LGA Mid-Coast (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.

Mid-Coast (A)

- 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:
 - 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:

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













Vegetation Cover Aug 2019

Land use and forest cover

and dense > 50% tree

Landuse map of area based on 2015

catchment scale

Australia's National

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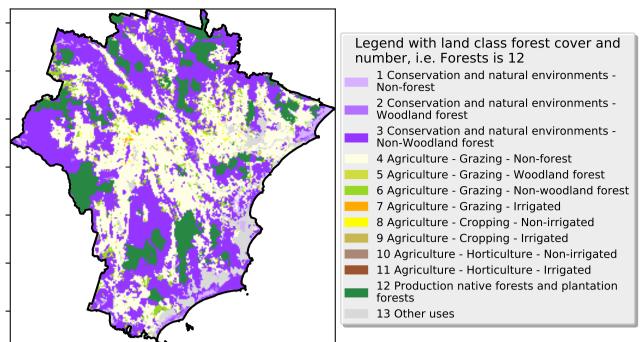
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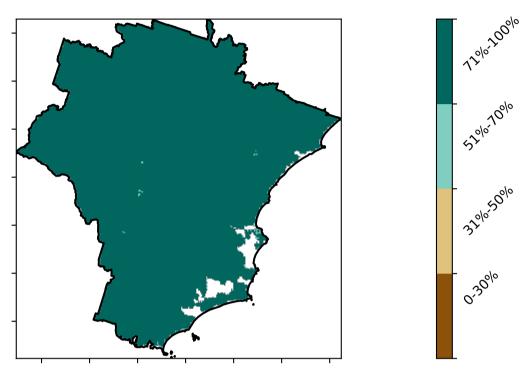
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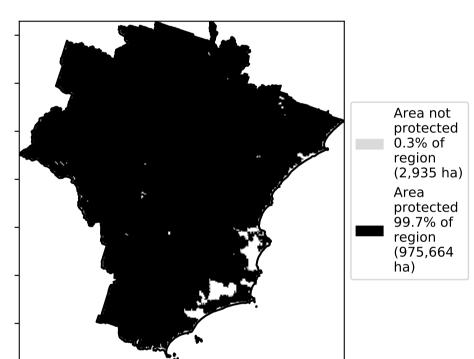
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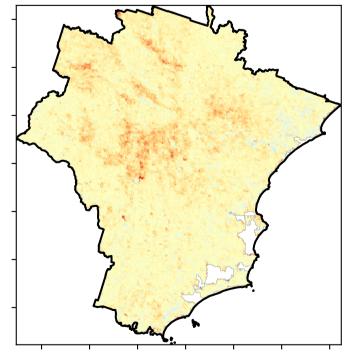
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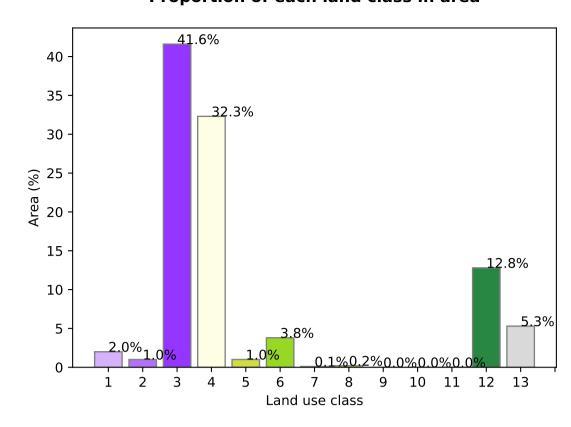
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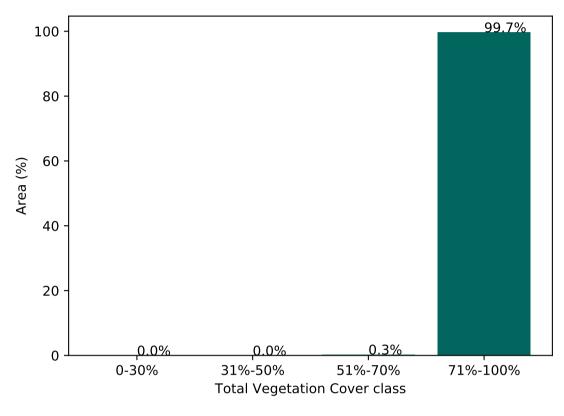
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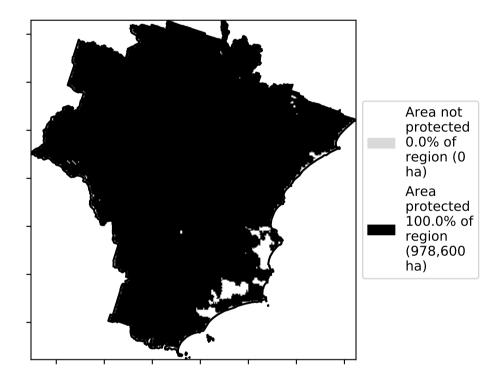
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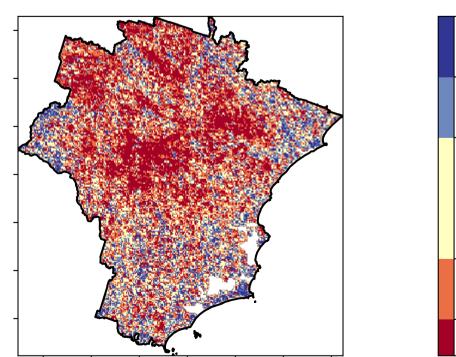
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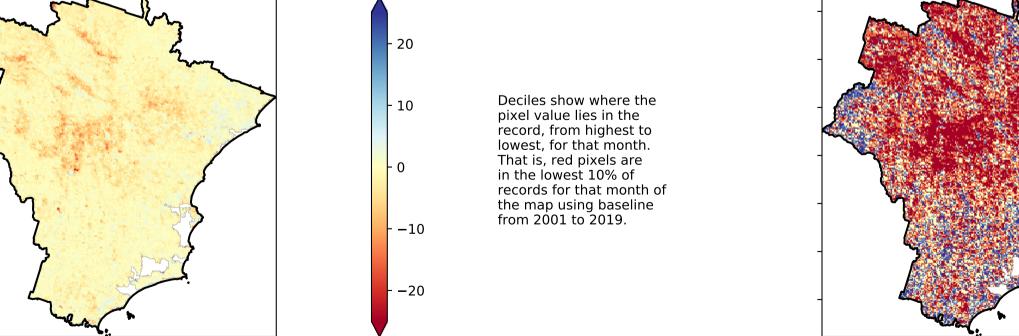


% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]







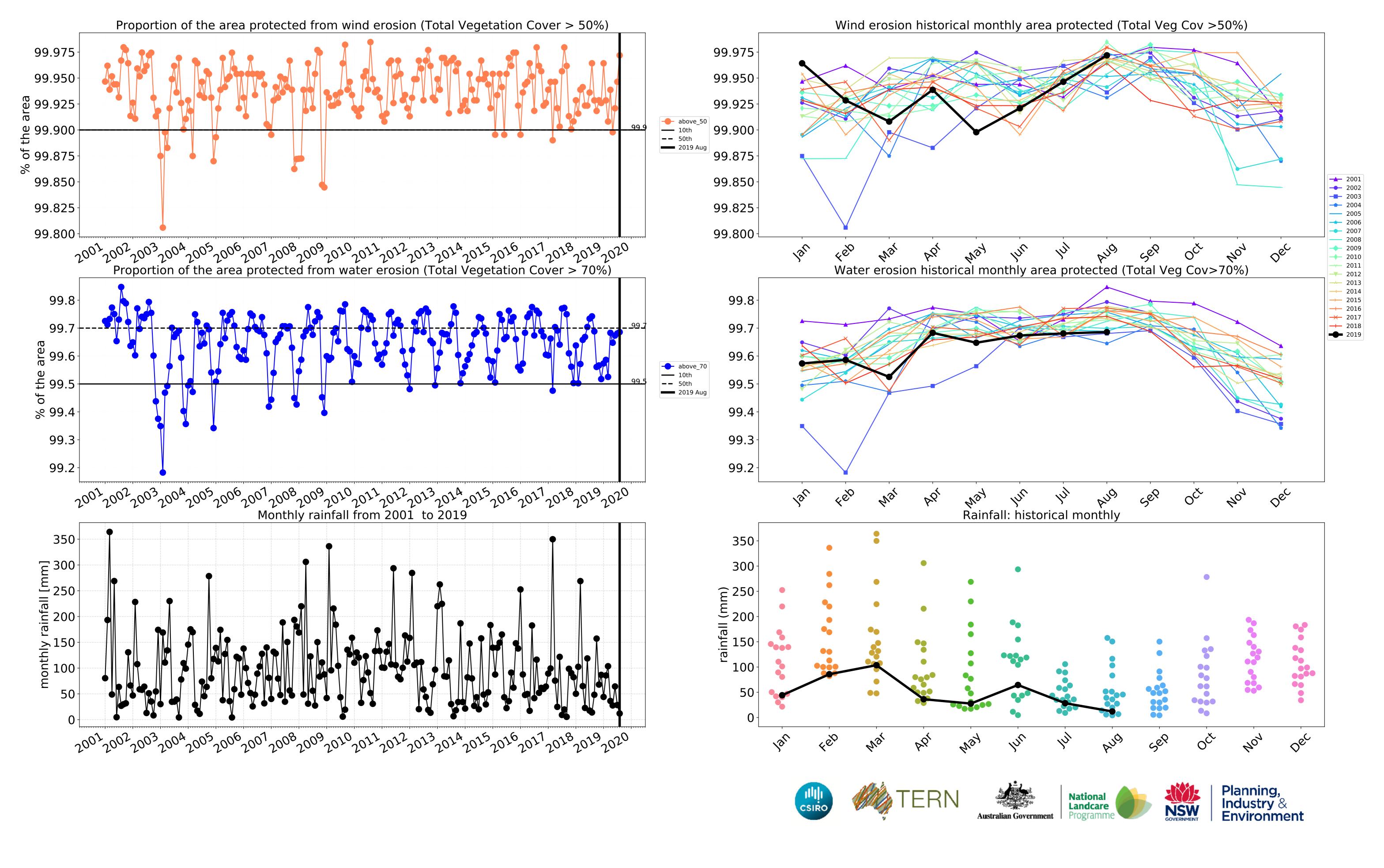


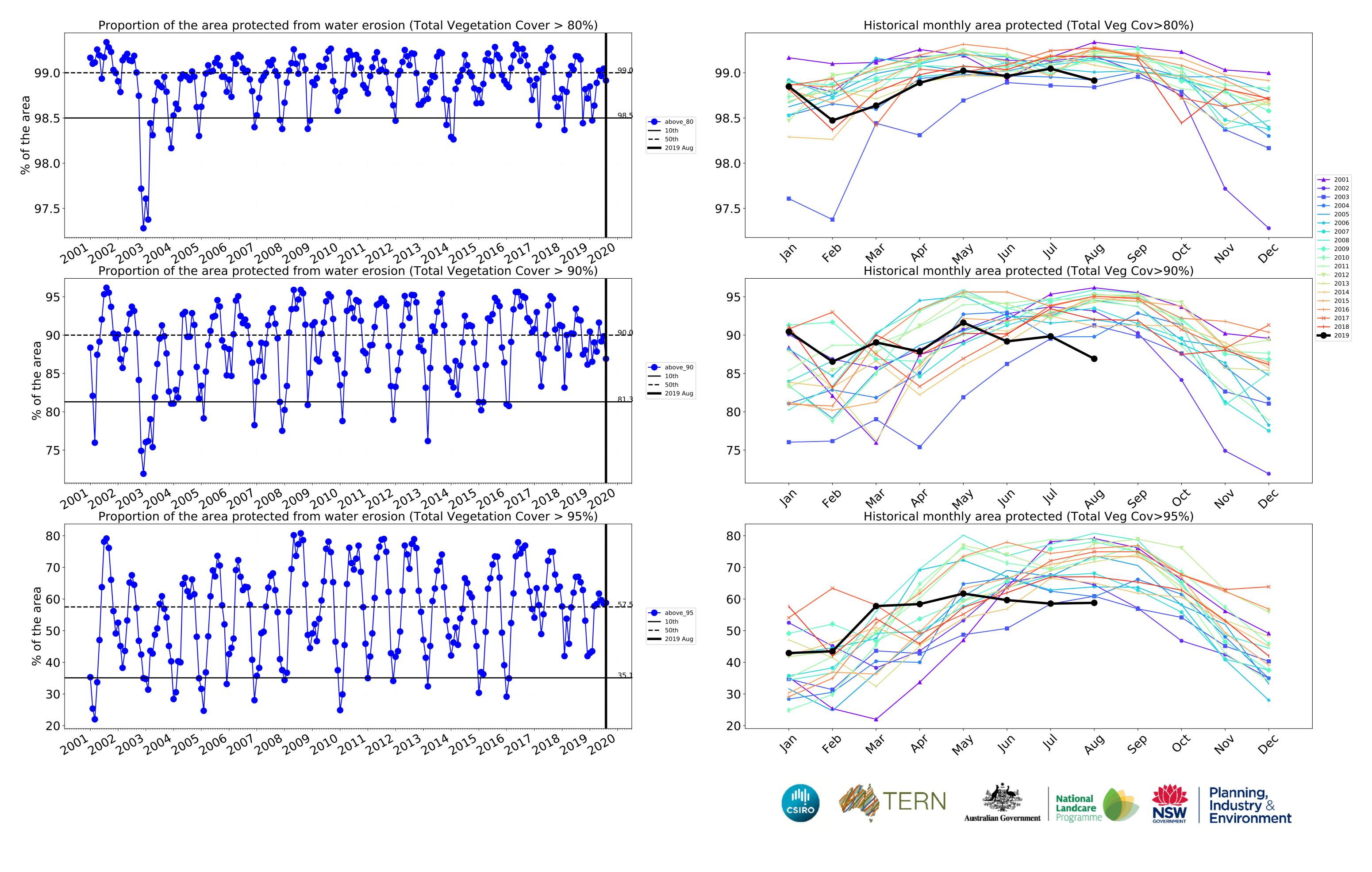












Conservation and natural environments

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

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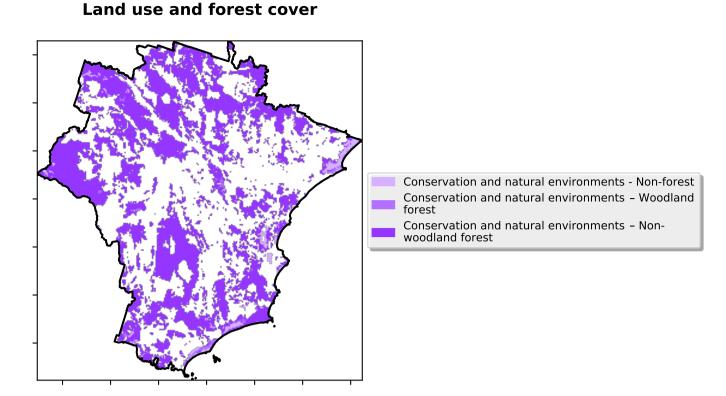
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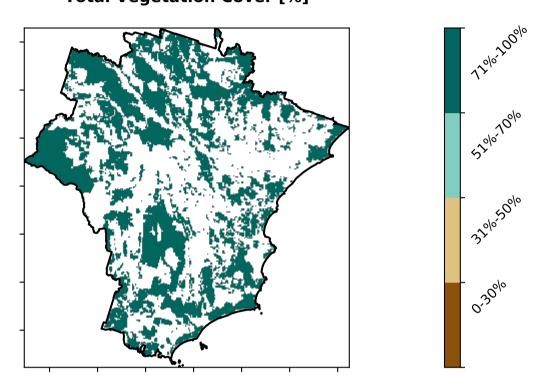
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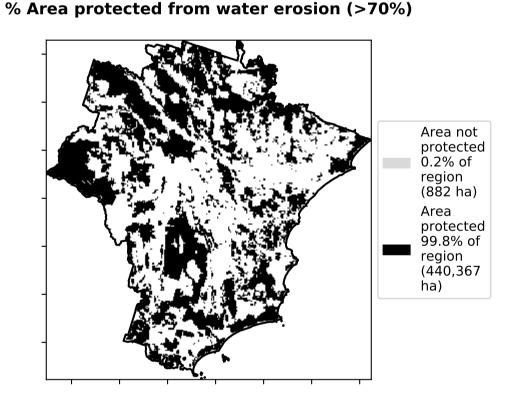
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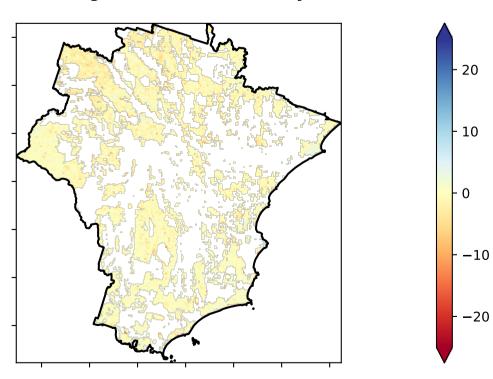


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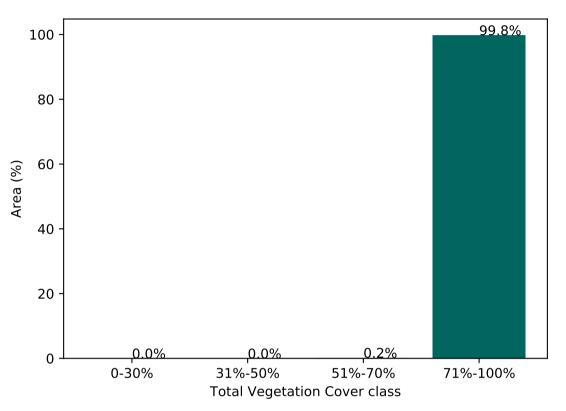


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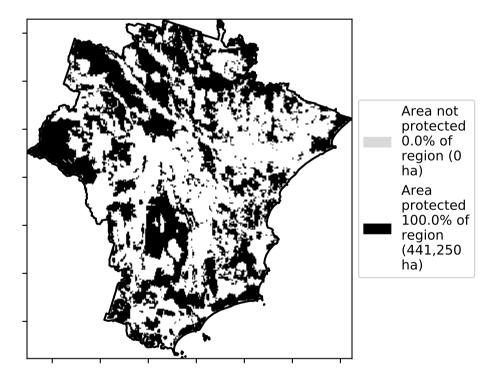


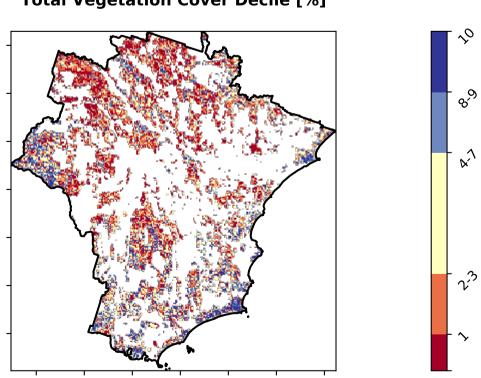
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Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)









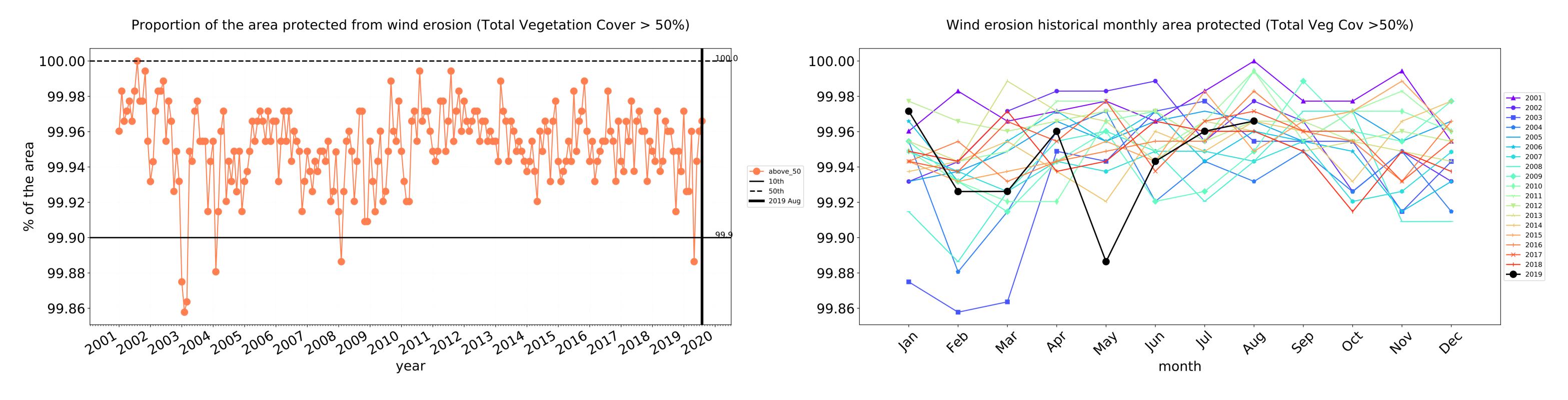


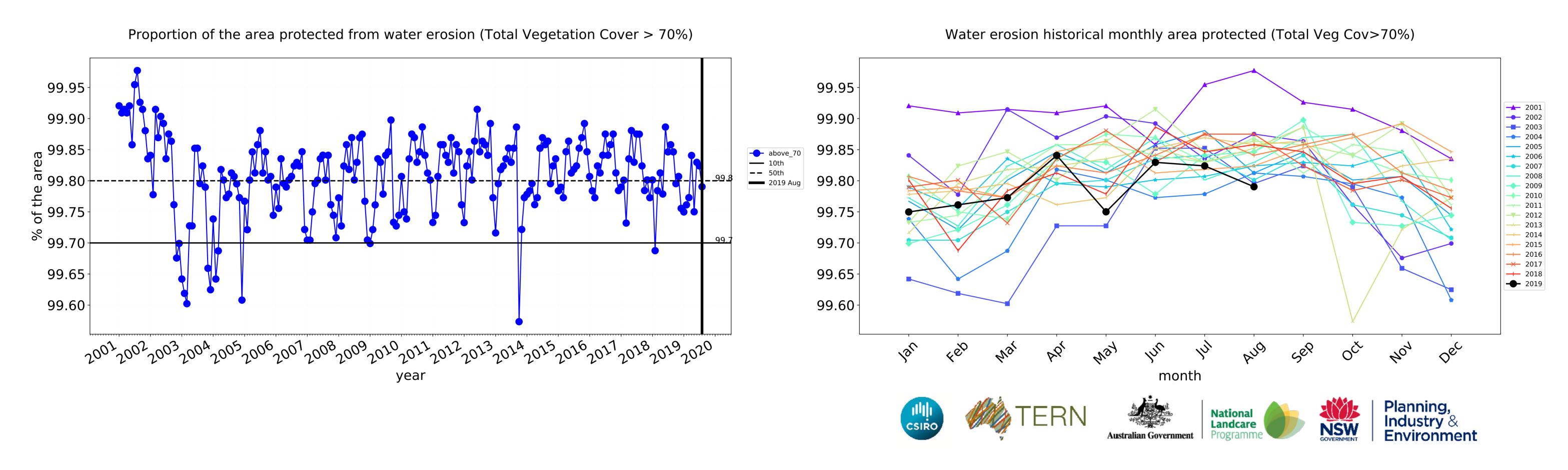


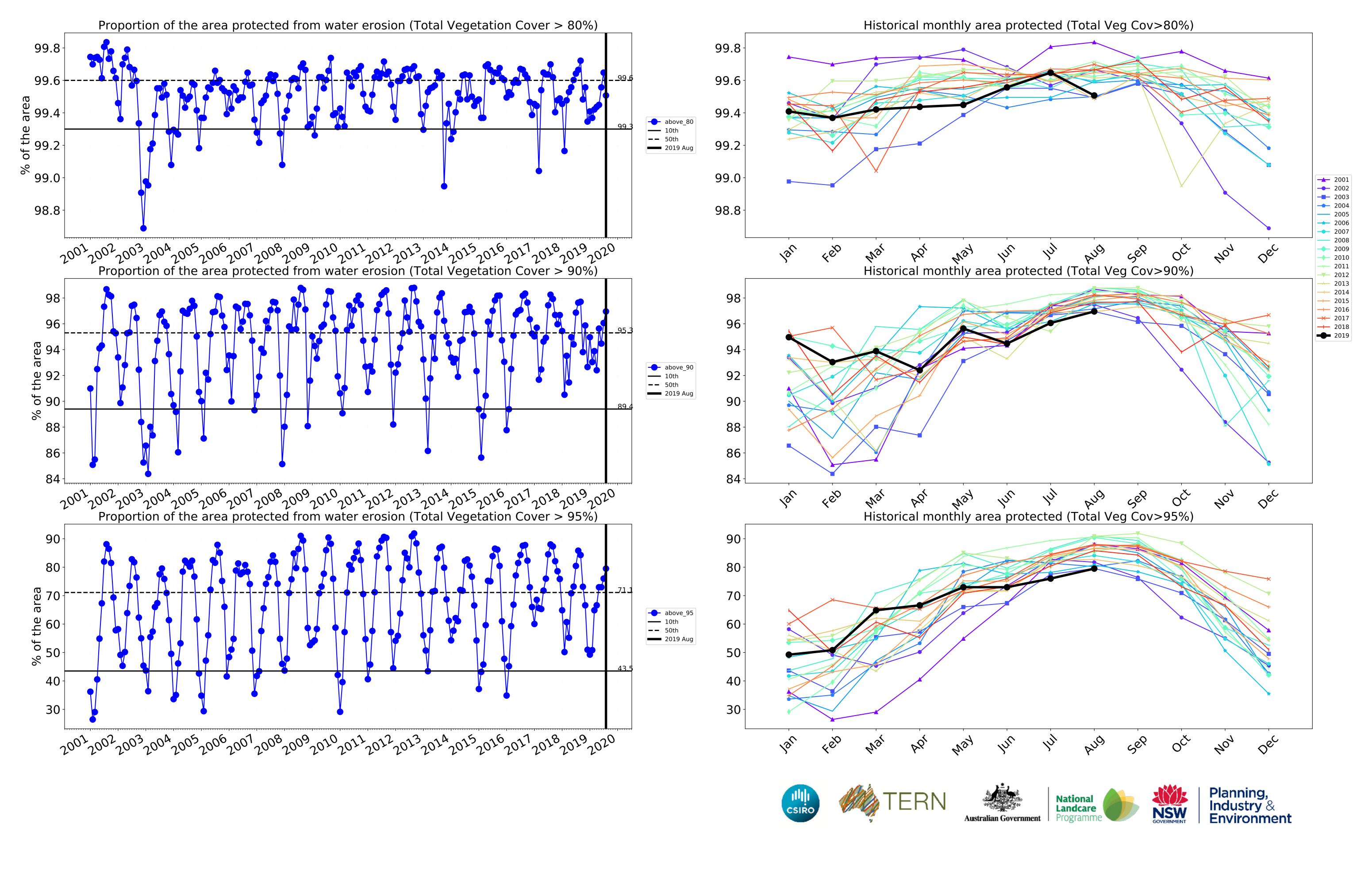




Conservation and natural environments timeseries



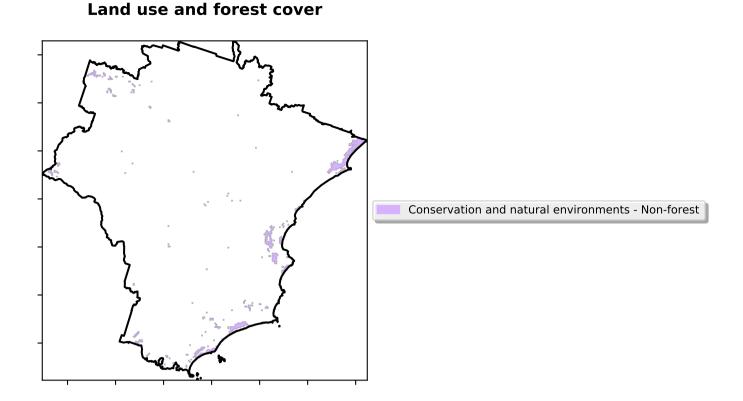




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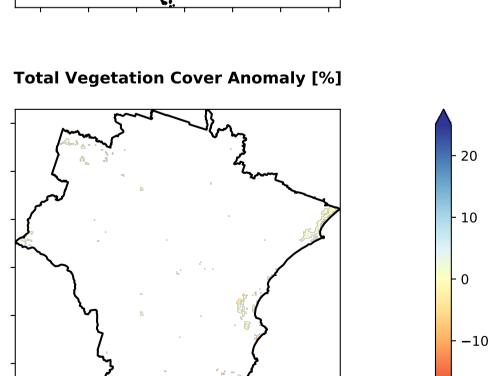
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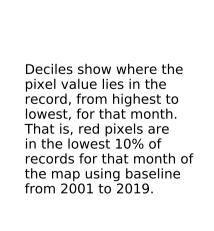
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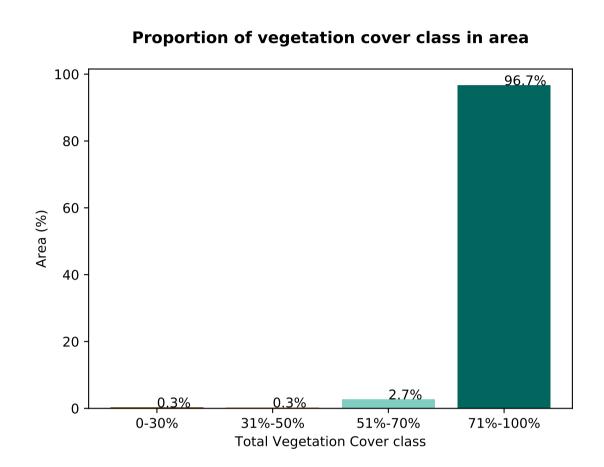


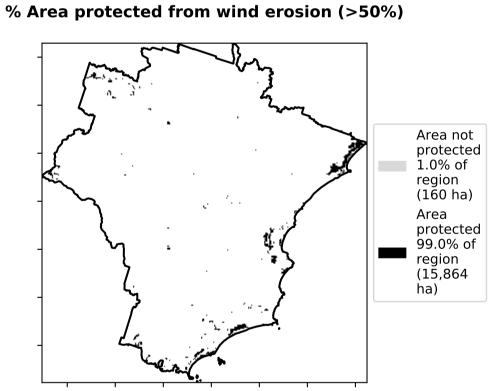
Total Vegetation Cover [%]

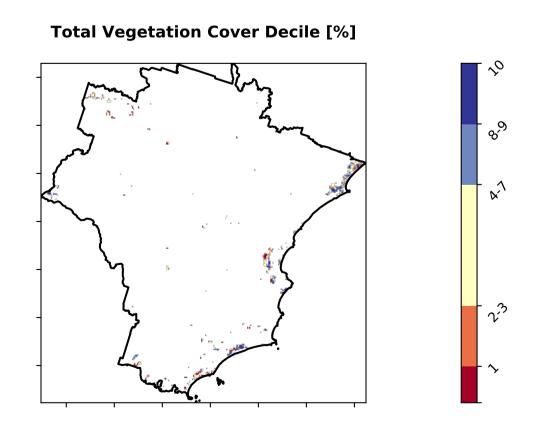
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%) Area not protected 3.3% of region (528 ha) Area protected 96.7% of region (15,496 ha)











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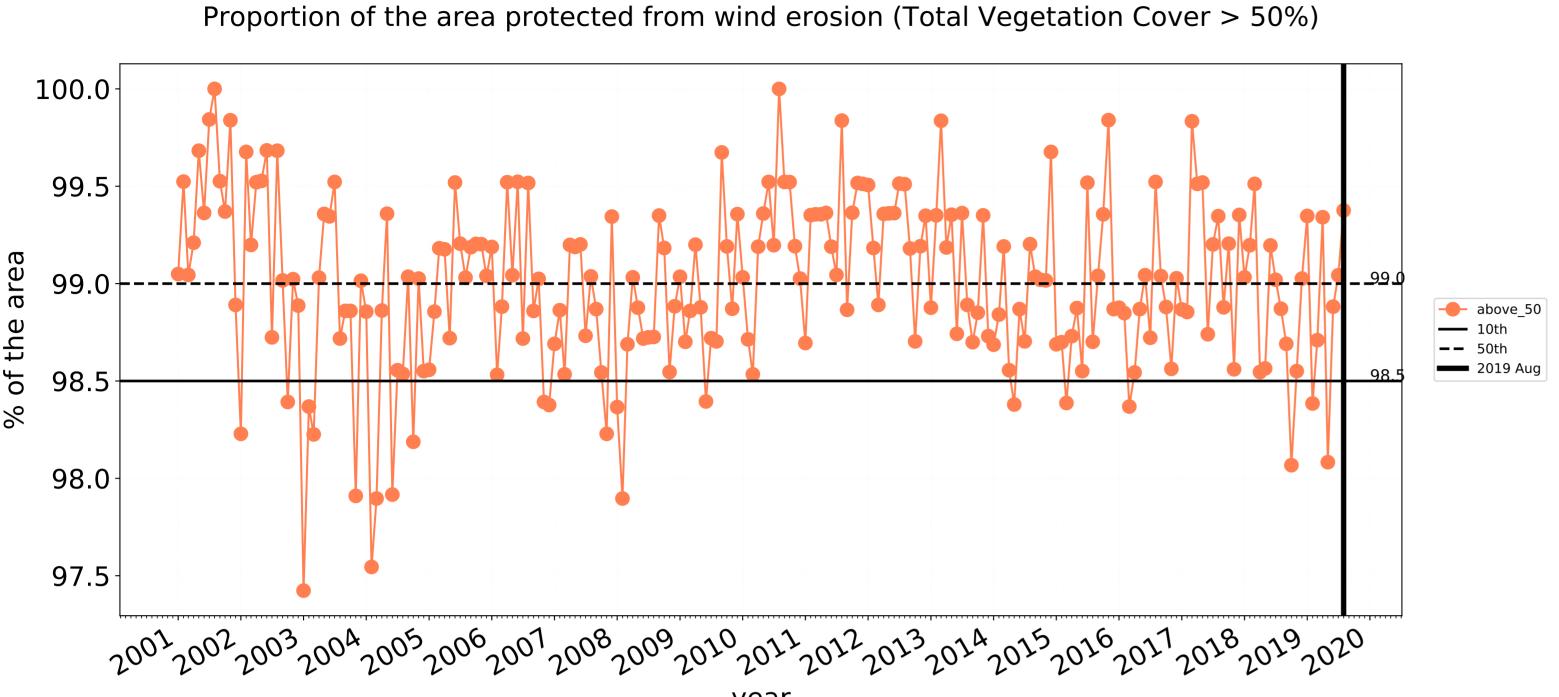


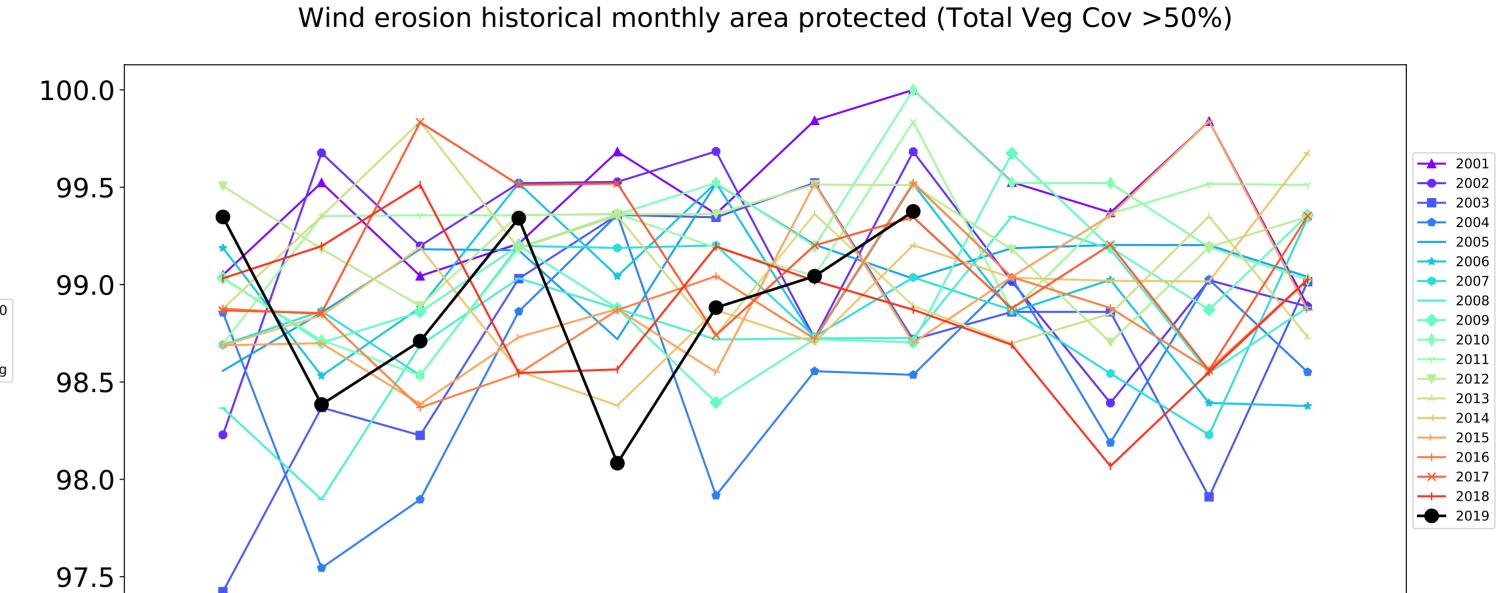




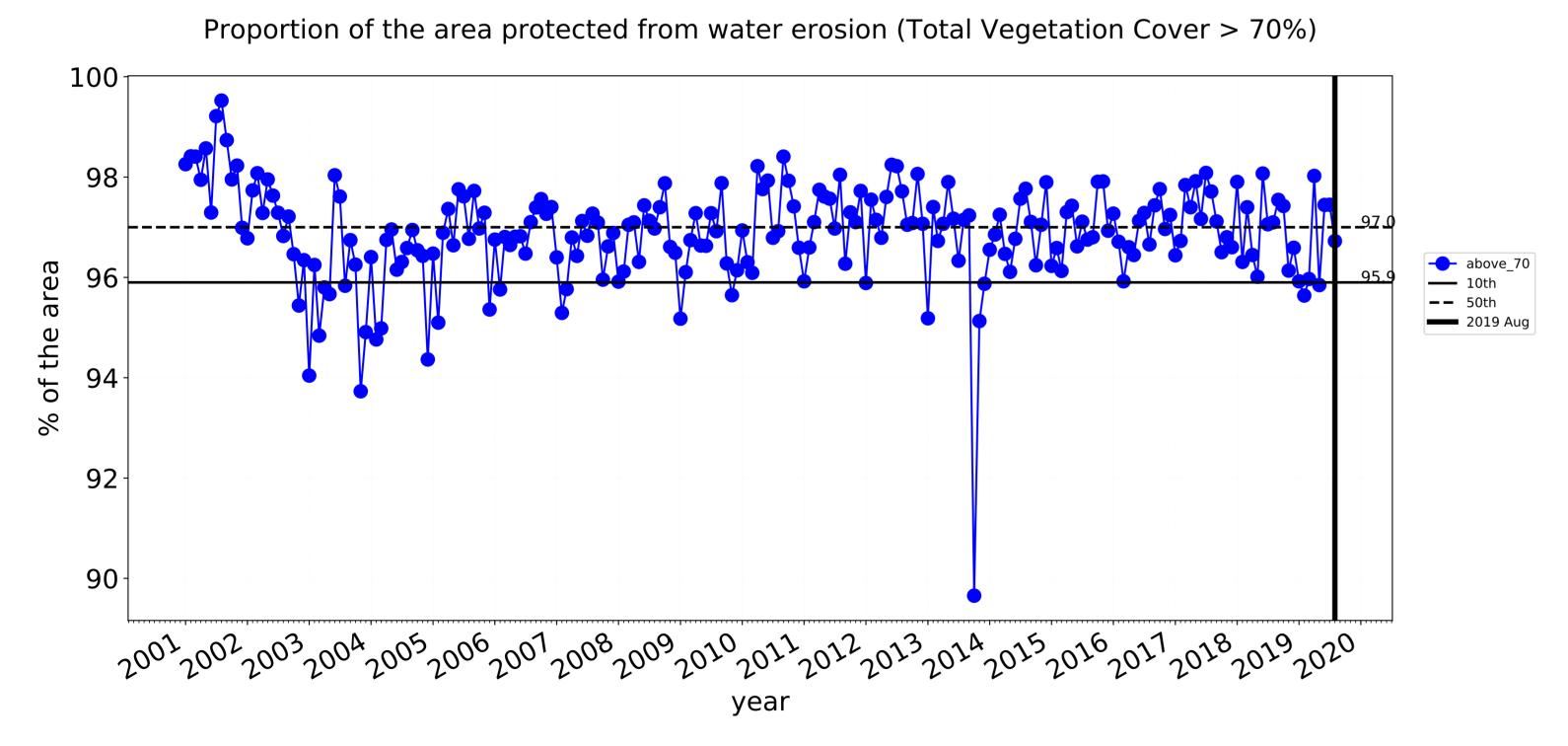
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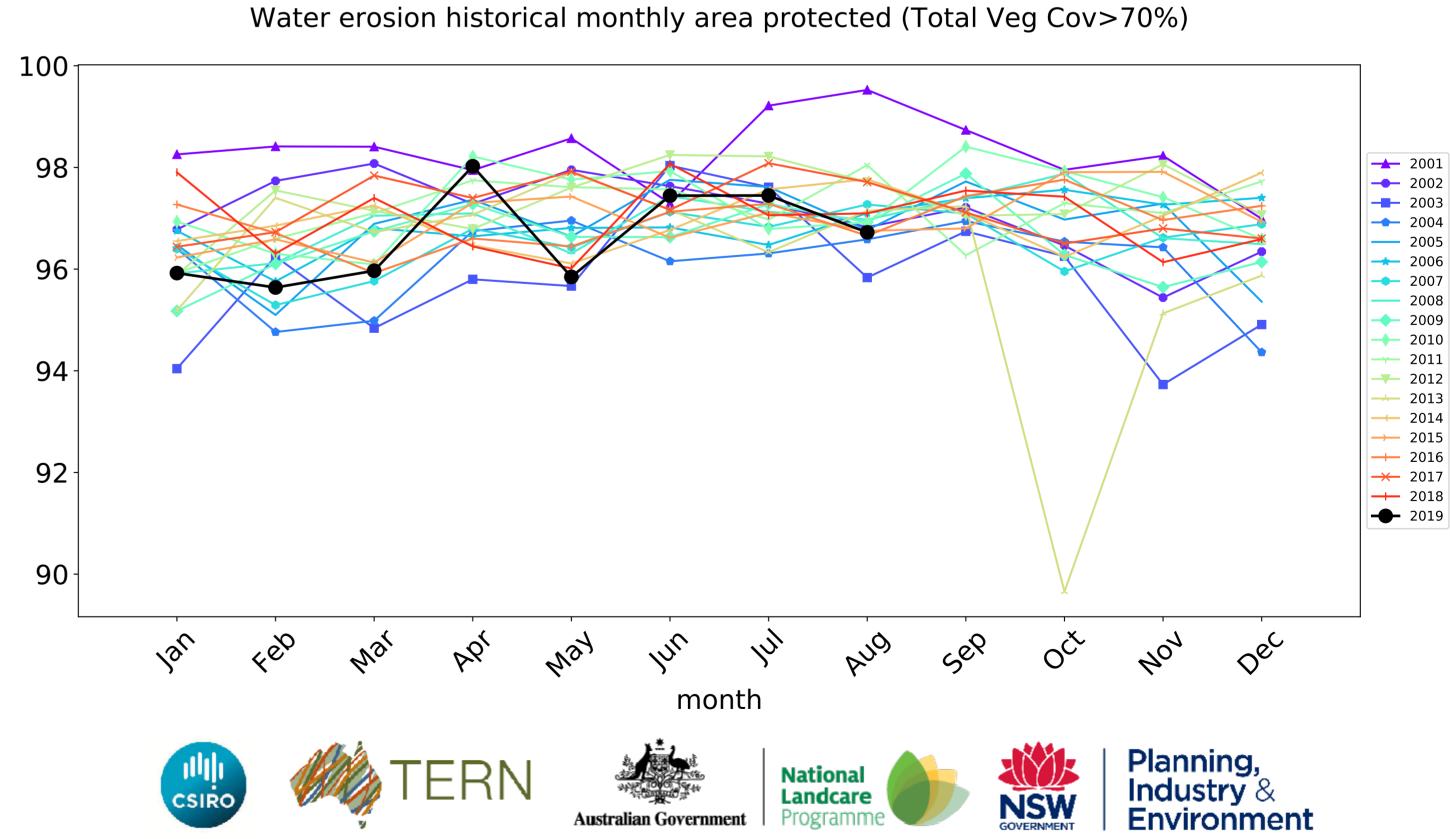
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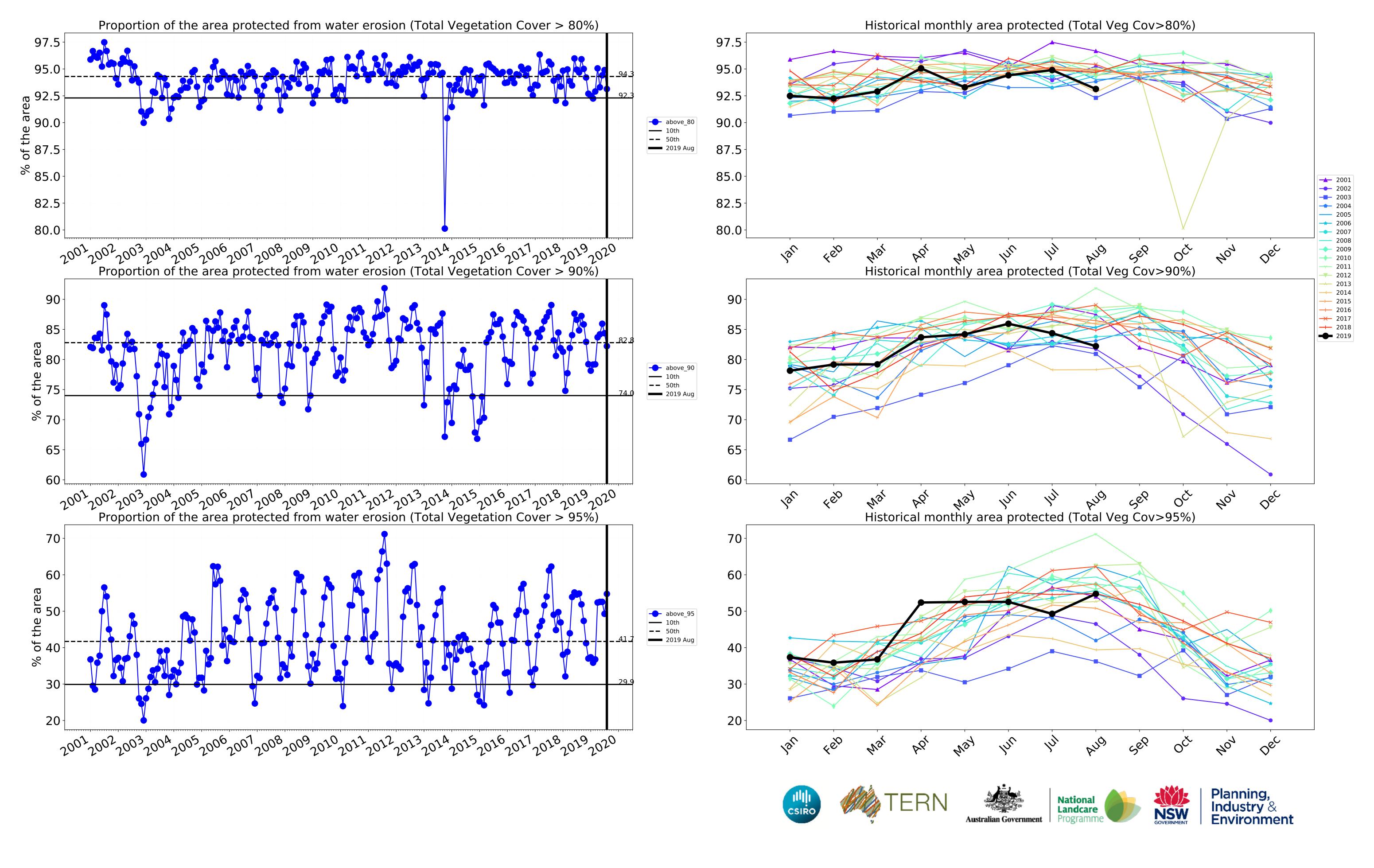




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Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest

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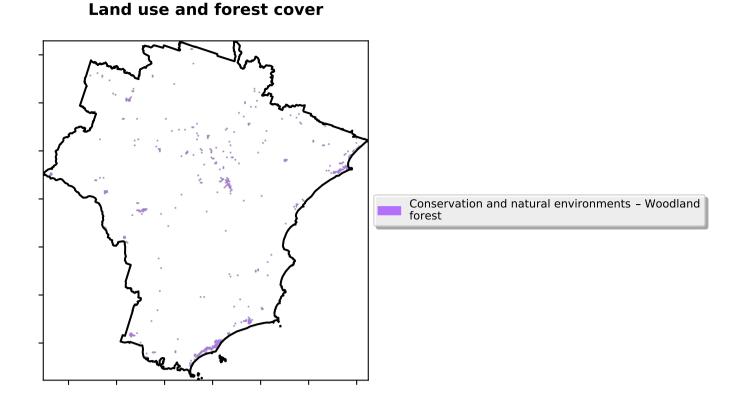
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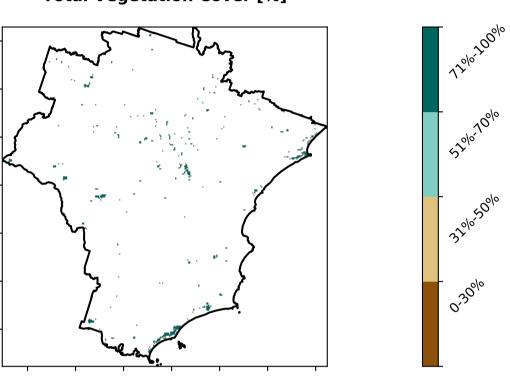
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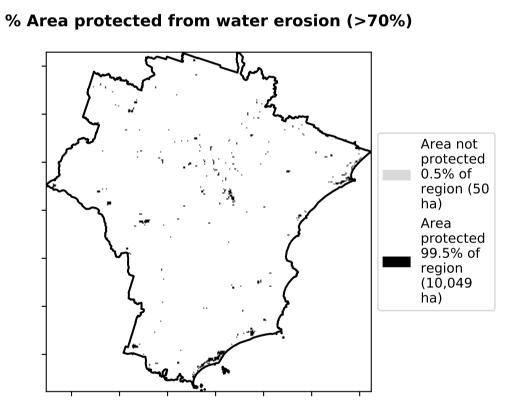


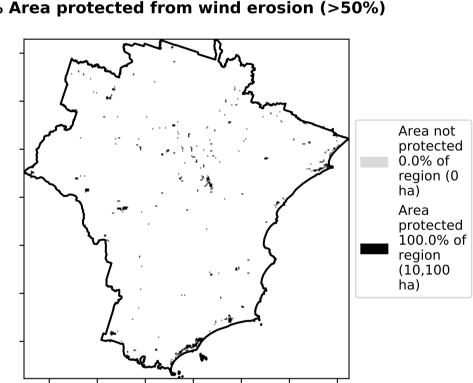
Total Vegetation Cover [%]

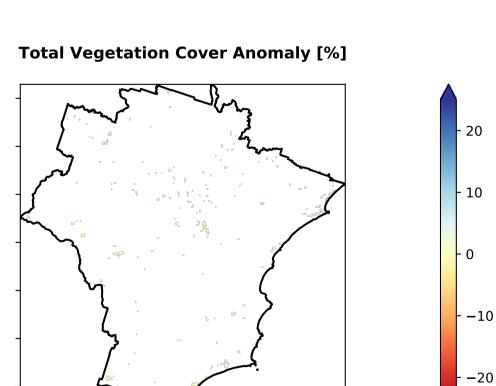


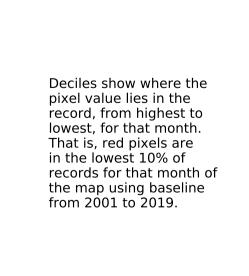
99.5% 100 80 60 40 20 0.1% 0.2% 0.2% 0-30% 31%-50% 51%-70% 71%-100% **Total Vegetation Cover class** % Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

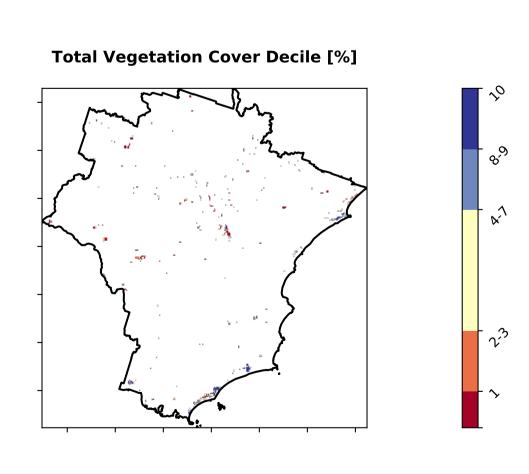
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area















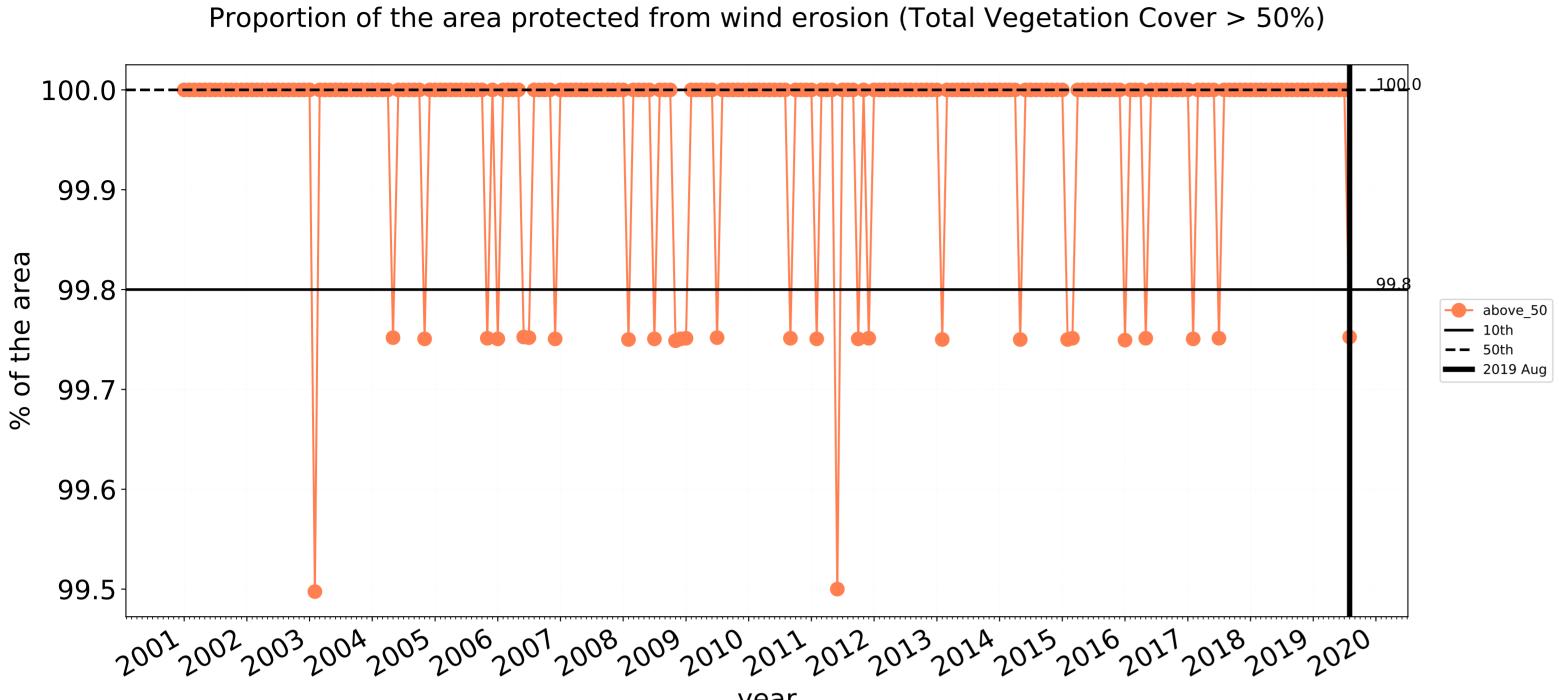


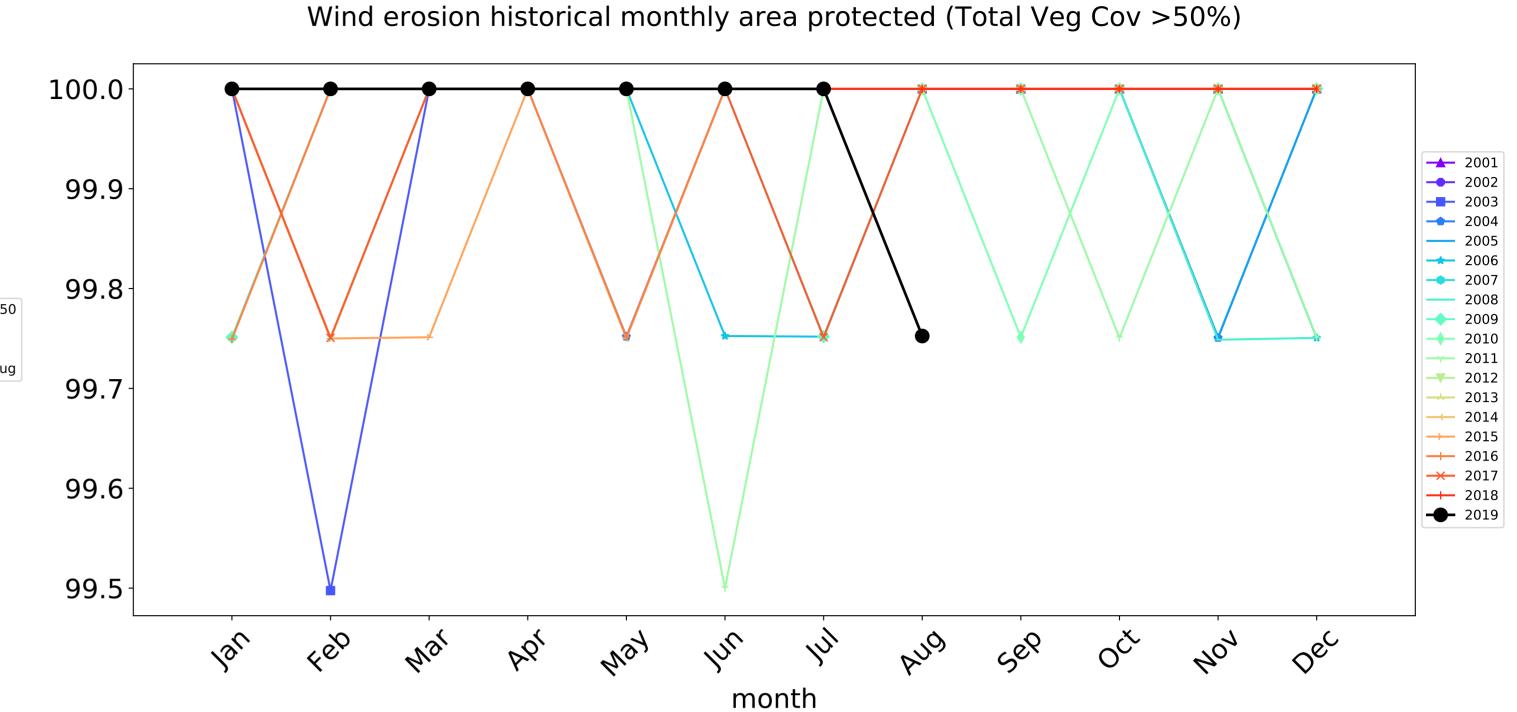


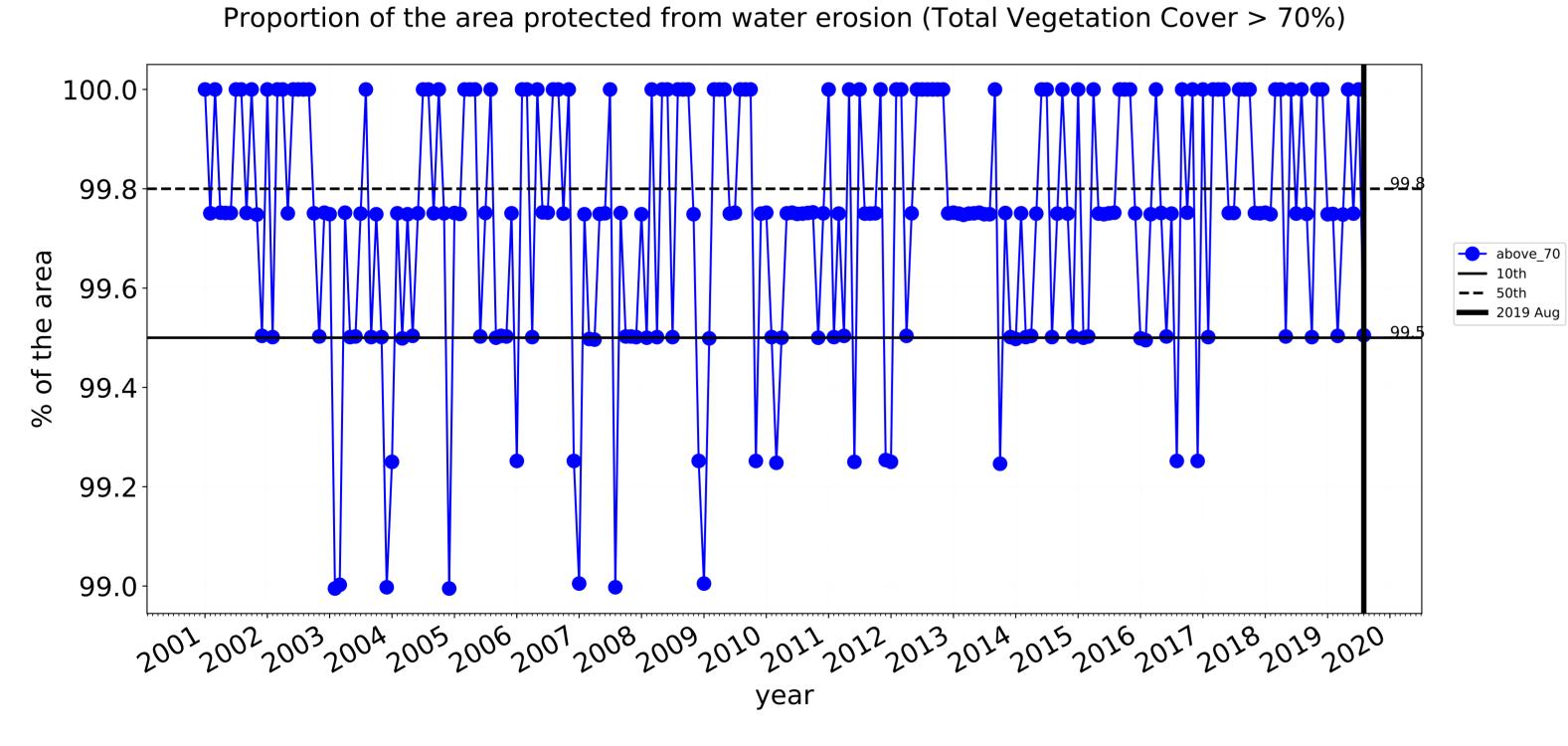


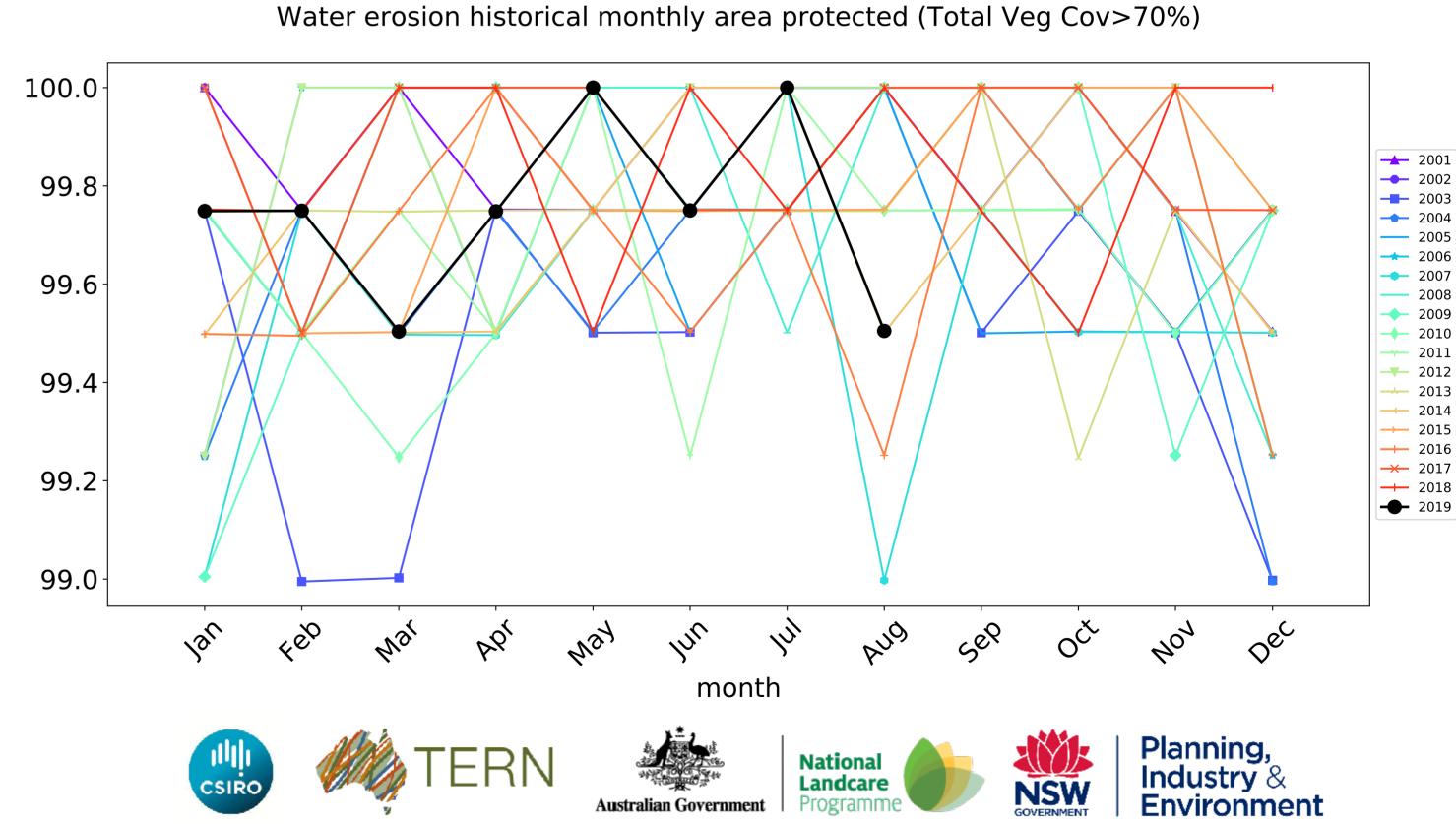


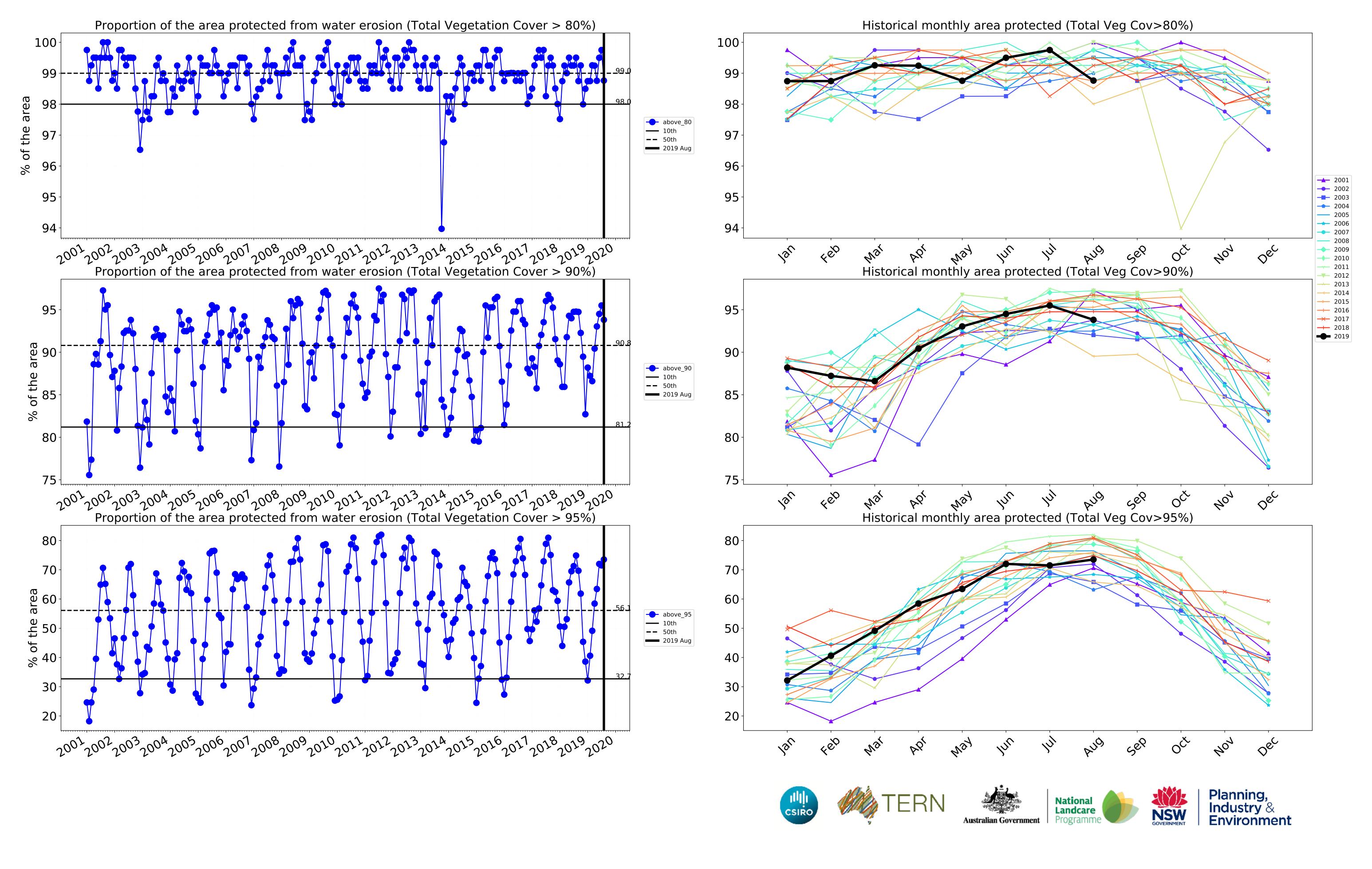
Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest timeseries











Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)

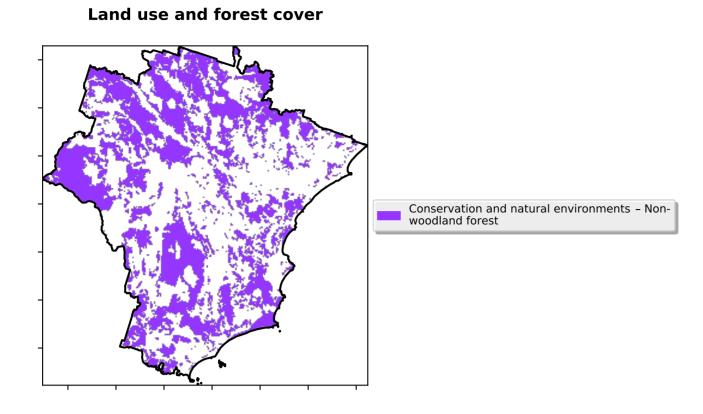
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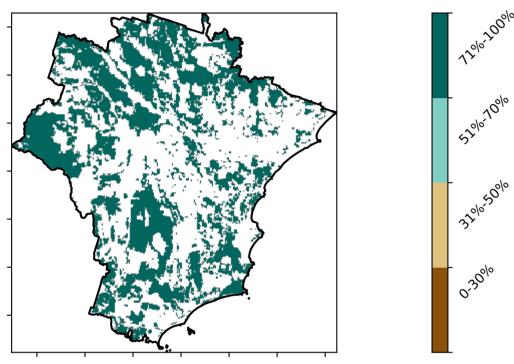
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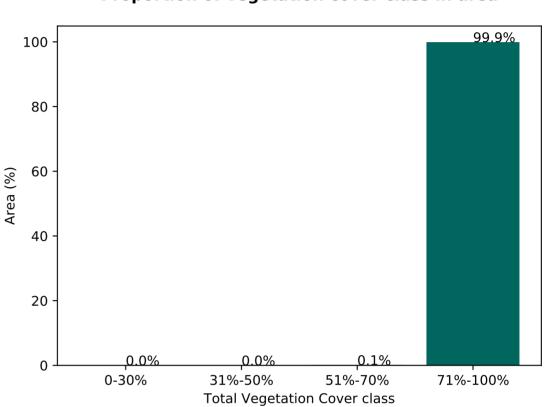
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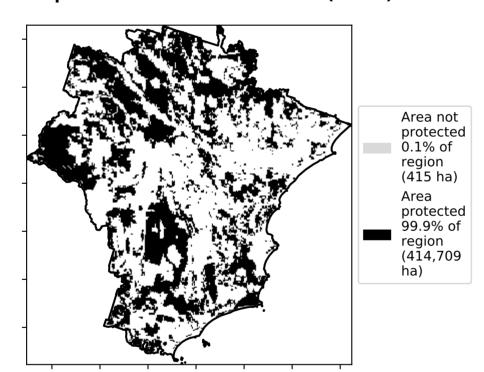
Total Vegetation Cover [%]



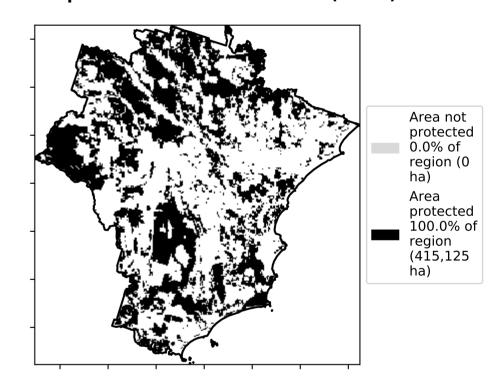
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



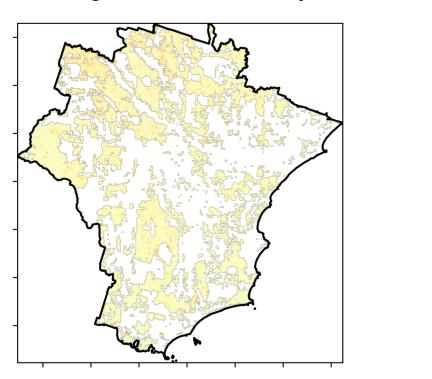
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

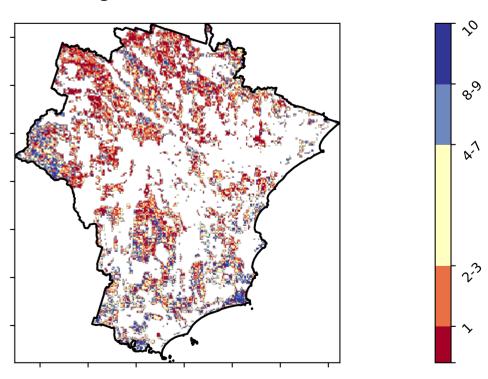


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Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]













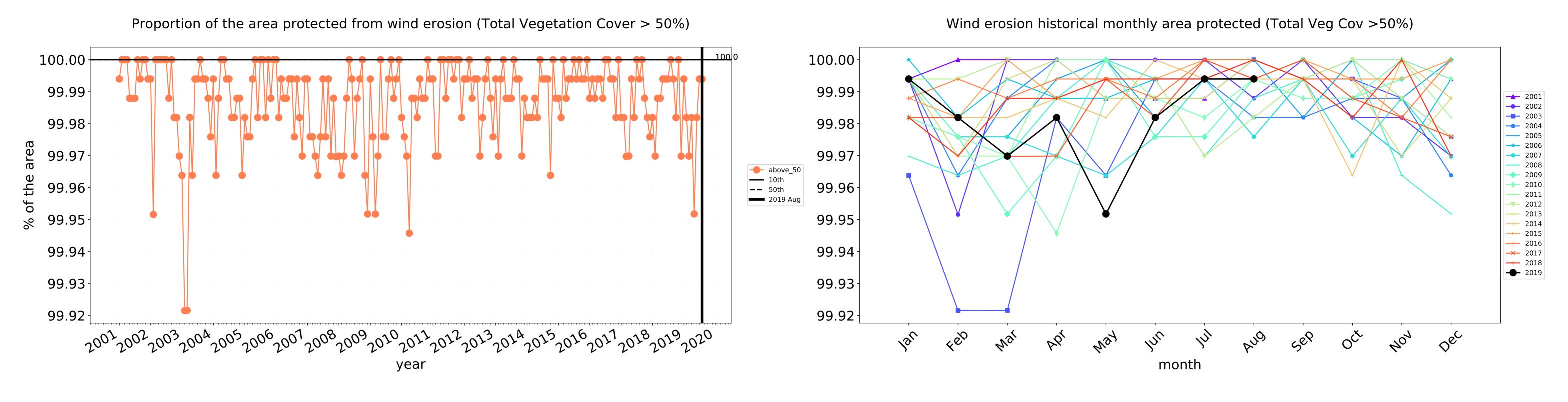


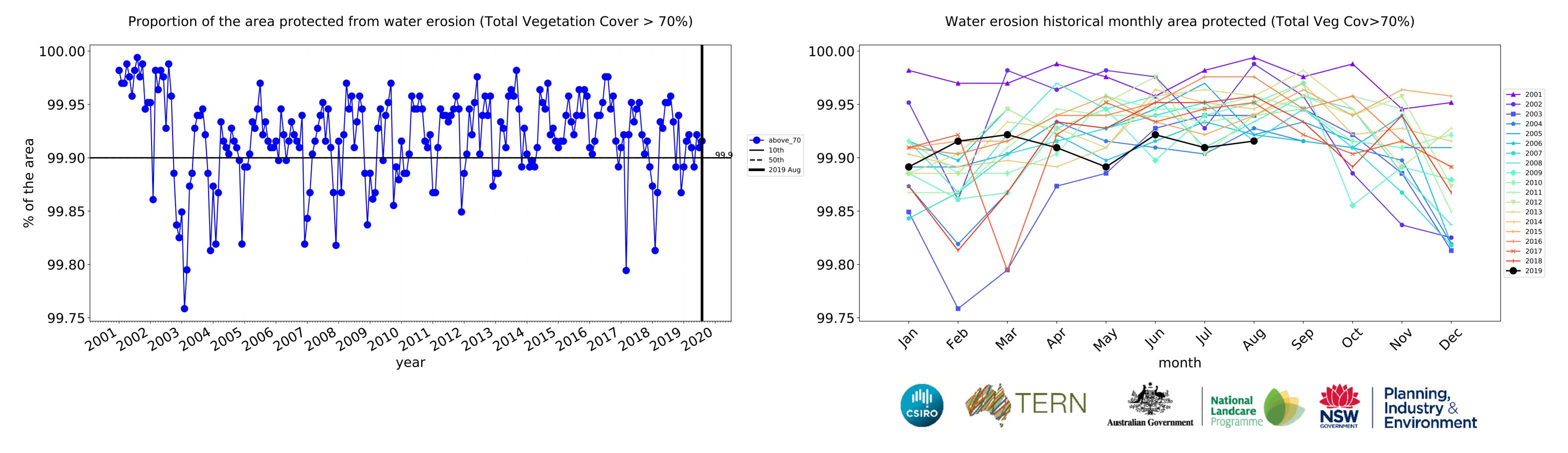
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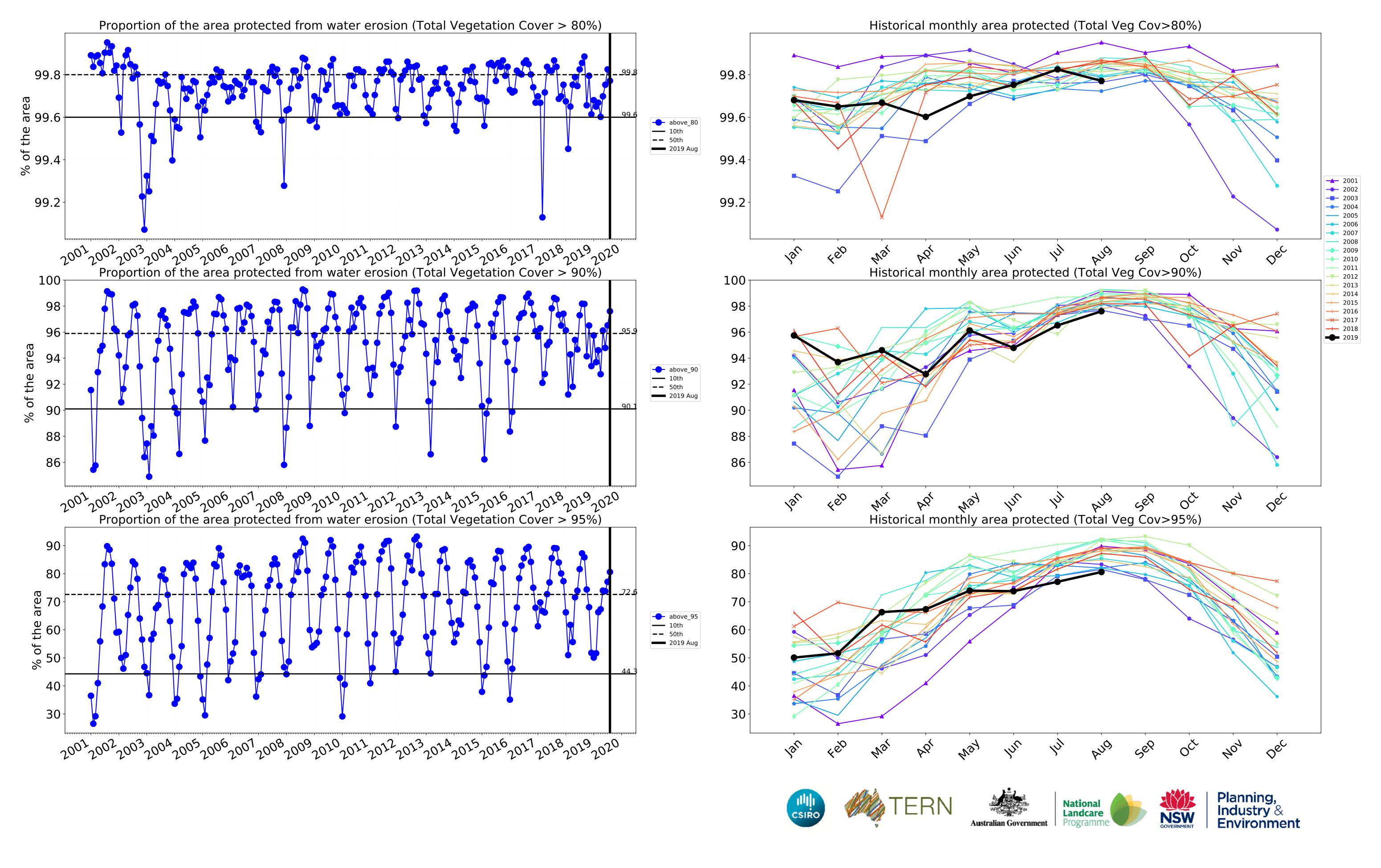
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Agriculture

Land use and forest cover

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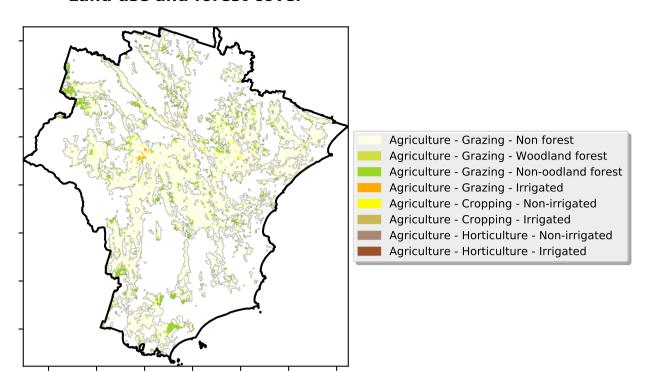
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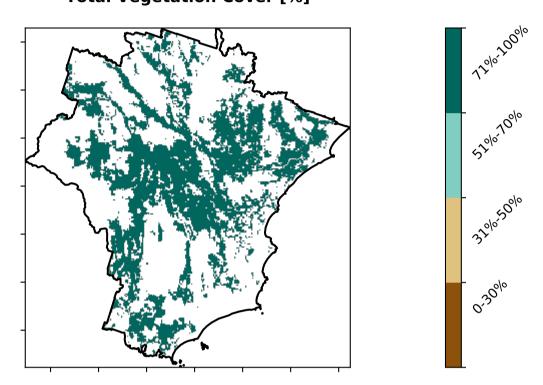
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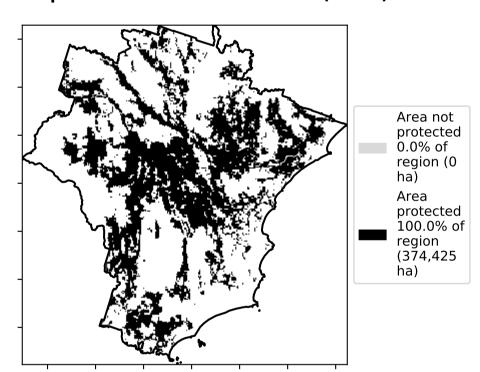
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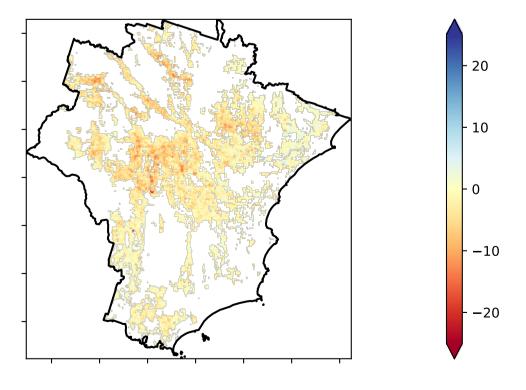
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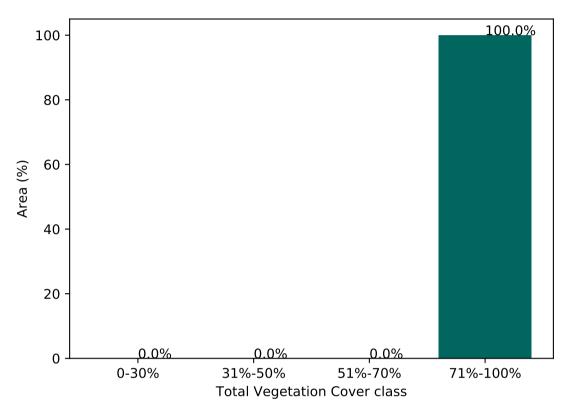


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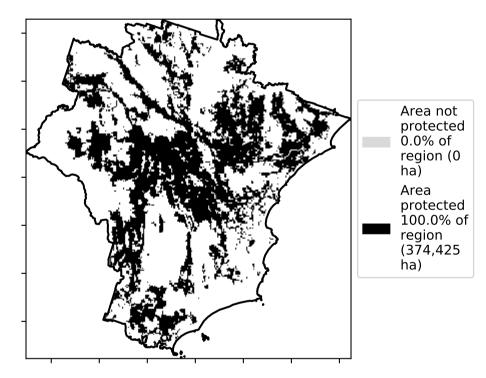


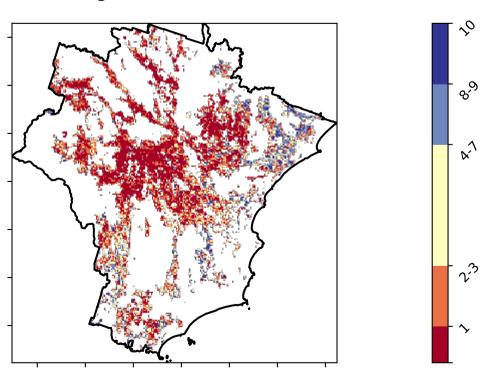
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Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)









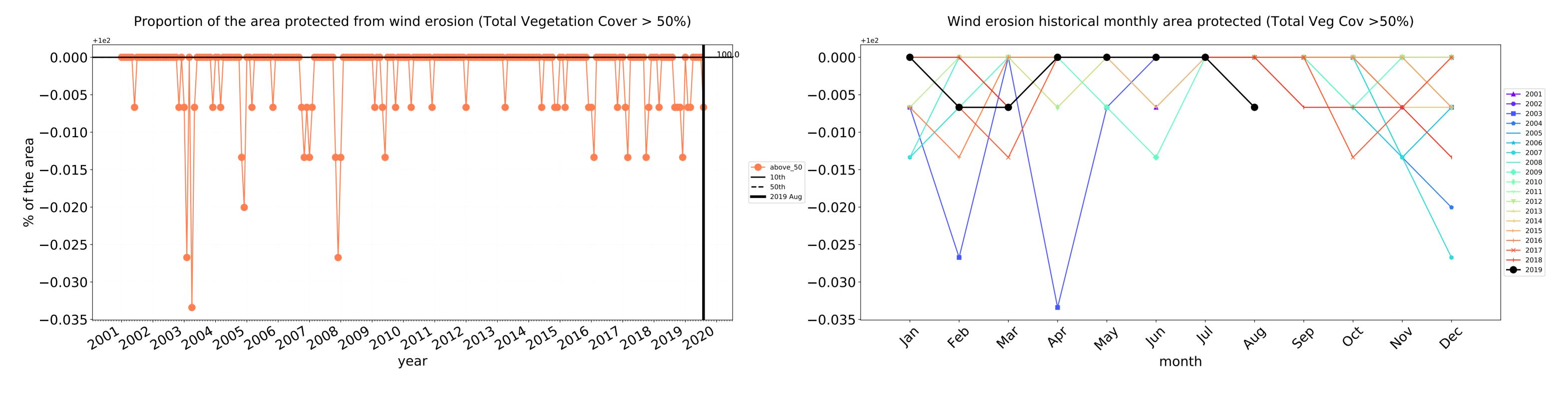


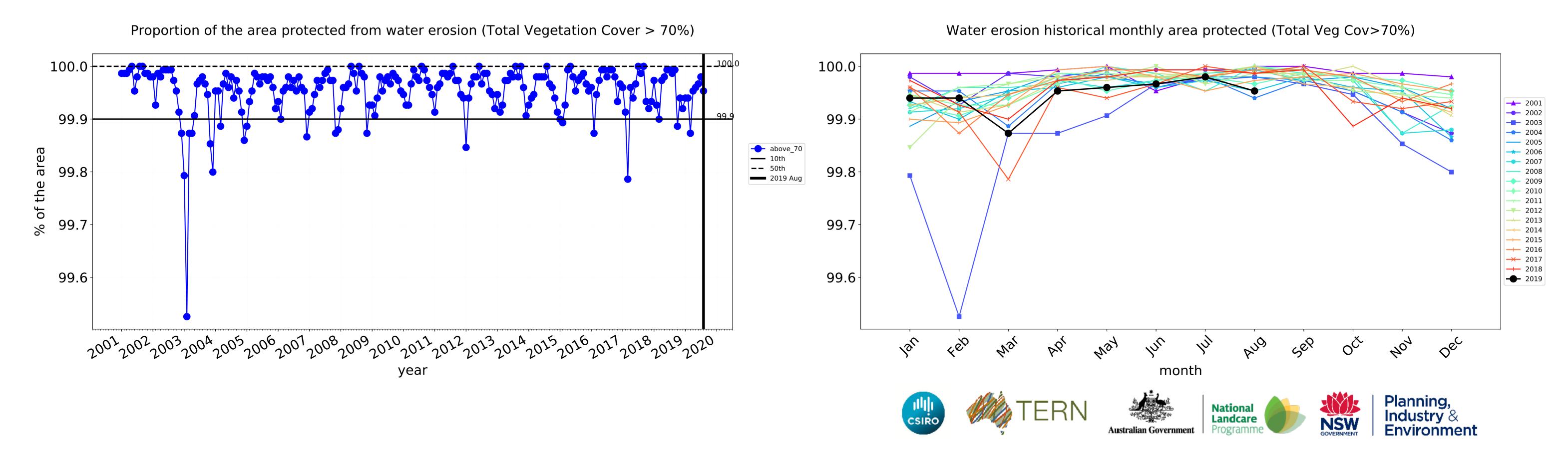


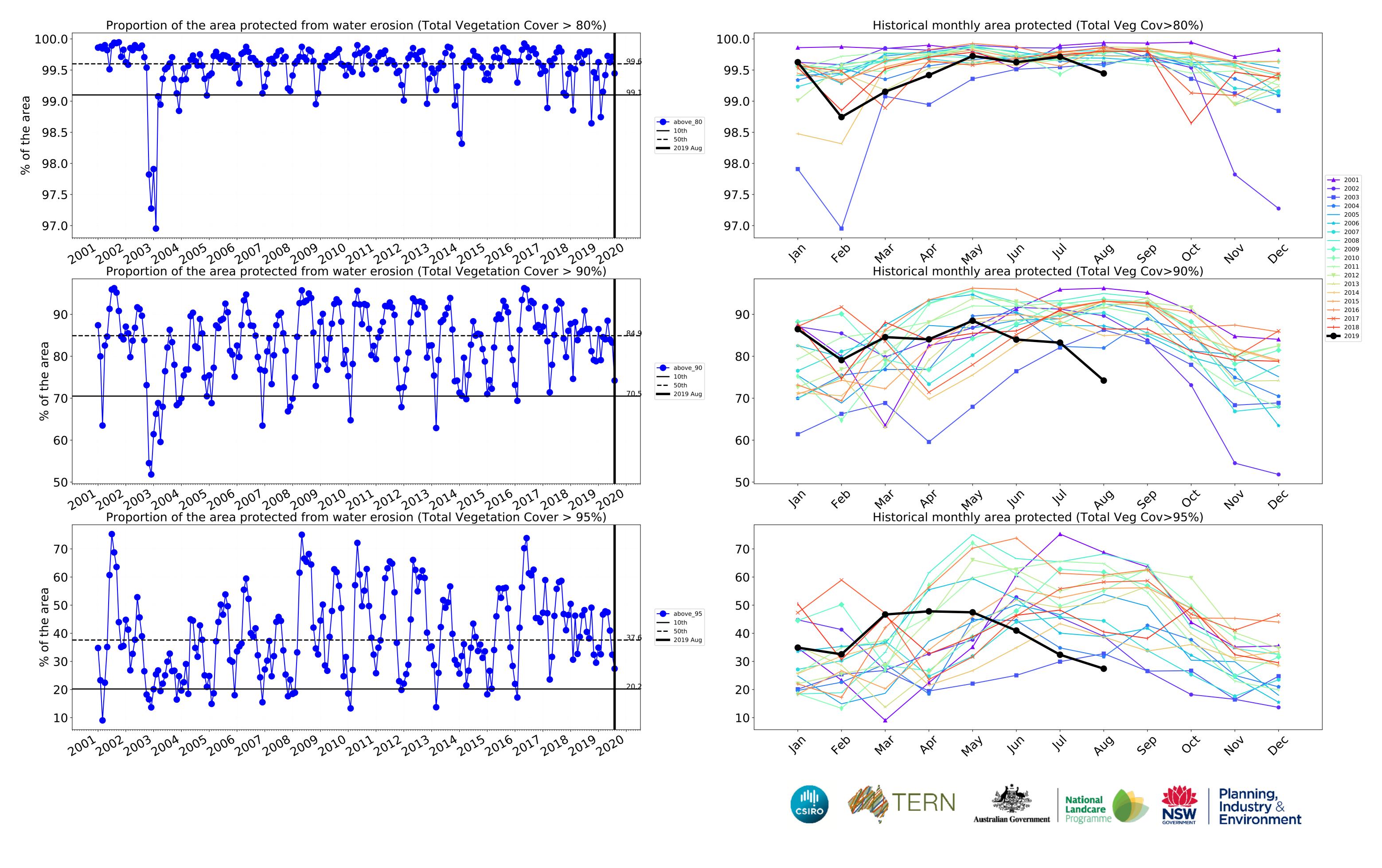




Agriculture timeseries







Grazing

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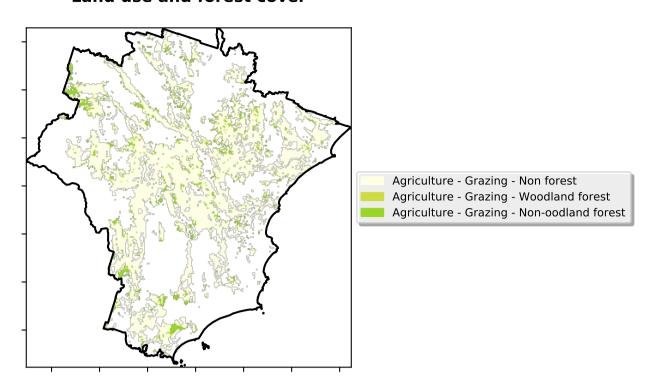
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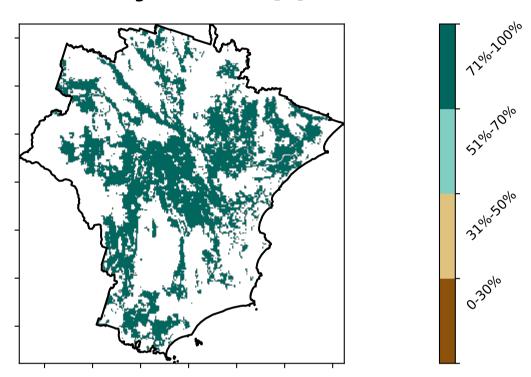
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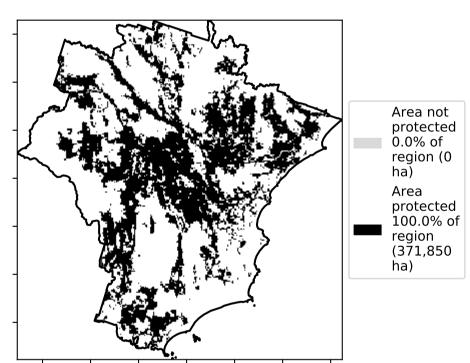
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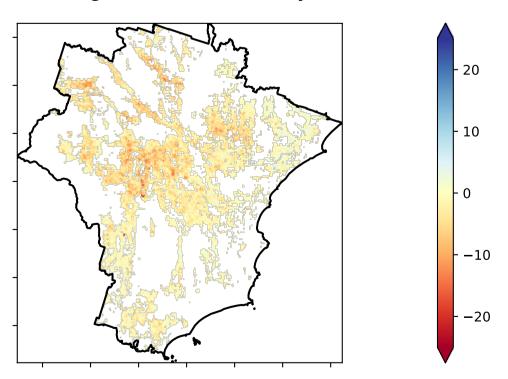
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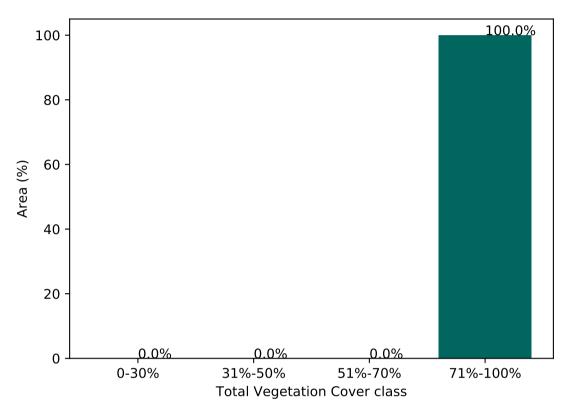


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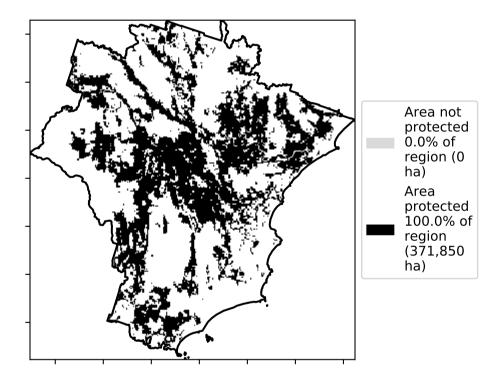


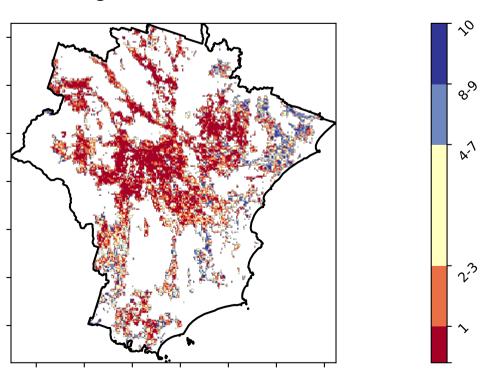
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Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)









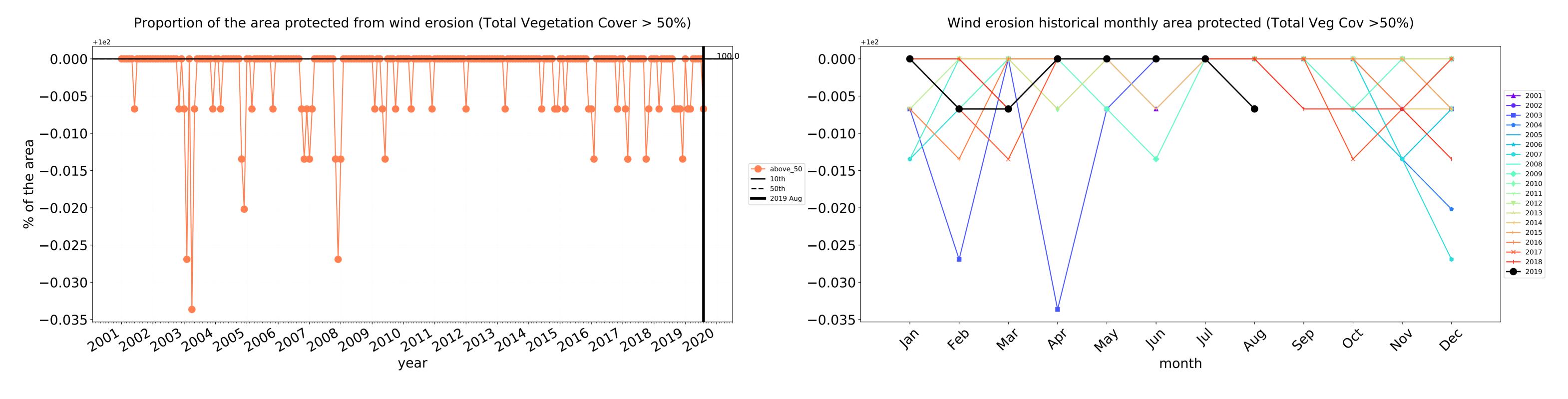


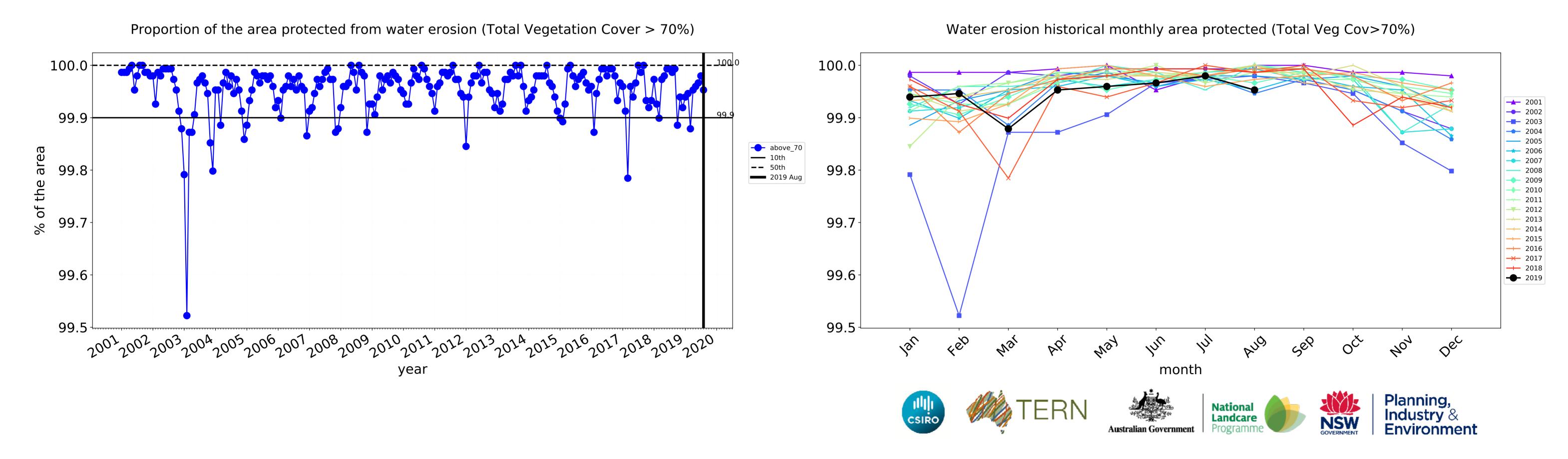


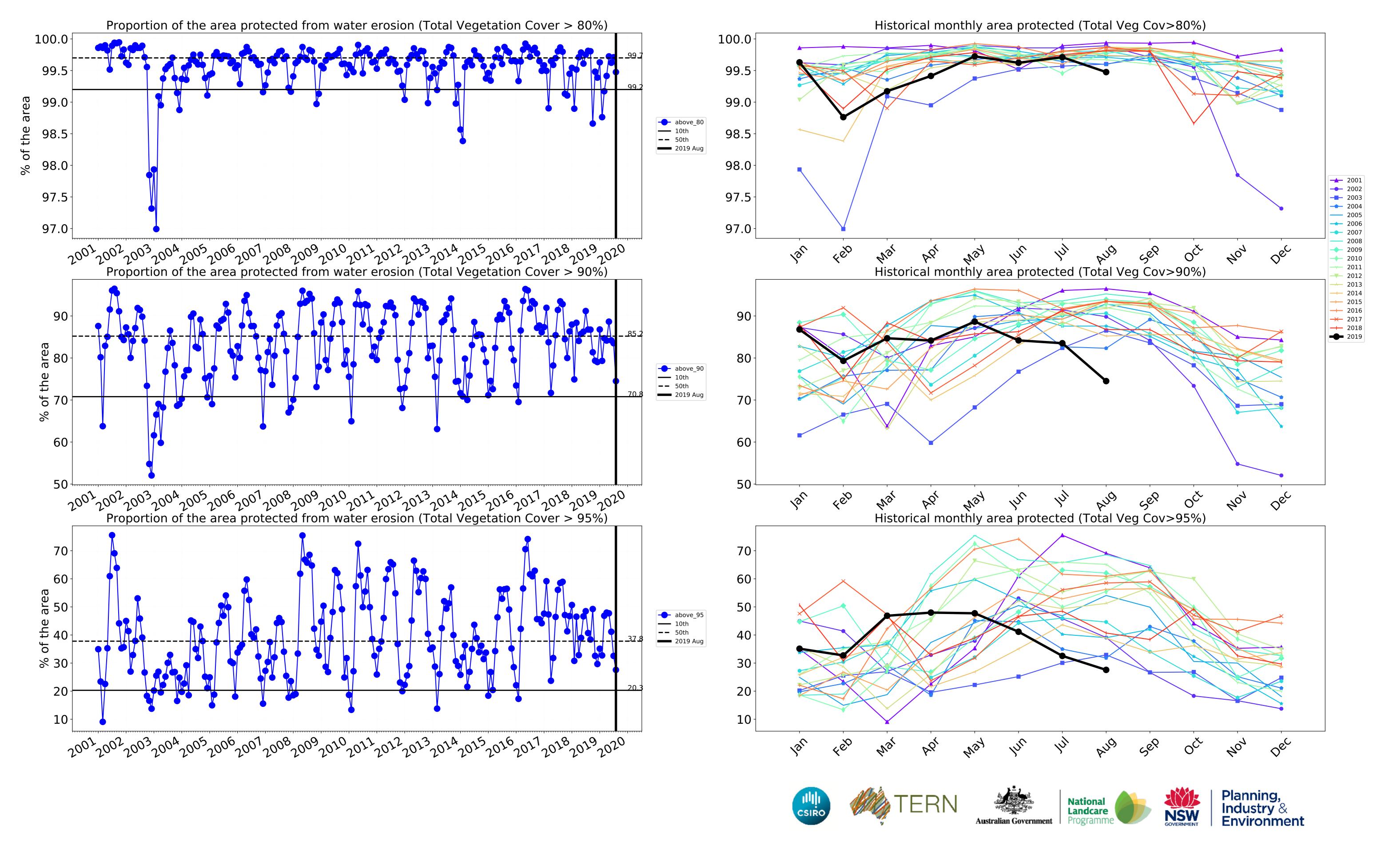




Grazing timeseries







Grazing non forest

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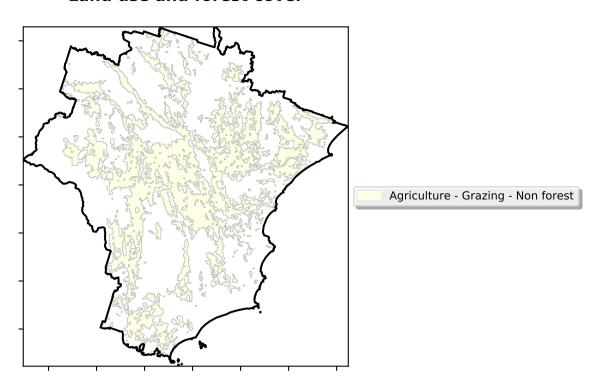
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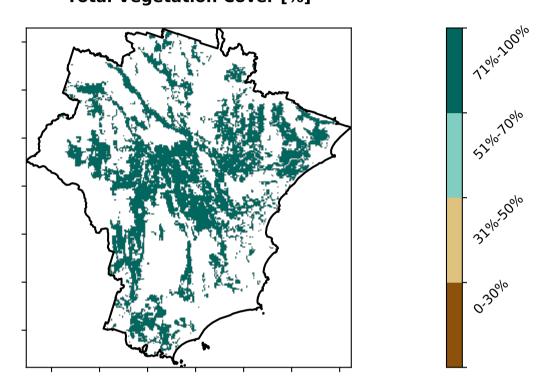
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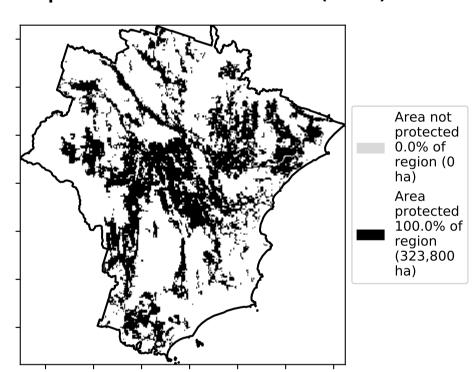
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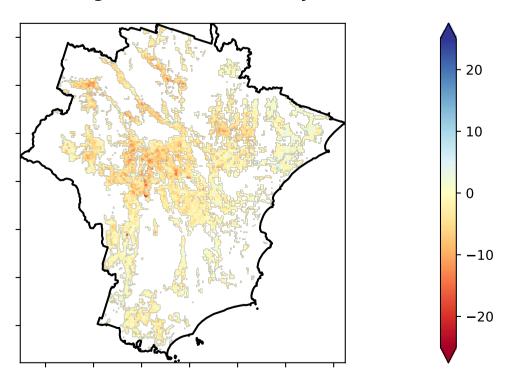
Total Vegetation Cover [%]



% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

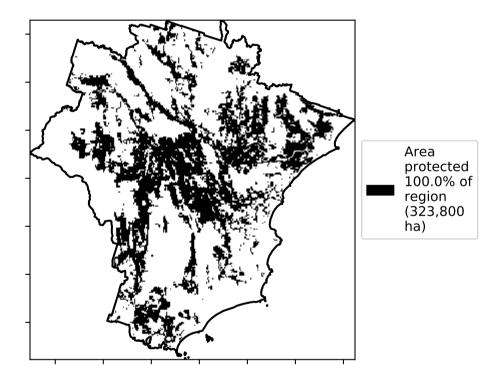


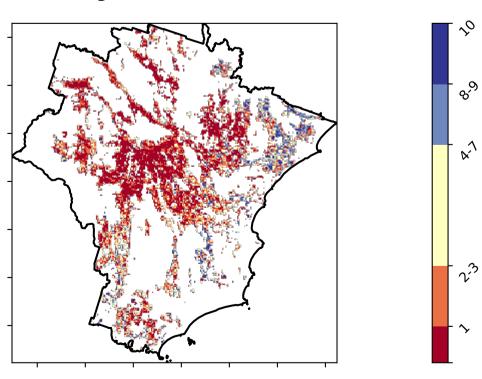
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Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)









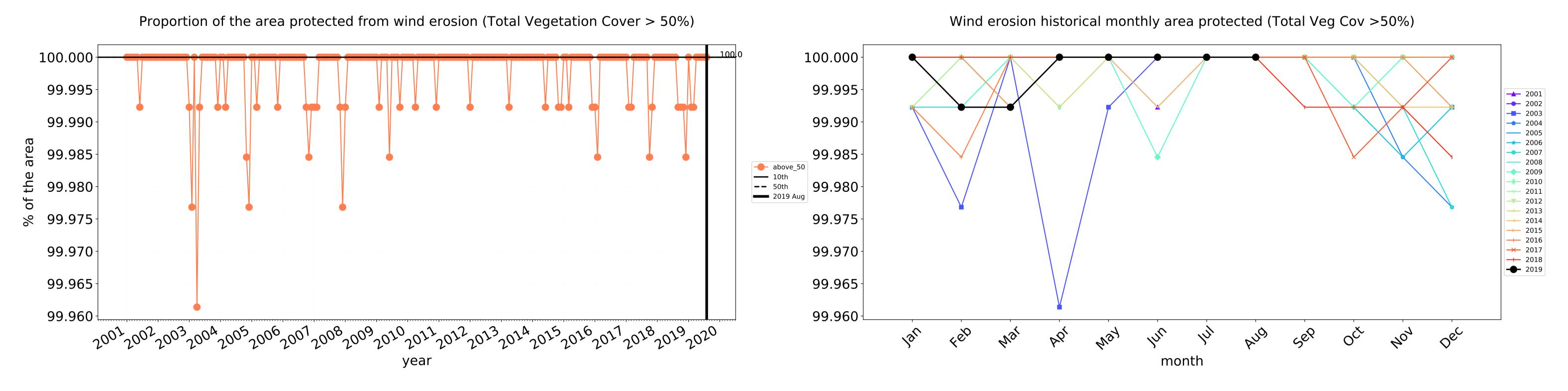


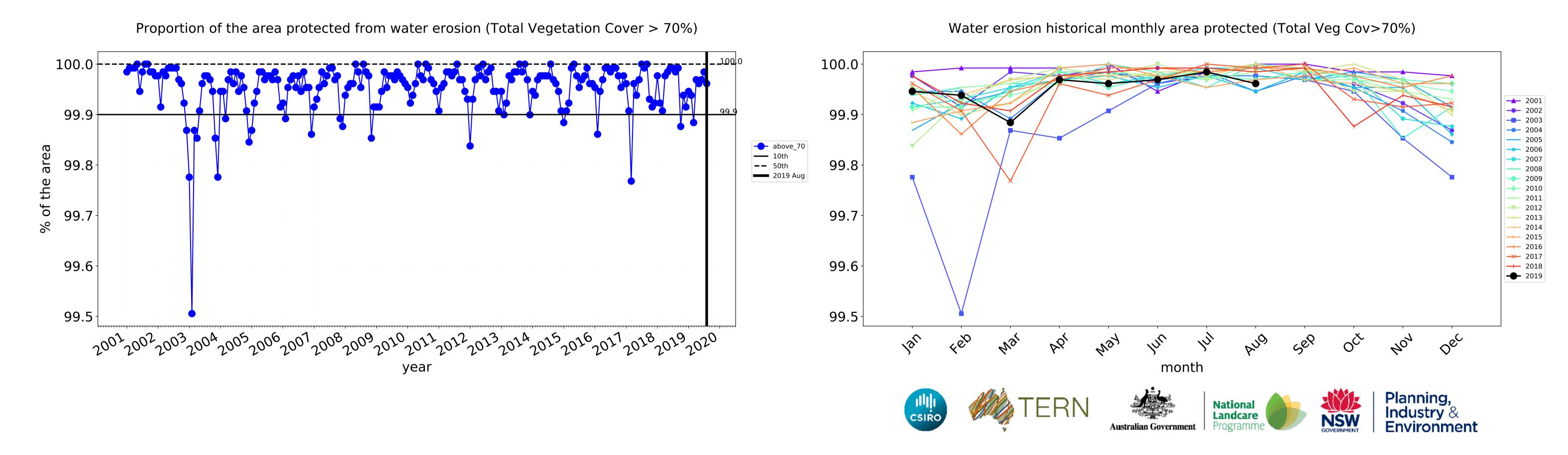


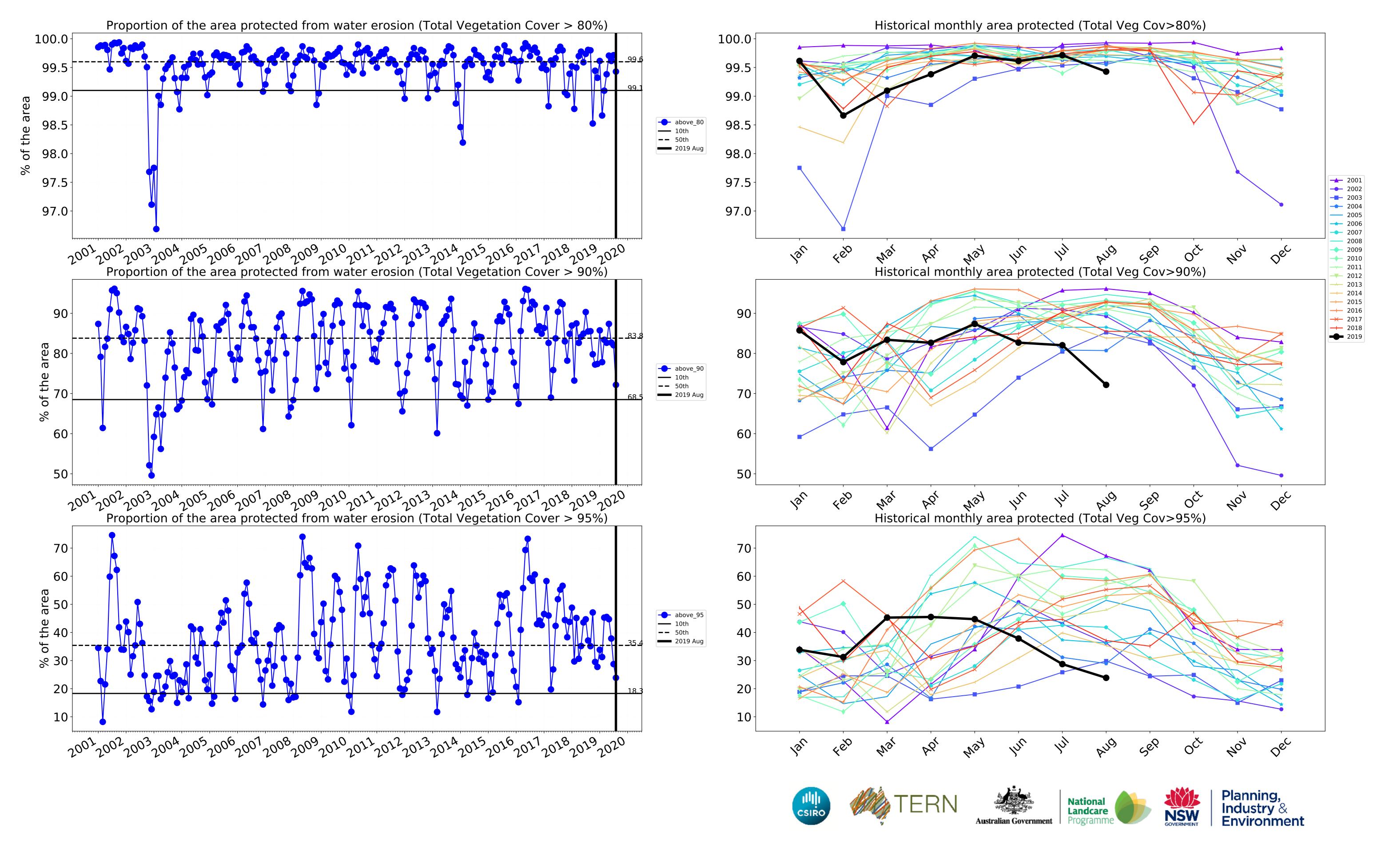




Grazing non forest timeseries







Grazing Woodland forest

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

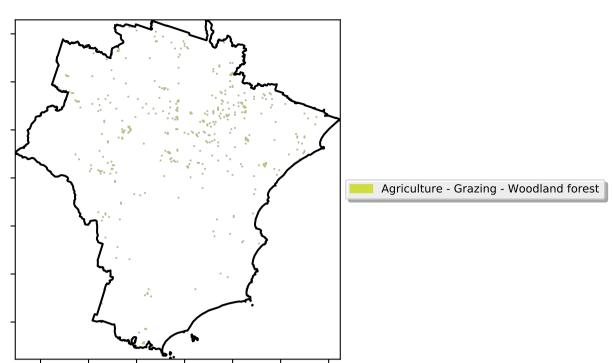
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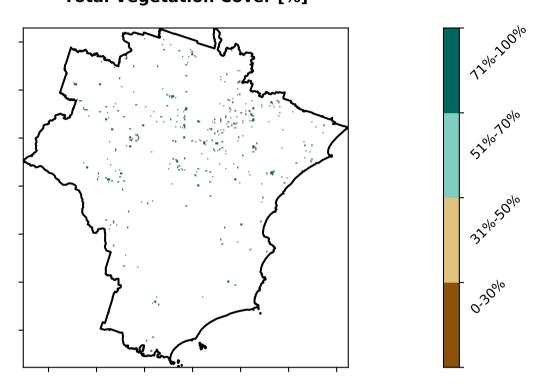
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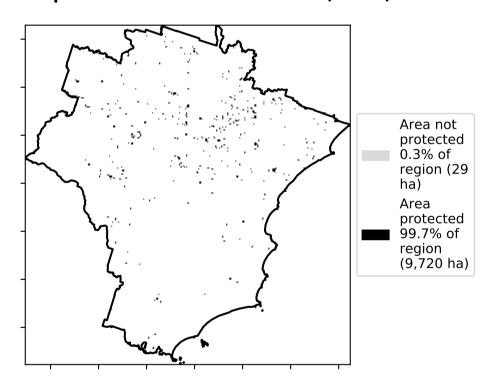
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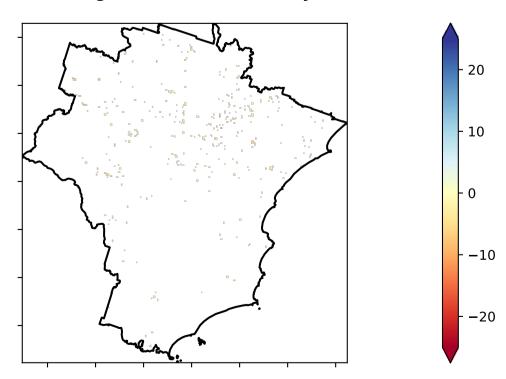
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% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)

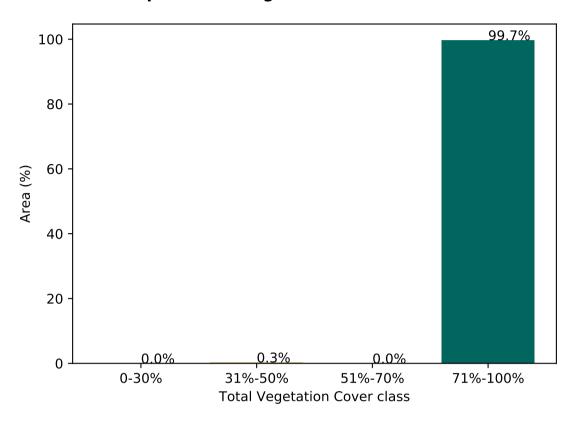


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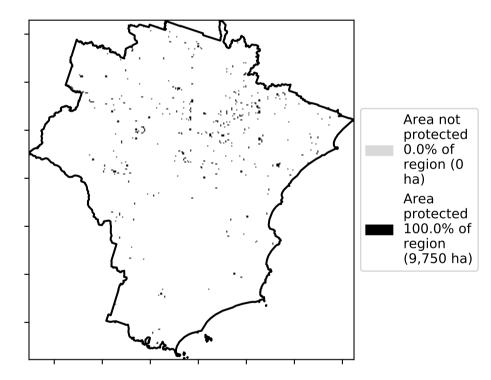


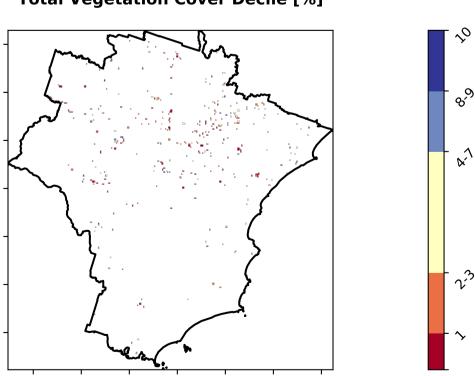
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Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)









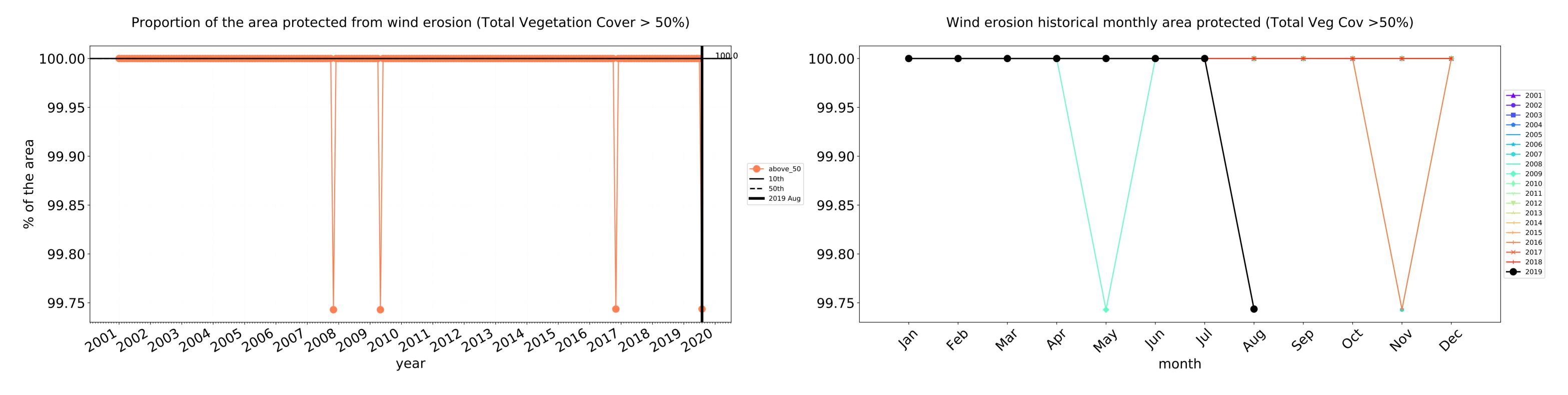


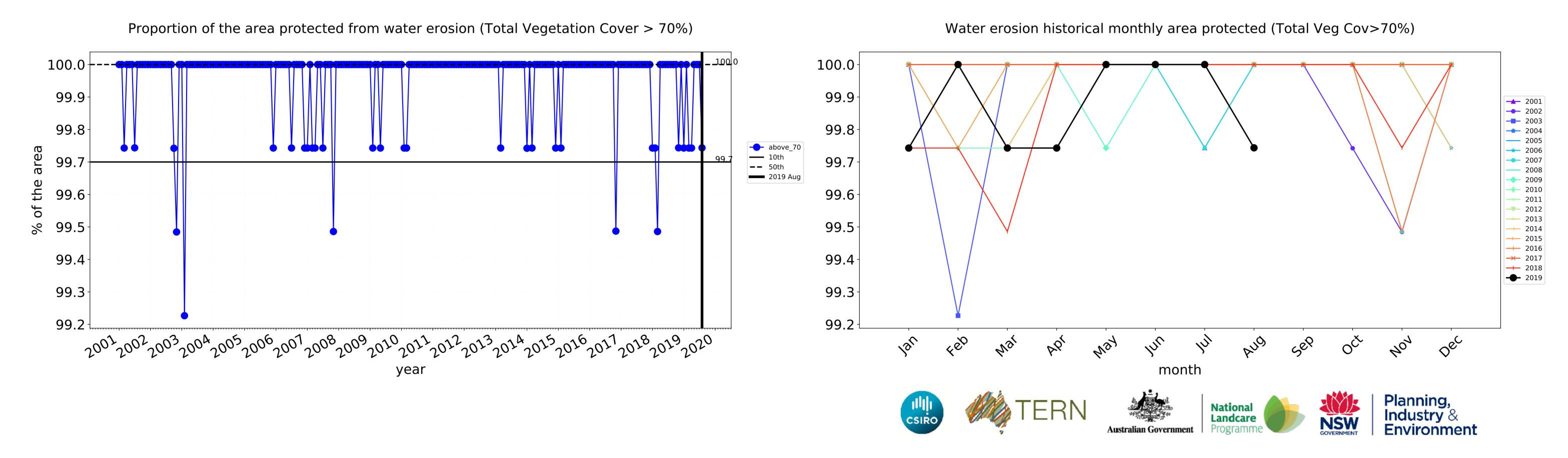


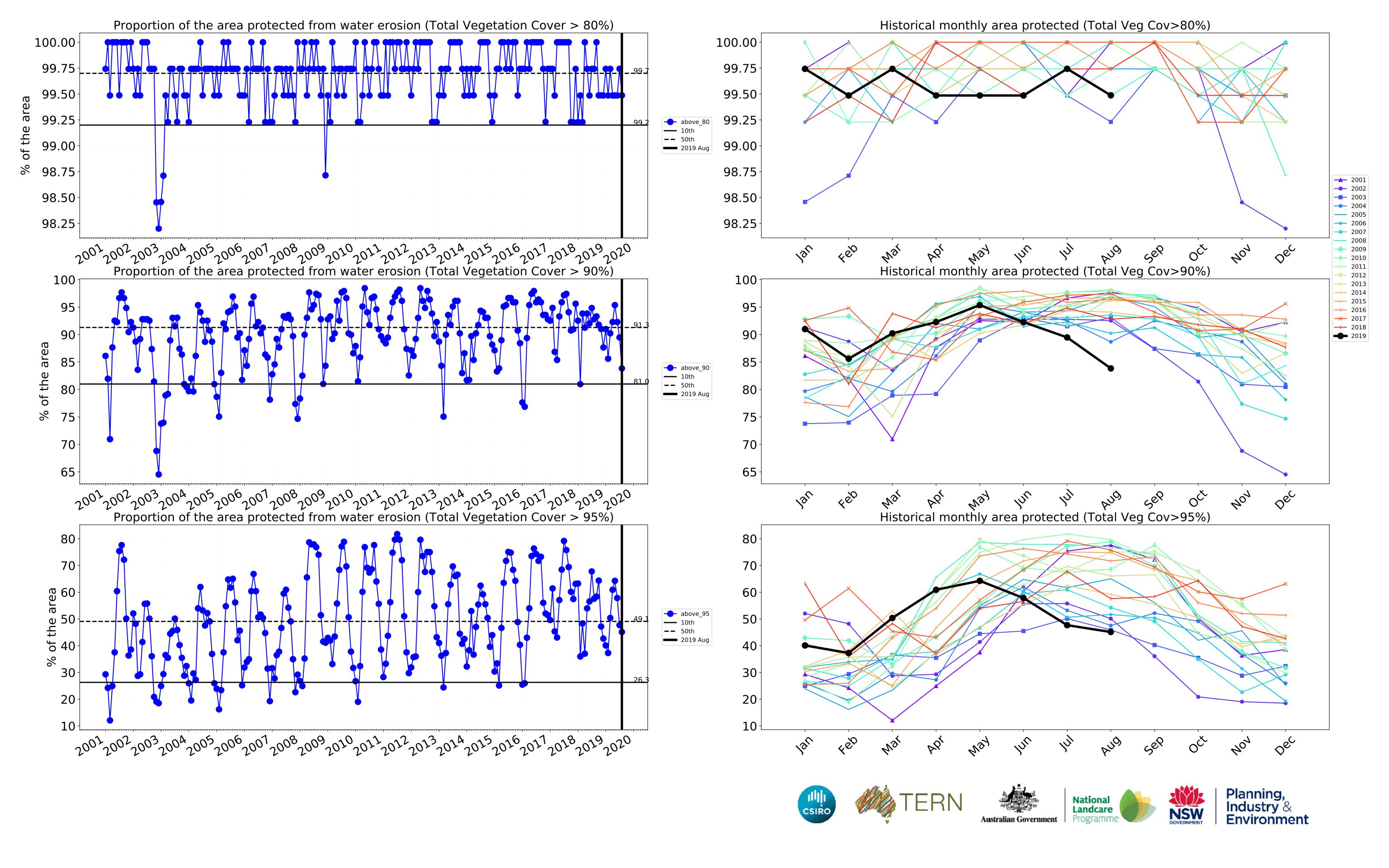




Grazing Woodland forest timeseries







Grazing - Forest (non woodland)

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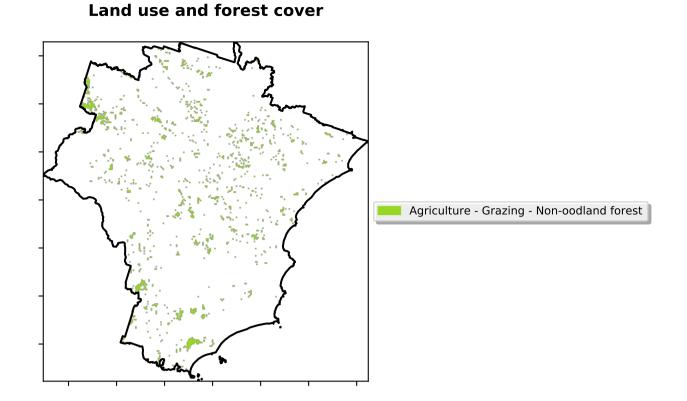
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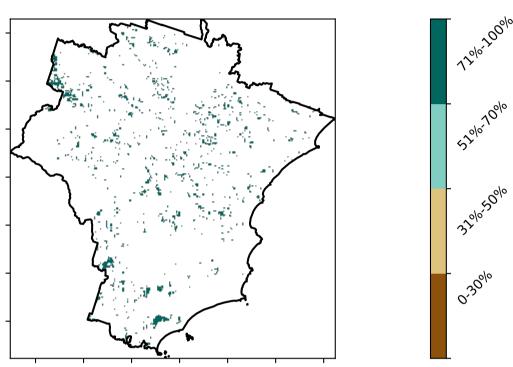
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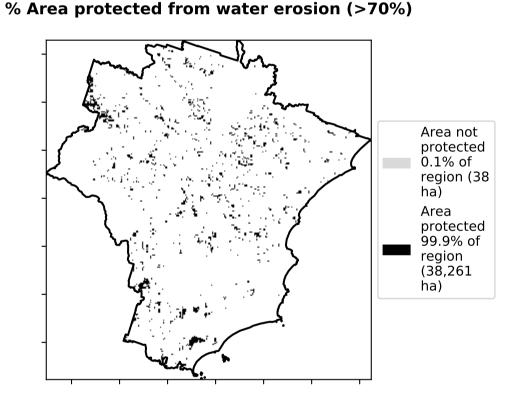
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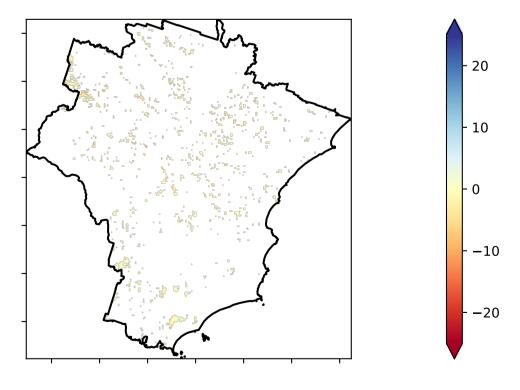


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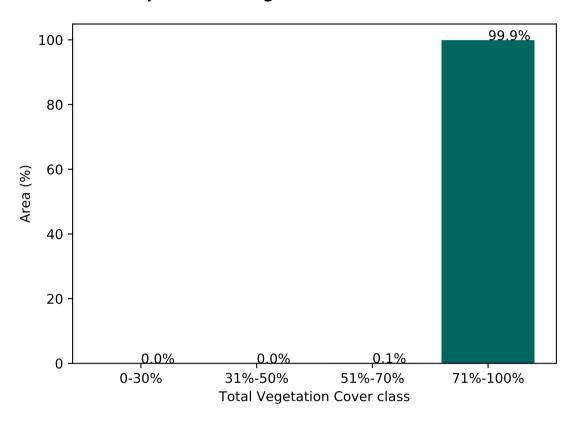


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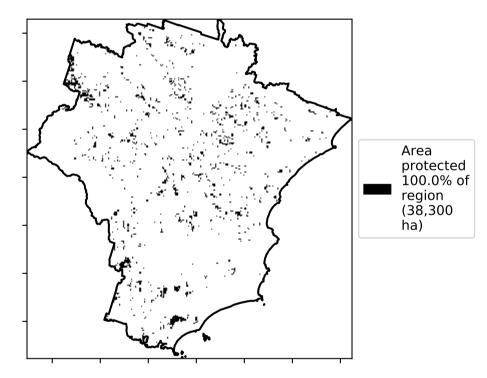


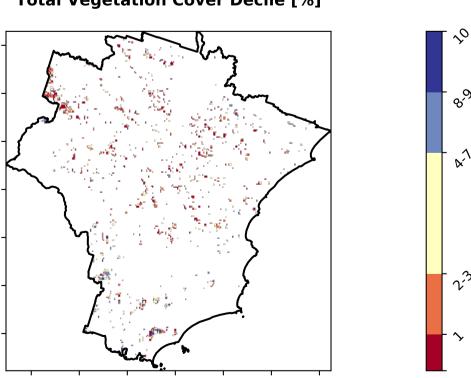
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Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)







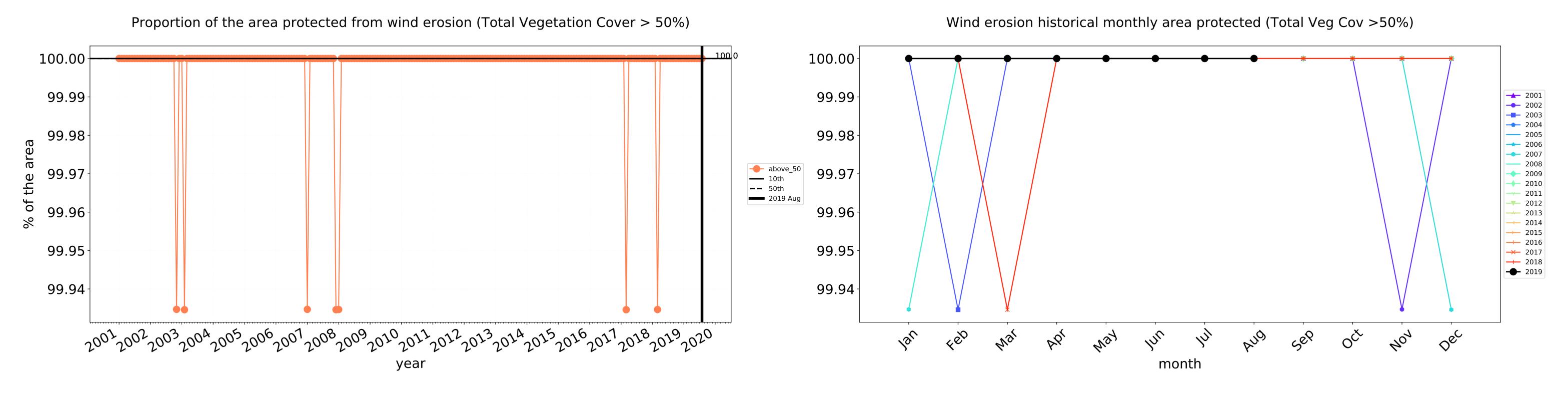


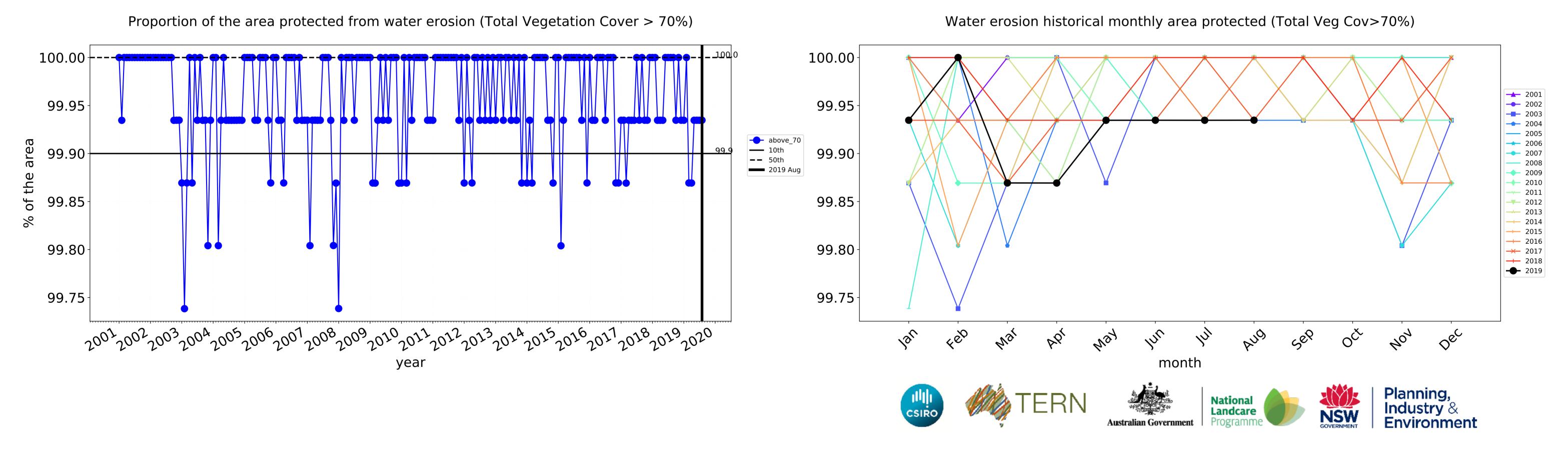


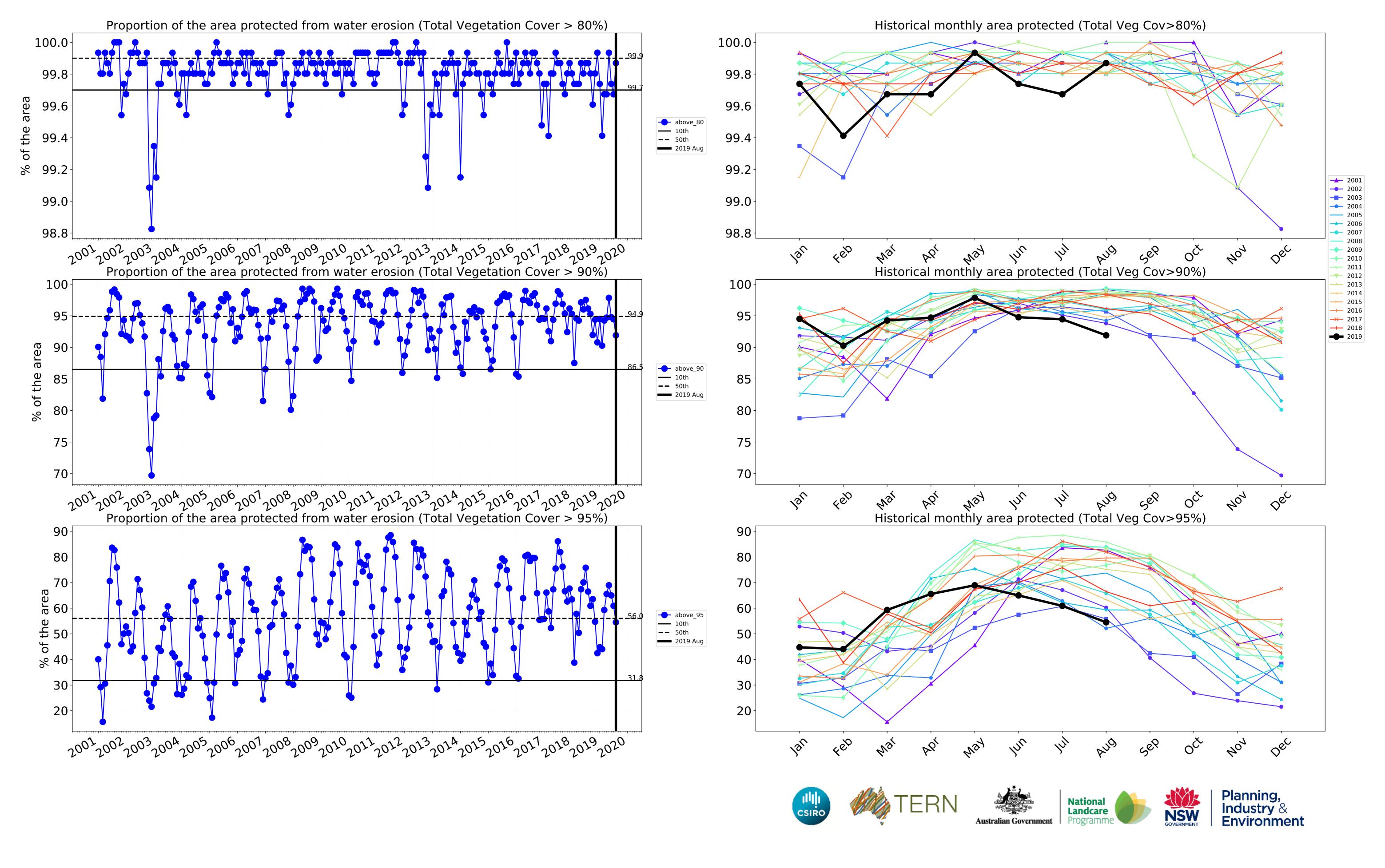












Production native forests and plantation forests

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

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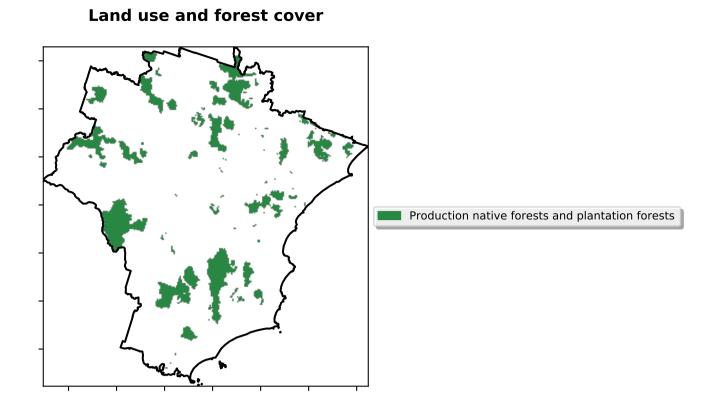
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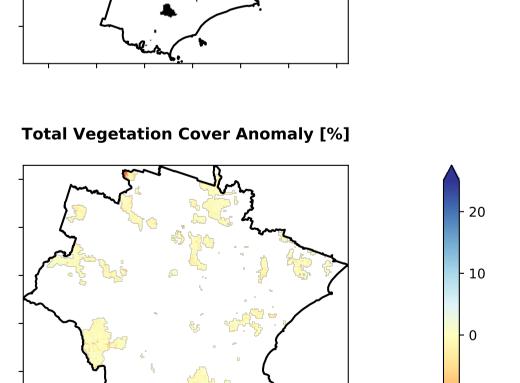
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cover.



Total Vegetation Cover [%]

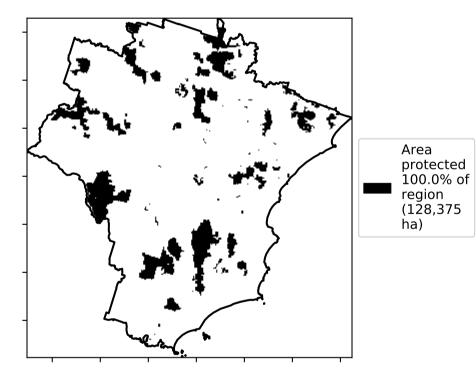
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%) Area protected 100.0% of region (128,375 ha)

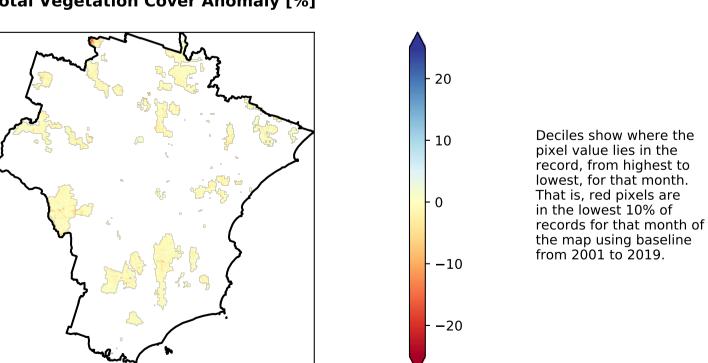


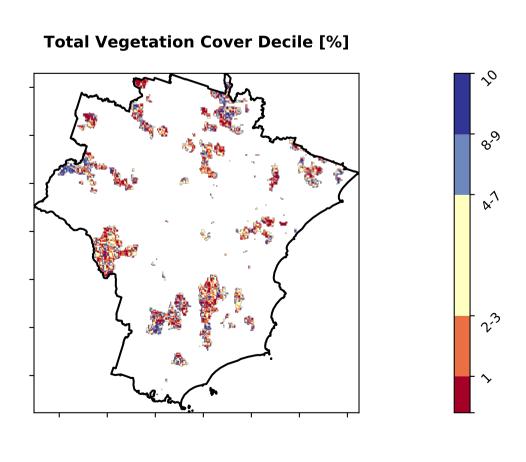
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Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

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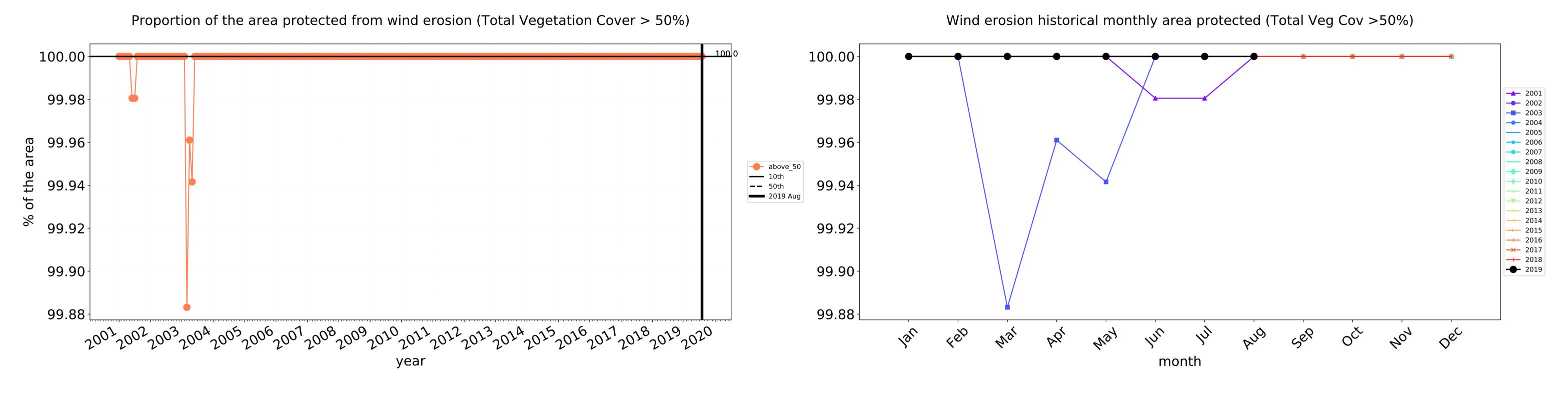
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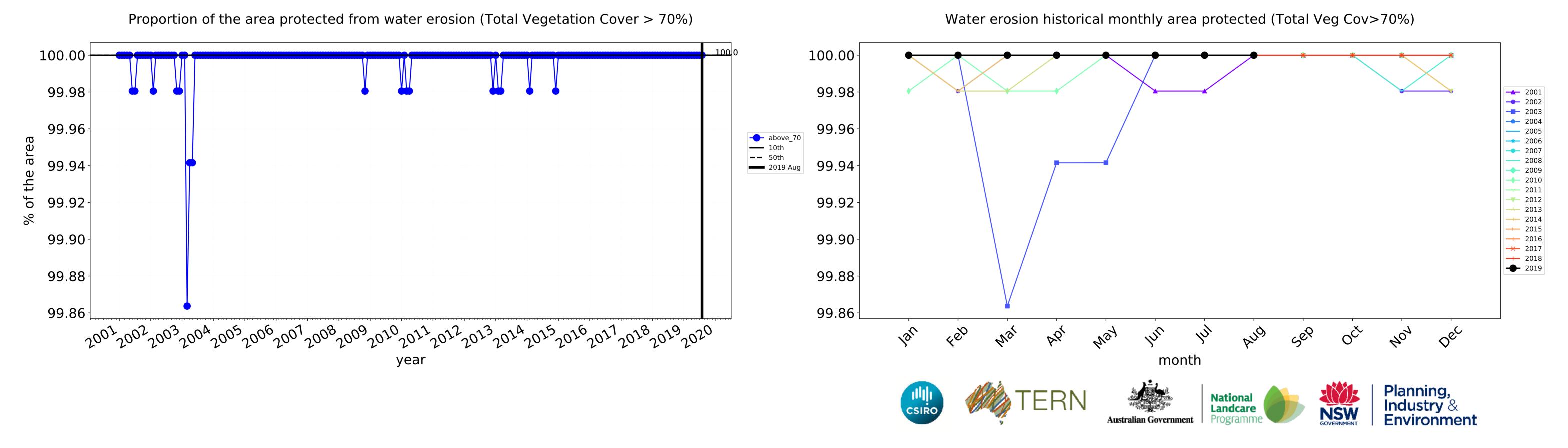
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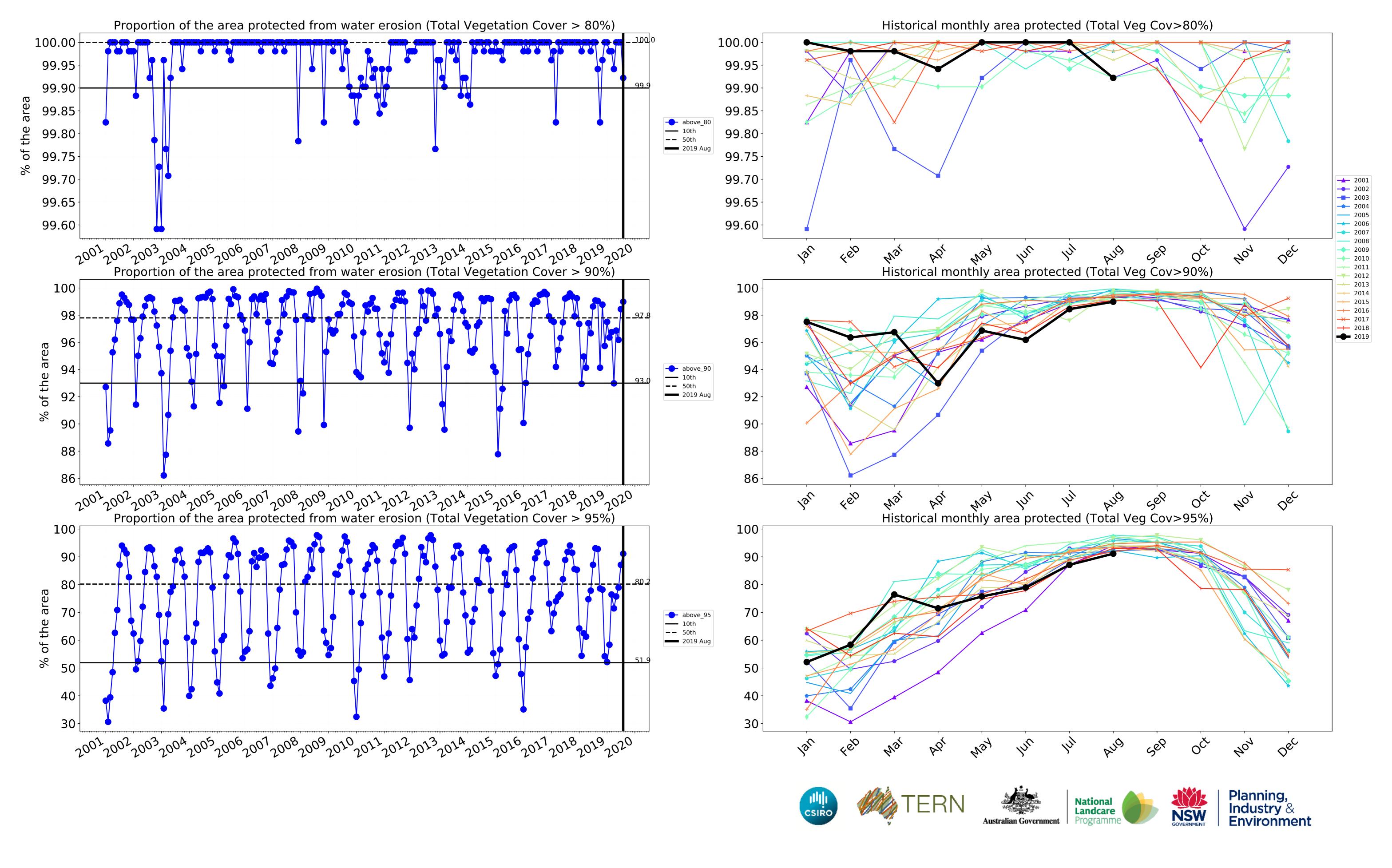




Production native forests and plantation forests timeseries







Mid-Coast_(A) (978,600 ha and no data 26,921 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	978,600	100.0% 978,500	100.0% 978,325	99.7% 975,525	98.9% 967,975	86.9% 850,550	58.8% 575,375
Conservation and natural environments	436,455	100.0% 436,406	100.0% 436,307	99.8% 435,540	99.5% 434,304	97.0% 423,176	79.5% 346,988
Conservation and natural environments non forest	19,572	99.7% 19,510	99.4% 19,449	96.7% 18,930	93.1% 18,228	82.2% 16,091	54.8% 10,717
Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest	9,786	100.0% 9,786	99.8% 9,761	99.5% 9,737	98.8% 9,664	93.8% 9,180	73.5% 7,194
Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)	407,097	100.0% 407,097	100.0% 407,073	99.9% 406,754	99.8% 406,165	97.6% 397,340	80.6% 328,129
Agriculture	365,996	100.0% 365,996	100.0% 365,971	100.0% 365,825	99.4% 363,968	74.2% 271,595	27.4% 100,339
Grazing	363,060	100.0% 363,060	100.0% 363,036	100.0% 362,889	99.5% 361,156	74.5% 270,501	27.6% 100,126
Grazing non forest	316,087	100.0% 316,087	100.0% 316,087	100.0% 315,965	99.4% 314,281	72.2% 228,109	23.9% 75,434
Grazing Woodland forest	9,786	100.0% 9,786	99.7% 9,760	99.7% 9,760	99.5% 9,735	83.8% 8,205	45.1% 4,416
Grazing - Forest (non woodland)	37,186	100.0% 37,186	100.0% 37,186	99.9% 37,162	99.9% 37,138	91.9% 34,176	54.5% 20,268
Production native forests and plantation forests	125,260	100.0% 125,260	100.0% 125,260	100.0% 125,260	99.9% 125,163	99.0% 123,992	91.1% 114,161











