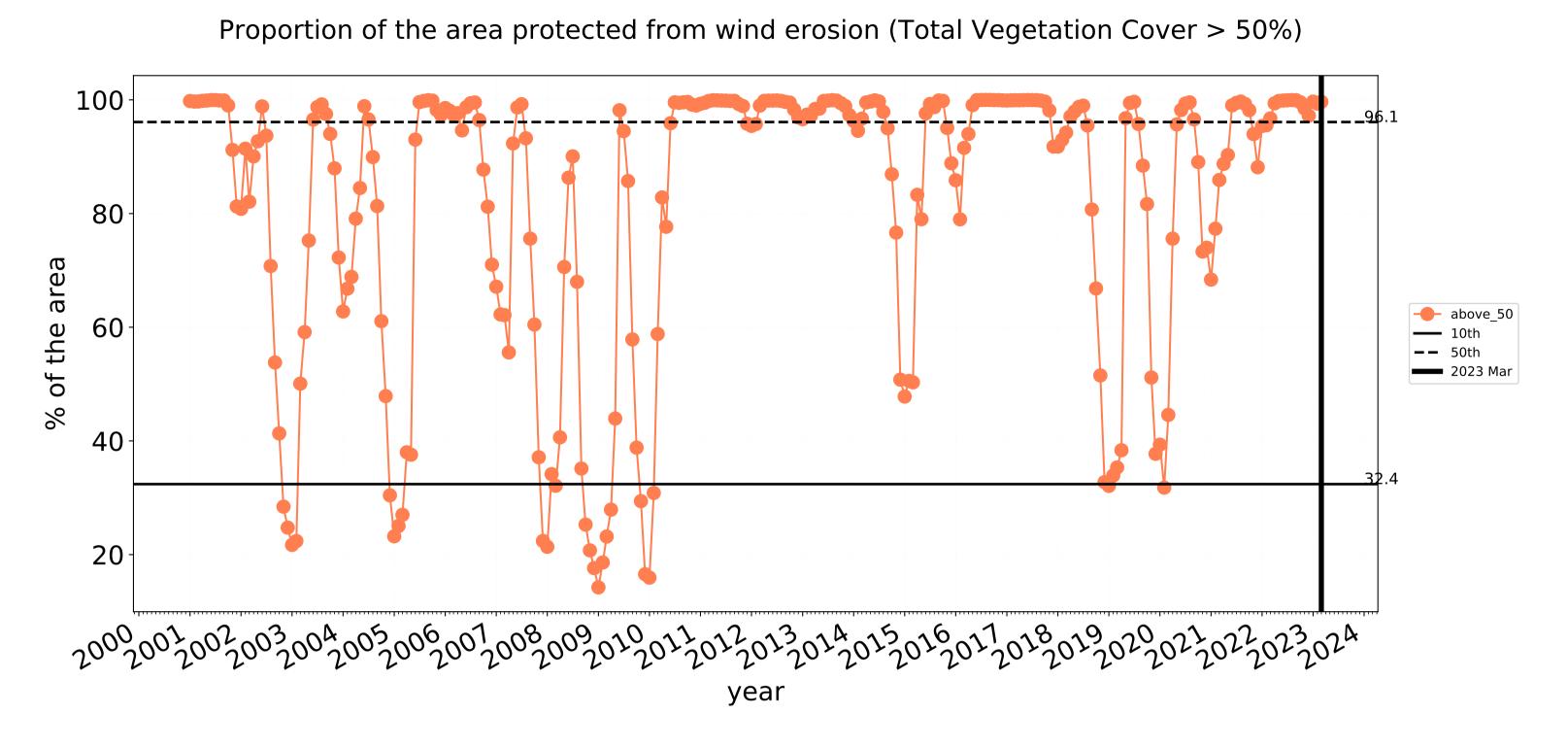


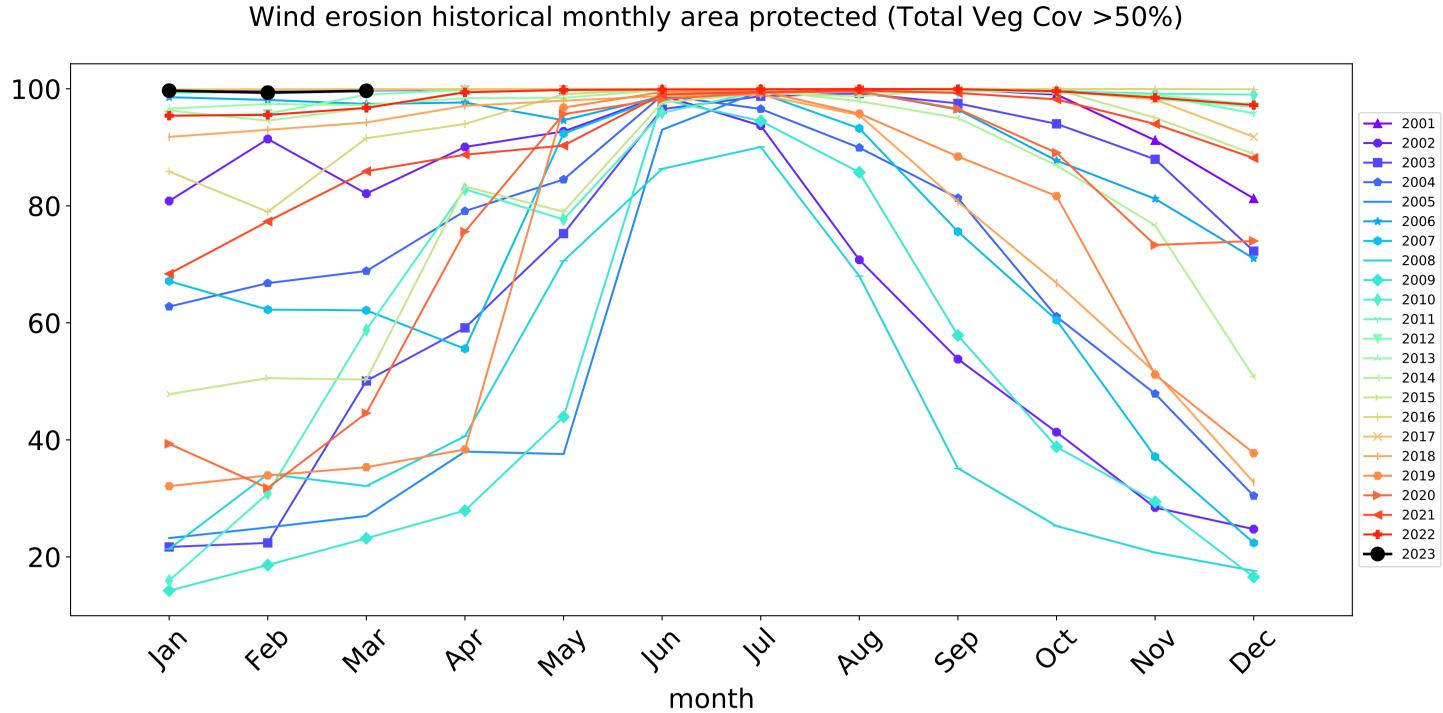


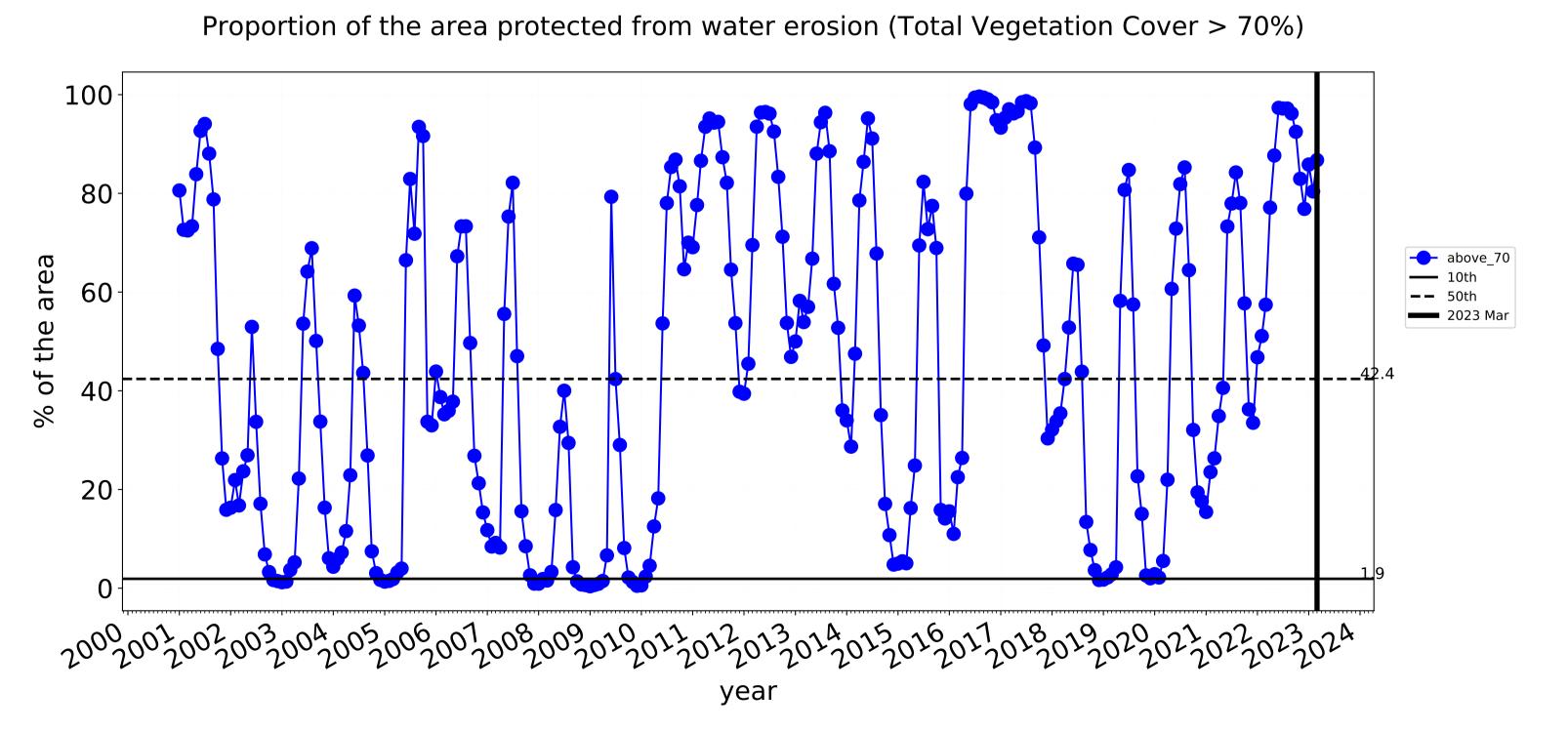


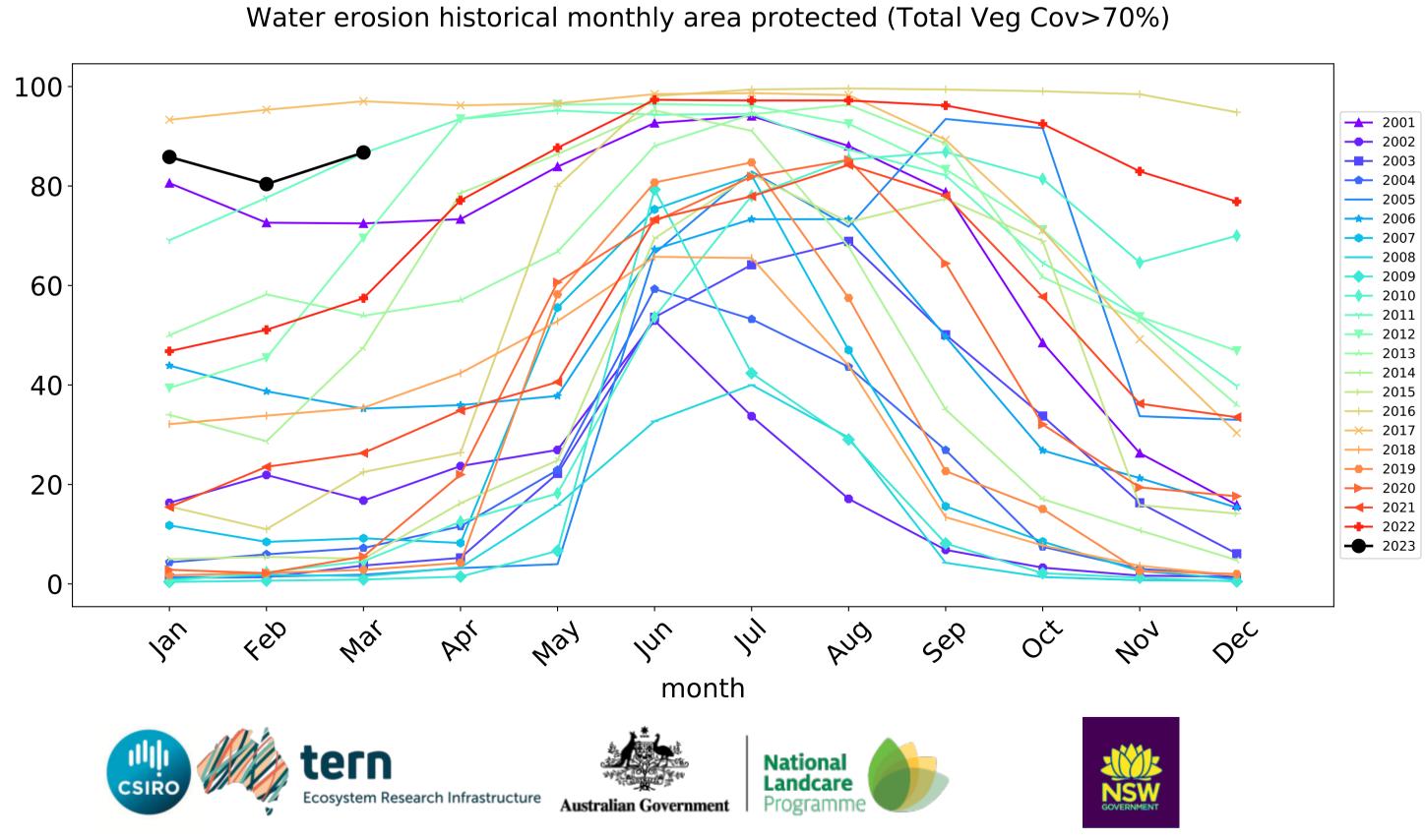


# **Grazing non forest timeseries**









# **Grazing Woodland forest**

### Land use and forest cover

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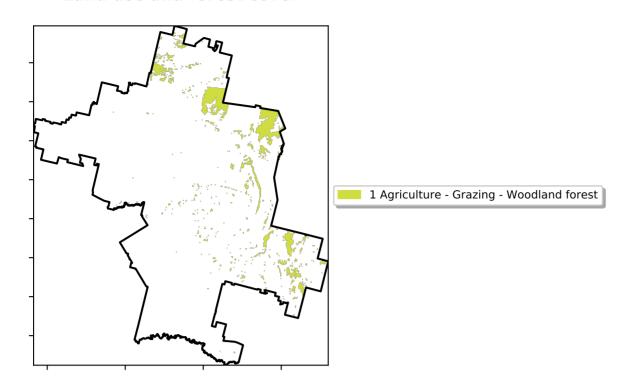
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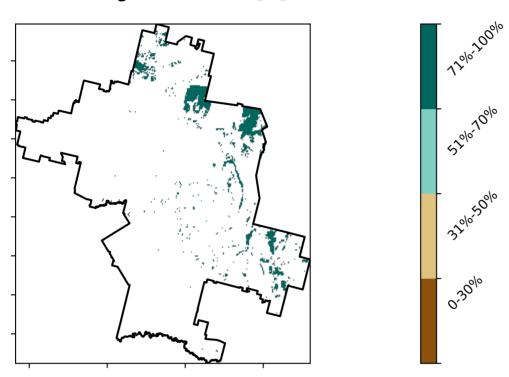
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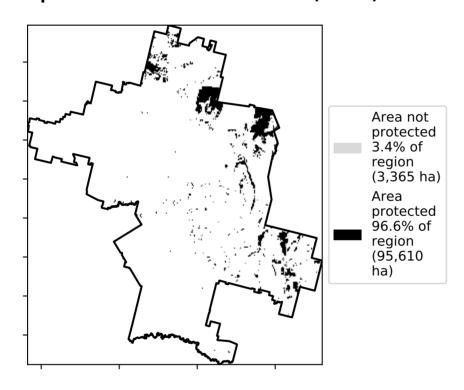
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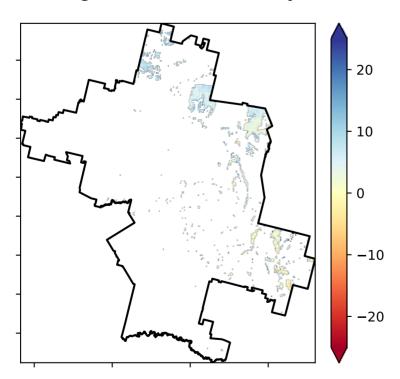
# **Total Vegetation Cover [%]**



# % Area protected from water erosion (>70%)

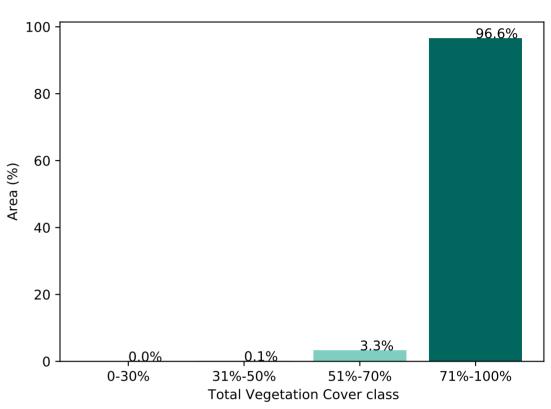


# **Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]**

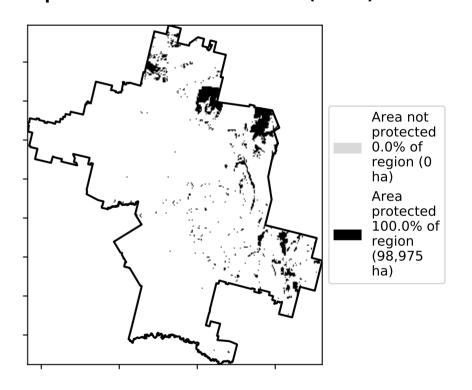


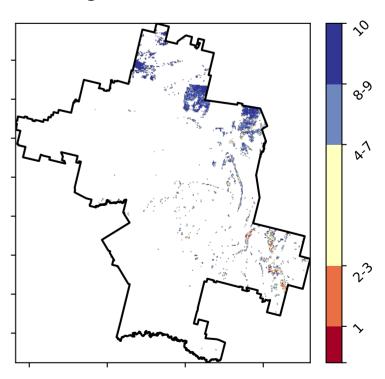
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# Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



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





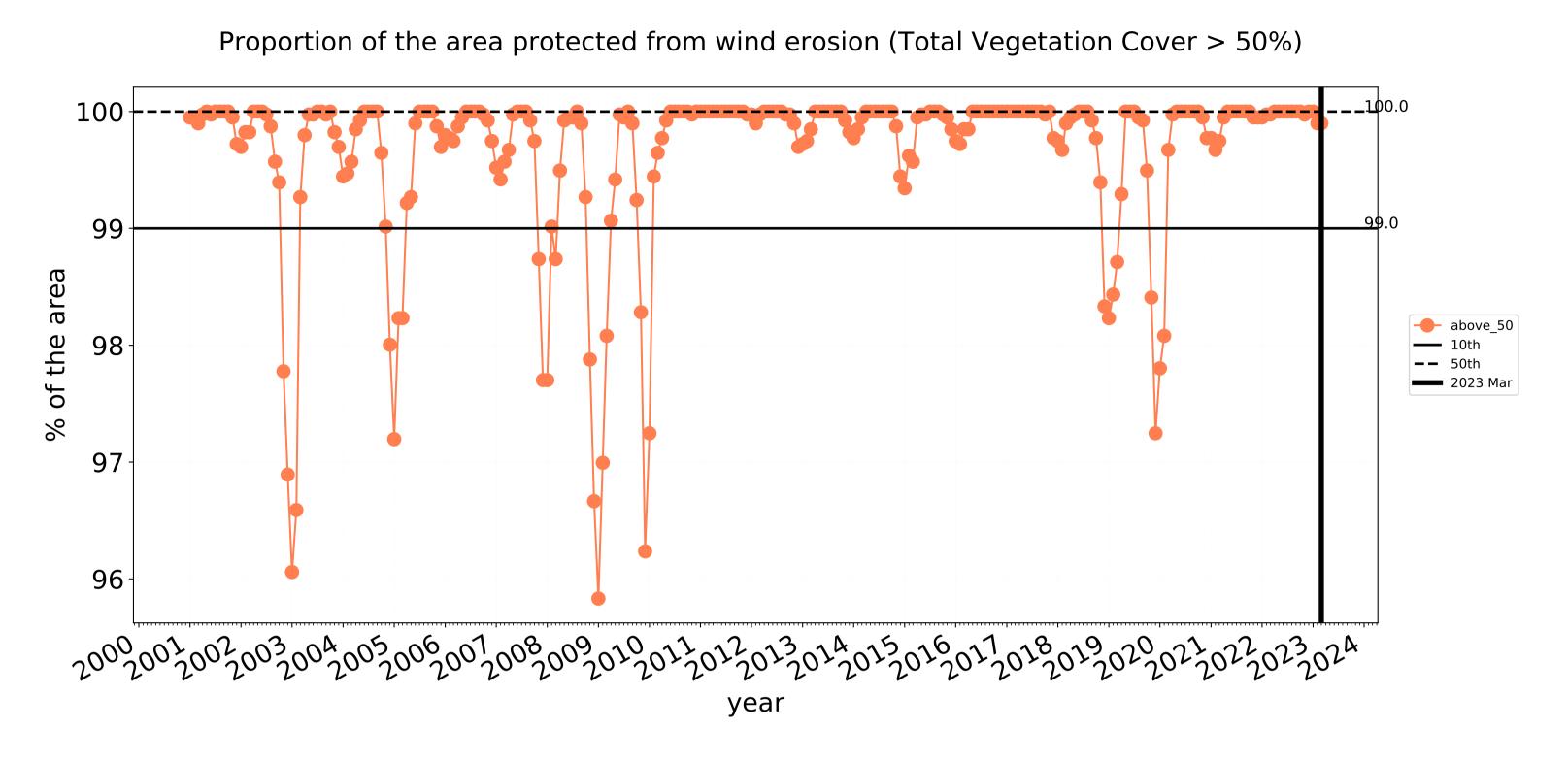


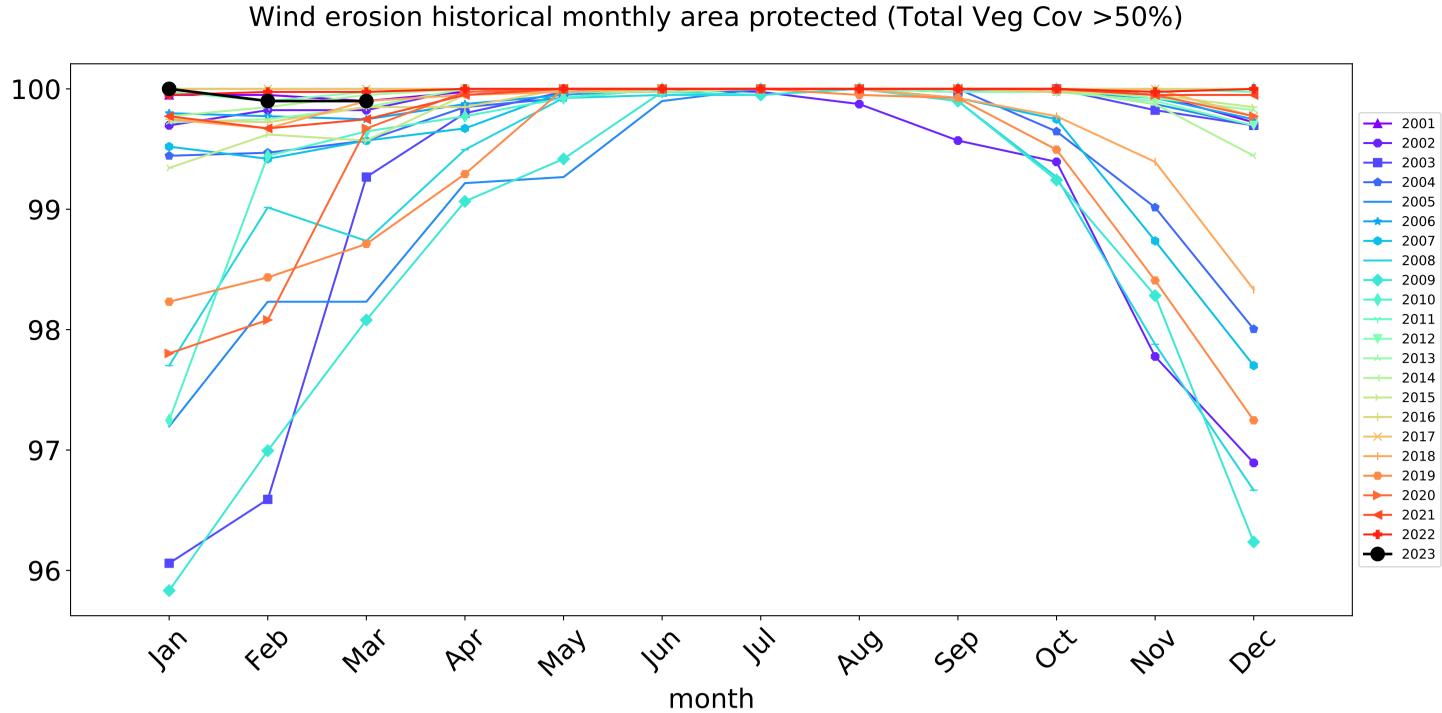


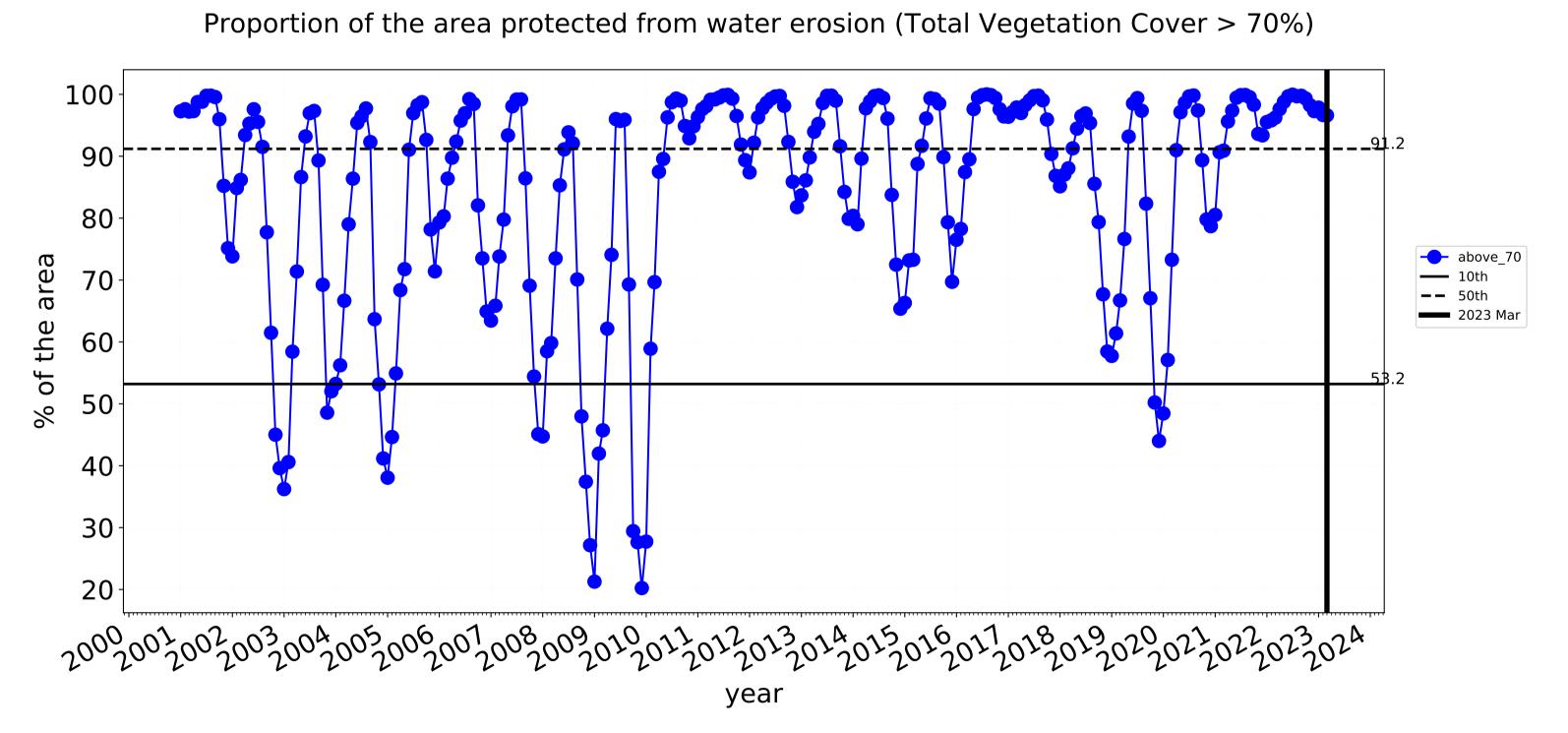


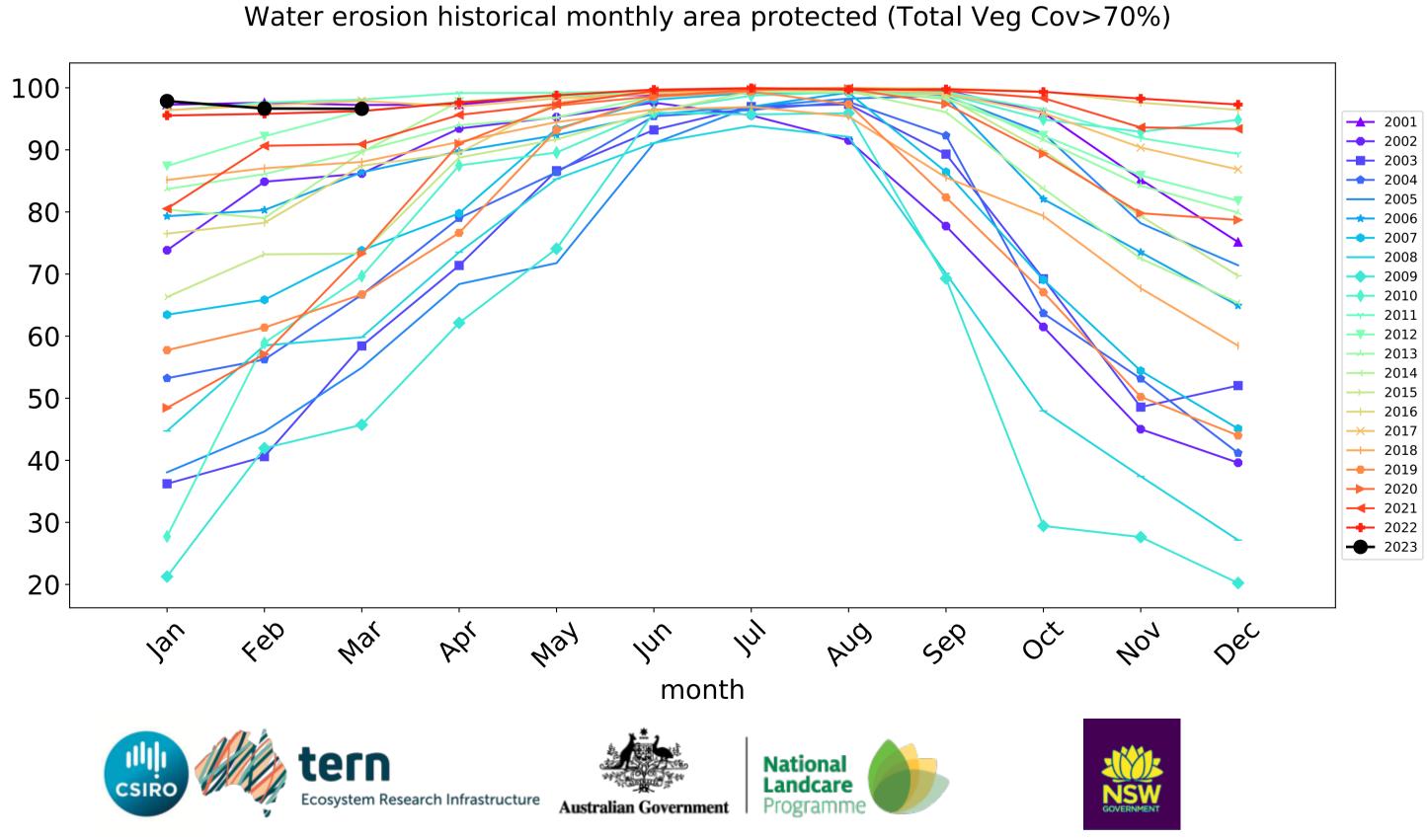


# **Grazing Woodland forest timeseries**









# **Grazing - Forest (non woodland)**

### Land use and forest cover

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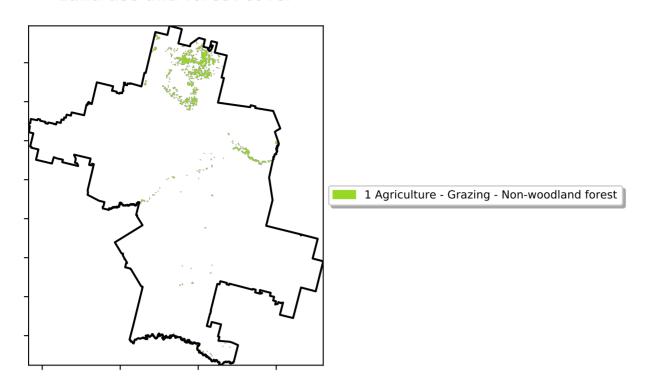
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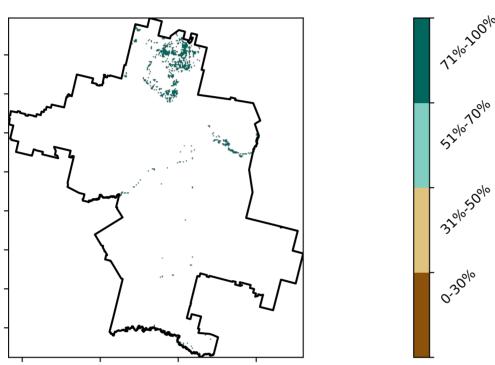
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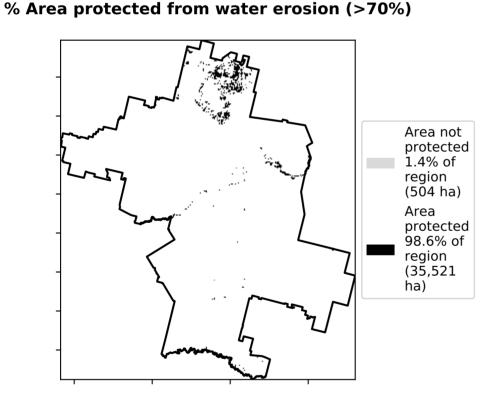
using baseline from 2001 to 2019.

are about 20% lower than the

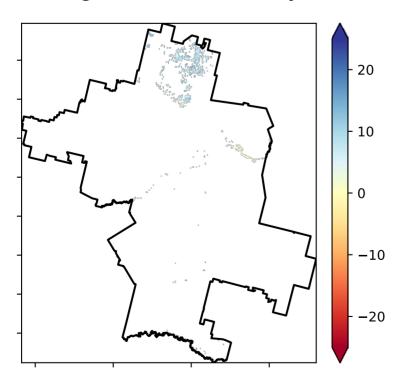


# **Total Vegetation Cover [%]**



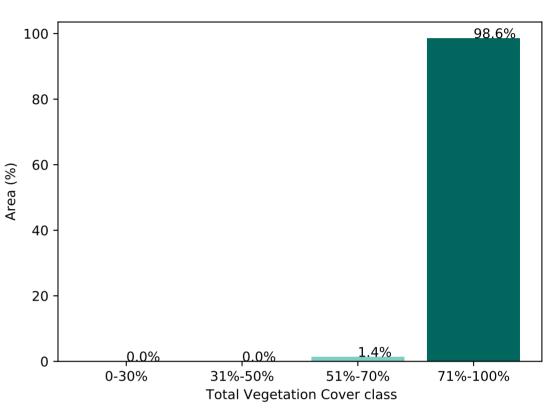


# **Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]**

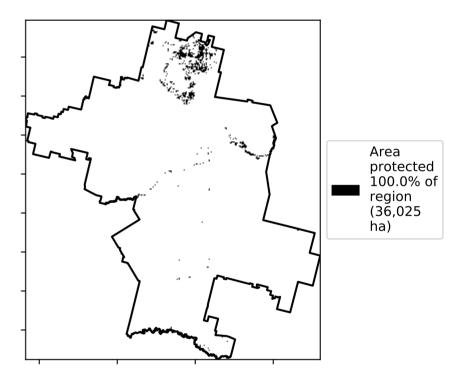


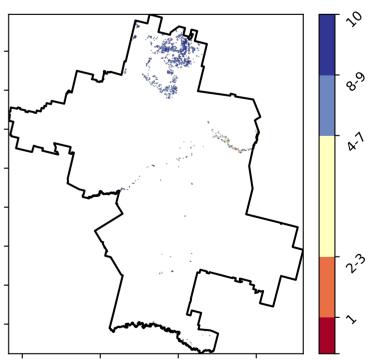
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# Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



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



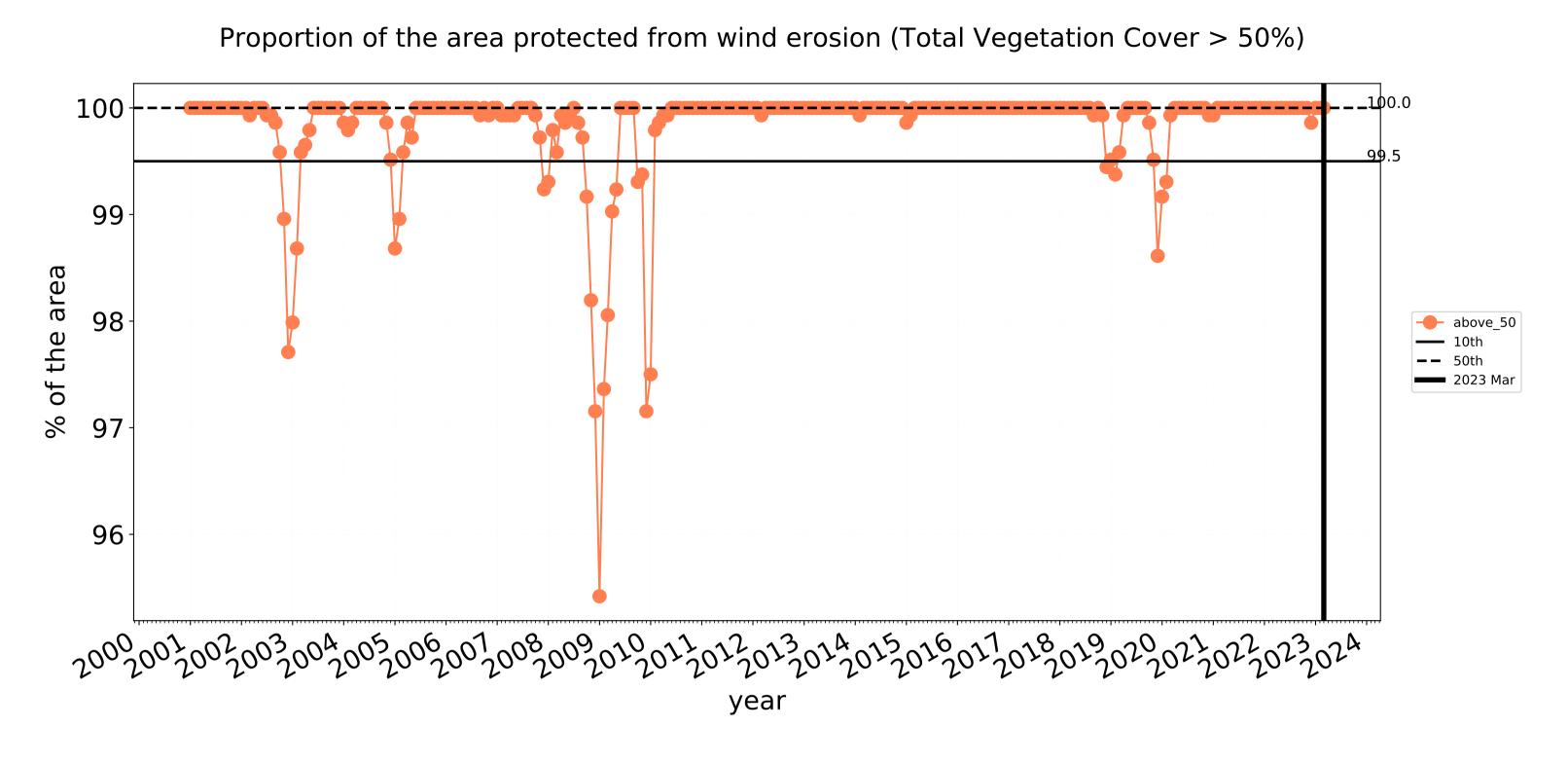


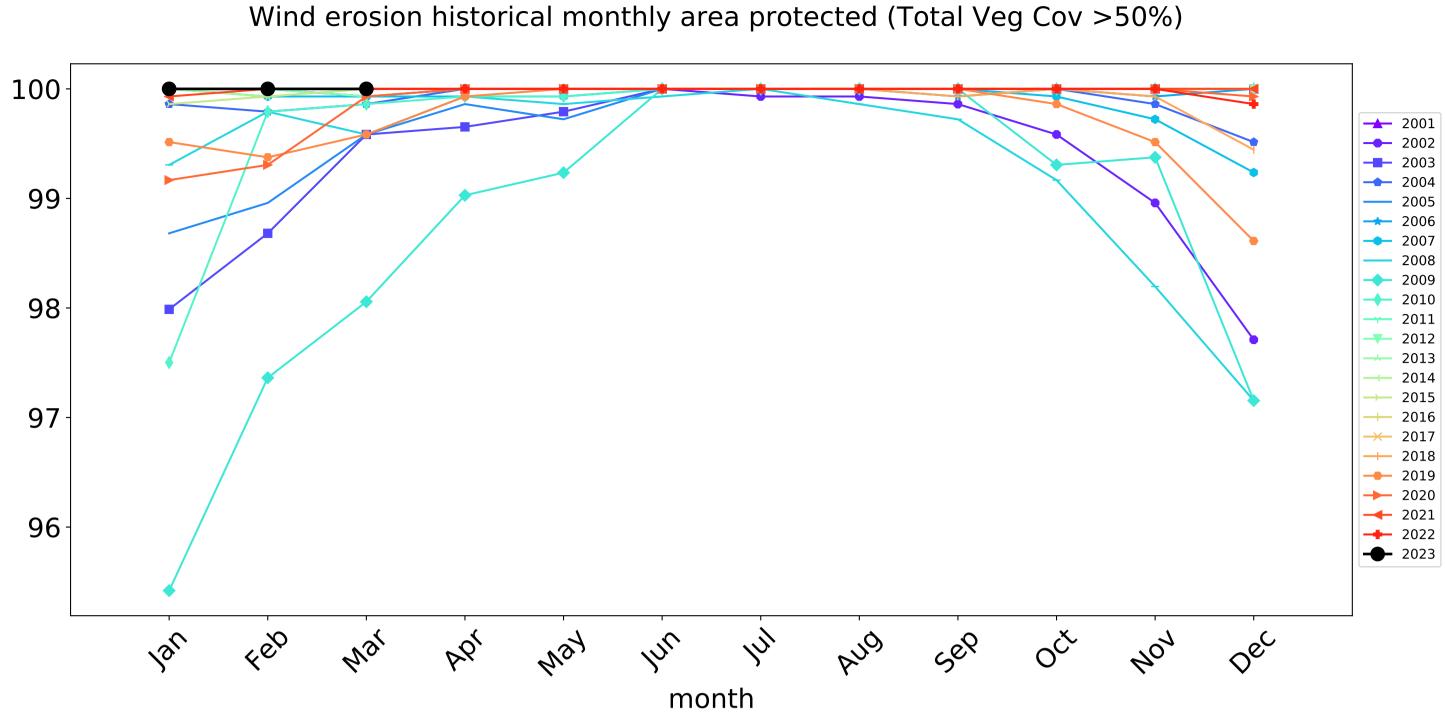


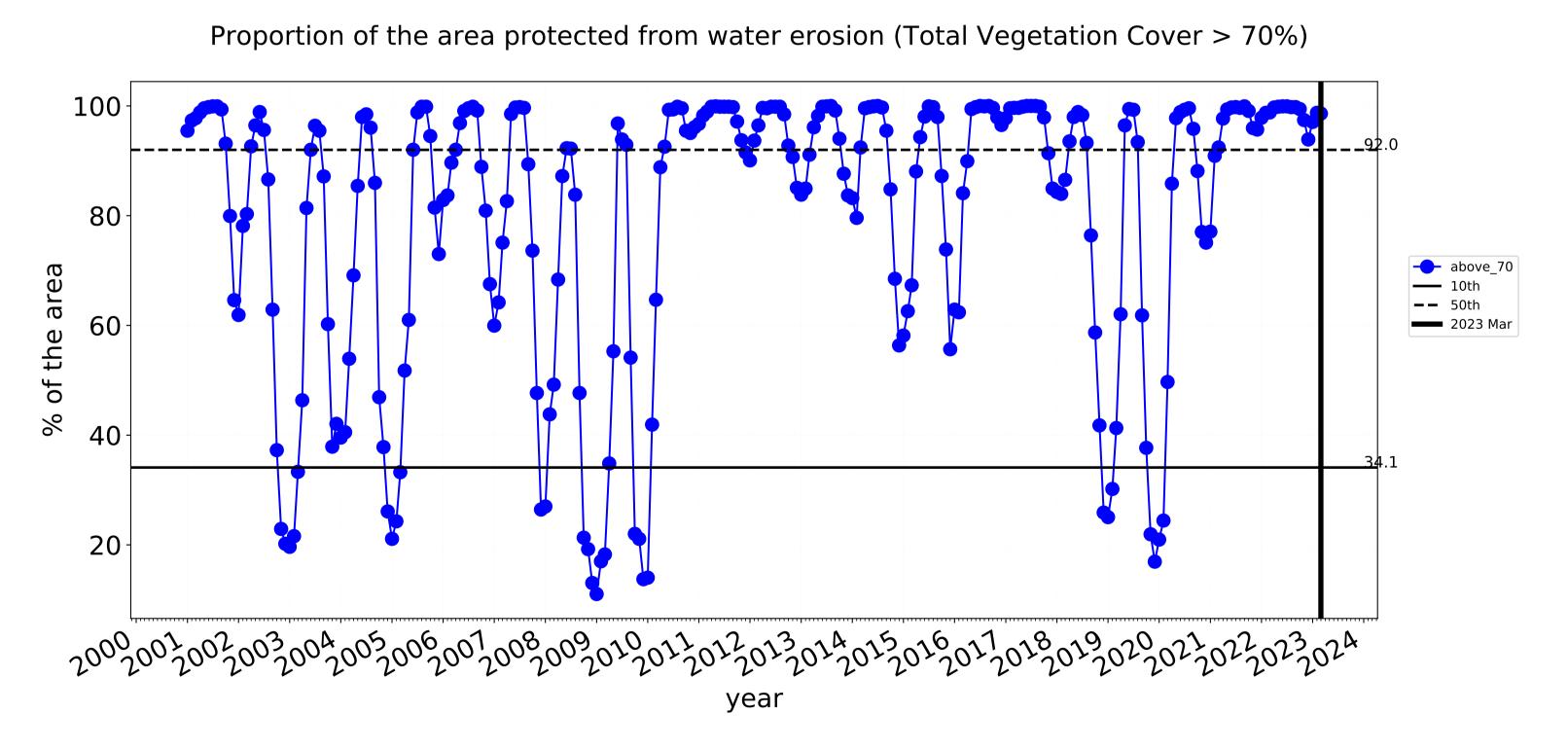


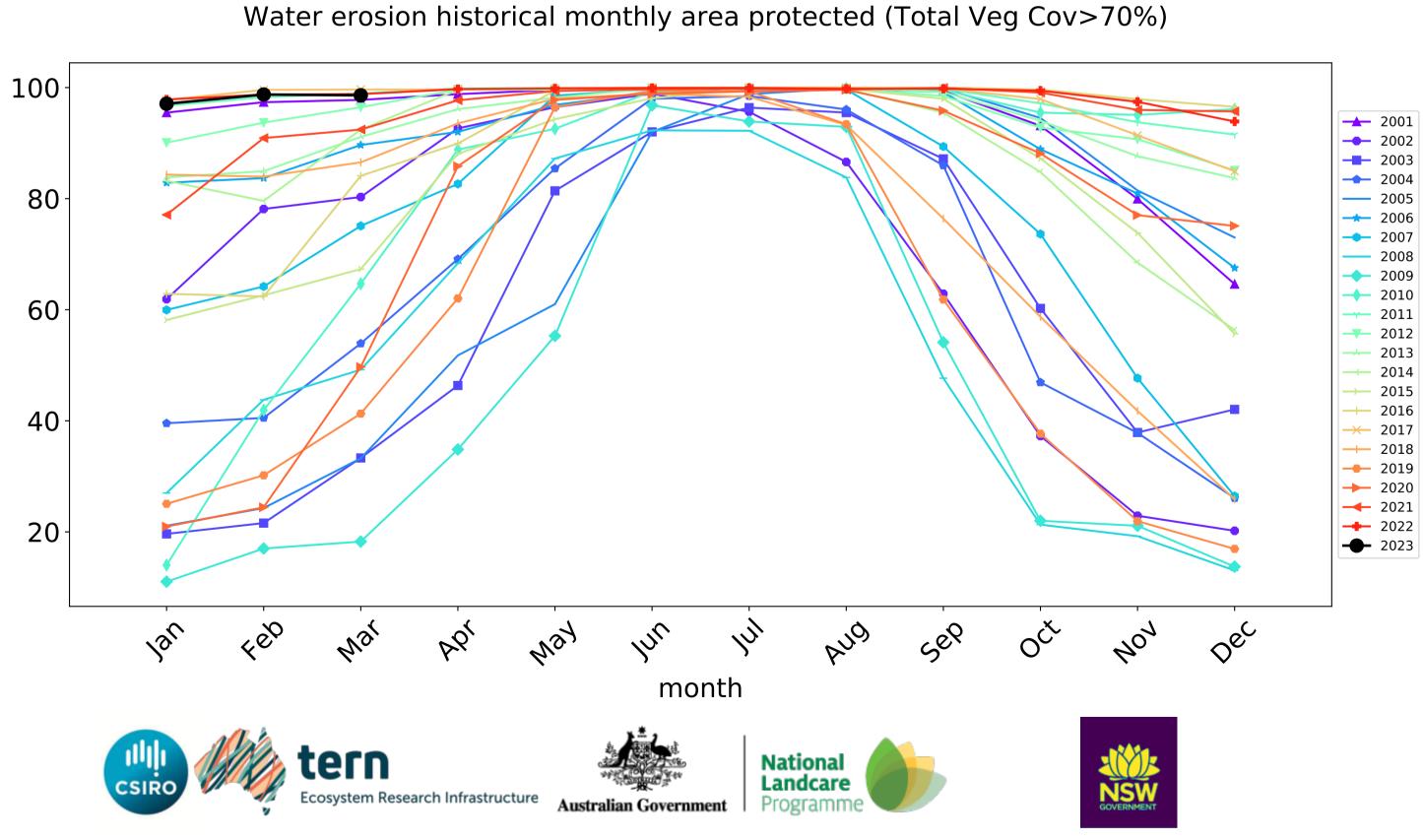












# Cropping

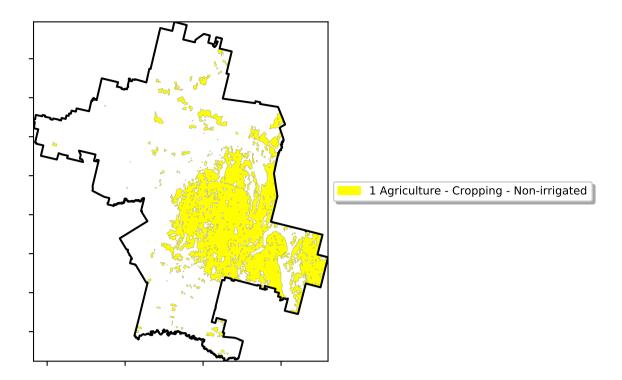
### Land use and forest cover

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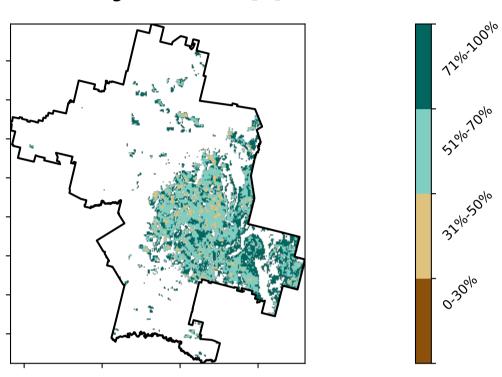
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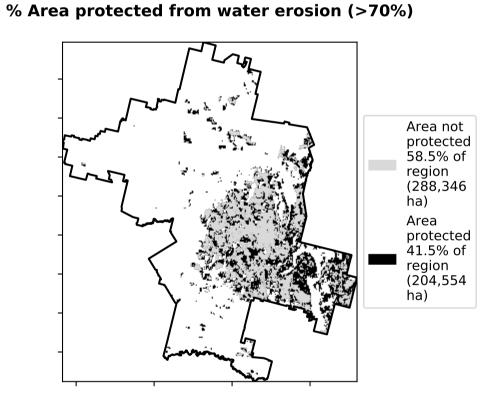
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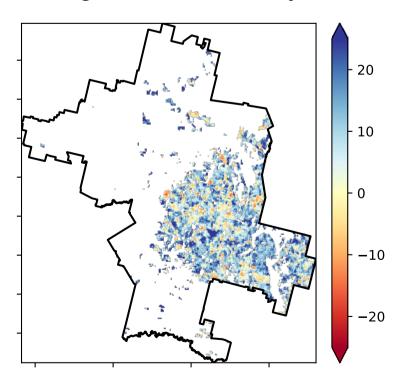


# **Total Vegetation Cover [%]**



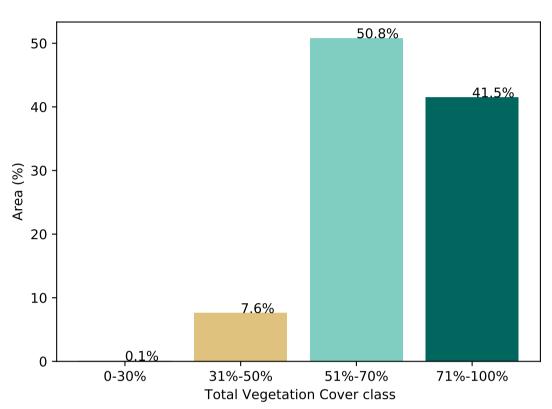


# **Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]**

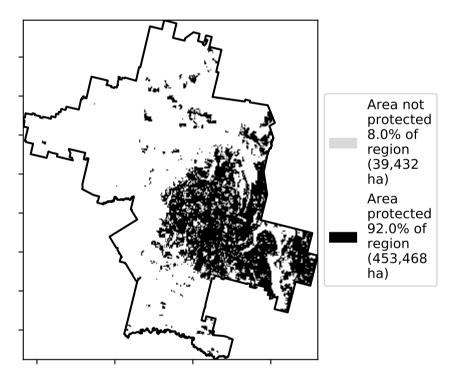


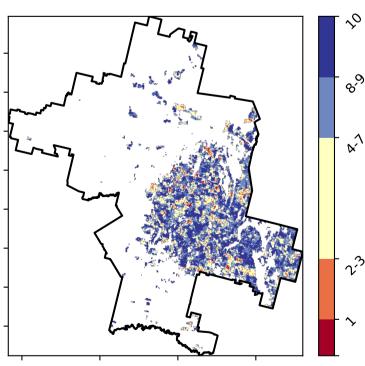
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# Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



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







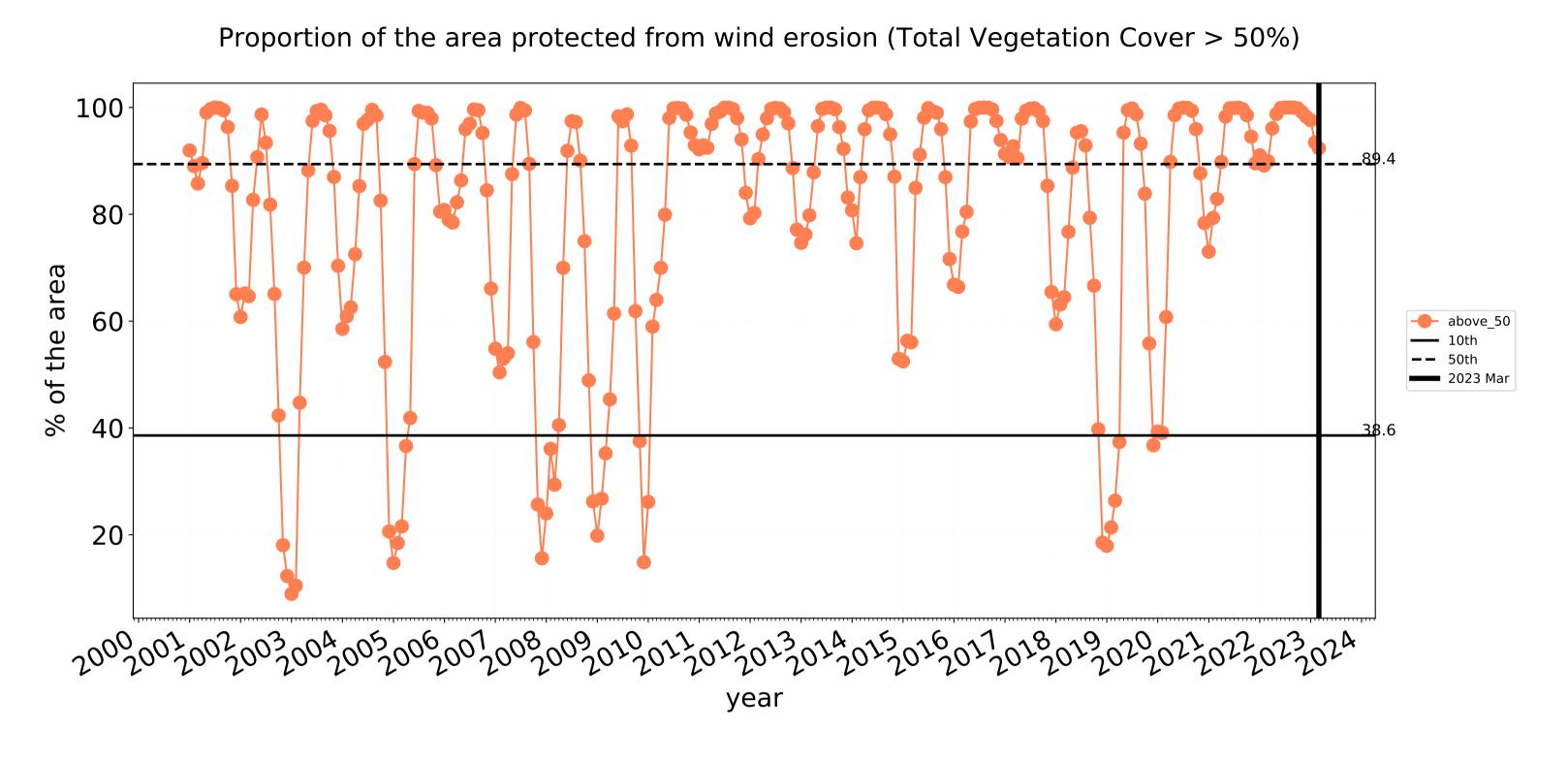


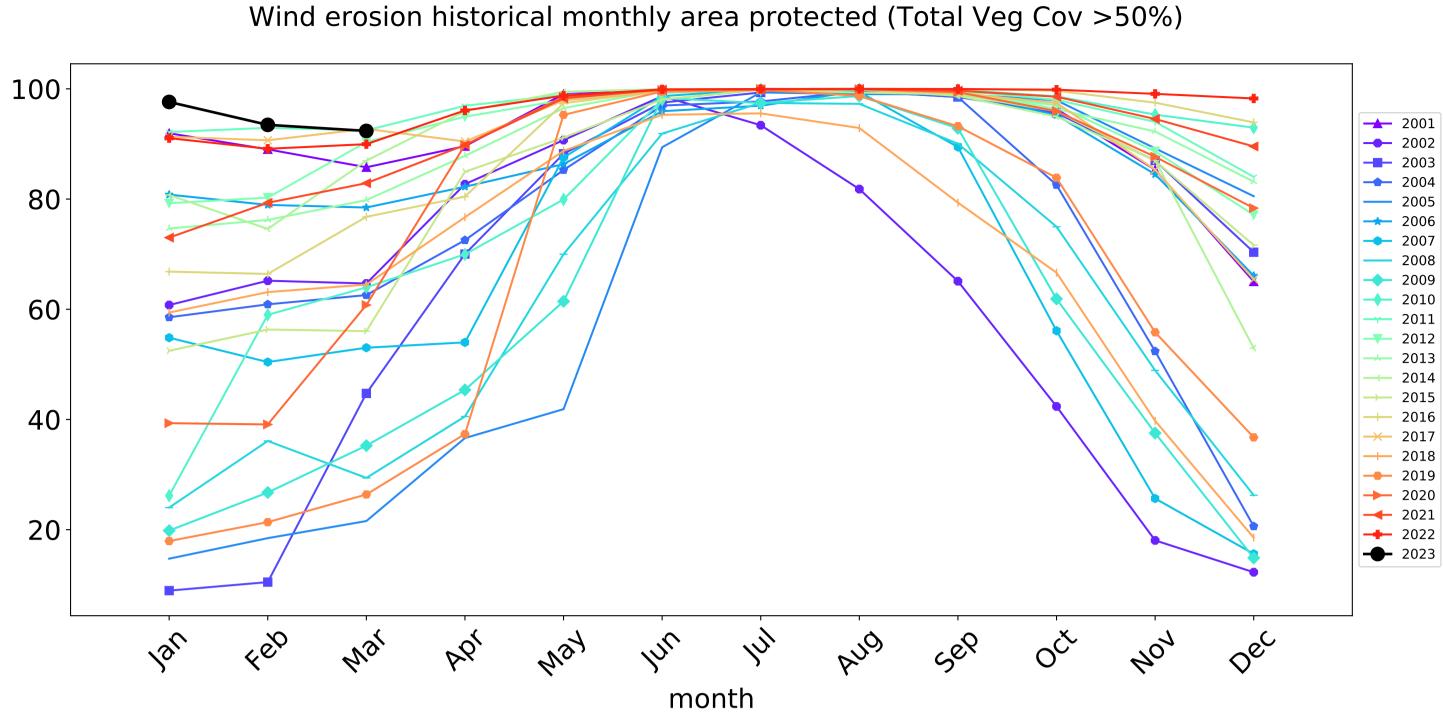


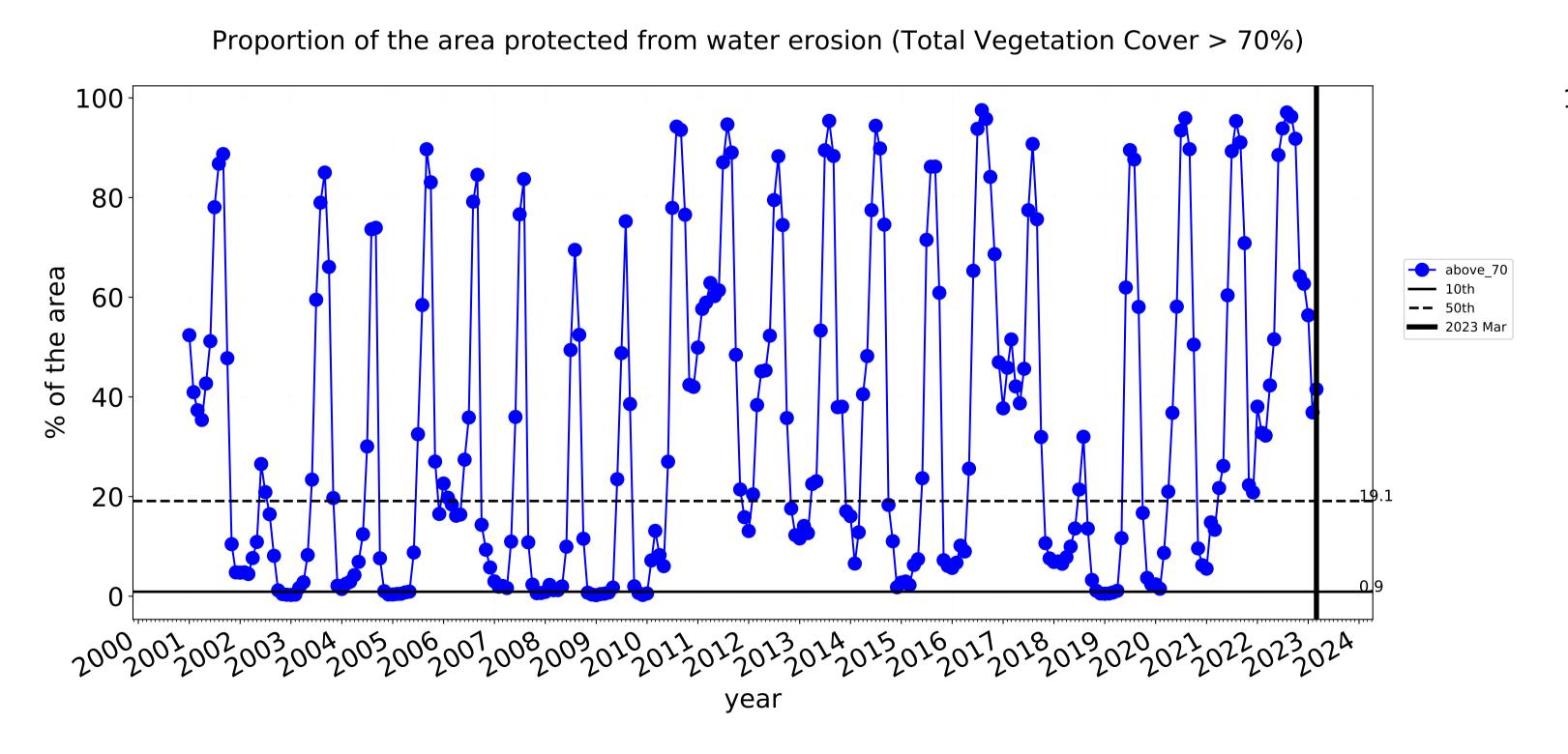


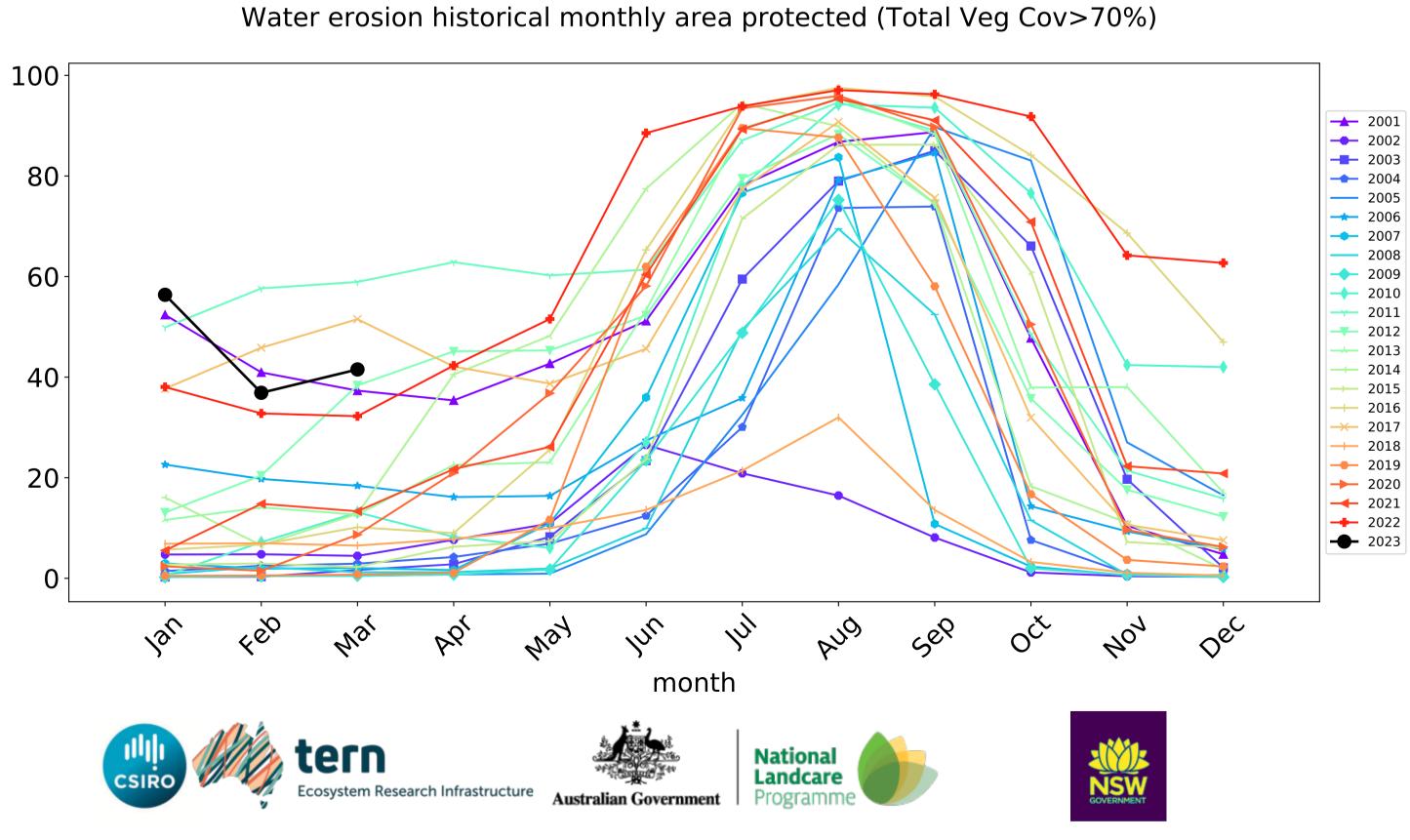


# **Cropping timeseries**









# **Irrigation**

### Land use and forest cover

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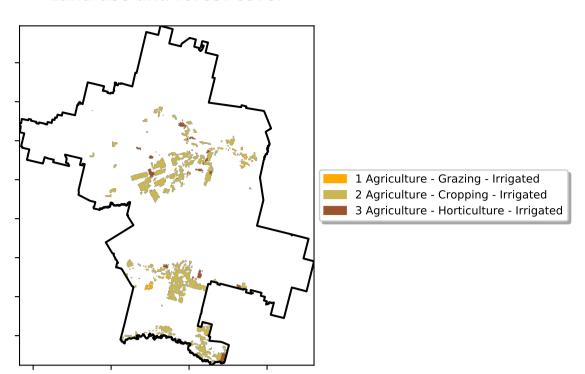
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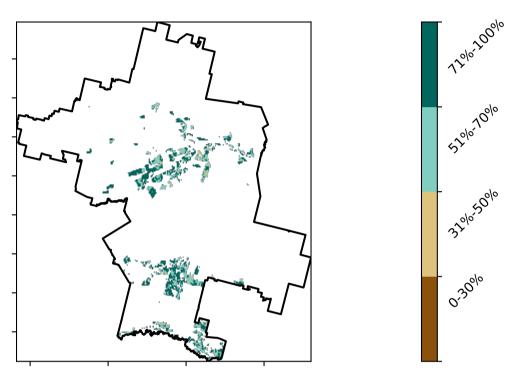
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using baseline from 2001 to 2019.

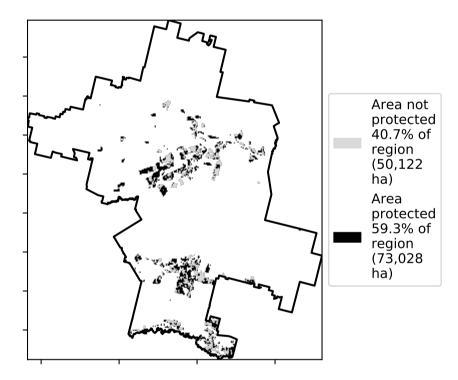
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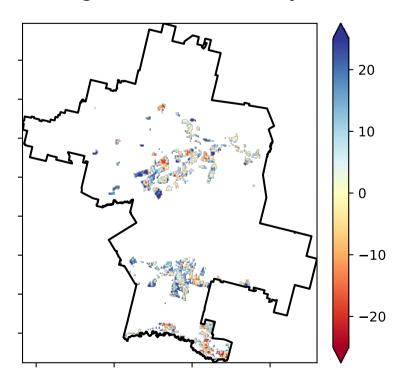
### **Total Vegetation Cover [%]**



# % Area protected from water erosion (>70%)

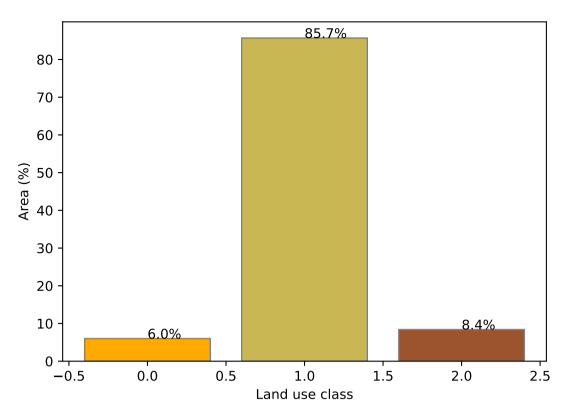


# **Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]**

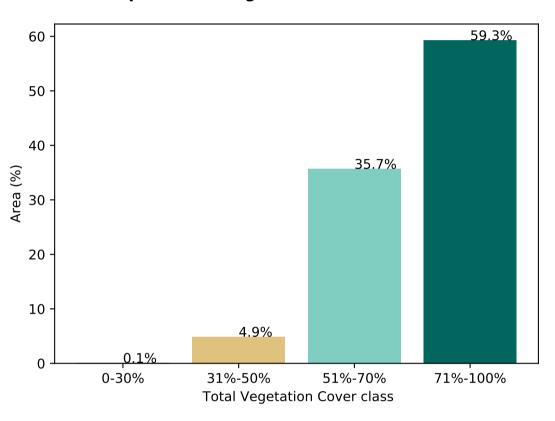


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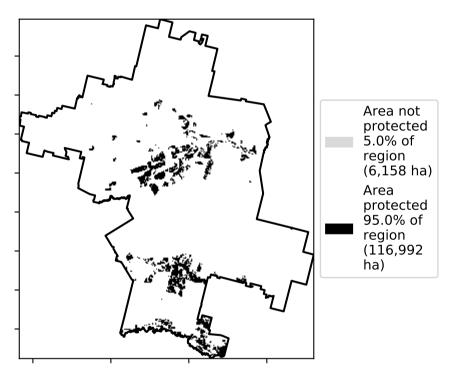
### **Proportion of each land class in area**

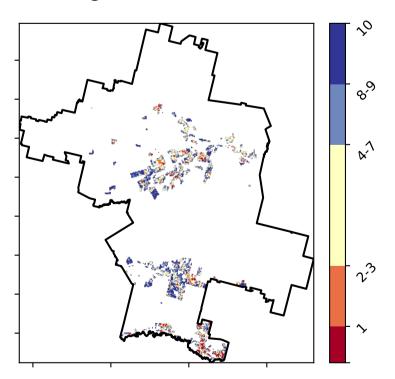


# Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



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



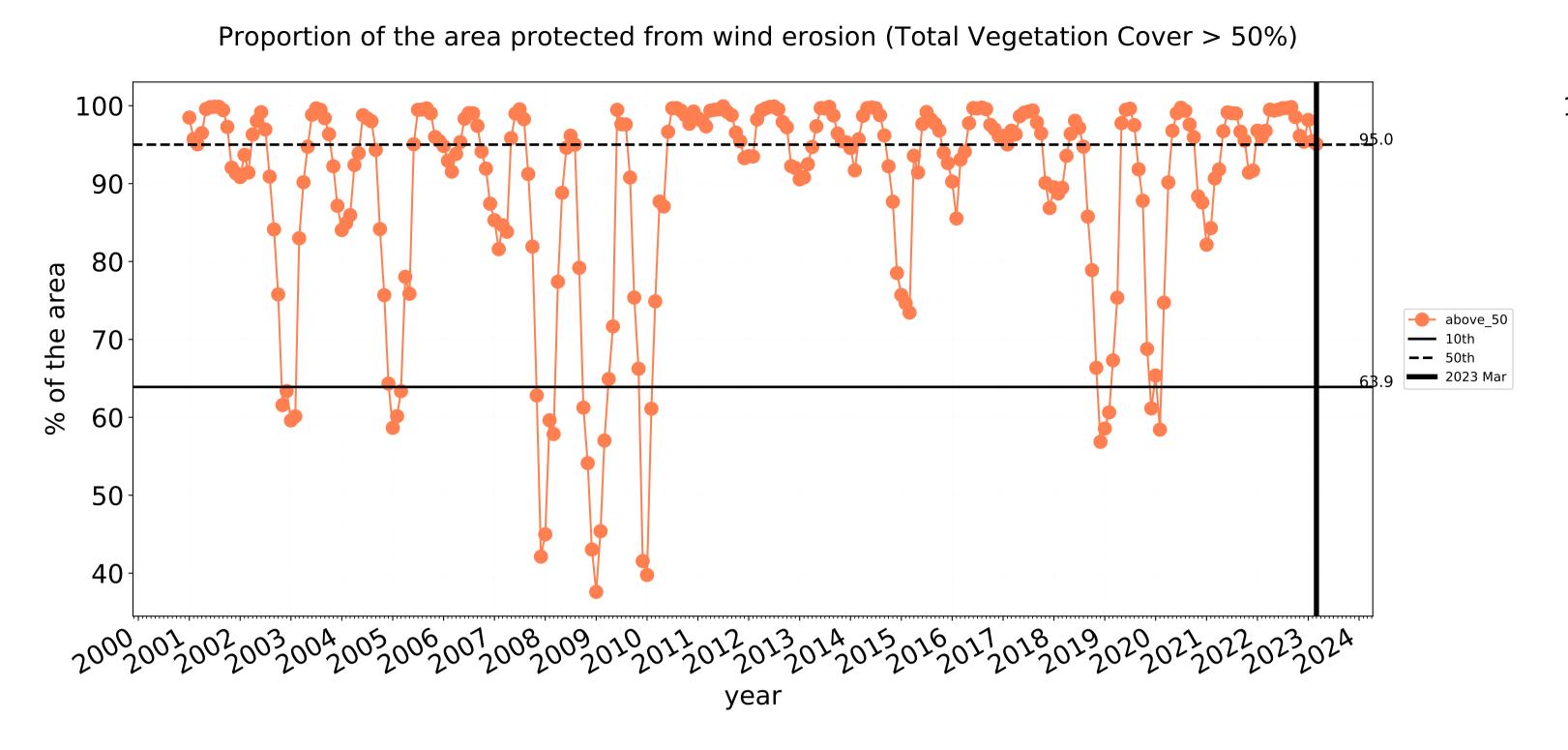


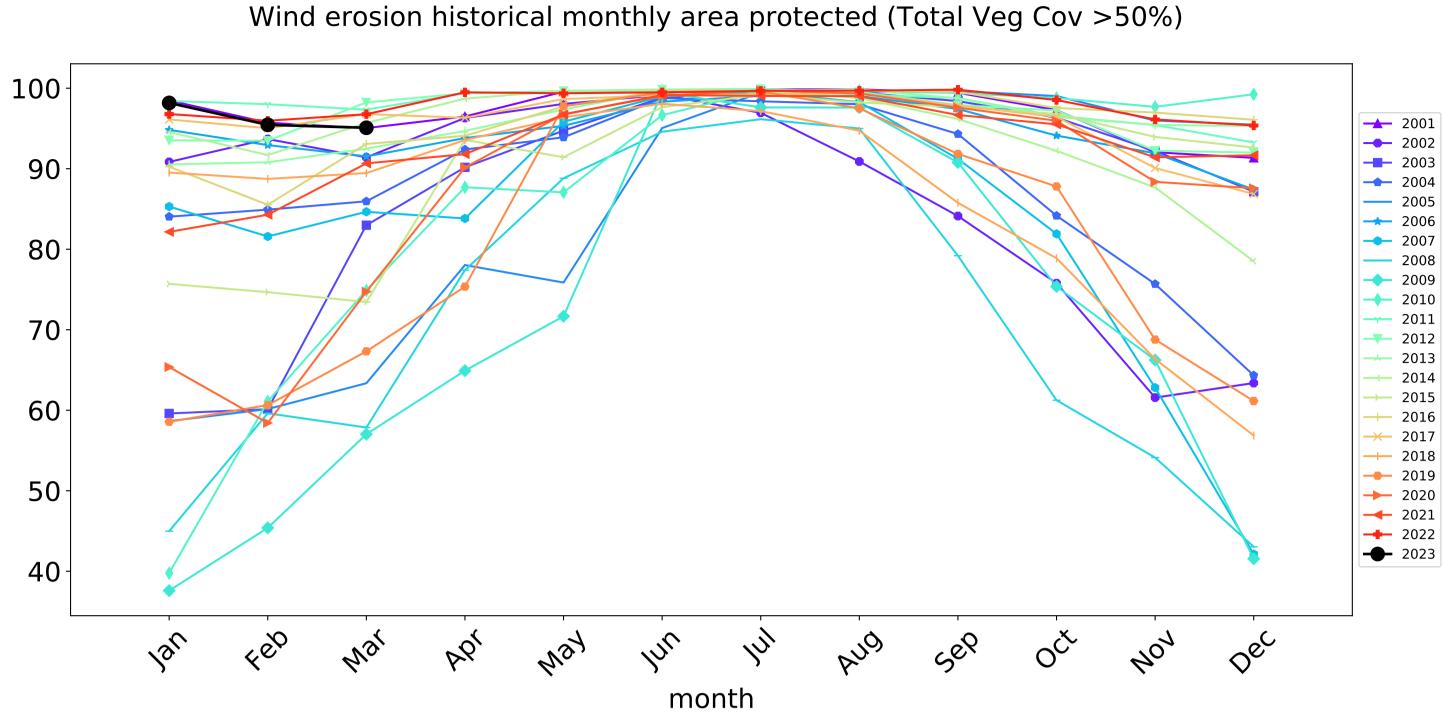


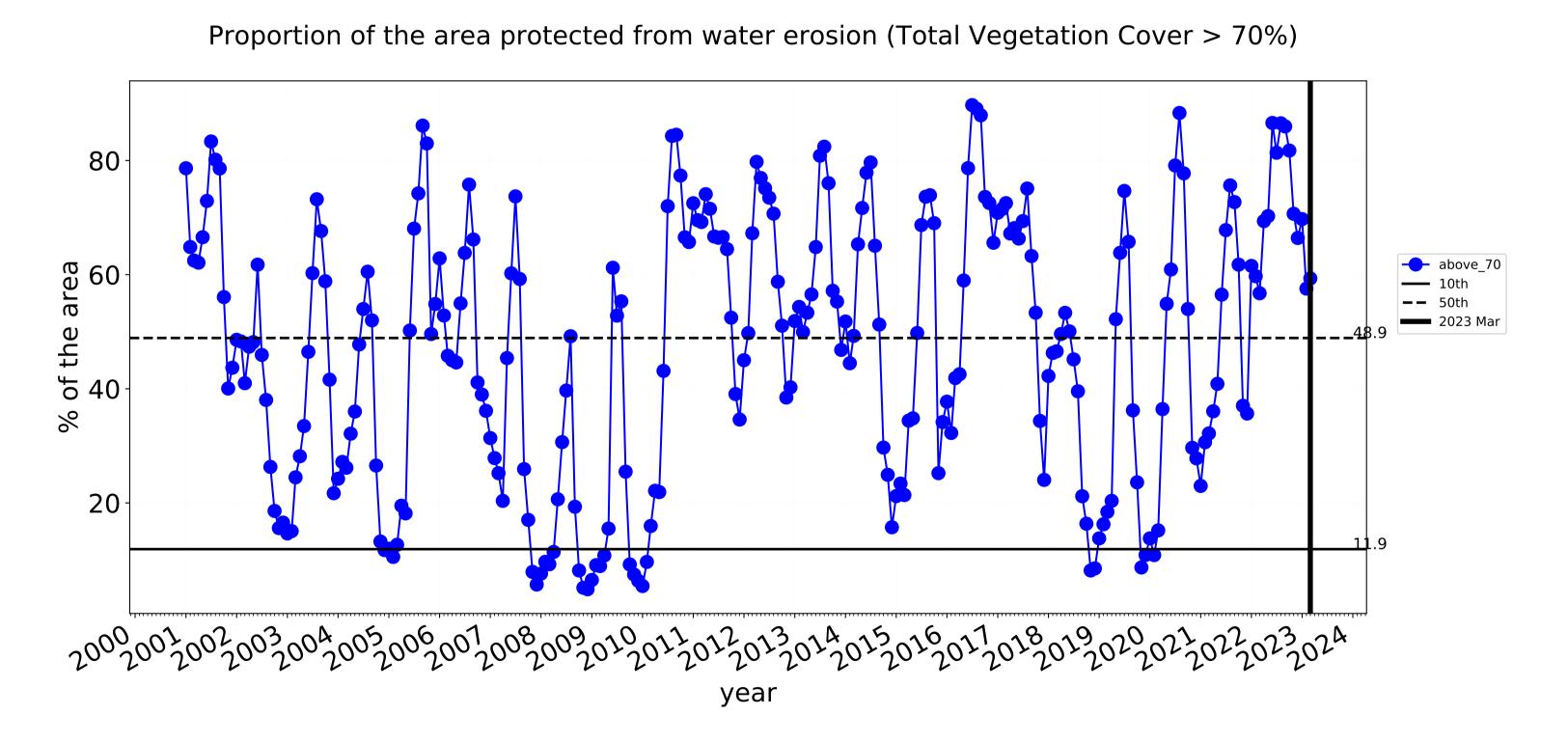


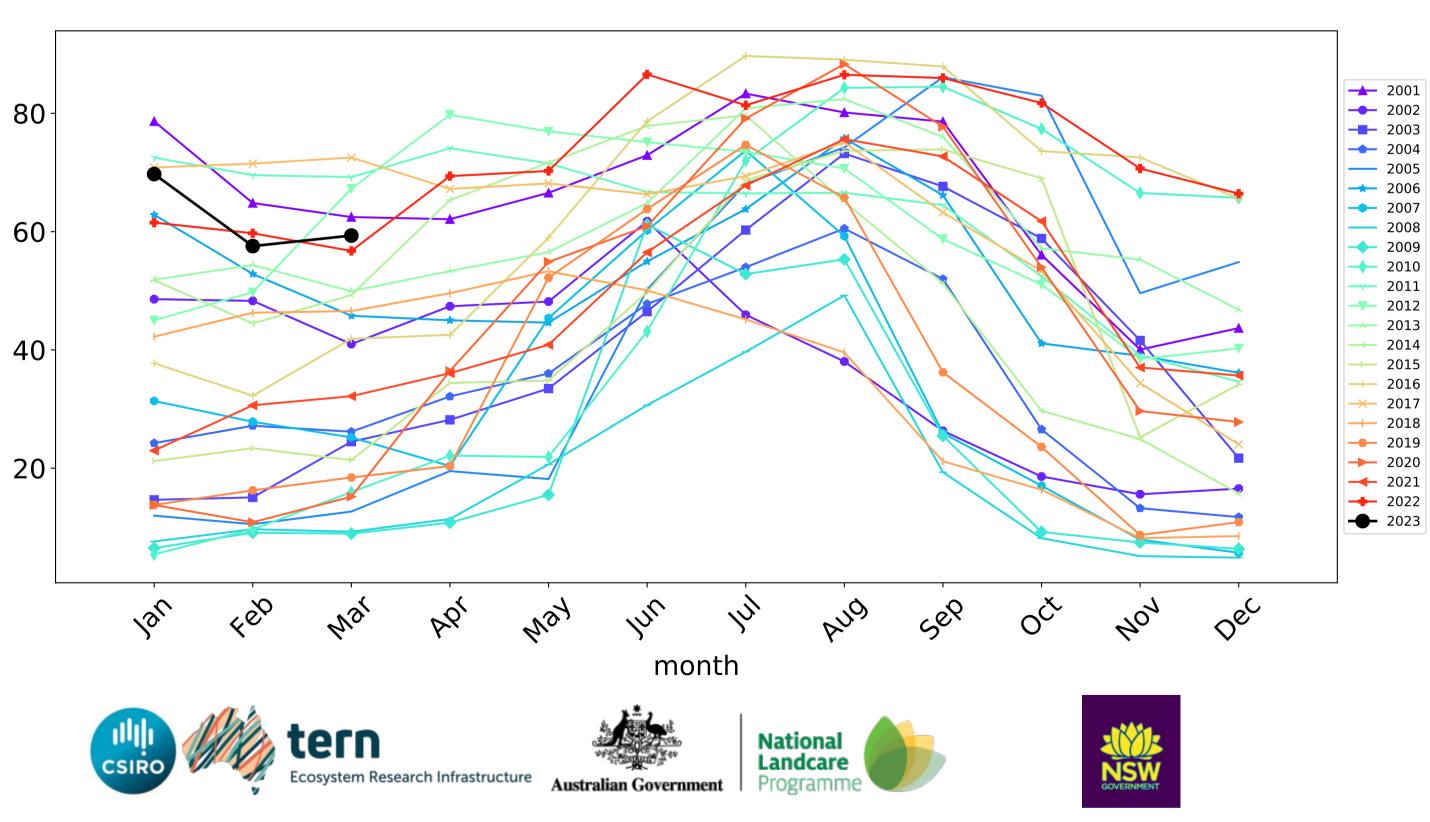










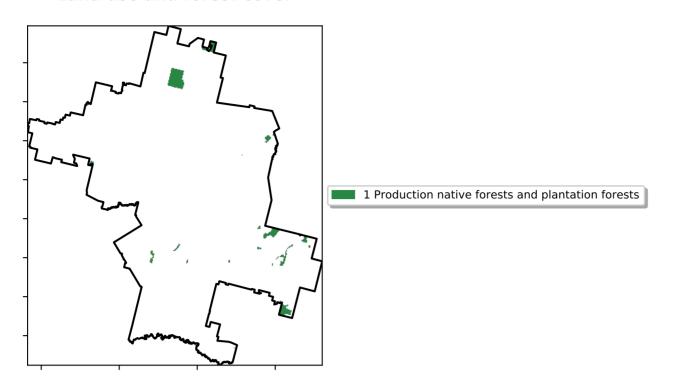


Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)

# **Production native forests and plantation forests**

### Land use and forest cover

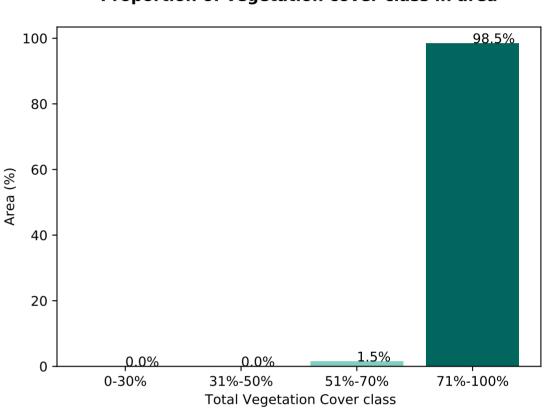
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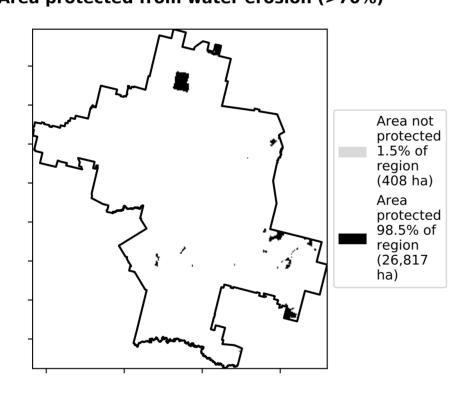
# **Total Vegetation Cover [%]**



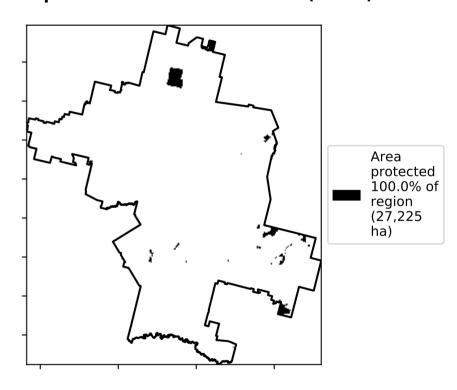
# Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



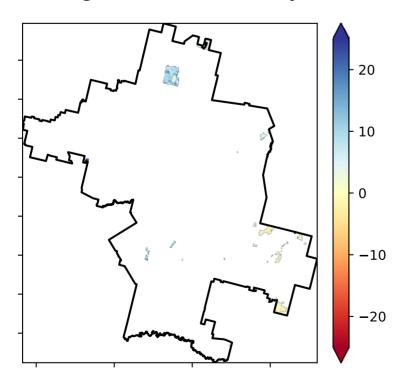
# % Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

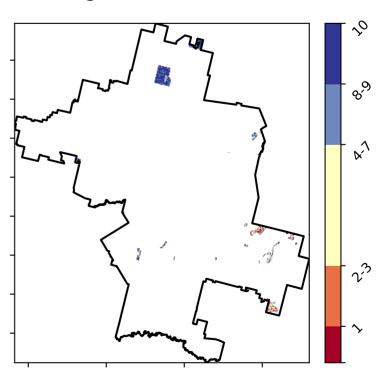


# **Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]**



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# **Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]**



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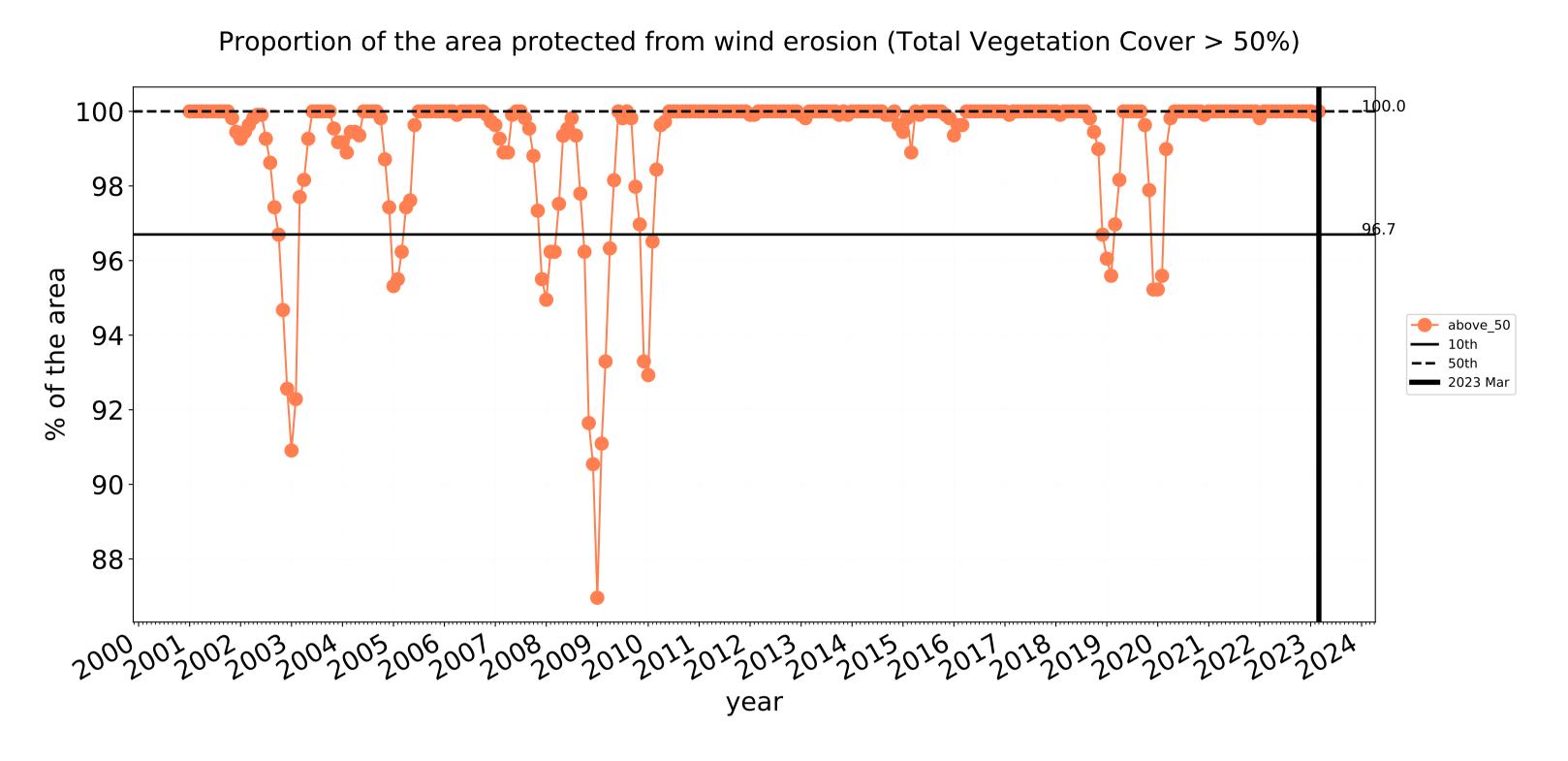


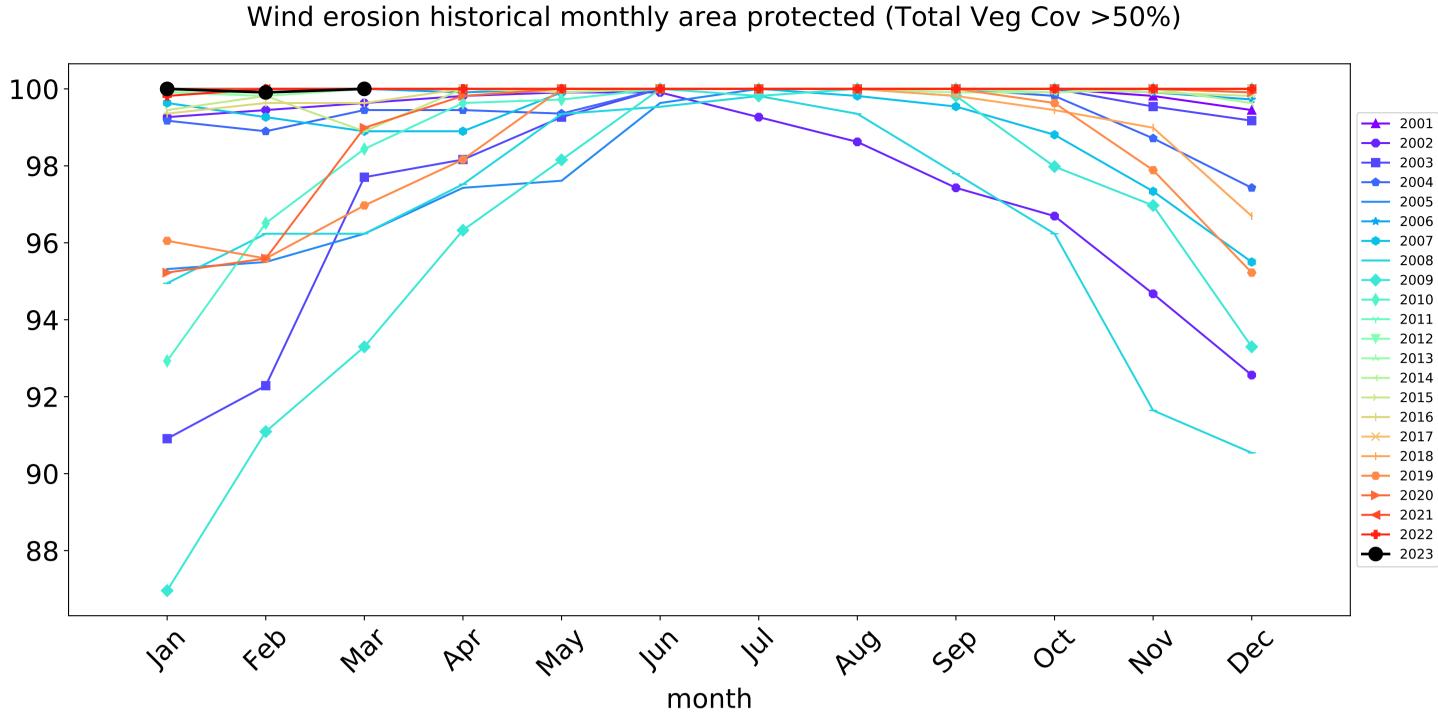


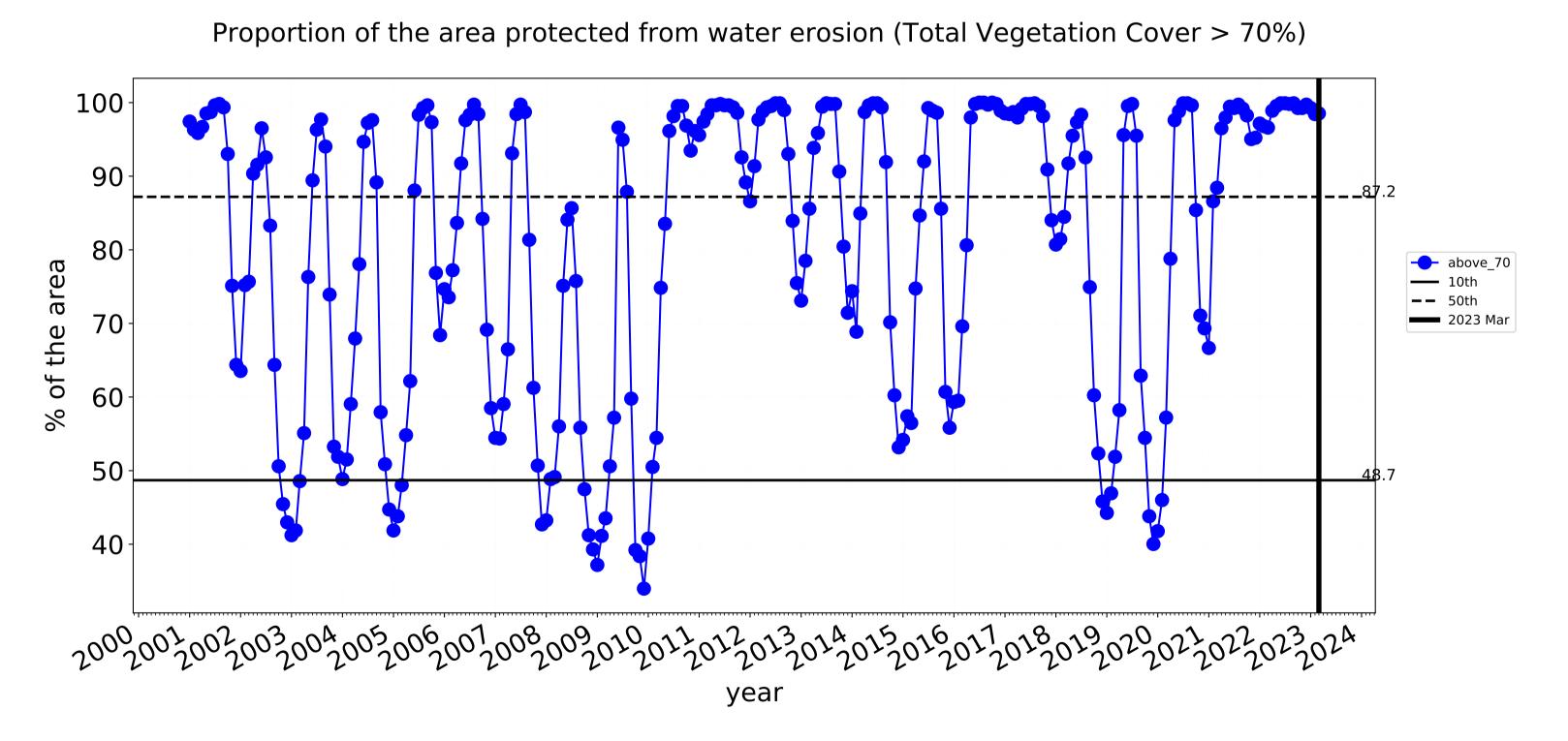


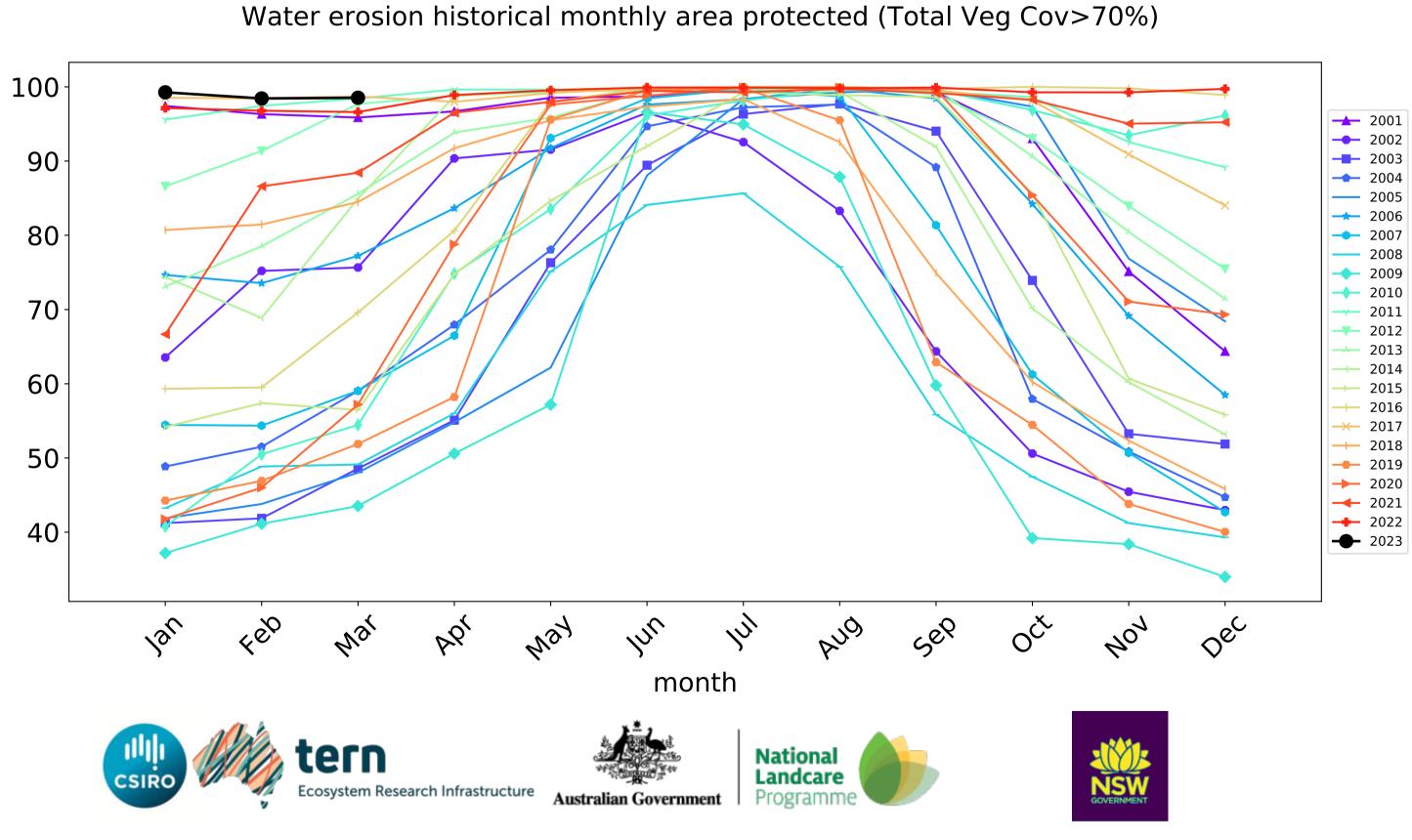


# **Production native forests and plantation forests timeseries**









# Carrathool\_(A) (1,887,225 ha and no data 5,671 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	1,887,225	100.0% 1,887,025	97.5% 1,839,400	74.6% 1,407,850	44.3% 836,750	6.5% 122,775	1.7% 31,175
Conservation and natural environments	145,000	100.0% 145,000	100.0% 144,950	96.9% 140,575	77.2% 111,975	3.6% 5,175	0.4% 625
Conservation and natural environments non forest	52,025	100.0% 52,025	100.0% 52,000	92.8% 48,275	54.1% 28,150	6.6% 3,425	1.1% 550
Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest	73,600	100.0% 73,600	100.0% 73,600	99.3% 73,050	93.8% 69,000	1.7% 1,275	0.1% 50
Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)	19,375	100.0% 19,375	99.9% 19,350	99.4% 19,250	76.5% 14,825	2.5% 475	0.1% 25
Agriculture	1,687,250	100.0% 1,687,175	97.2% 1,640,250	72.4% 1,221,075	41.2% 695,925	6.9% 115,775	1.8% 30,425
Grazing	1,070,400	100.0% 1,070,325	99.7% 1,067,075	88.1% 942,525	54.7% 585,925	9.2% 98,800	2.5% 26,975
Grazing non forest	935,400	100.0% 935,325	99.7% 932,175	86.7% 811,375	51.6% 482,425	10.2% 95,450	2.9% 26,850
Grazing Woodland forest	98,975	100.0% 98,975	99.9% 98,875	96.6% 95,625	77.0% 76,250	2.7% 2,625	0.0% 25
Grazing - Forest (non woodland)	36,025	100.0% 36,025	100.0% 36,025	98.6% 35,525	75.6% 27,250	2.0% 725	0.3% 100
Cropping	492,900	100.0% 492,900	92.4% 455,275	41.5% 204,700	14.2% 69,875	1.7% 8,575	0.2% 1,175
Irrigation	123,150	100.0% 123,150	95.1% 117,100	59.3% 73,075	32.1% 39,475	6.7% 8,300	1.8% 2,275
Production native forests and plantation forests	27,225	100.0% 27,225	100.0% 27,225	98.5% 26,825	76.4% 20,800	2.6% 700	0.1% 25







