### LGA Hay (A) (NSW) - Vegetation cover soil protection report Aug 2019

This report provides information about vegetation covering the soil surface for a region during a single month with comparison to previous years. Vegetation cover indicates where soil is likely to be protected from wind and or water (hillslope) erosion. Results are shown for the whole region (polygon) and also separated by land use and tree cover. Different land uses are likely to have different cover patterns and targets. Reporting is most reliable with less than 20% tree cover.

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- Context
  - o Map: Land use and forest cover
  - o Chart: Land use and forest cover area
- Total vegetation cover for this month
  - o Map: vegetation cover classified into 4 classes
  - o Chart: vegetation cover area classified into 4 classes
- Areas protected from erosion for the month
  - o Map: wind erosion protection (>50% cover)
  - o Map: water erosion protection (>70% cover)
- Comparison with previous years
  - o Map: anomaly compare this month to the average cover from the same month in previous years
  - o Map: deciles rank this month against the same month in previous years
- Time series
  - o Wind erosion protection time series: percentage of the area of the region with greater than 50% cover for each month in the archive (orange lines)
  - o Water erosion protection time series: percentage of the area of the region with greater than 70% cover for each month of the archive (blue lines).
  - o Rainfall: millimetres rainfall each month (black lines)
- Time series stacked by year
  - o Wind erosion protection time series: percentage of the area of the region with greater than 50% cover for each month in the archive (orange lines) in case of 5th percentile is less than 80i
  - o Water erosion protection time series: percentage of the area of the region with greater than 70% cover for each month of the archive (blue lines). in case of 5th percentile is less than 80
- Water erosion protection on higher slopes. As slope increases, more cover is required to control water erosion. The thresholds reported are:
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  - o the percentage area with pixels greater than 80% total clover
  - o the percentage area with pixels greater than 90% total clover
  - o the percentage area with pixels greater than 95% total clover

The following pages repeat the above sequence for each land use and forest cover class. For example

- All agricultural lands, that is grazing, cropping plus Horticulture (depending on what land use is present)
- Grazing lands by forest classes if present
- Cropping lands
- Irrigation lands
- Protected areas by forest classes if present

### **Explanatory notes:**

This report has been generated using MODIS fractional vegetation cover information available in Rangelands and Pasture Productivity (RAPP) map tool. The report is based on an analysis of 500 metre pixels. Pixels with greater than or equal to 50% vegetation cover are generally considered to be protected from or have reduced soil loss by wind erosion, and pixels with greater than or equal to 70% vegetation cover are generally considered to also be protected from or have reduced soil loss from water (hillslope) erosion. Report used baseline from 2001 to 2019 for each month to generate anomalies and deciles. And it used threshold of 1% to create land use forest cover reports. Higher cover thresholds may be required for erosion protection in some regions. This report will be less applicable in areas with sparse forest (20-50% tree cover) or dense forest (> 50% tree cover). Therefore land use classes are divided by tree cover: 1) No forest is when there is less than 20% tree cover 2) Sparse forest, is when there is less than 20 to 50 % tree cover 3) Dense forest is greater than 50% tree 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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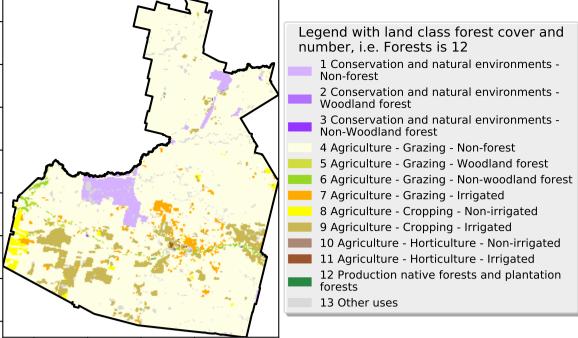


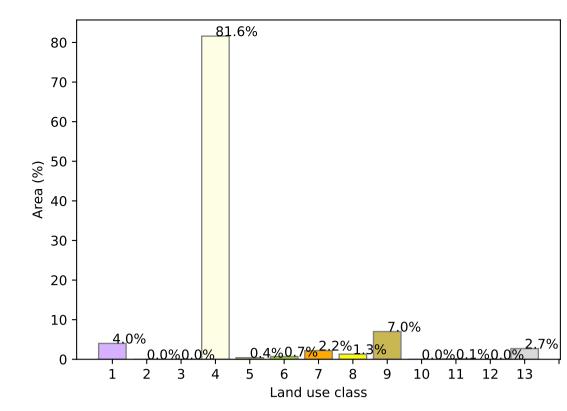


## **Vegetation Cover Aug 2019**

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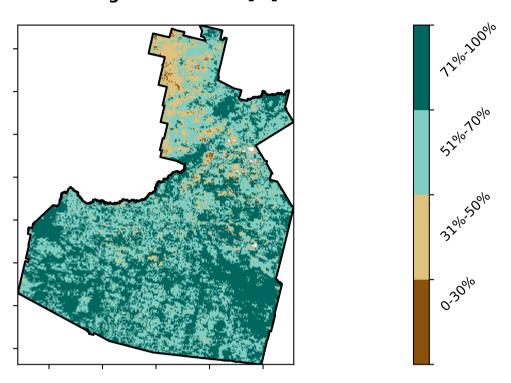
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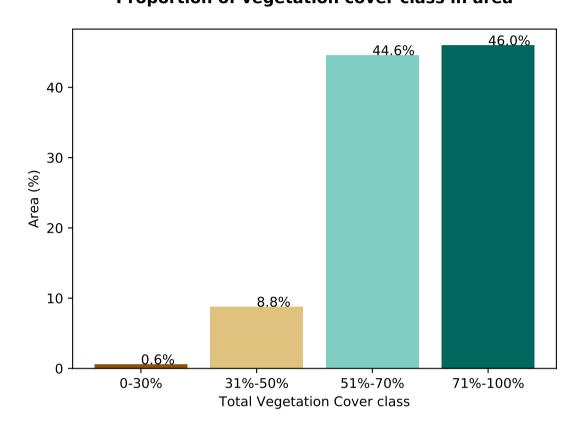


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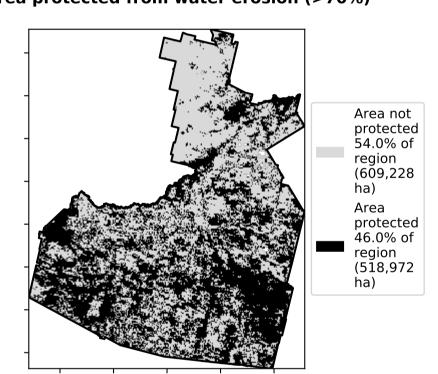
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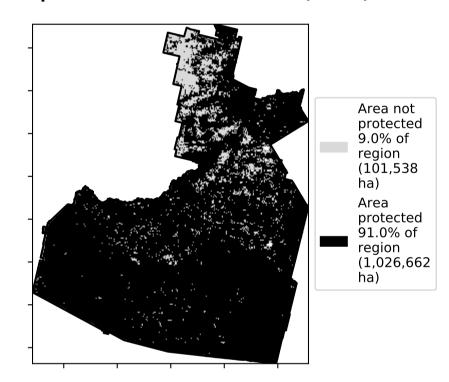
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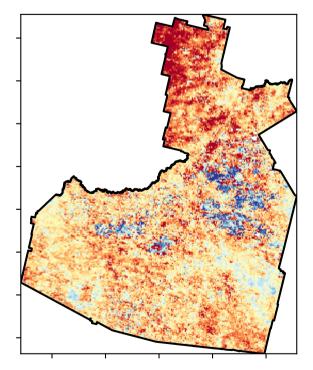
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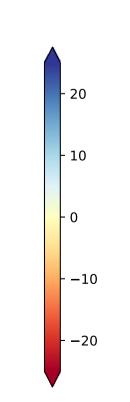


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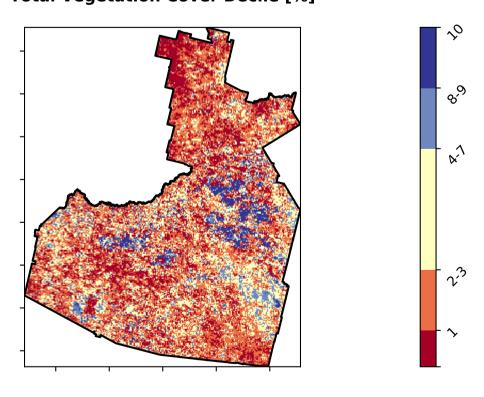
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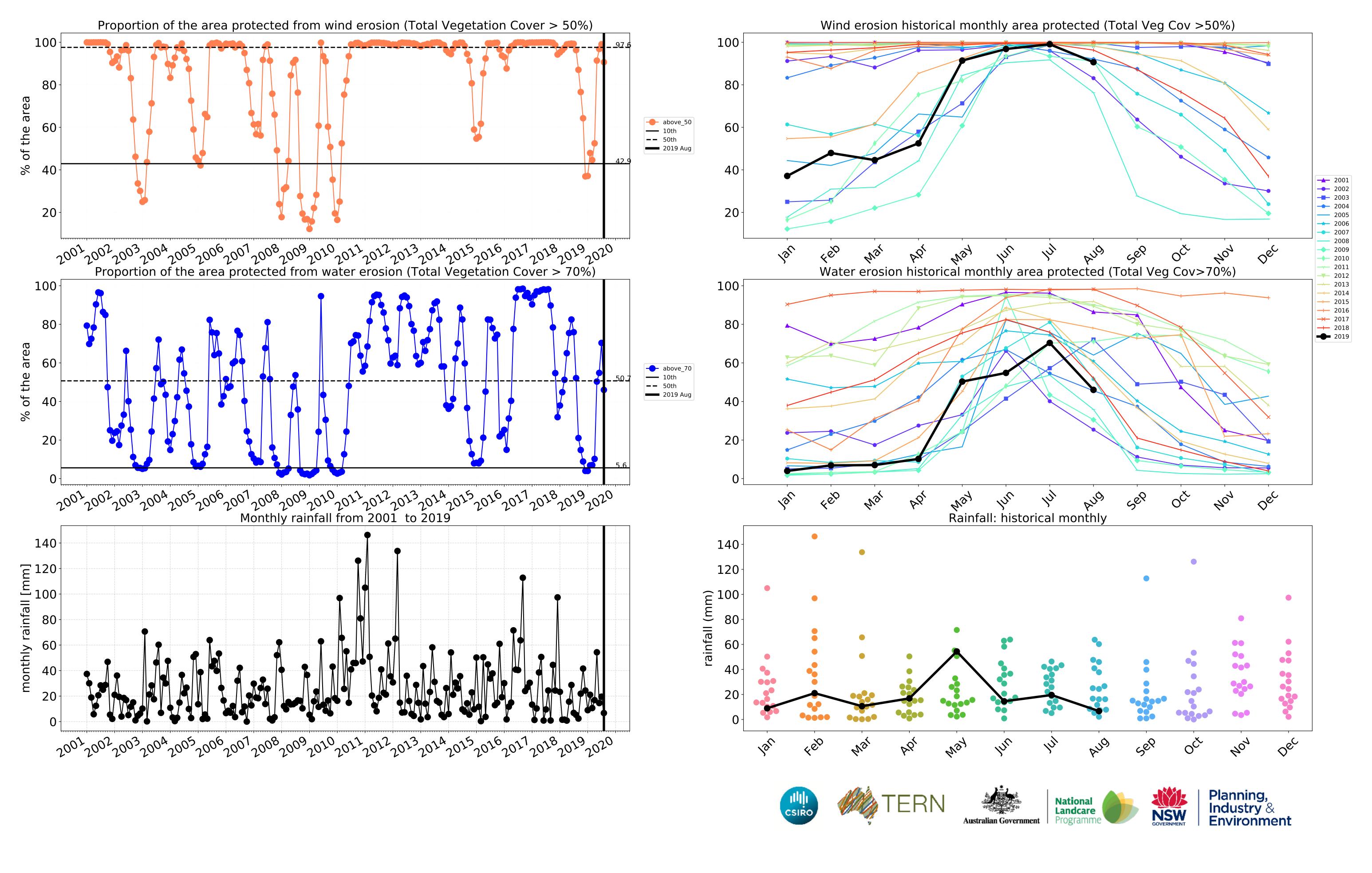












### **Conservation and natural environments**

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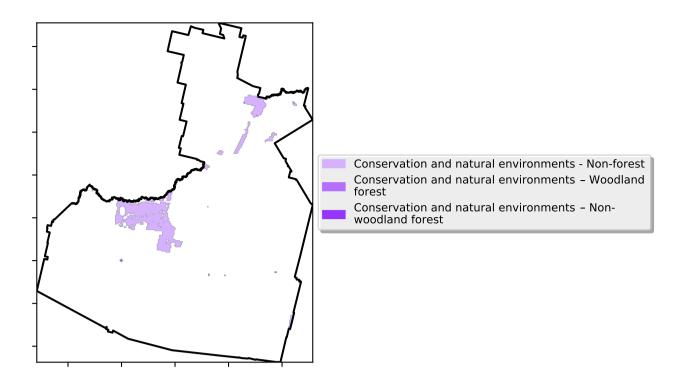
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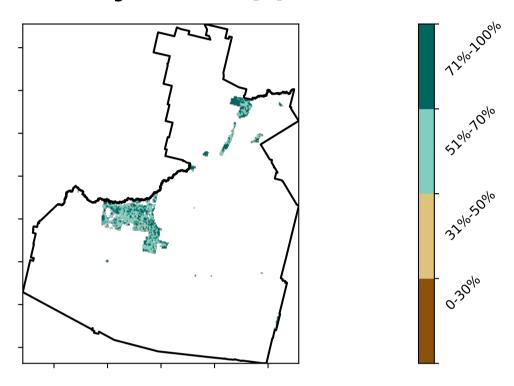
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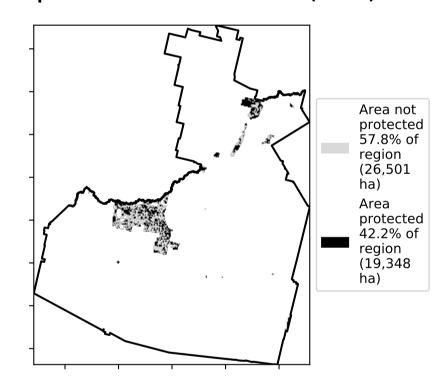
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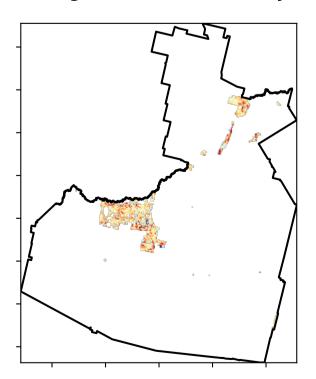
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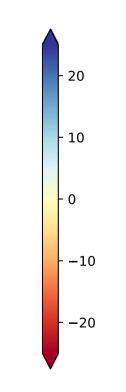


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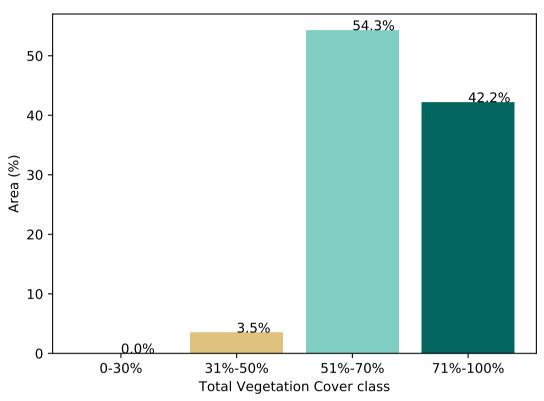
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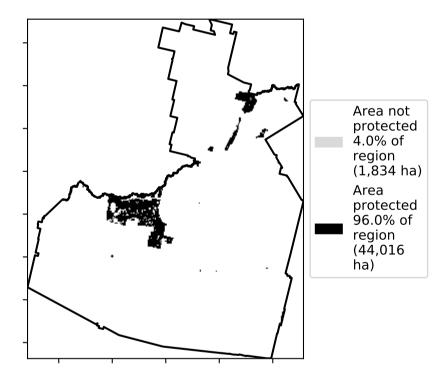


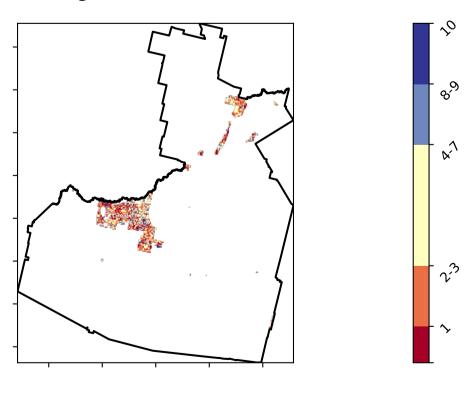
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### Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



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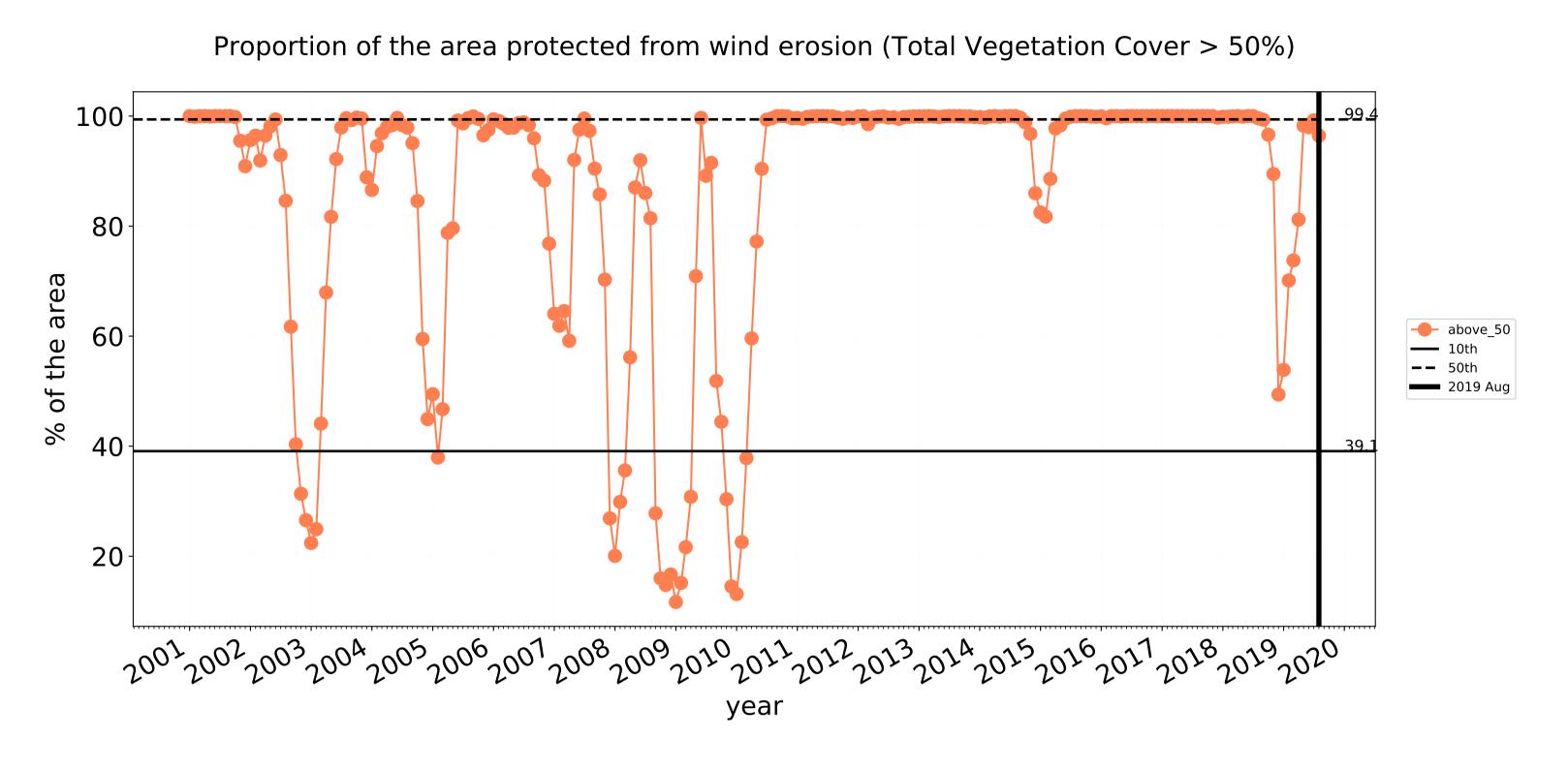


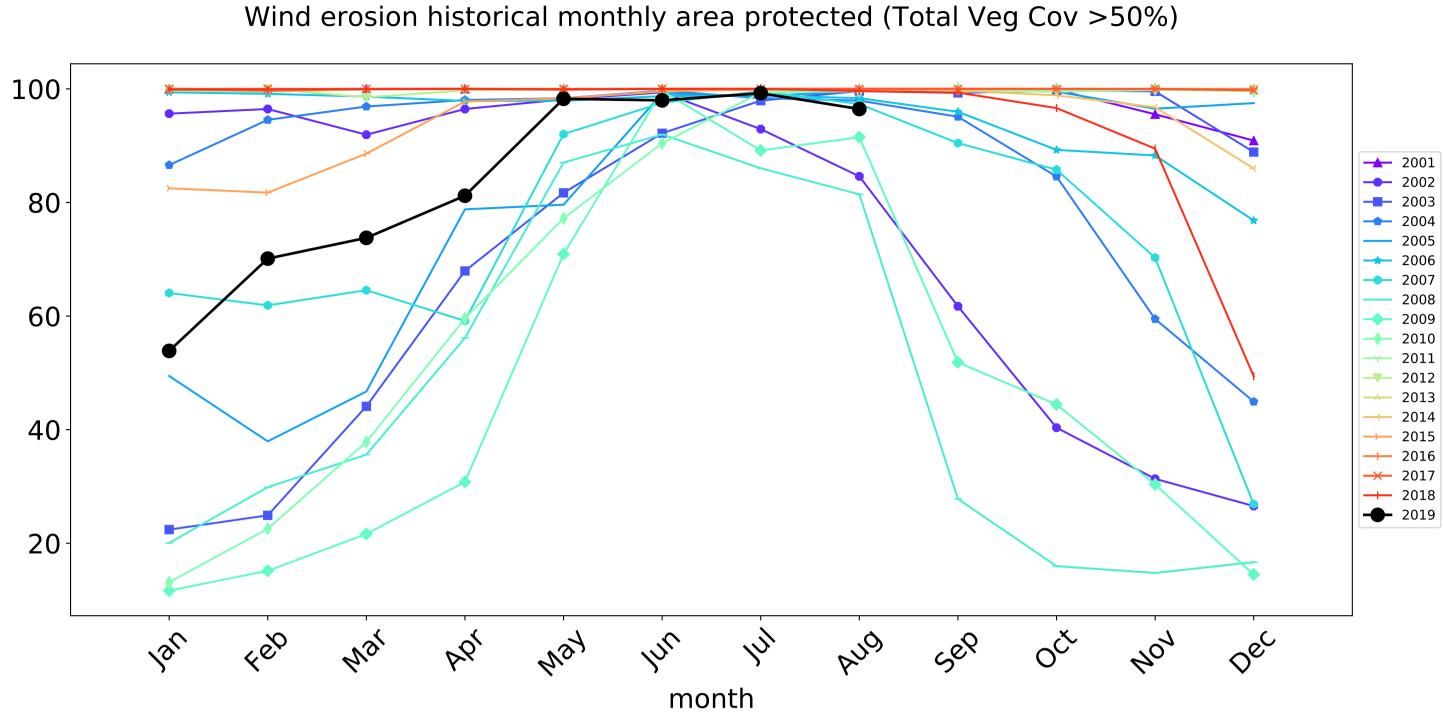


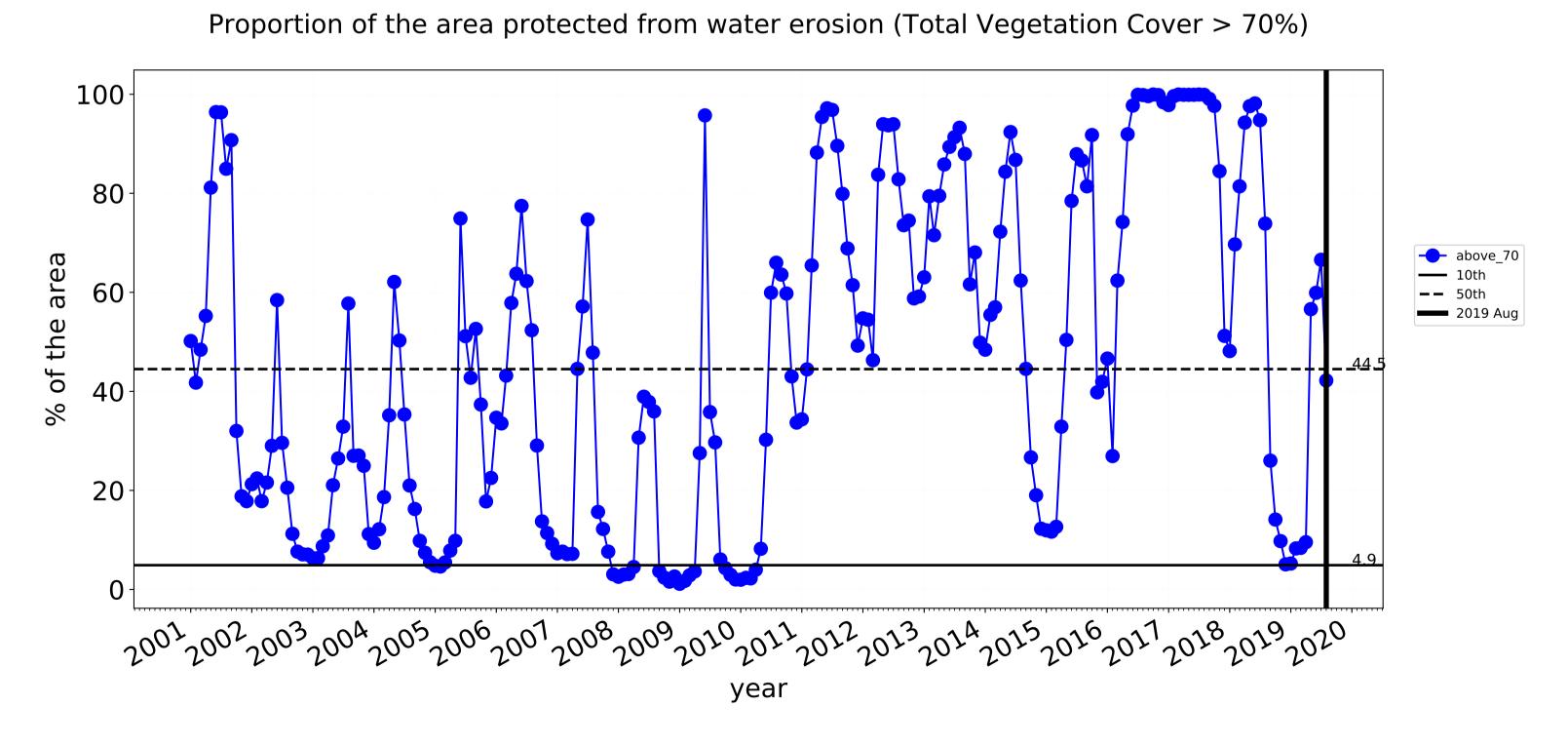


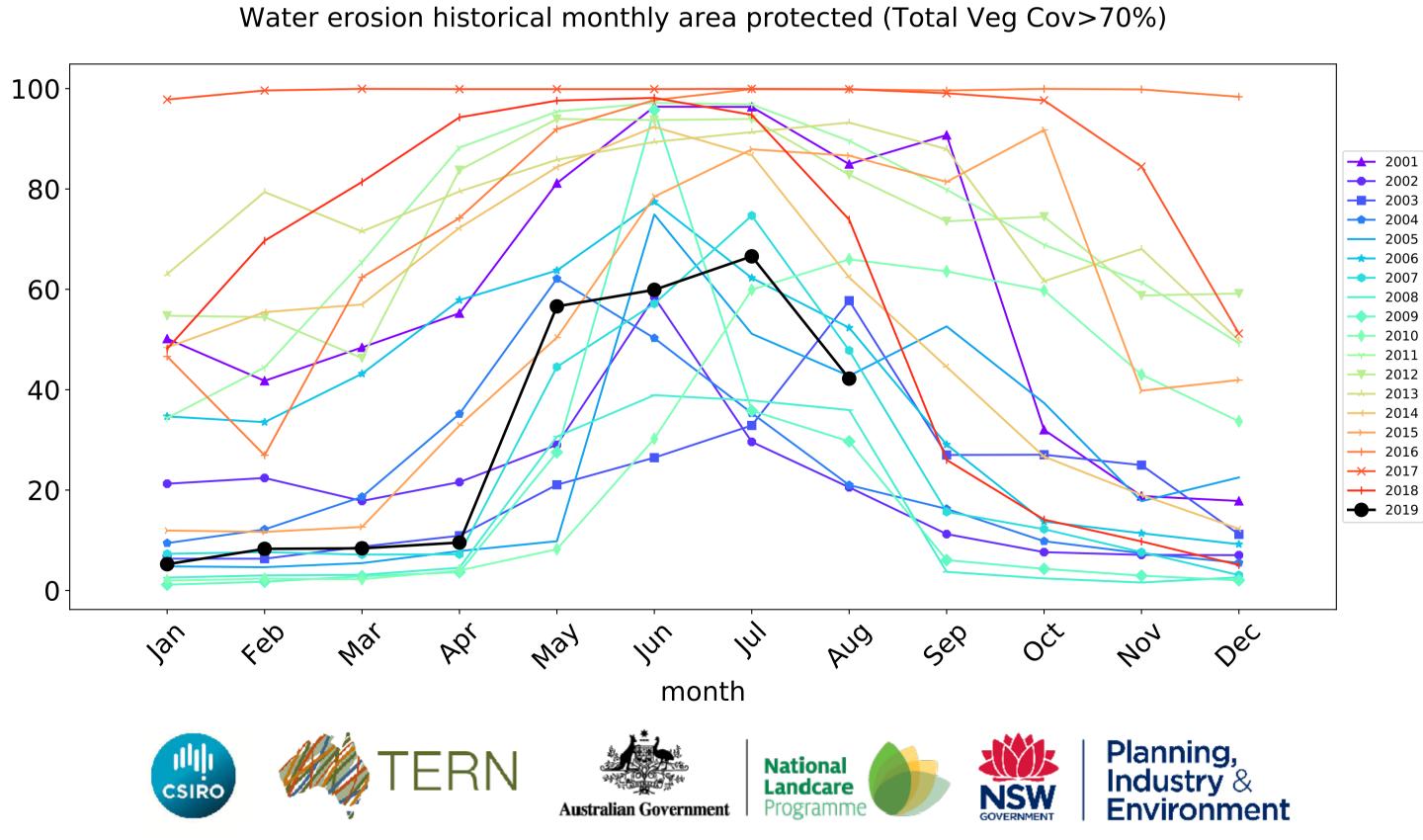


### **Conservation and natural environments timeseries**









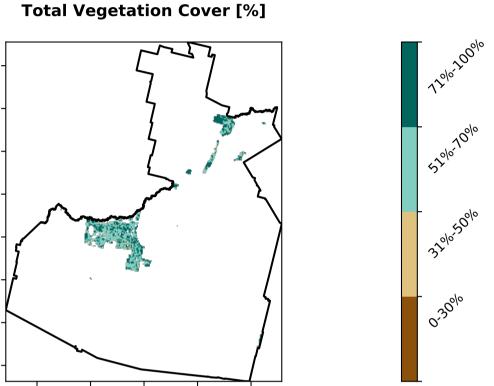
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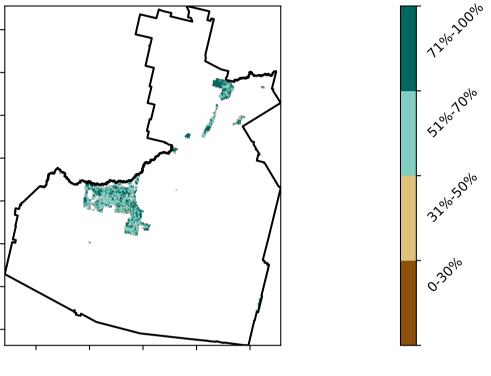
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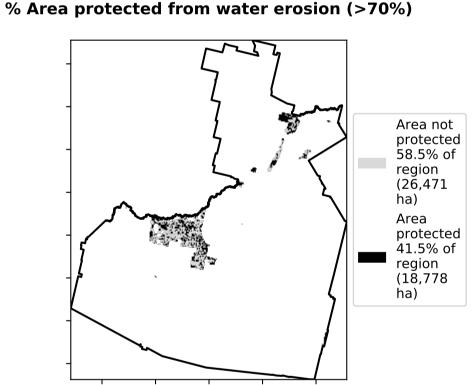
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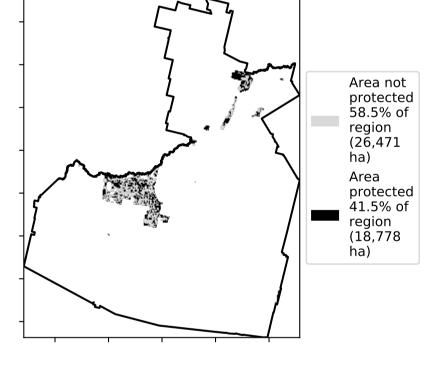
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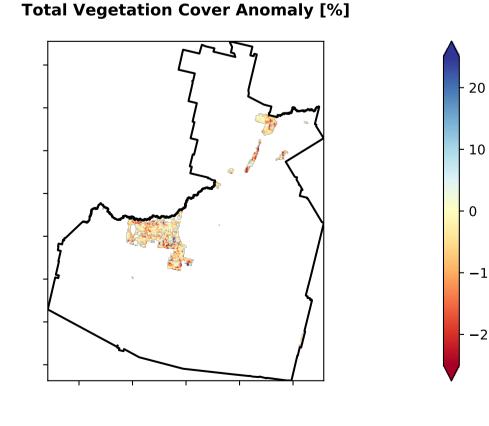
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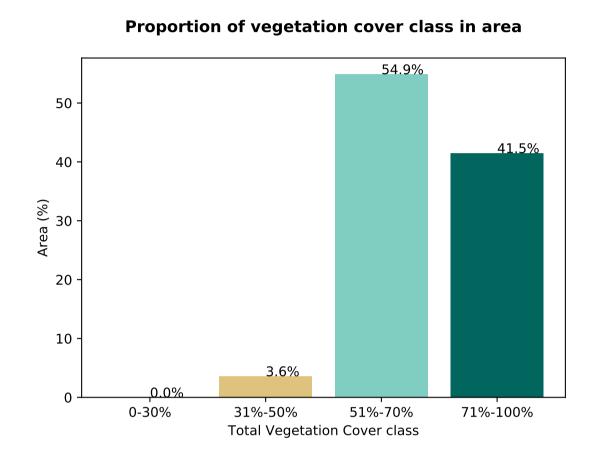


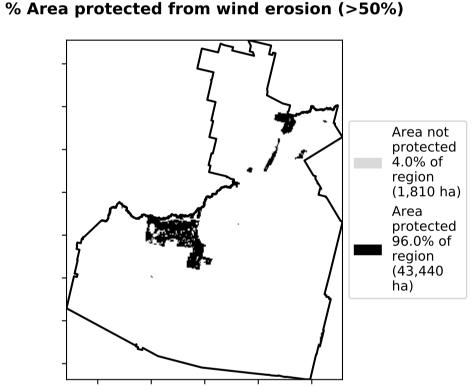


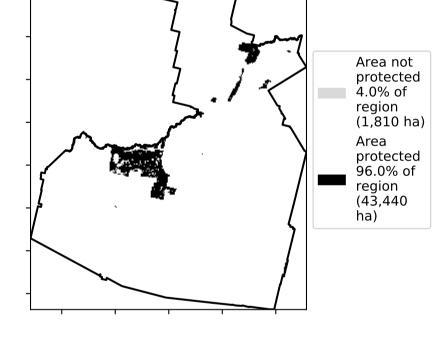


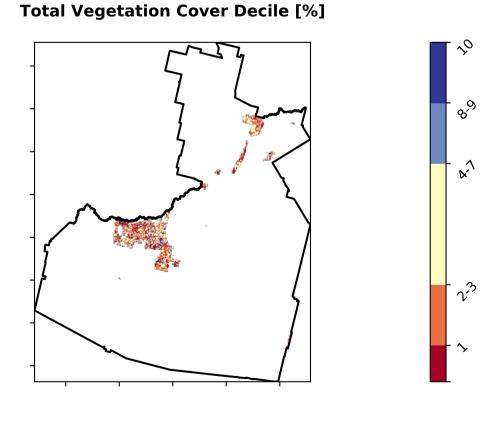


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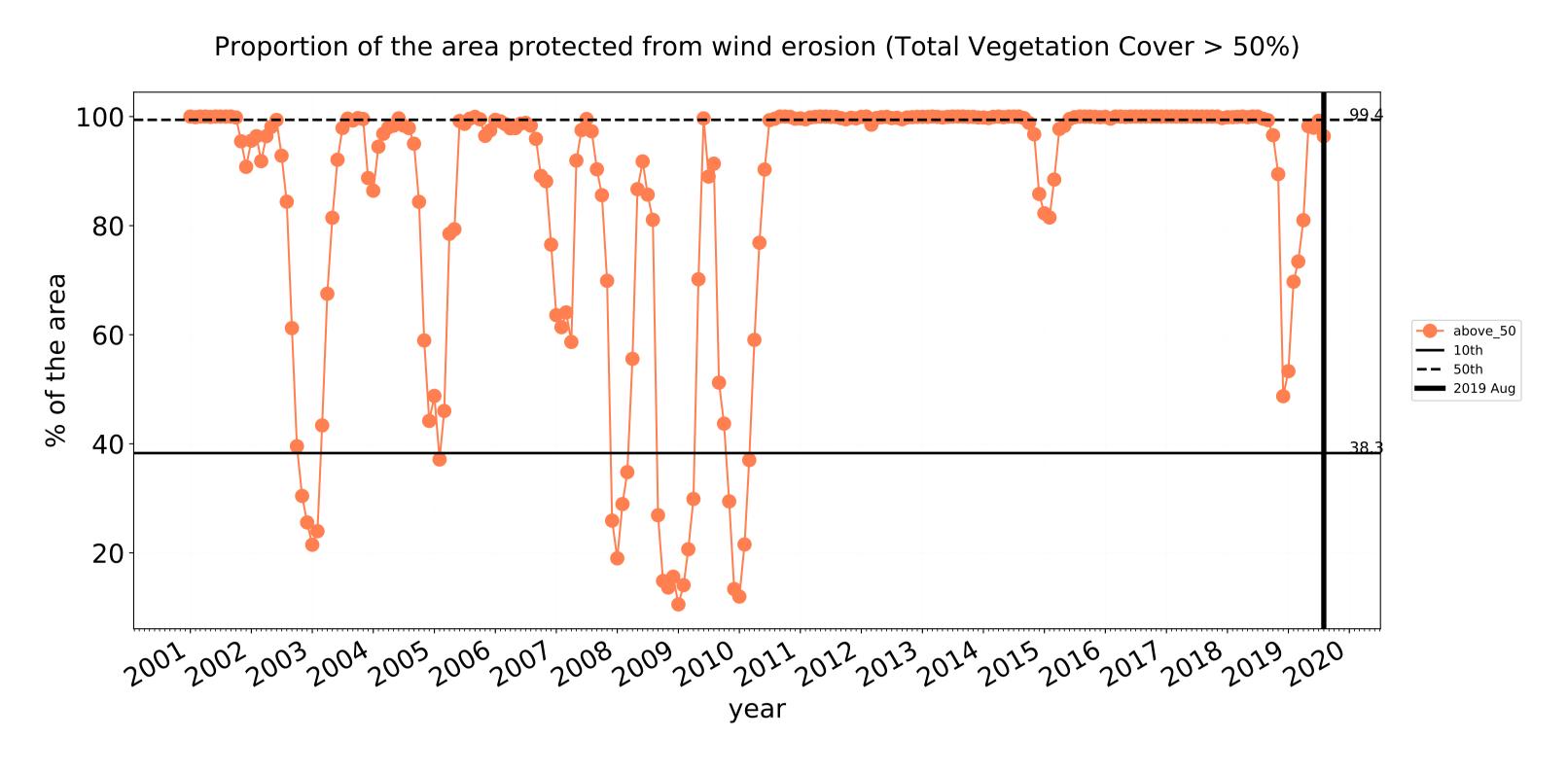


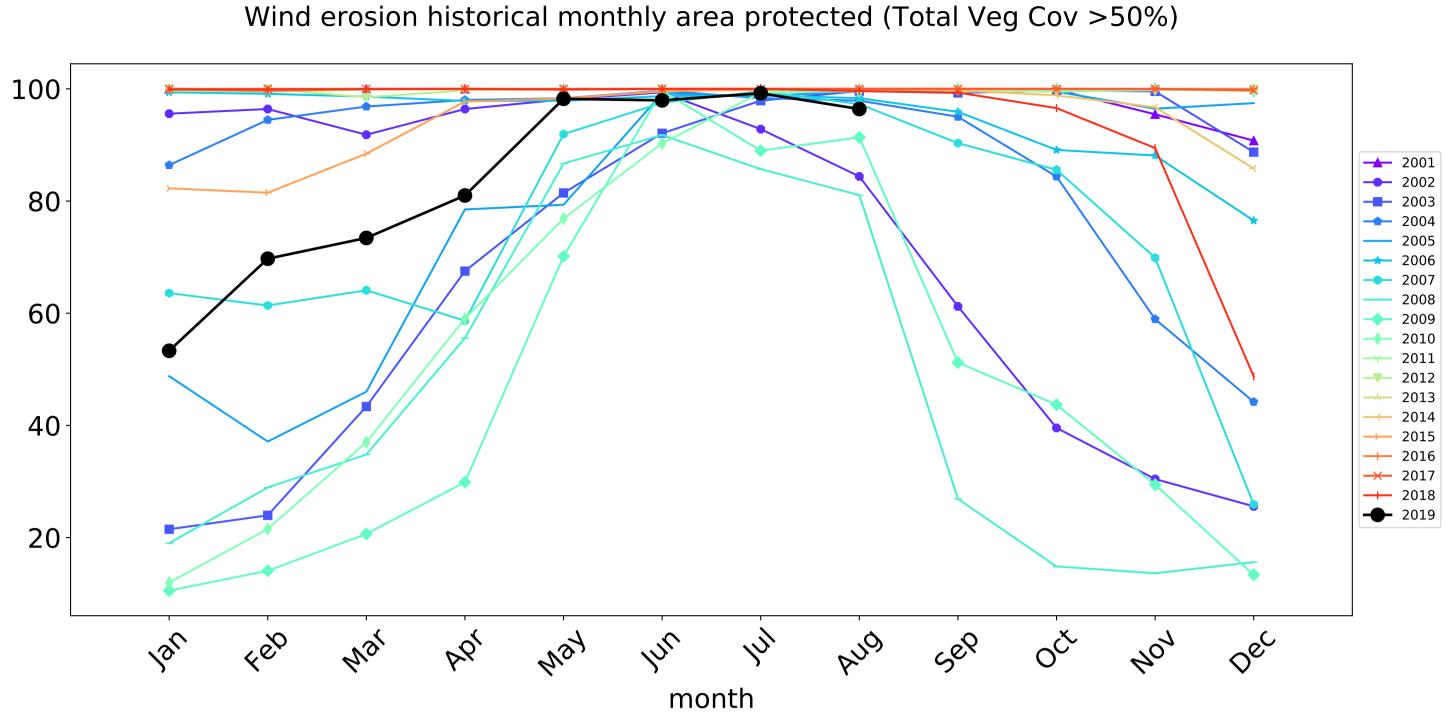
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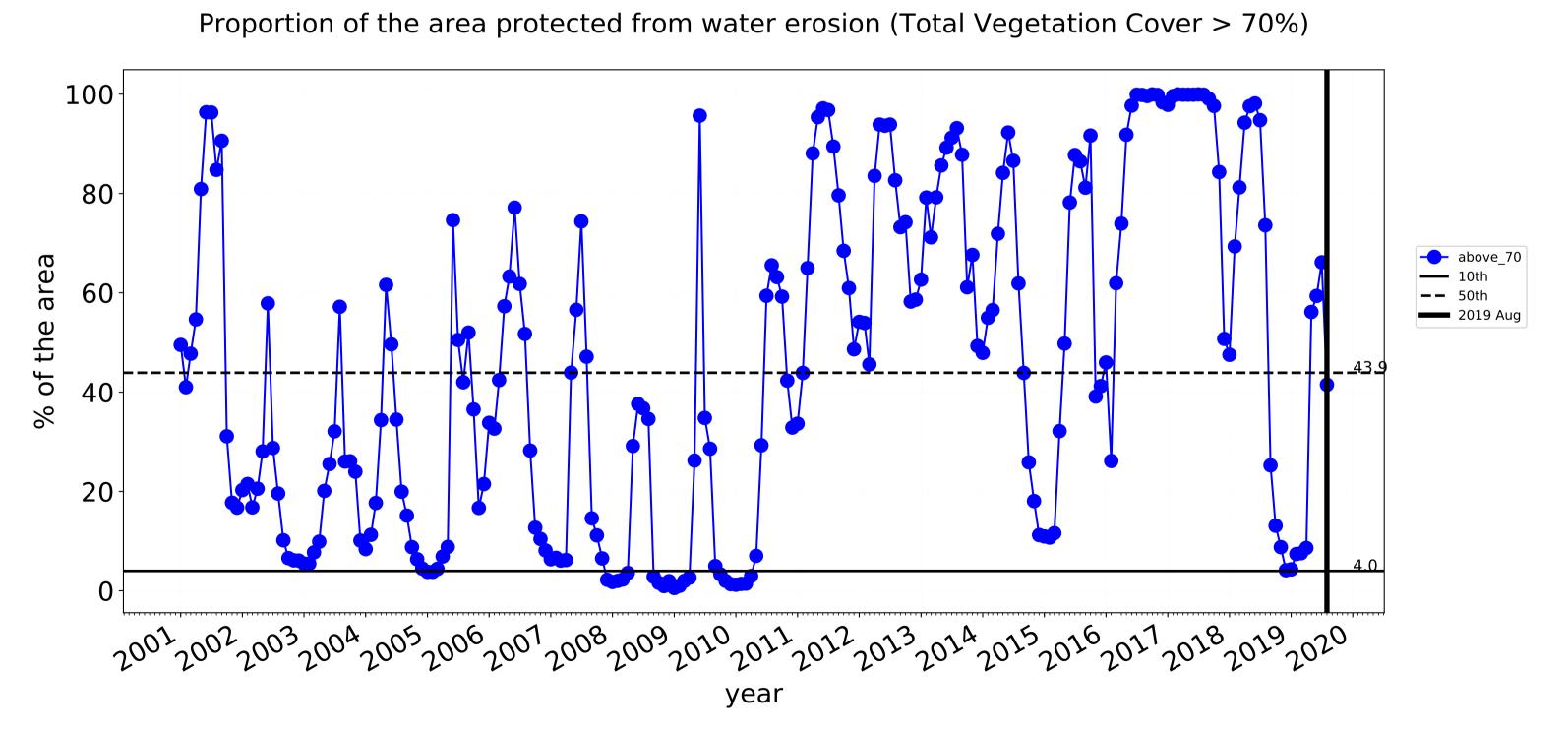
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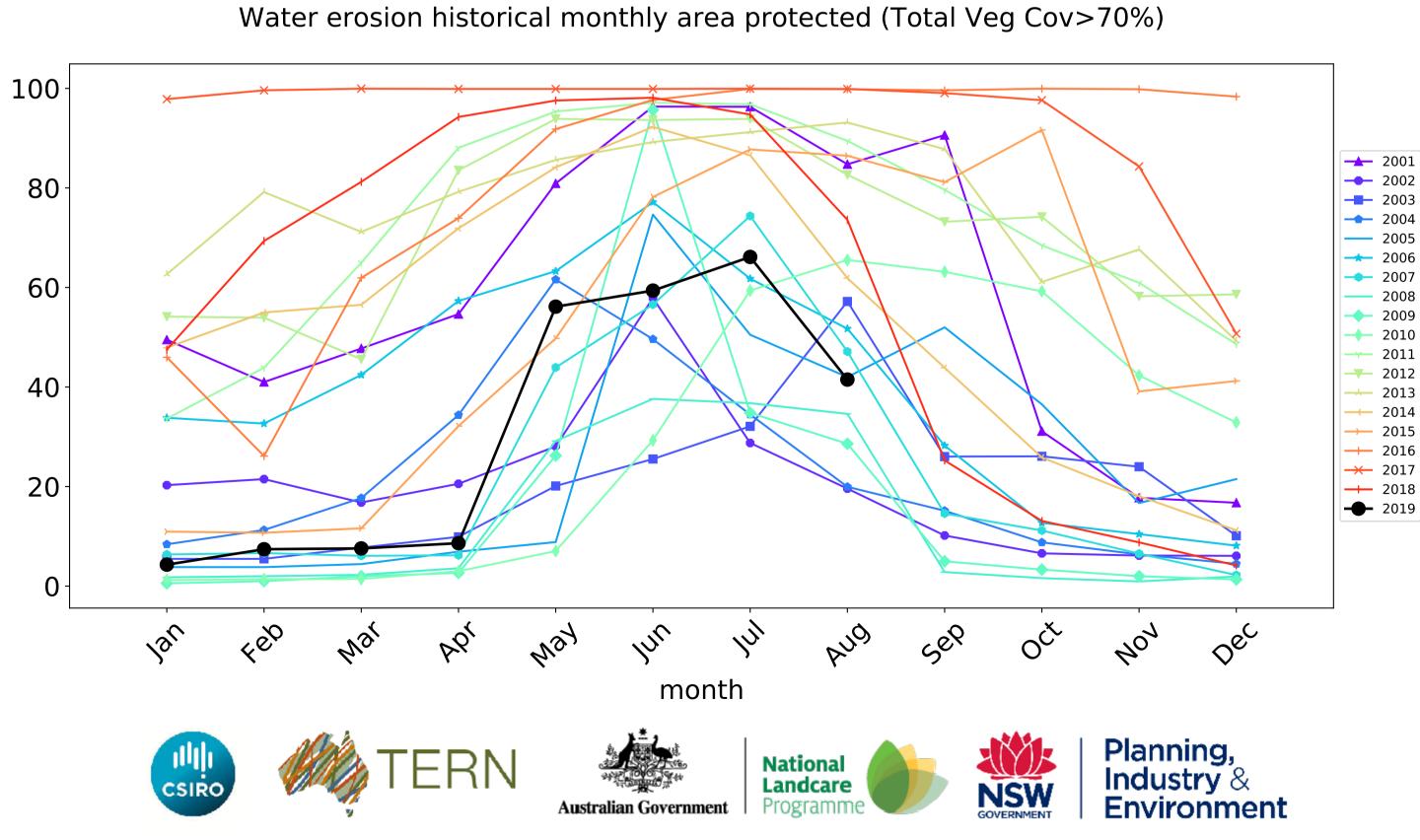
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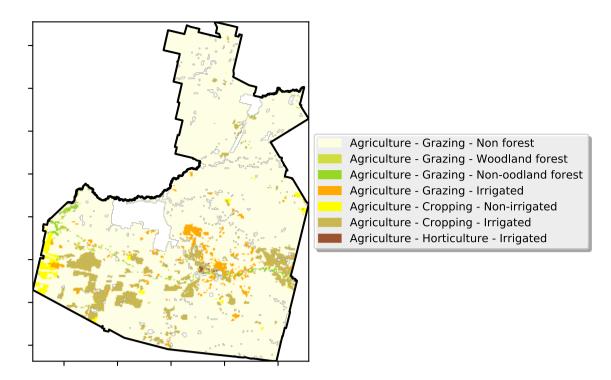




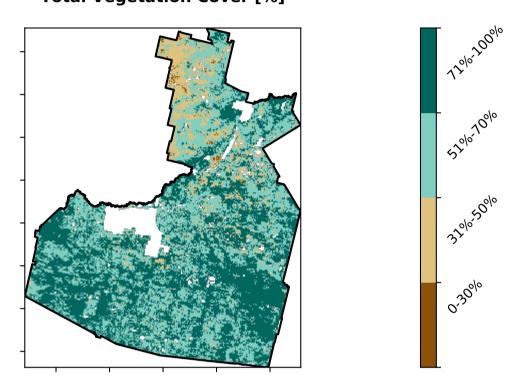
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### Land use and forest cover

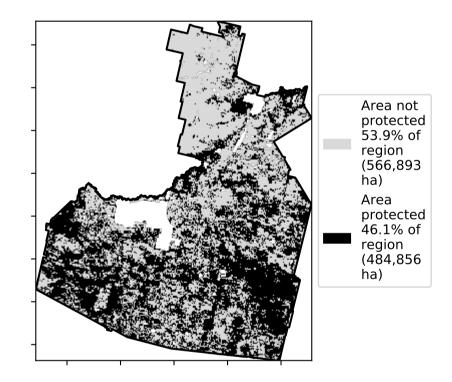
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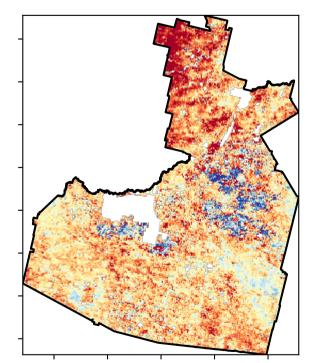
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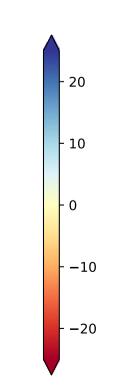


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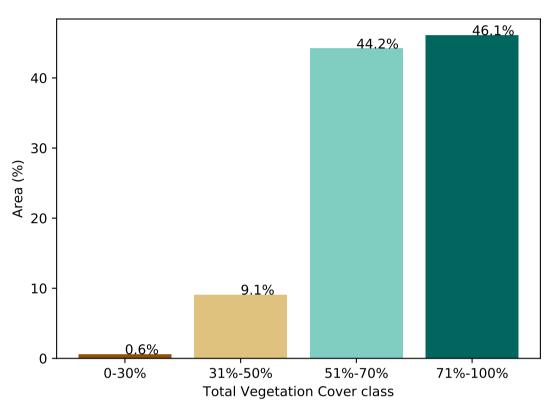
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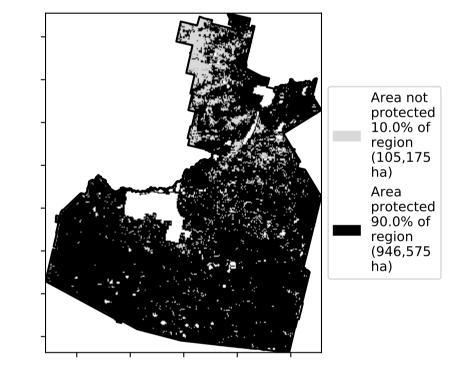


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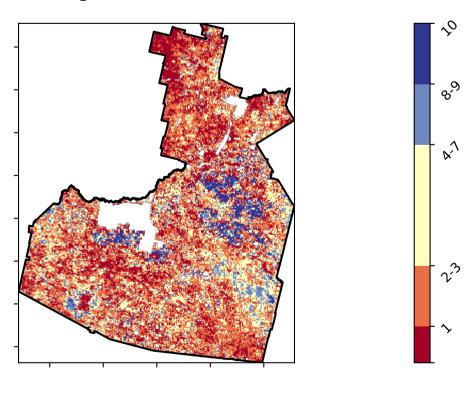
### **Proportion of vegetation cover class in area**



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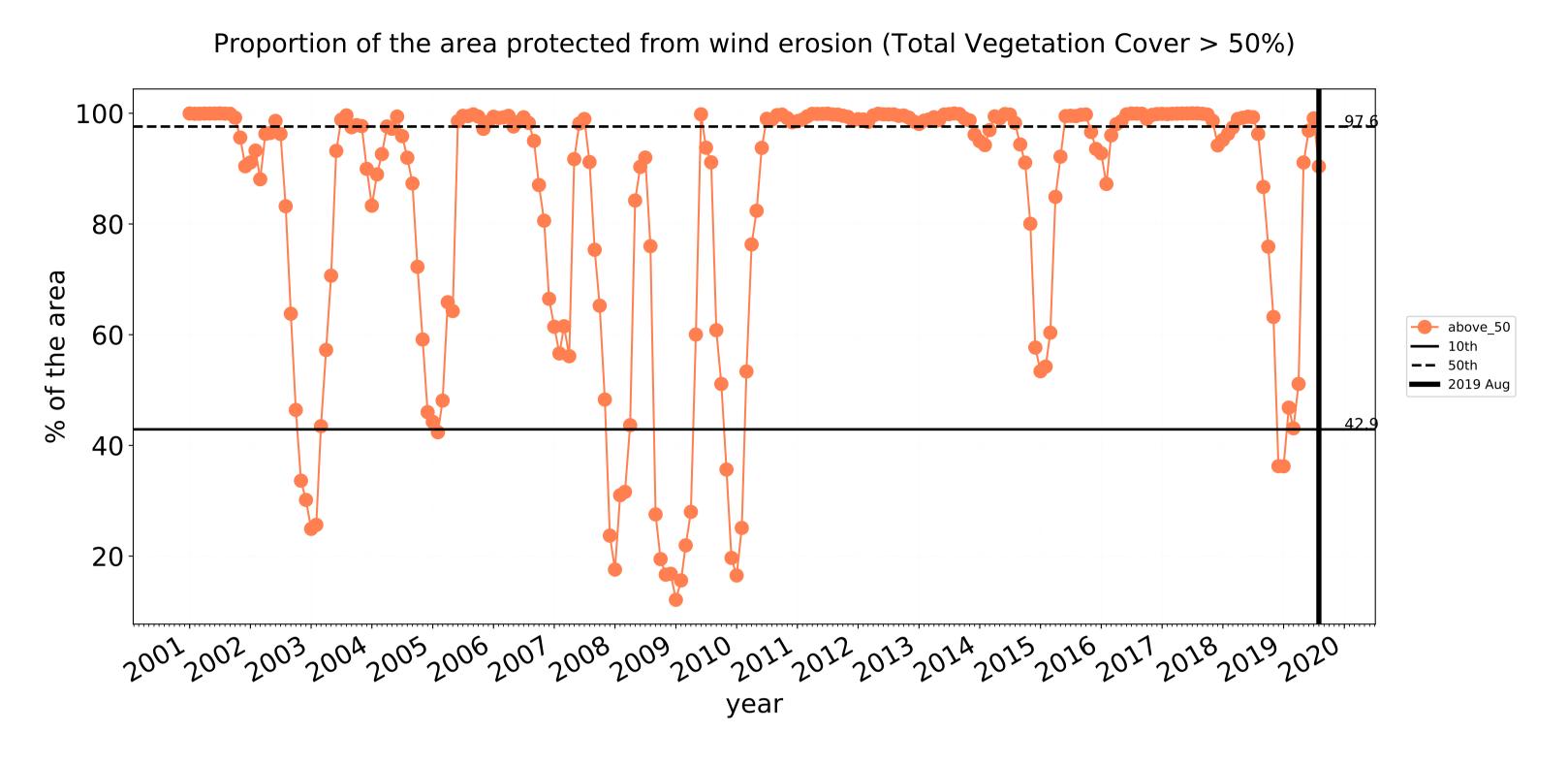


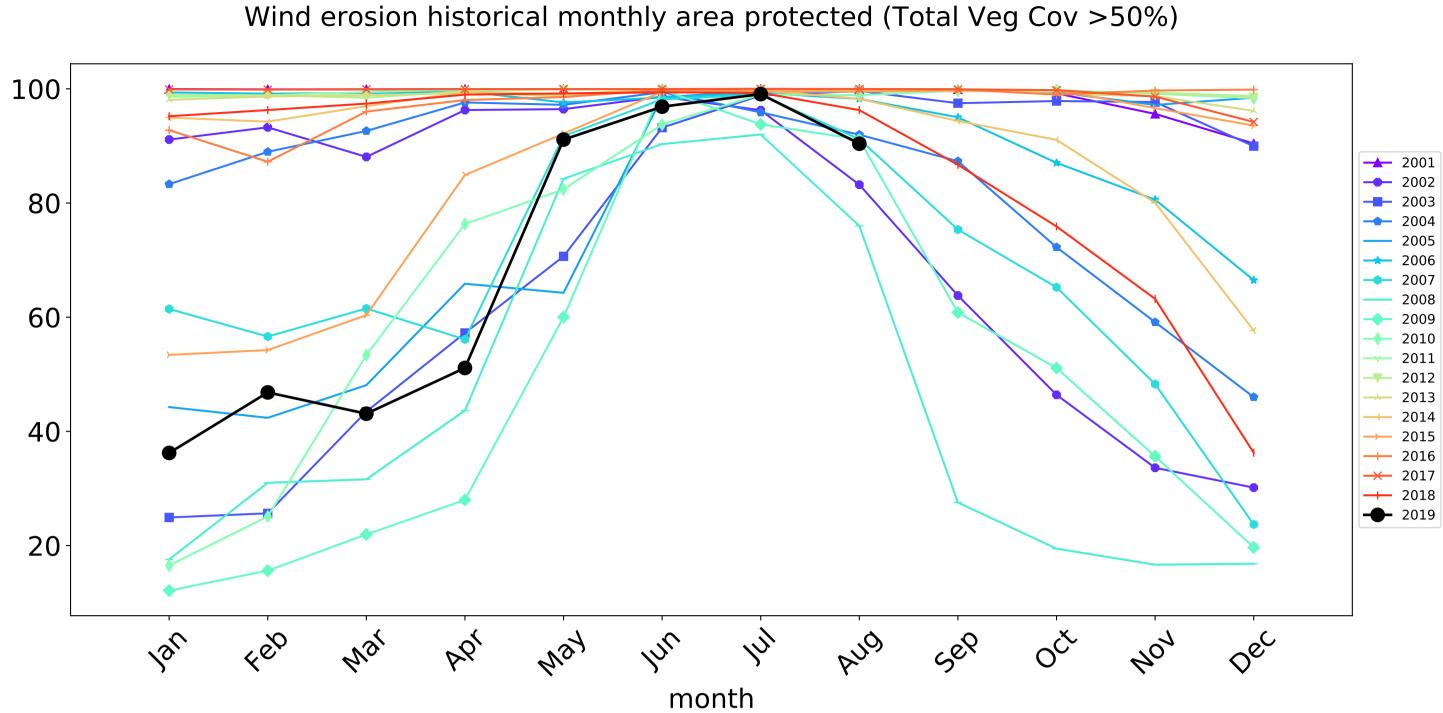


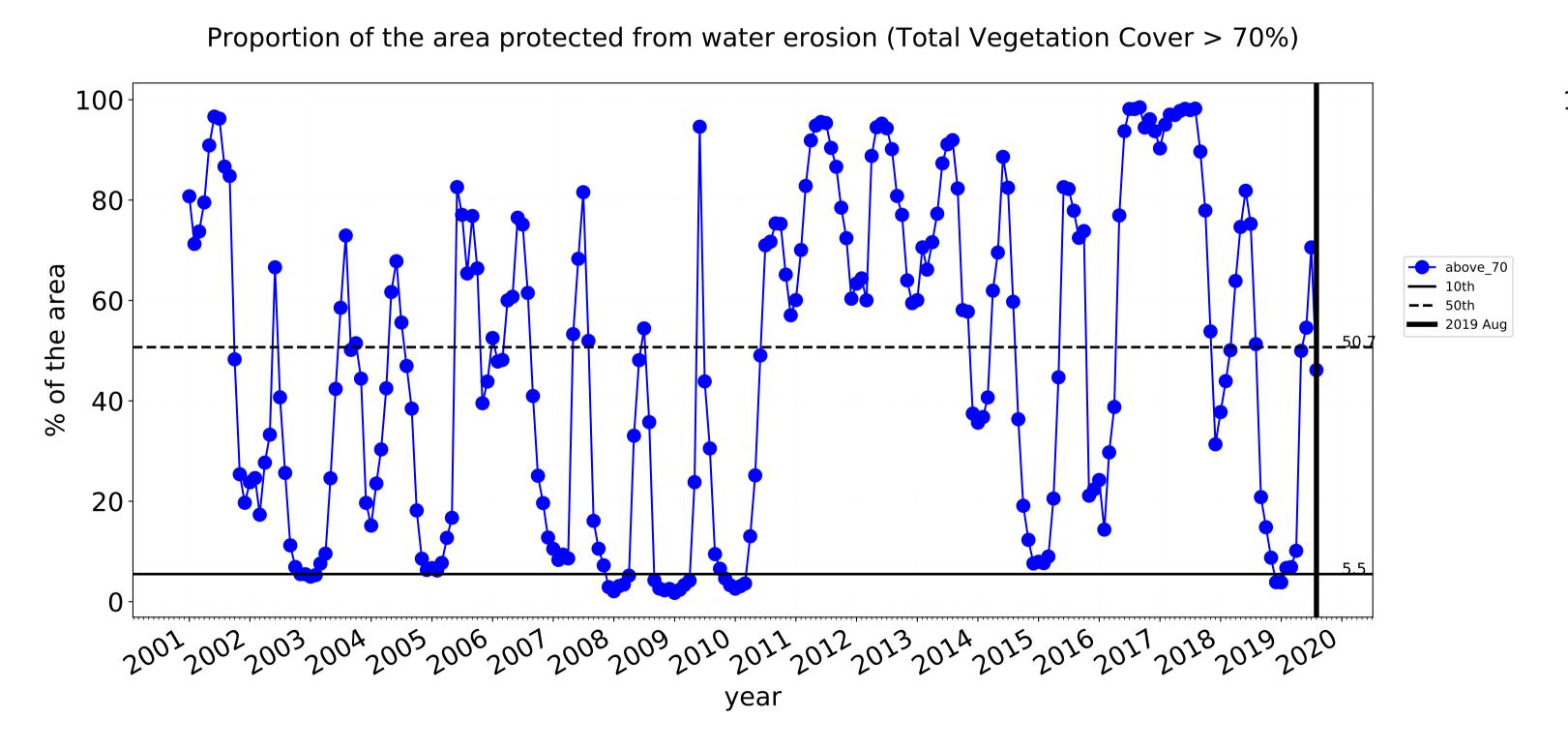


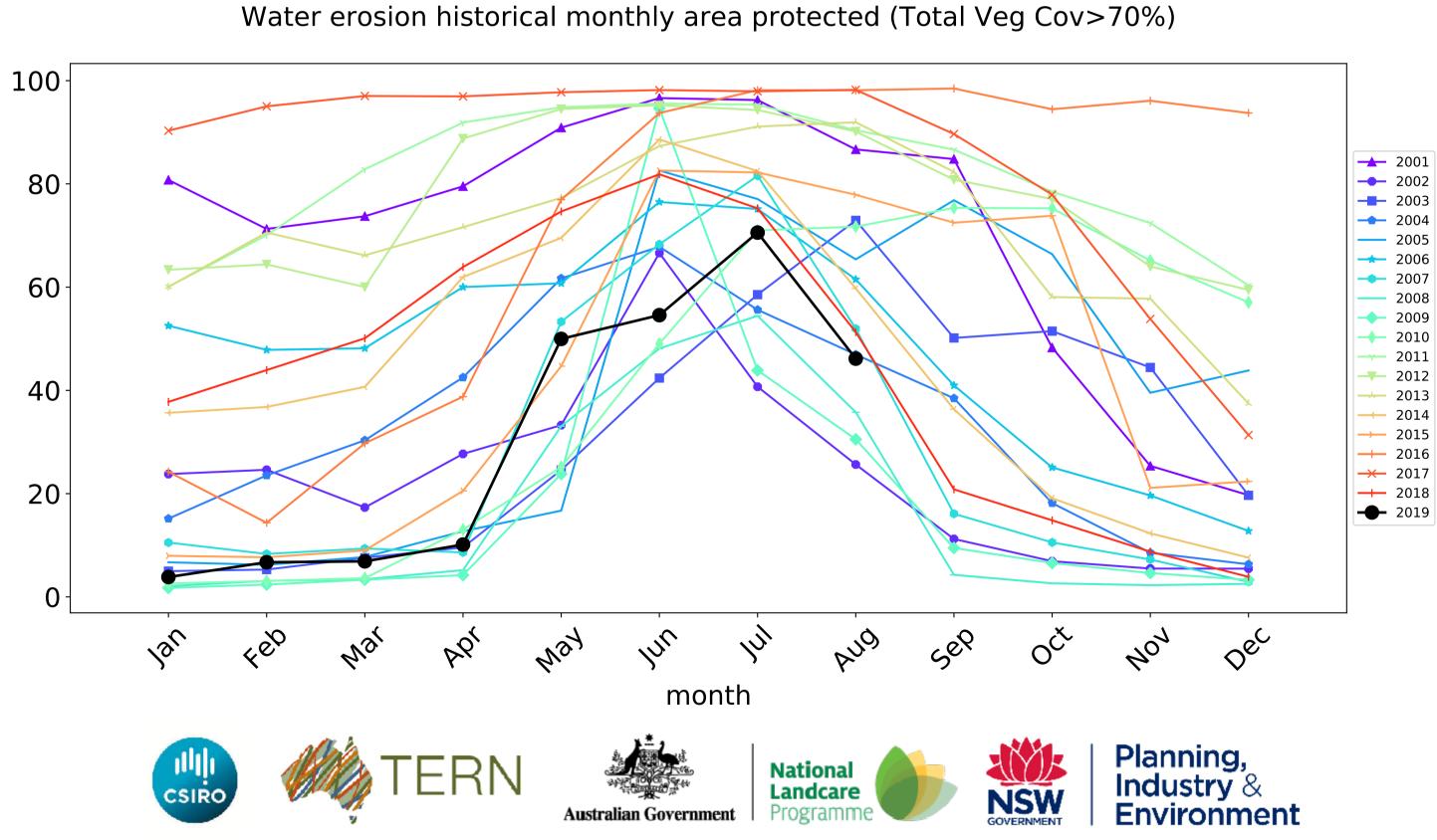


### **Agriculture timeseries**









### **Grazing**

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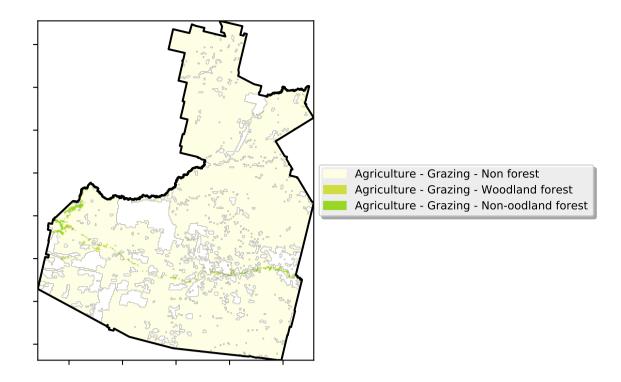
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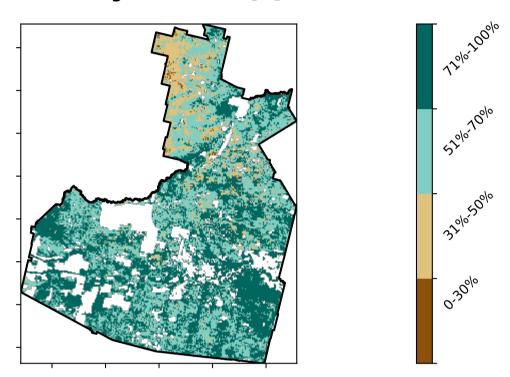
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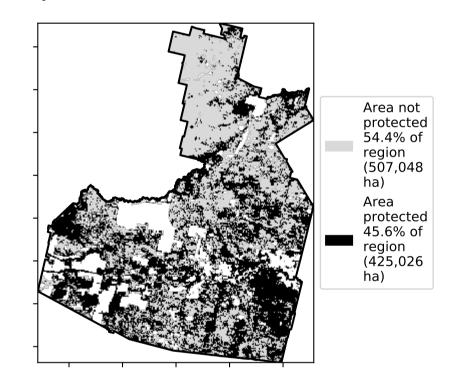
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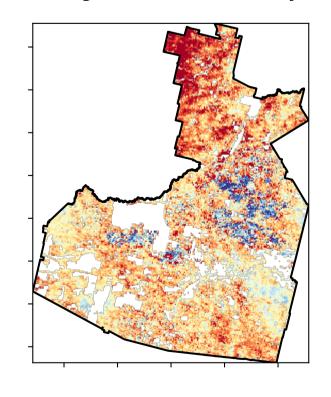
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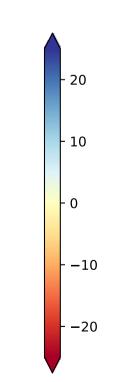


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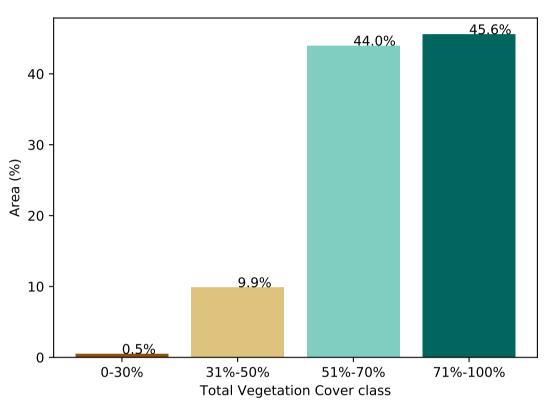
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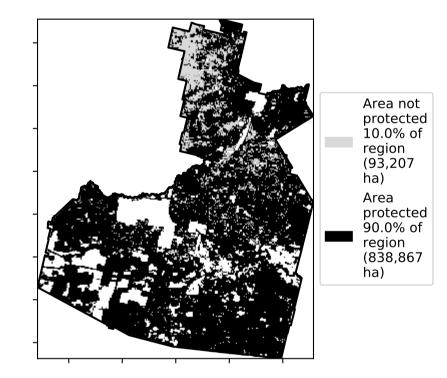


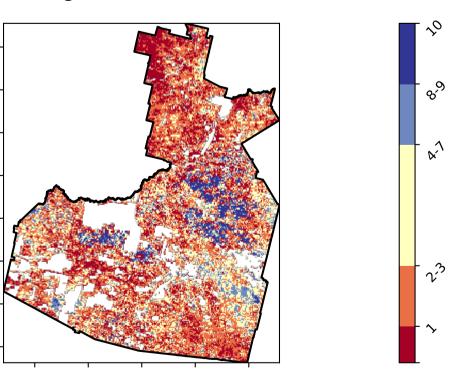
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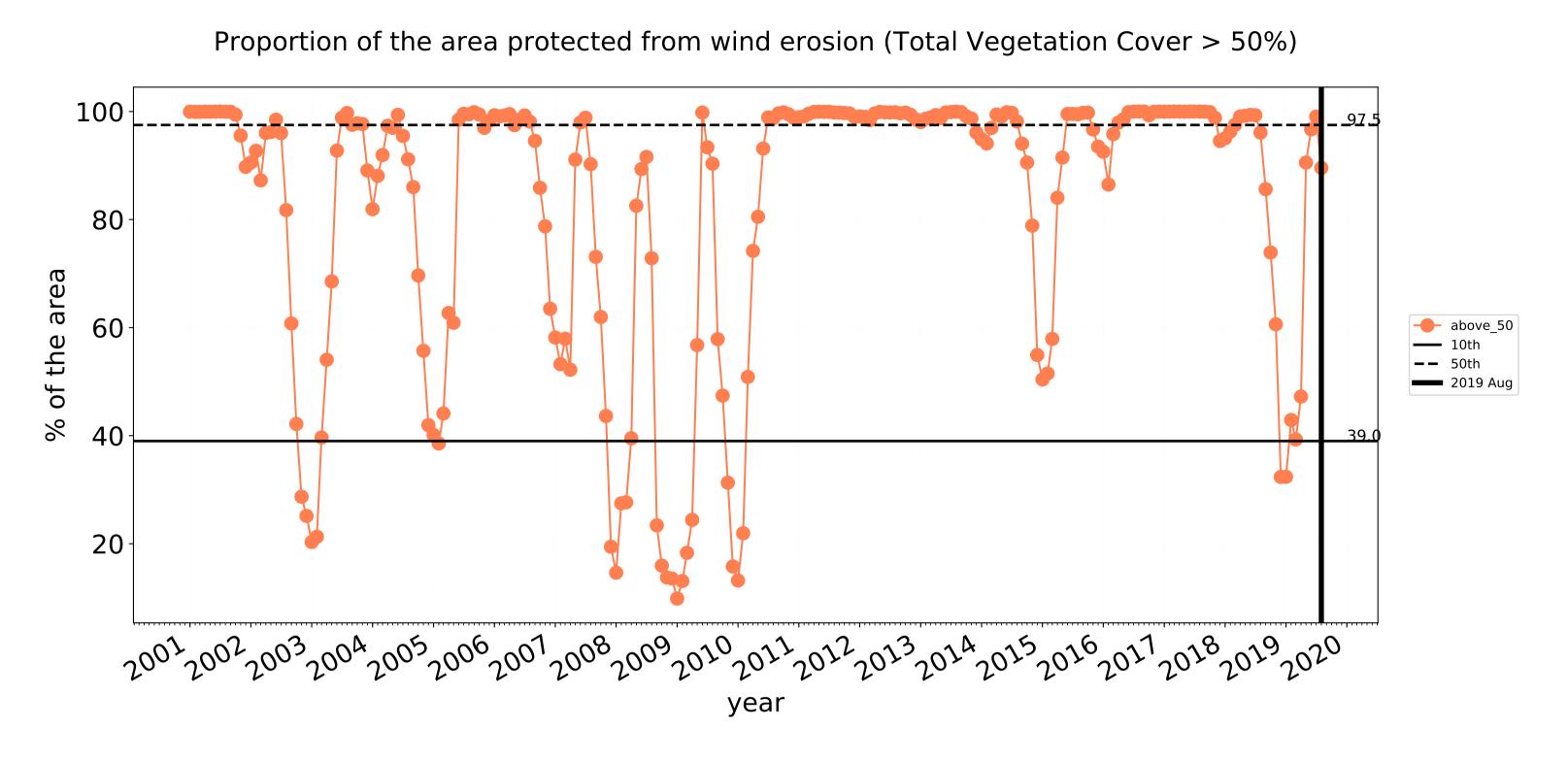


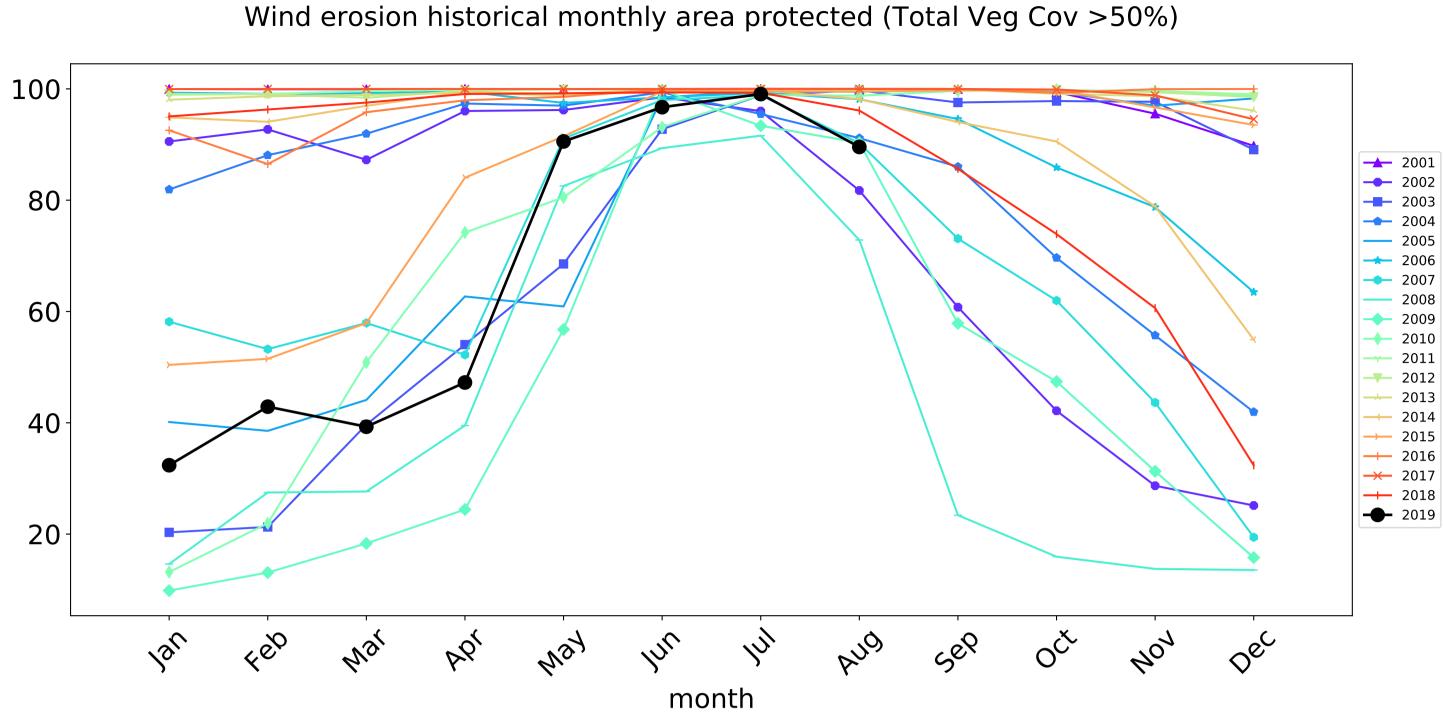


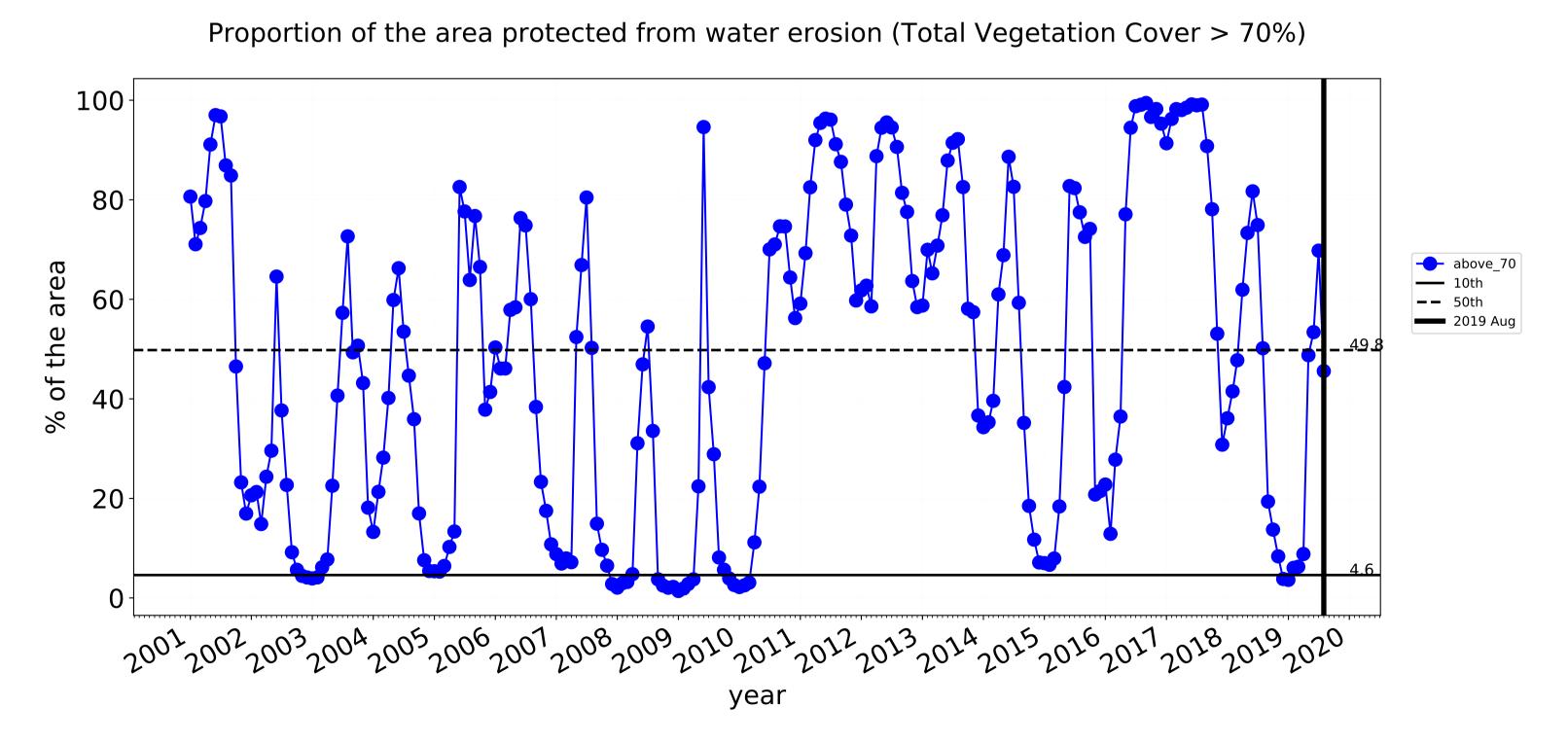


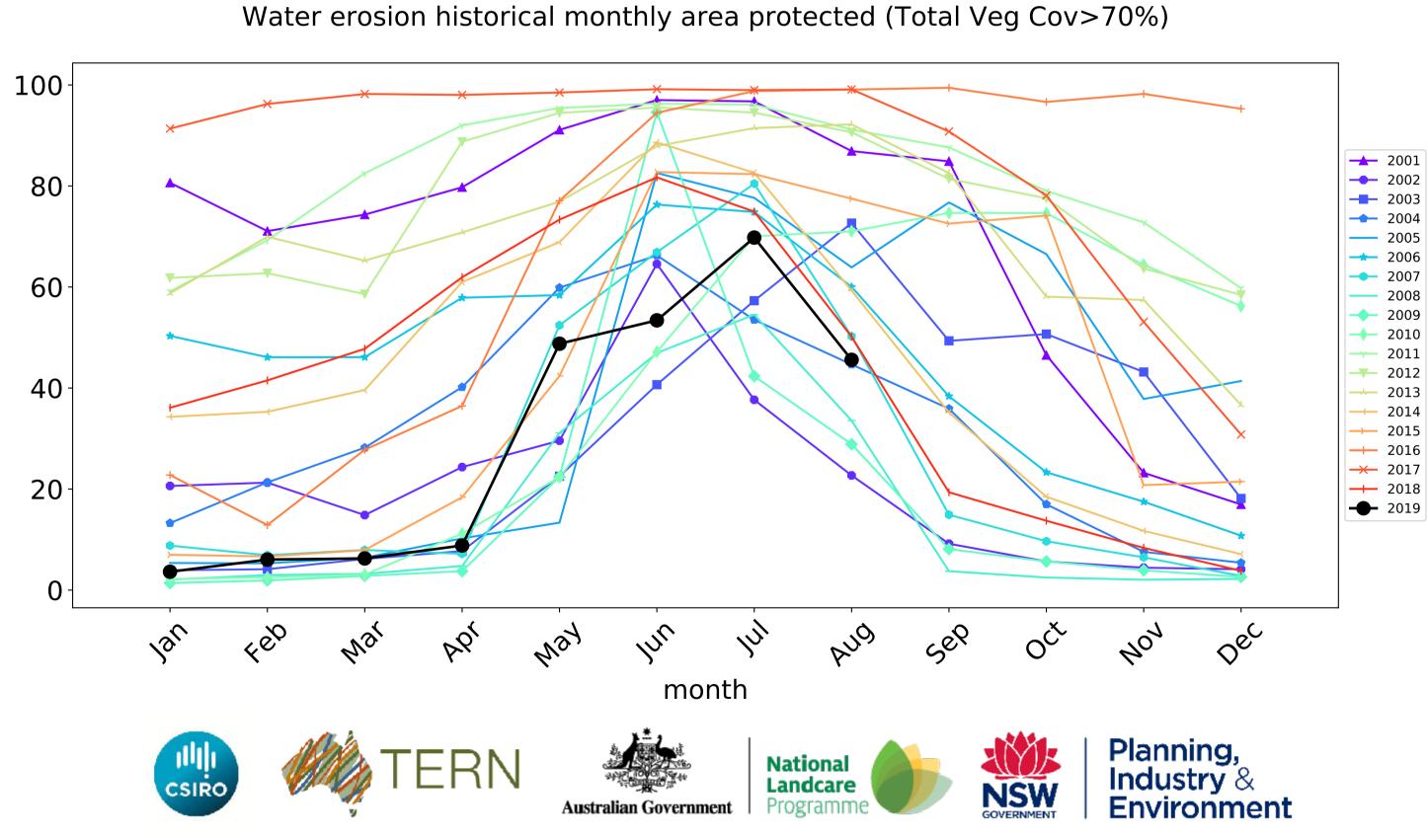


### **Grazing timeseries**









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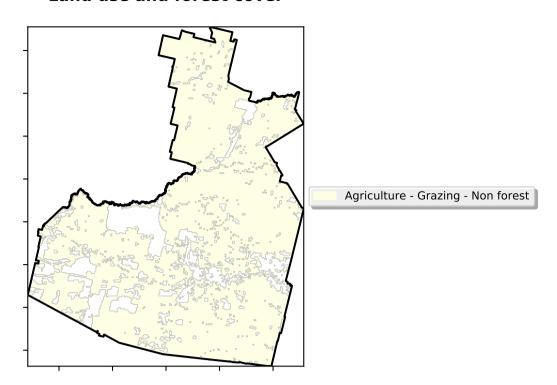
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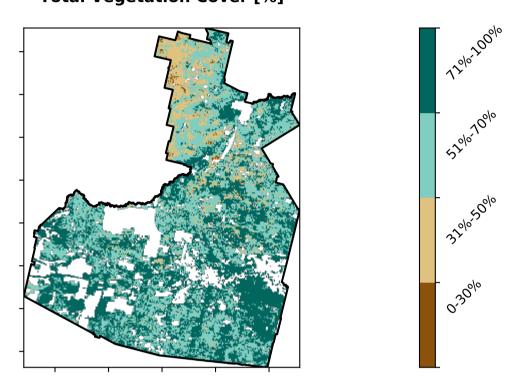
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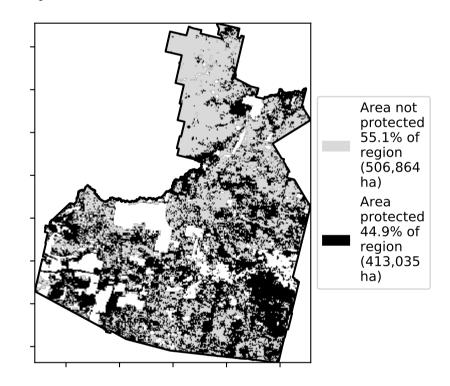
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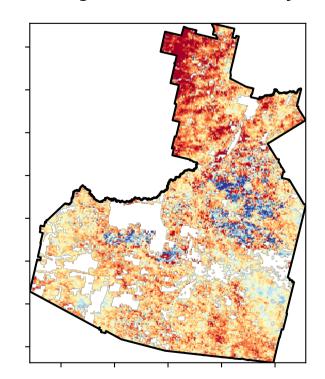
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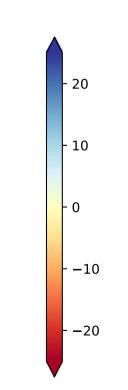


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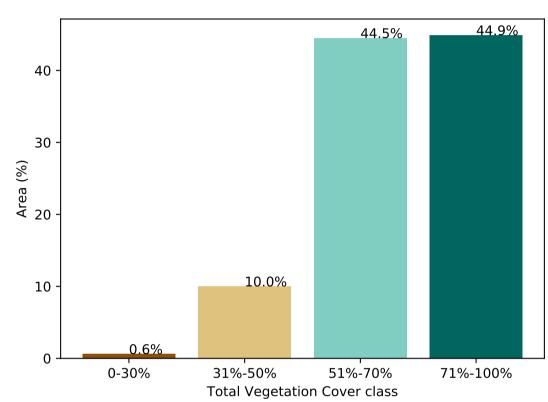
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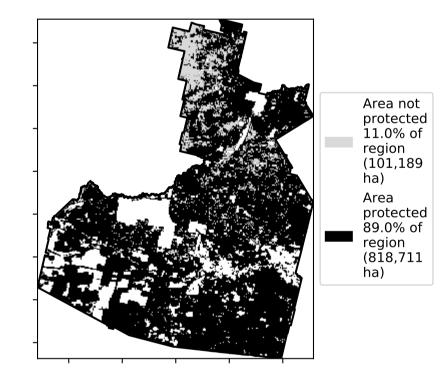


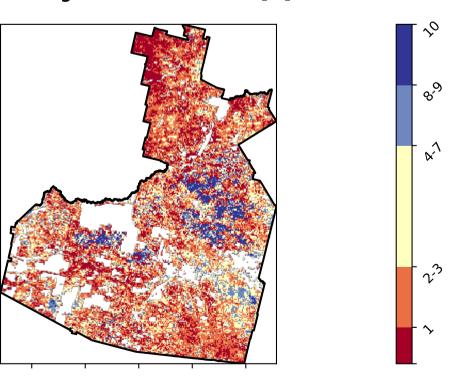
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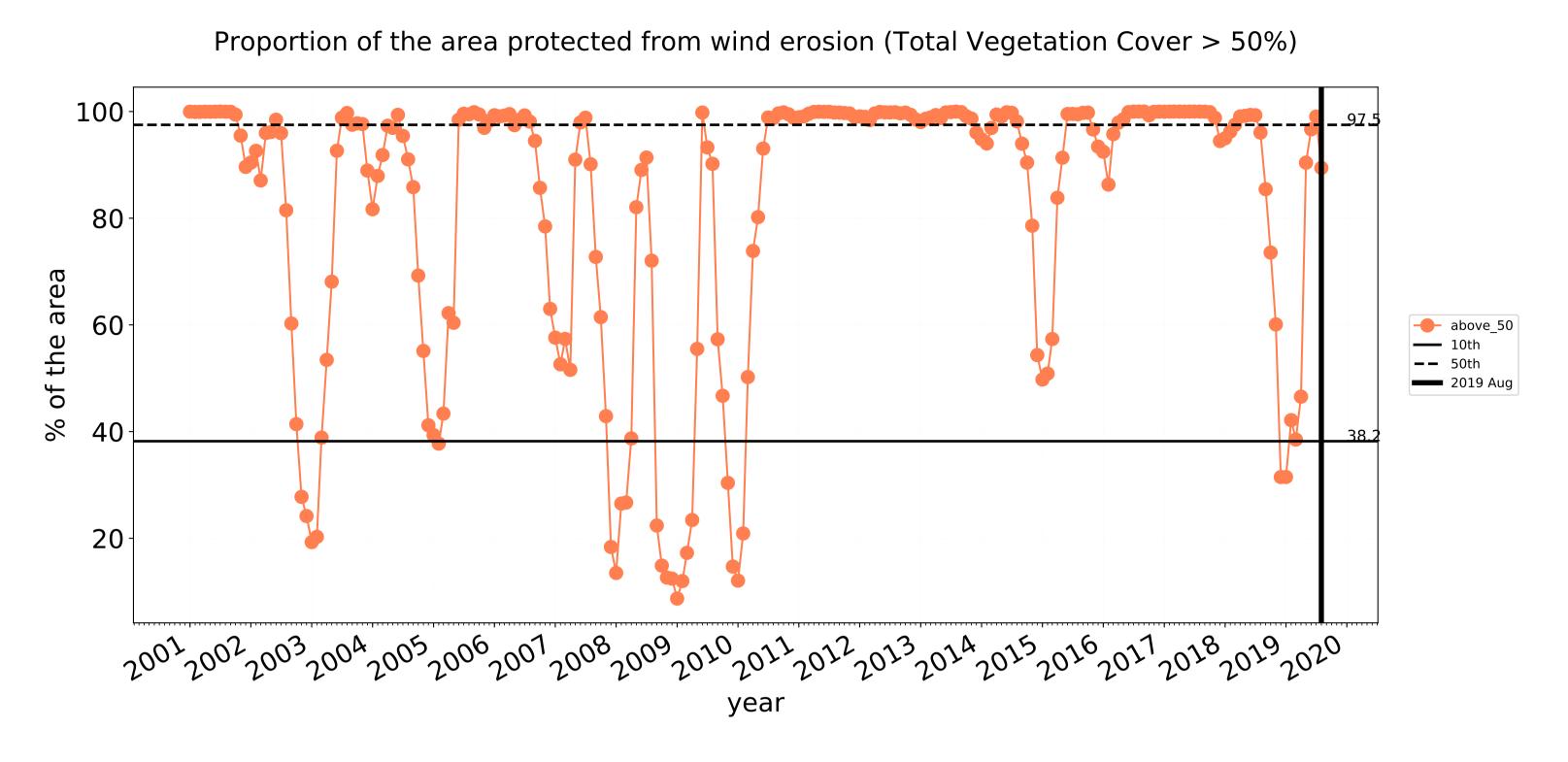


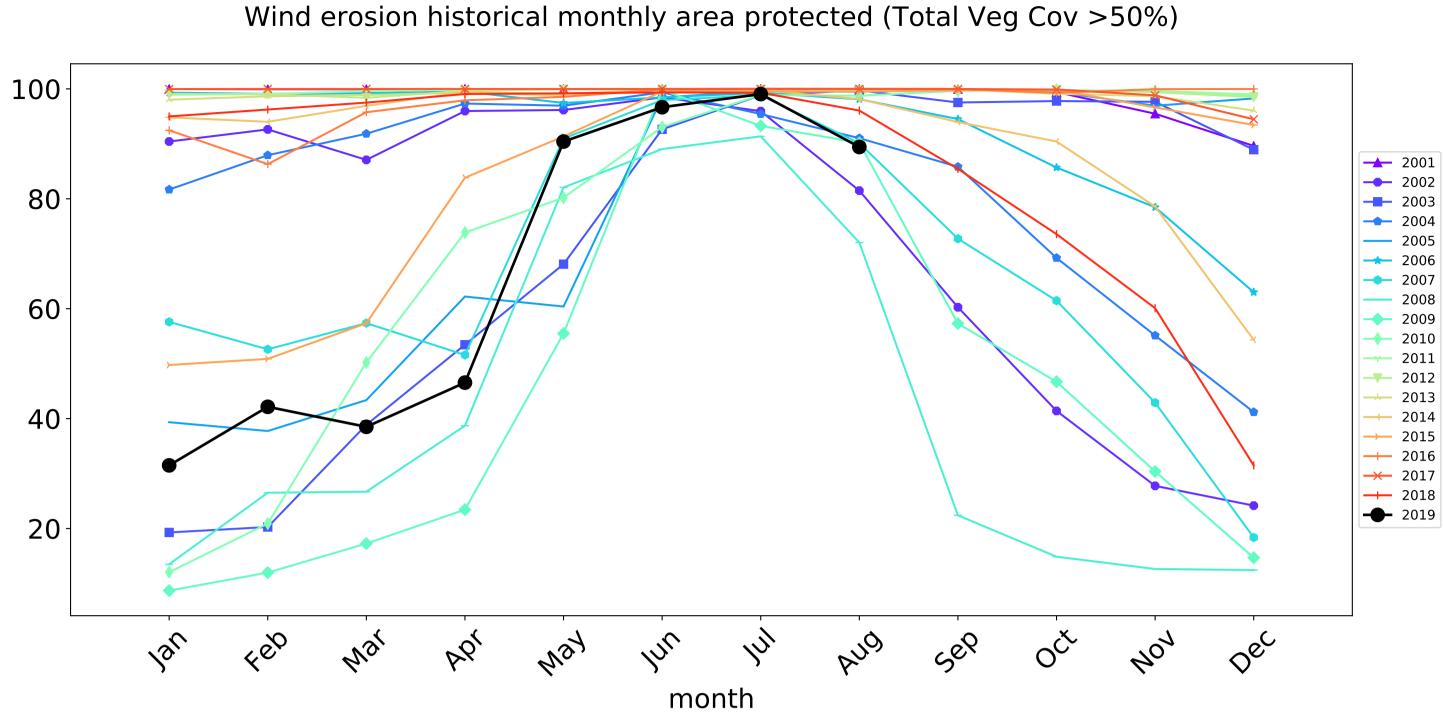


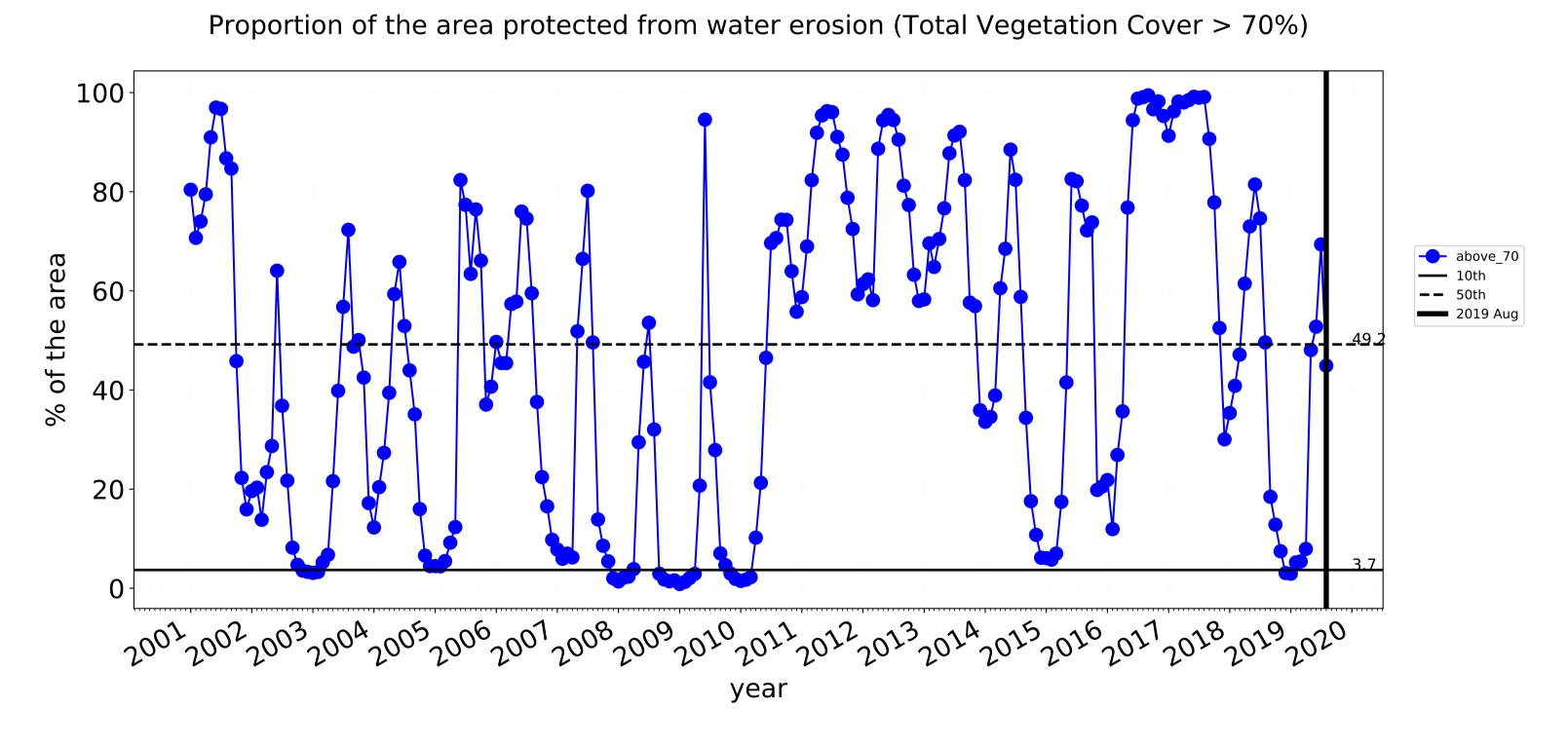


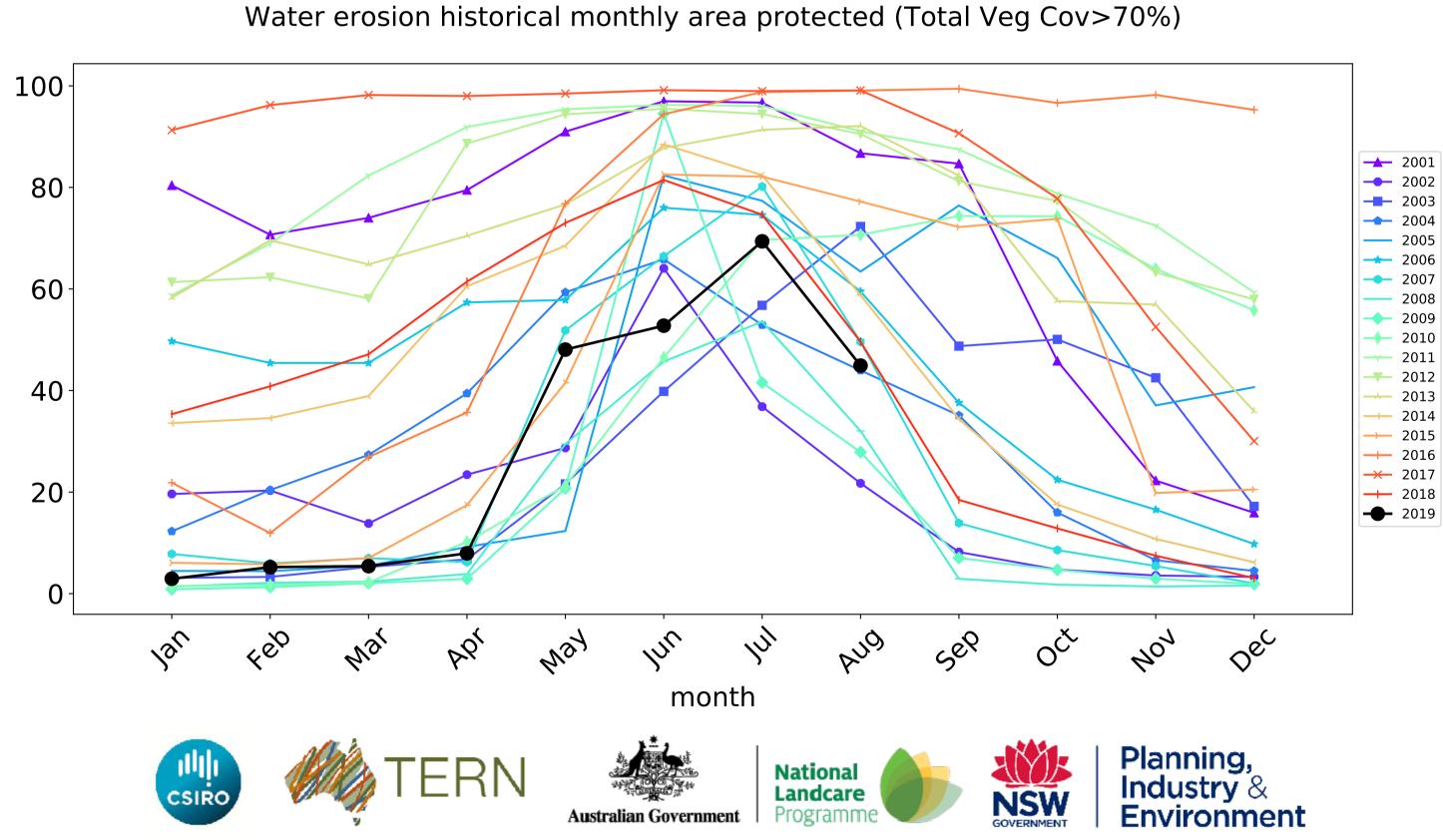


### **Grazing non forest timeseries**









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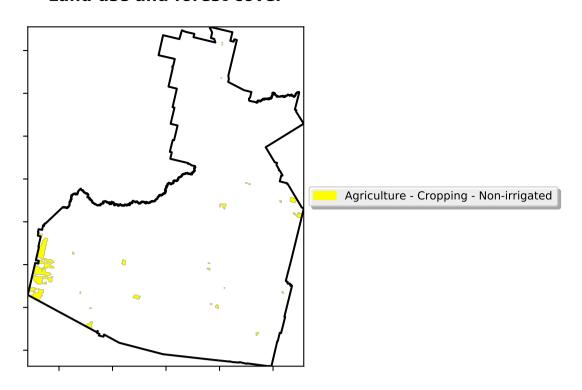
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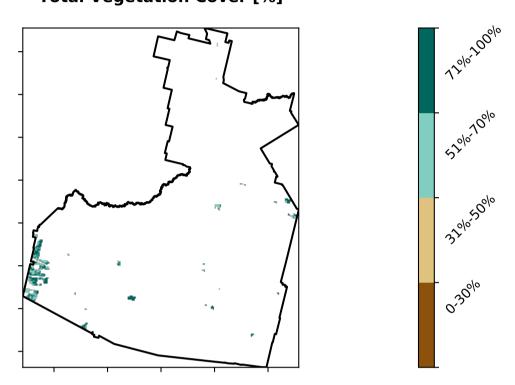
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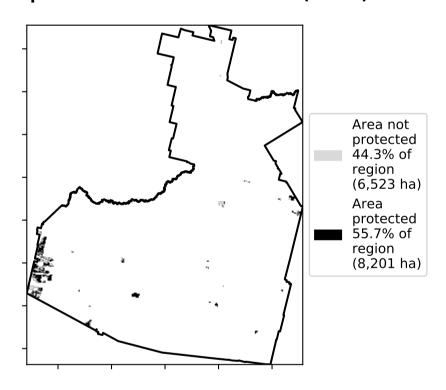
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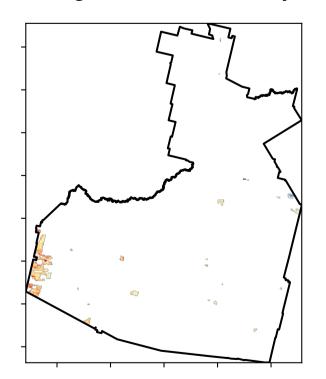
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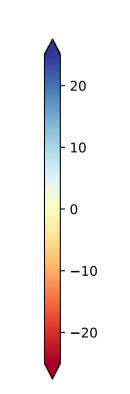


### % Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



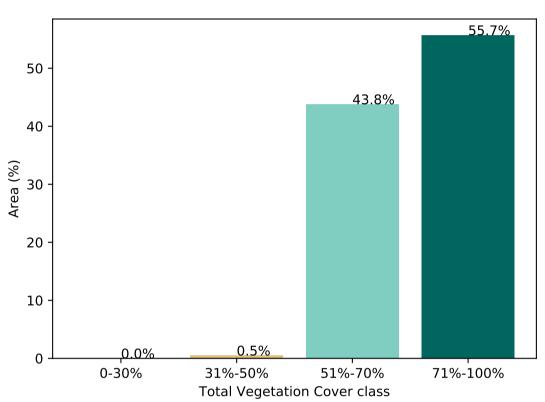
### **Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]**



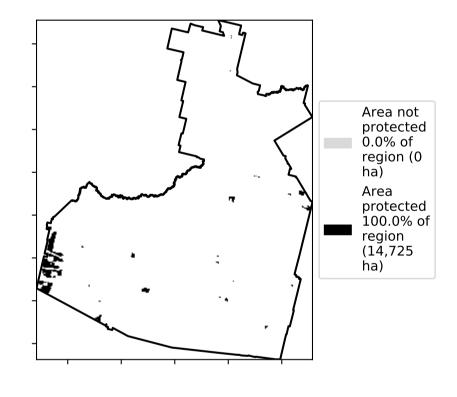


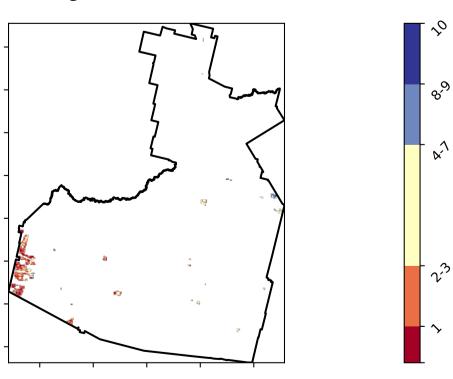
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### **Proportion of vegetation cover class in area**



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









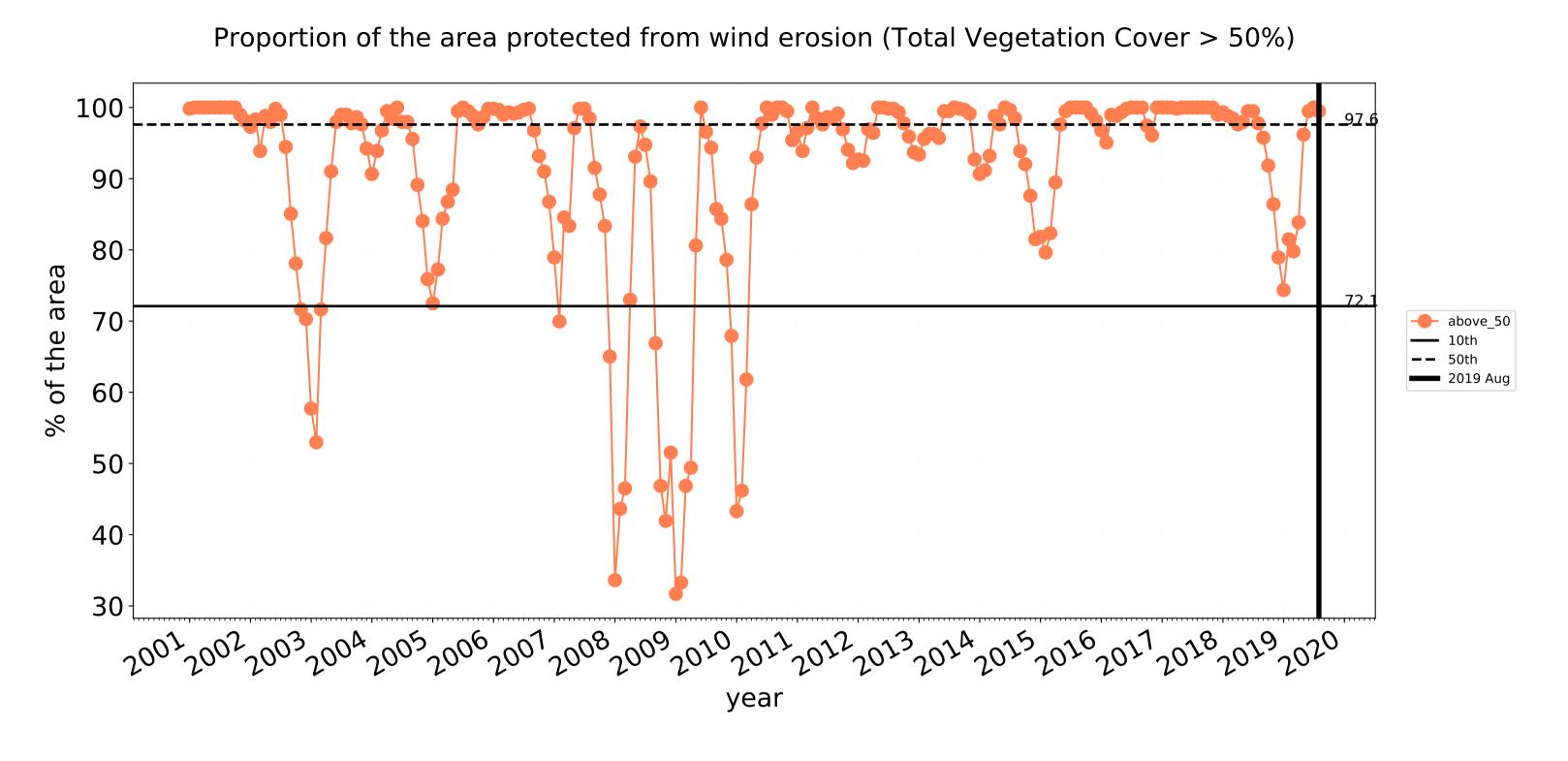


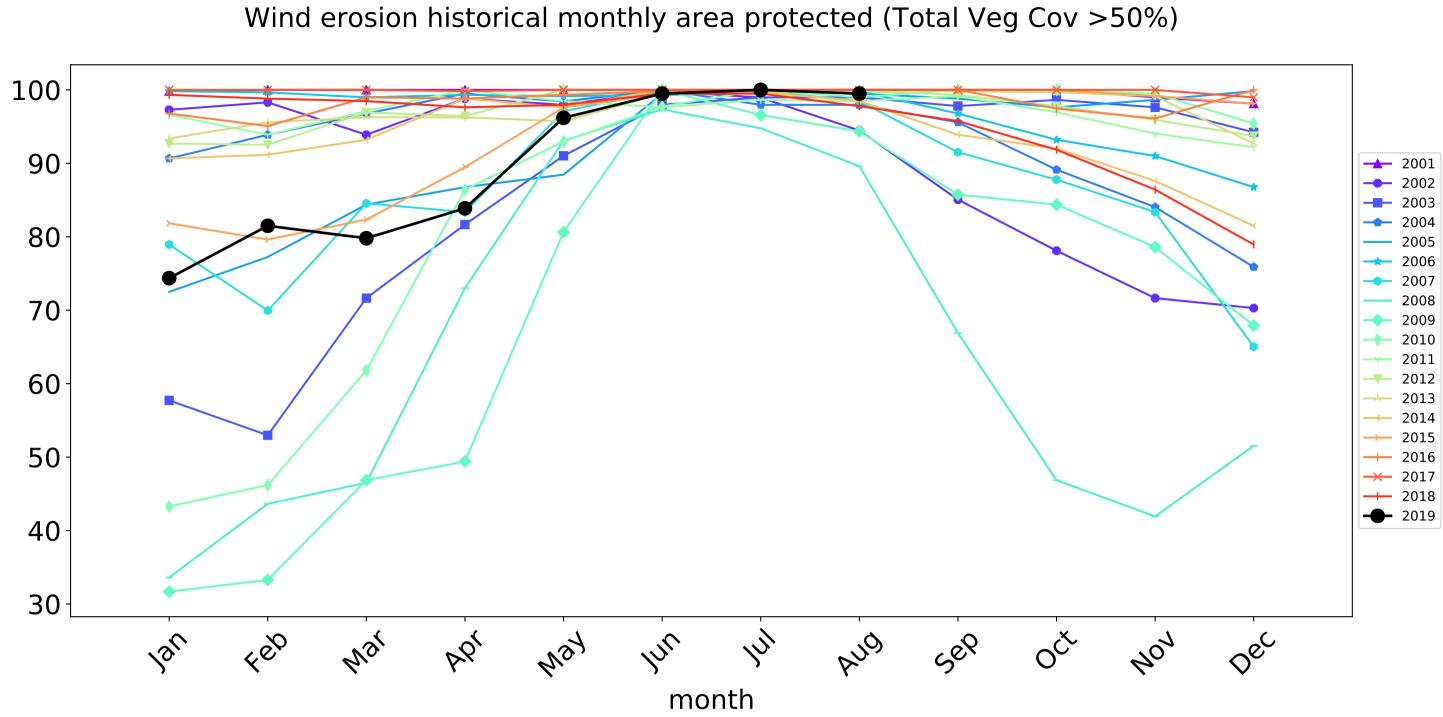


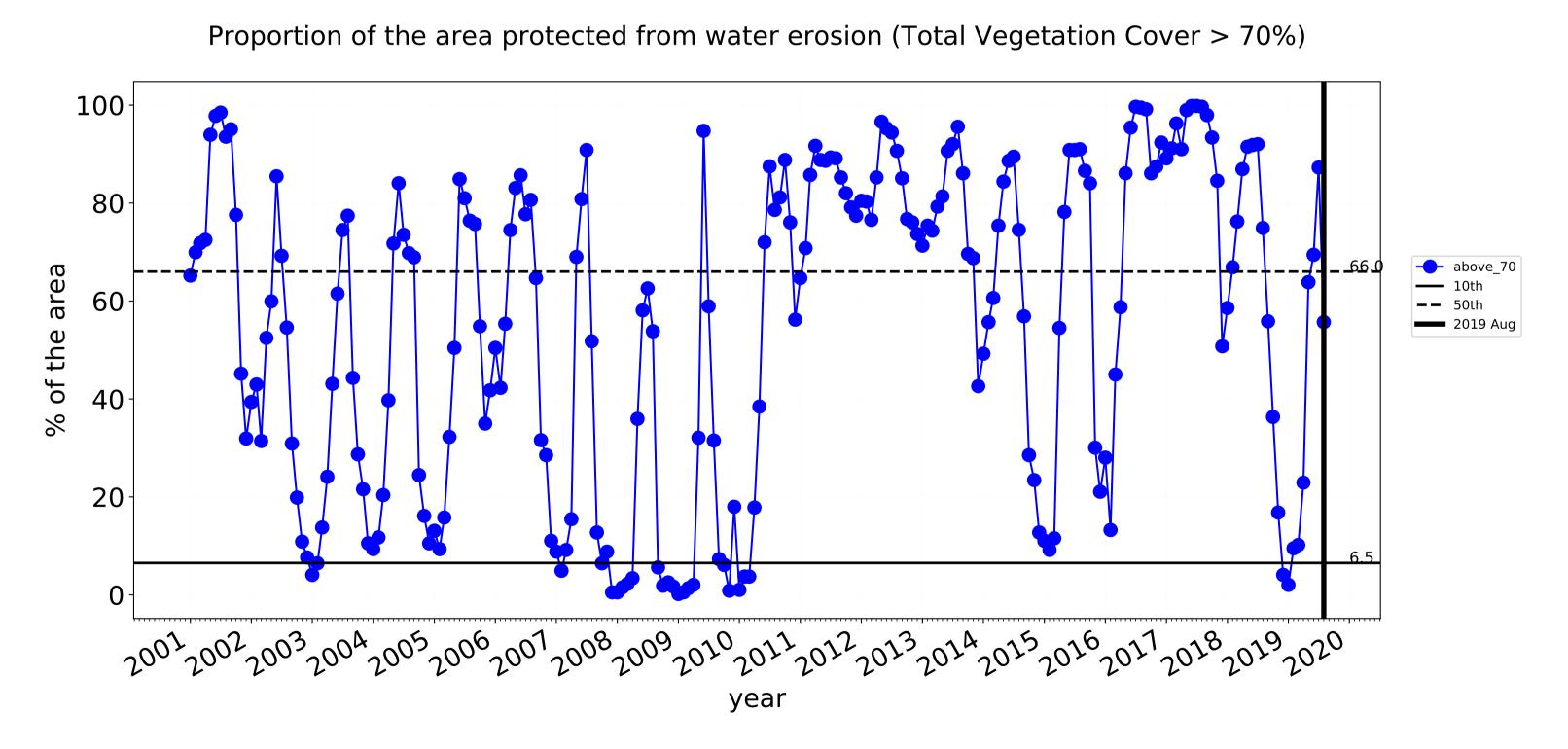


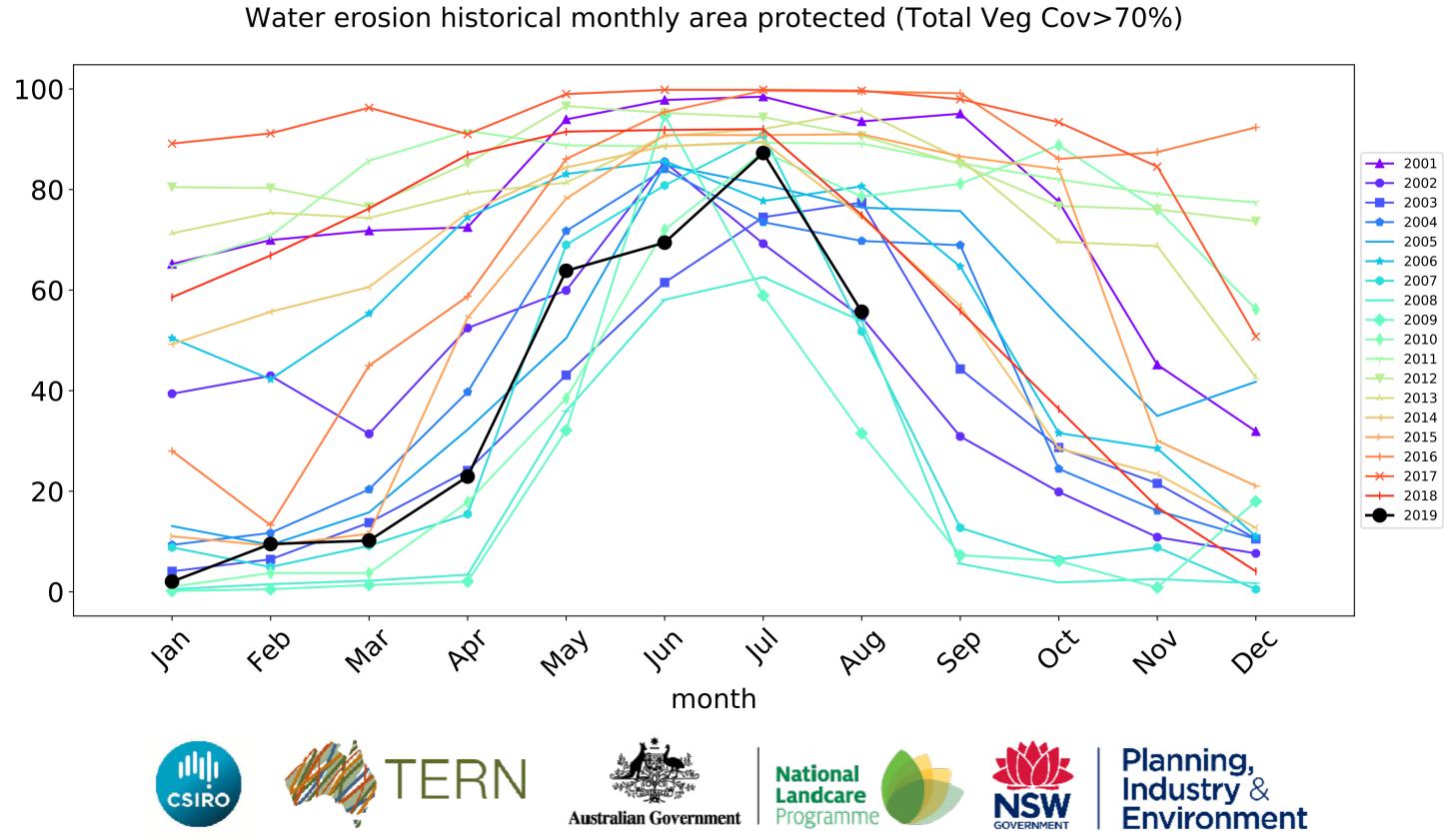


### **Cropping timeseries**









### **Irrigation**

### Land use and forest cover

Landuse map of area based on 2015 catchment scale landuse and Australia's National Forest Inventory, where no forest is < 20% tree cover, sparse is 20 to 50% and dense > 50% tree cover.

Anomaly show how many percetage points each

pixel is from

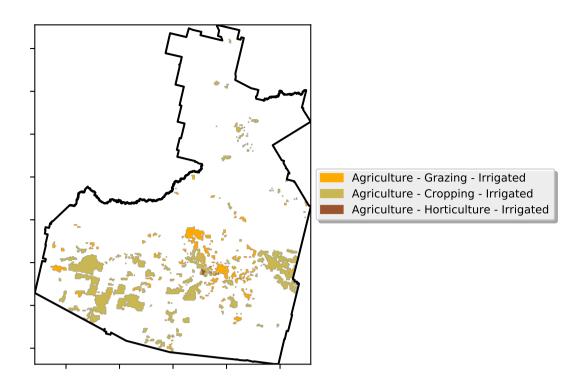
is, red pixels are about 20% lower than the

mean of that

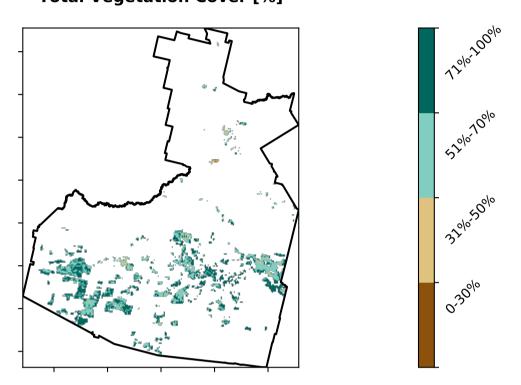
using baseline from 2001 to 2019.

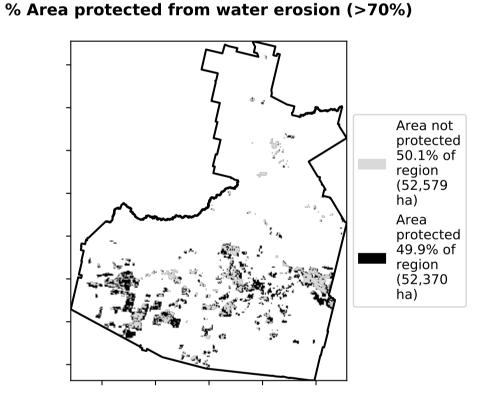
pixel. The mean is only for the month of the map

the mean. That

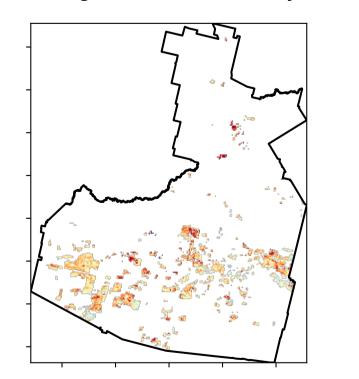


### **Total Vegetation Cover [%]**





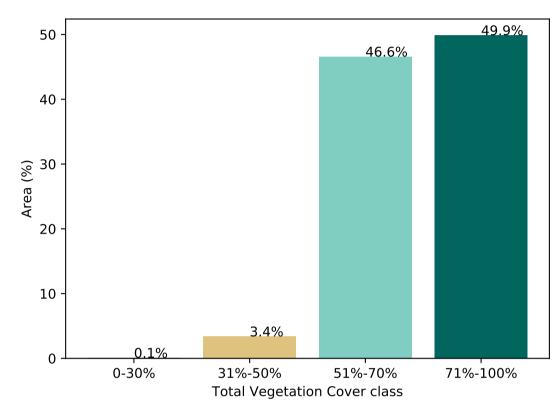
### **Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]**



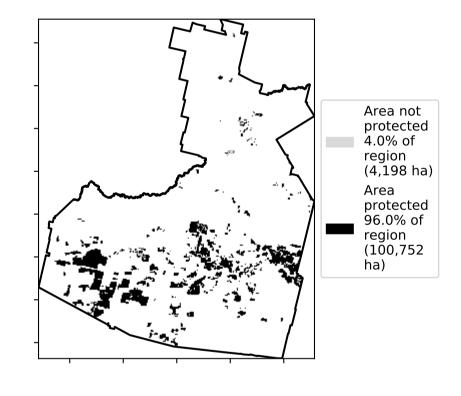
- 20 - 10 - 0 - -10 - -20

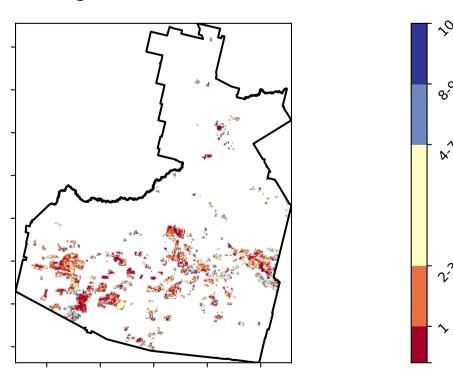
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### **Proportion of vegetation cover class in area**



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







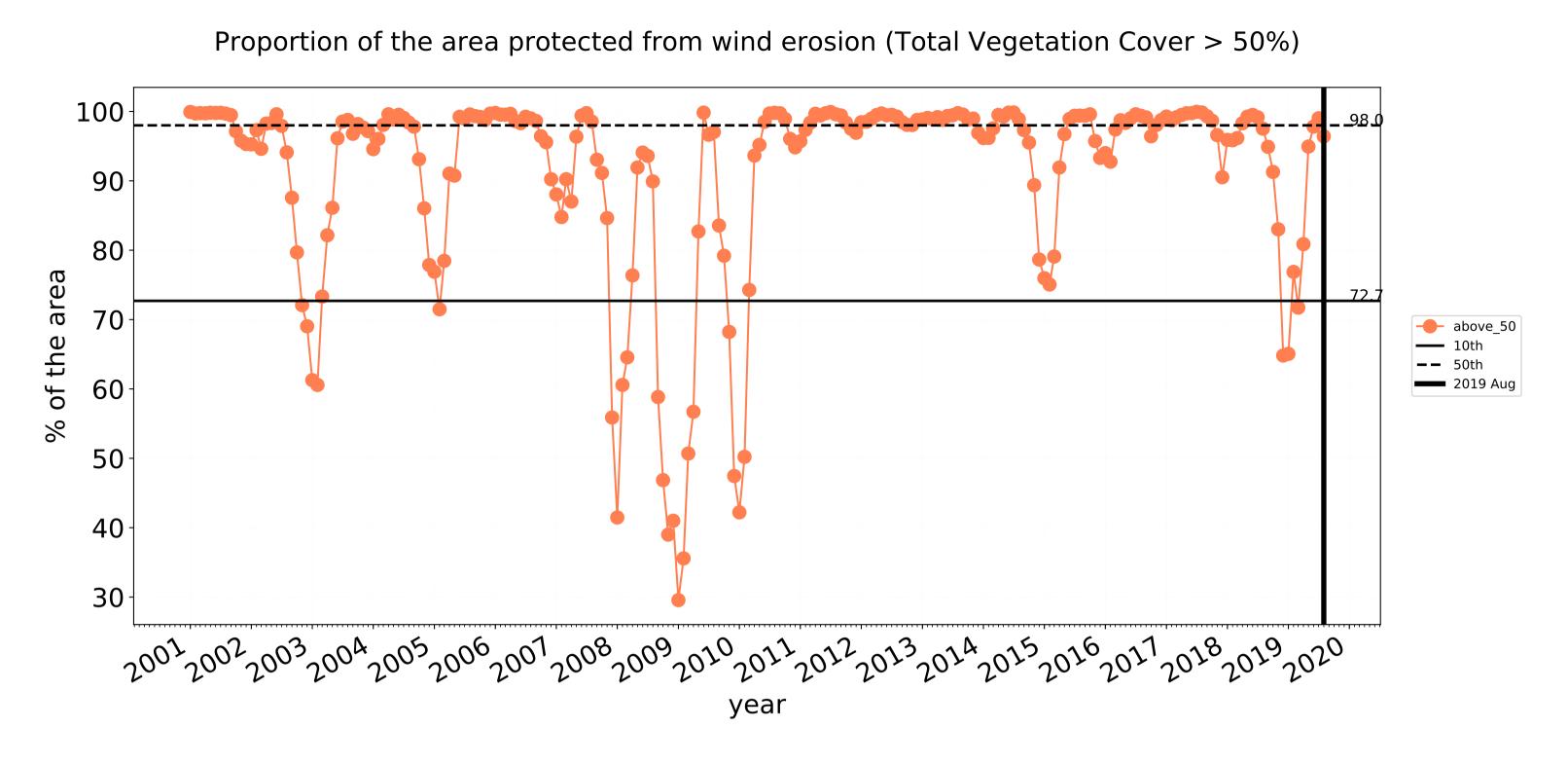


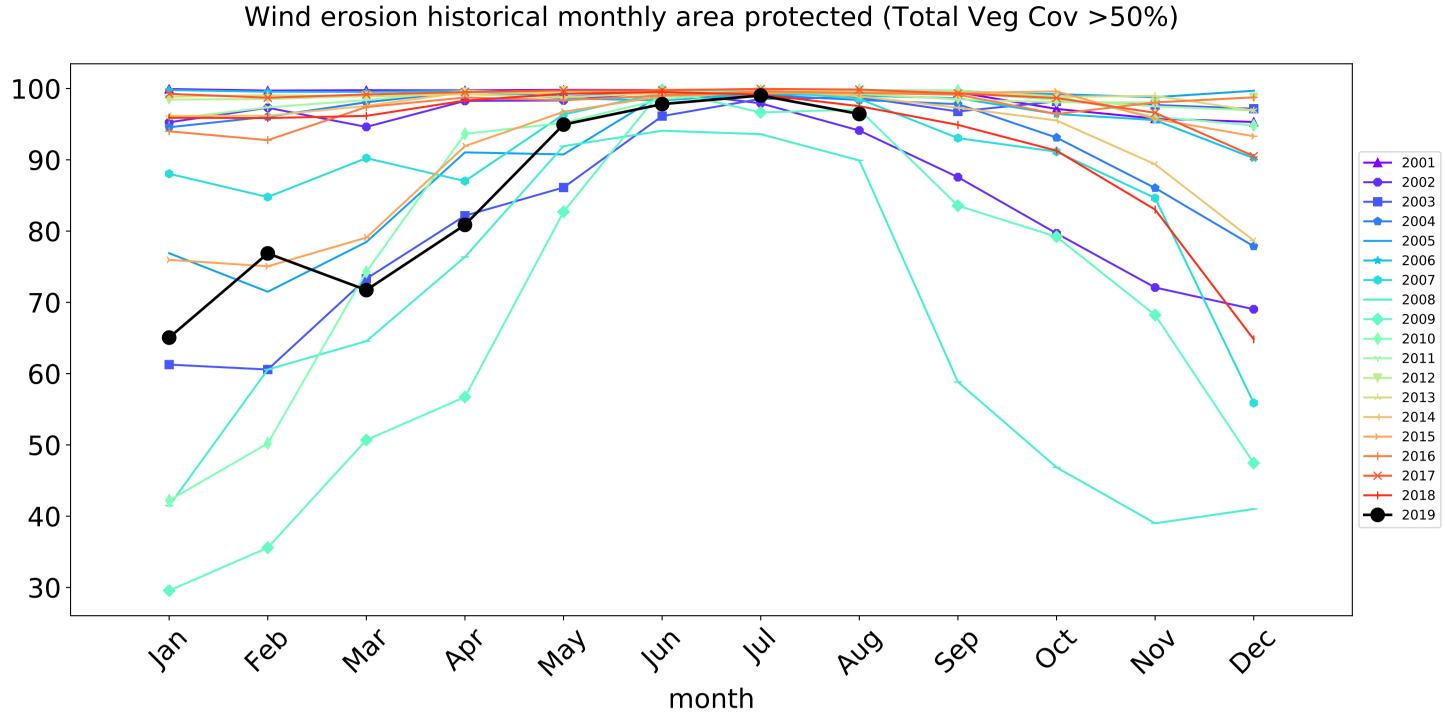


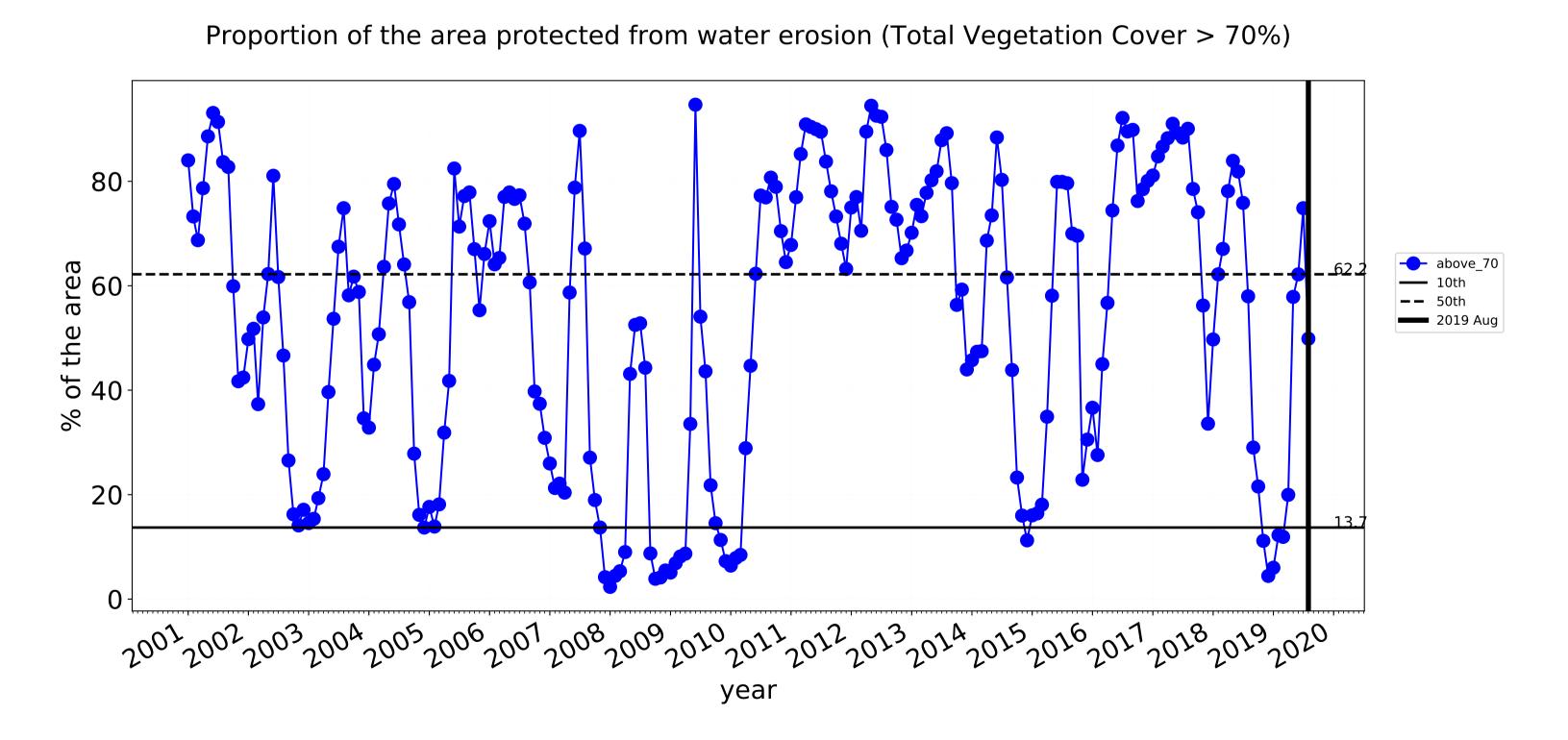


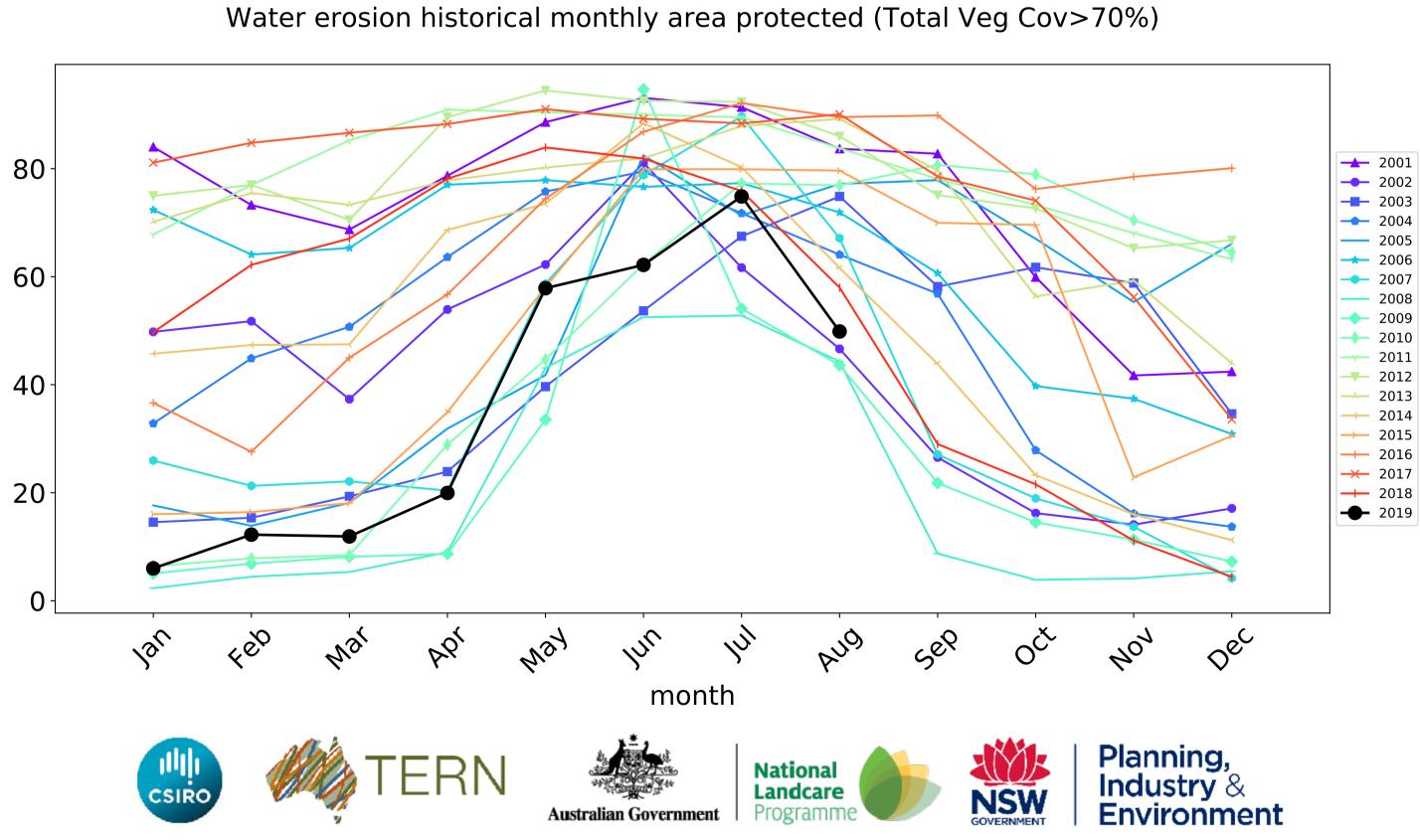












# Hay\_(A) (1,128,200 ha and no data 4,569 ha) Percentage area and hectares protected with TVC threshold 30,50,70,80,90 and 95%

Land use and forest cover Class	area(ha)	above_30	above_50	above_70	above_80	above_90	above_95
Entire region	1,128,200	99.5% 1,122,375	90.6% 1,022,625	46.0% 519,100	15.2% 171,225	2.6% 29,775	1.3% 14,550
Conservation and natural environments	45,128	100.0% 45,128	96.5% 43,528	42.2% 19,045	12.2% 5,487	1.3% 565	0.6% 270
Conservation and natural environments non forest	45,128	100.0% 45,128	96.4% 43,507	41.5% 18,724	11.4% 5,161	1.2% 548	0.6% 274
Agriculture	1,053,738	99.5% 1,048,078	90.4% 952,447	46.1% 486,267	15.3% 160,928	2.7% 27,952	1.3% 13,700
Grazing	933,021	99.4% 927,565	89.6% 835,647	45.6% 425,256	15.8% 147,649	2.9% 27,102	1.4% 13,388
Grazing non forest	920,611	99.4% 915,156	89.4% 823,260	44.9% 413,469	15.1% 139,182	2.9% 26,295	1.4% 13,310
Cropping	14,666	100.0% 14,666	99.5% 14,591	55.7% 8,167	9.3% 1,369	0.2% 24	0.0%
Irrigation	104,922	99.8% 104,722	96.4% 101,173	49.9% 52,311	11.2% 11,746	0.8% 799	0.3% 299











