Total vegetation cover soil protection Region:LGA Shoalhaven_(C) NSW

Date: August 2024

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

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

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

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

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

Erosion protection: Wind erosion 50% total vegetation cover

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

• Map: water erosion protection (>70% cover) percentage area and hectares.

• Map: wind erosion protection (>50% cover) percentage area and hectares. Comparison with previous years:

• Map: anomaly comparing this month to the average cover from the same month in previous years.

• Map: deciles rank of month against the same month in previous years.

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

Erosion protection

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

Rainfall

• Millimetres rainfall each month (black line).

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

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

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

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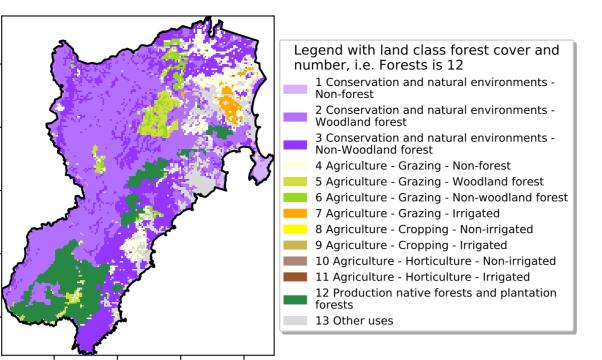
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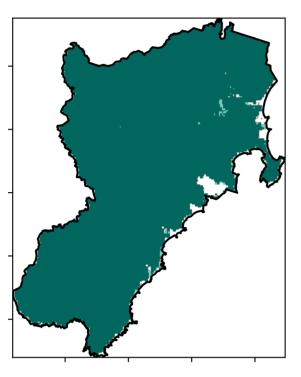


Vegetation Cover Aug 2024

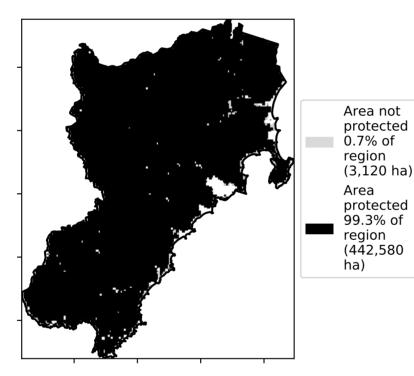
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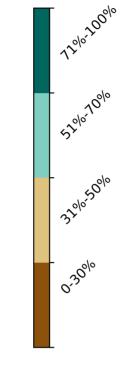


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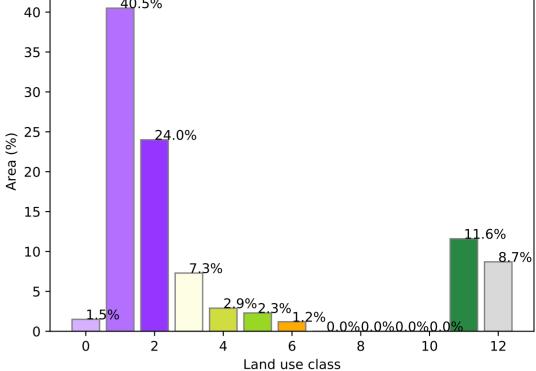




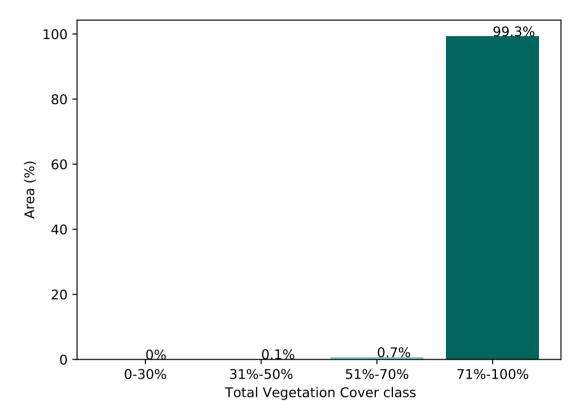




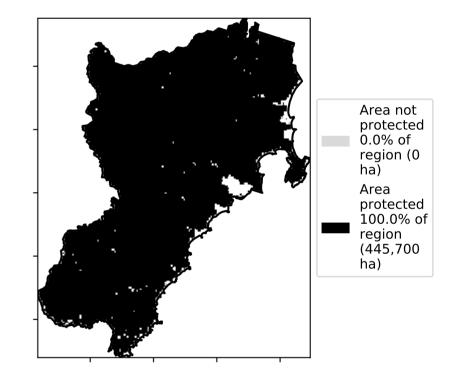
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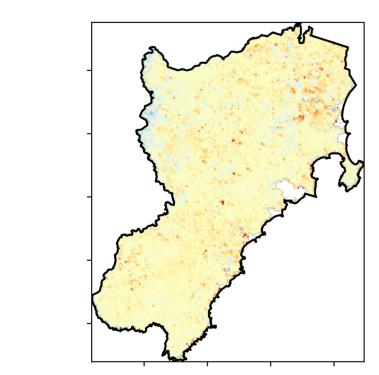
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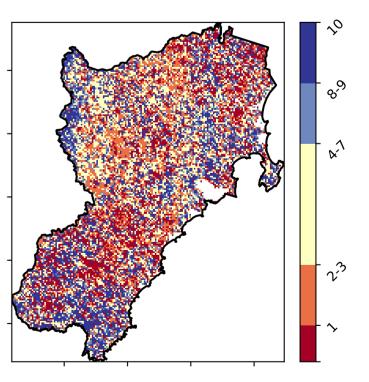
% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]



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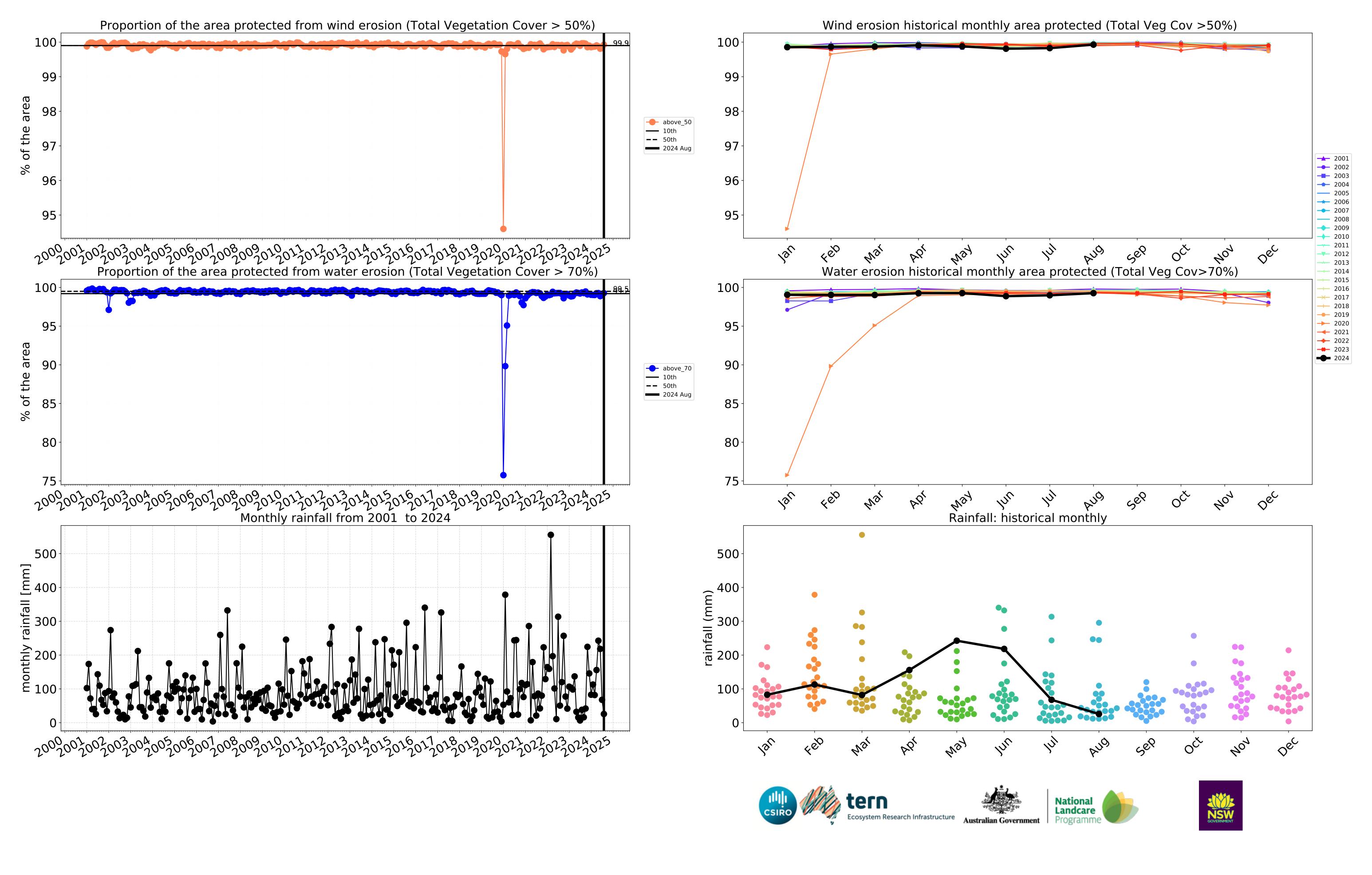
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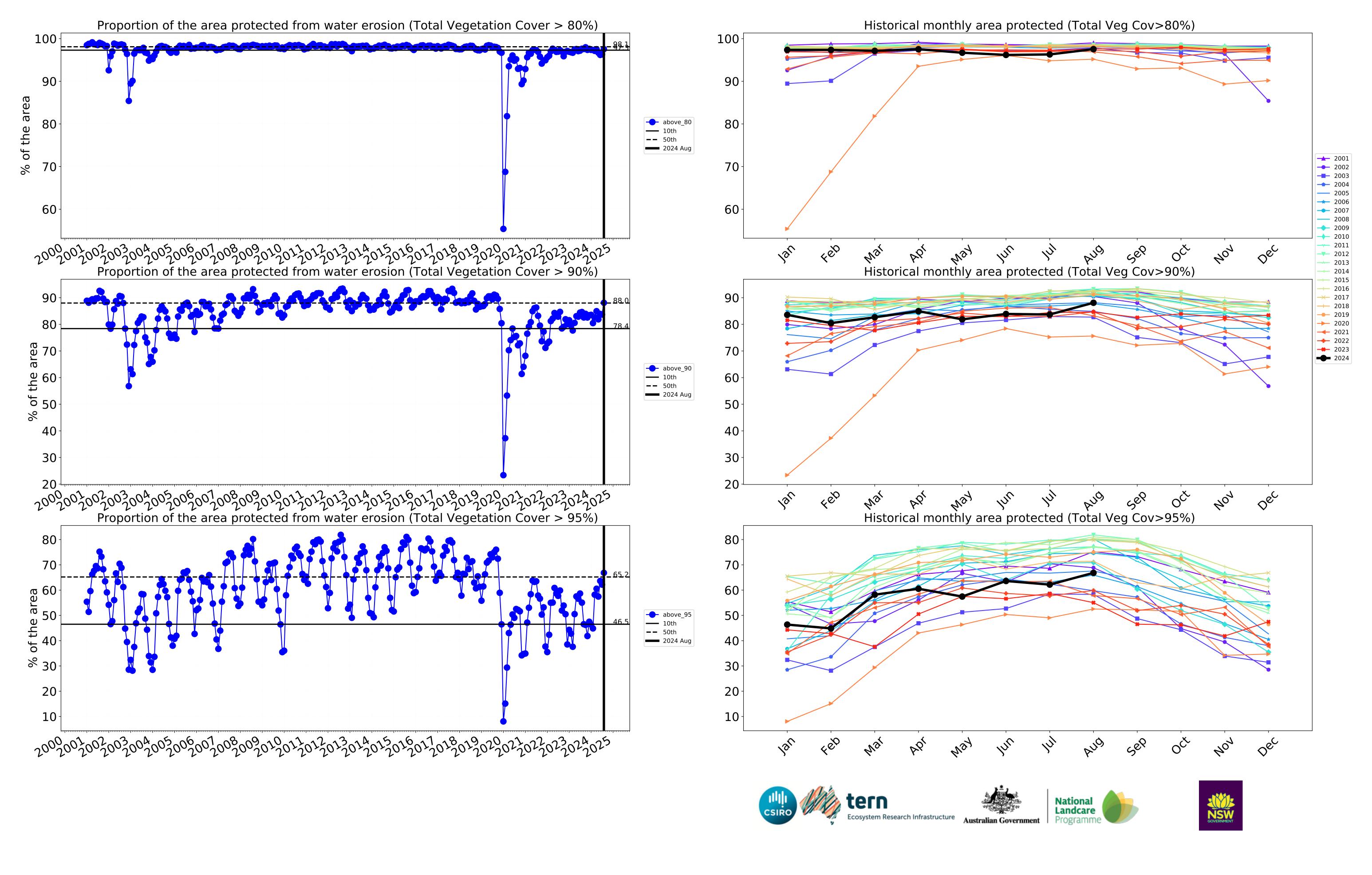
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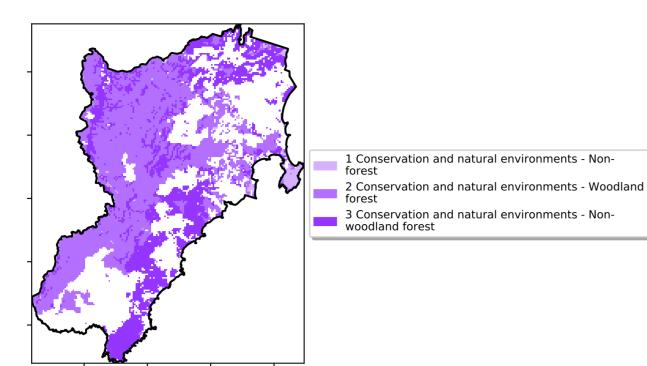
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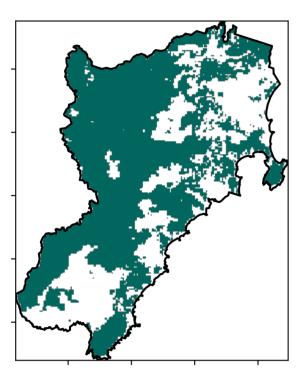
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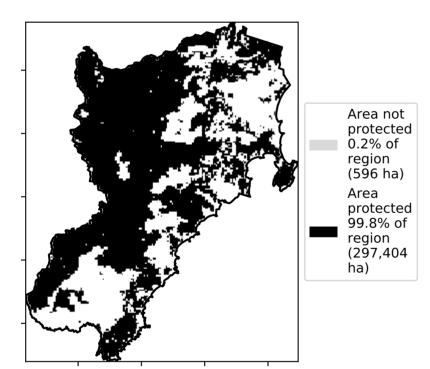


Land use and forest cover

Total Vegetation Cover [%]

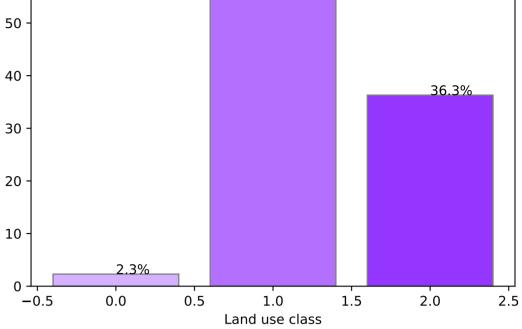


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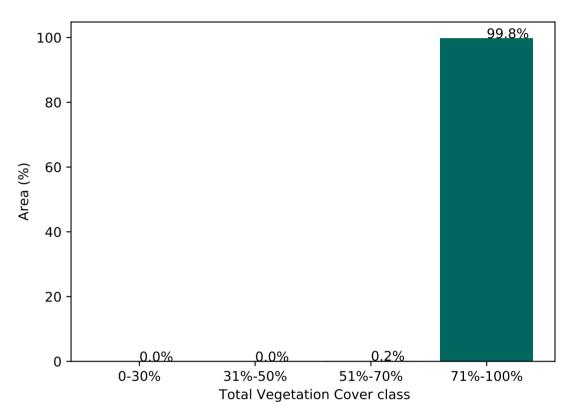


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Proportion of each land class in area 61.4% 60 50 40 Area (%) 00



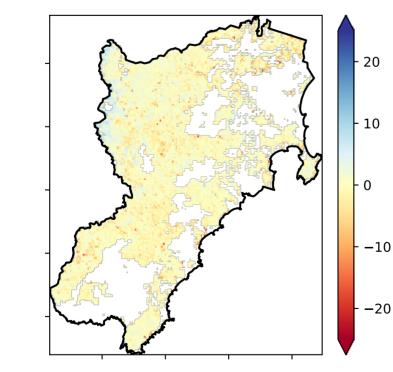
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



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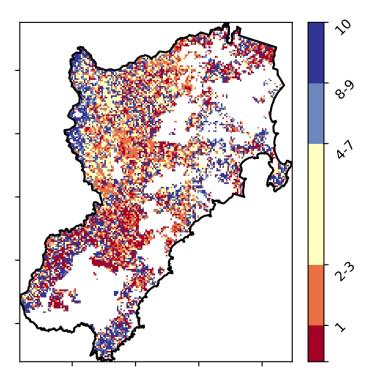
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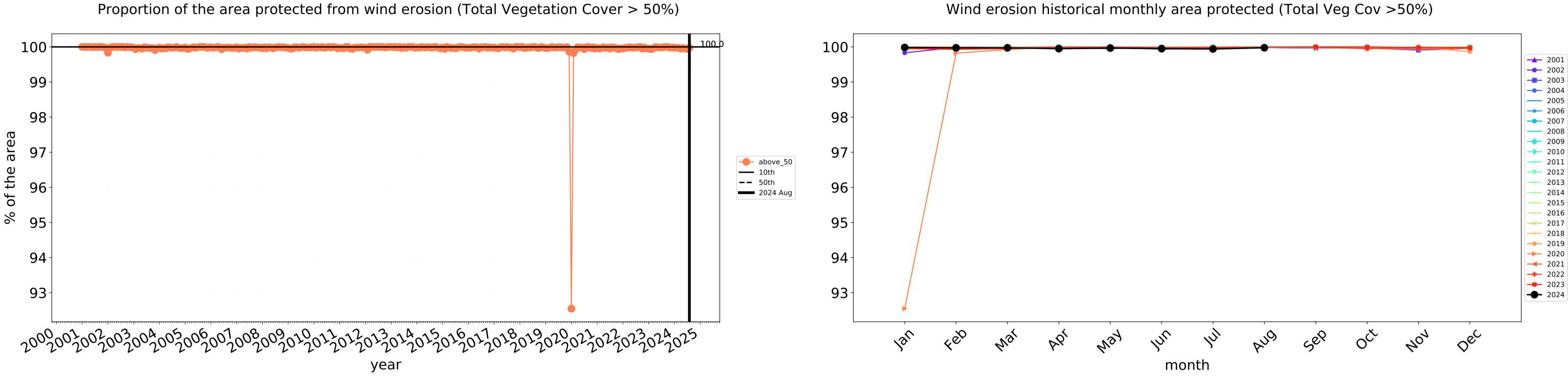
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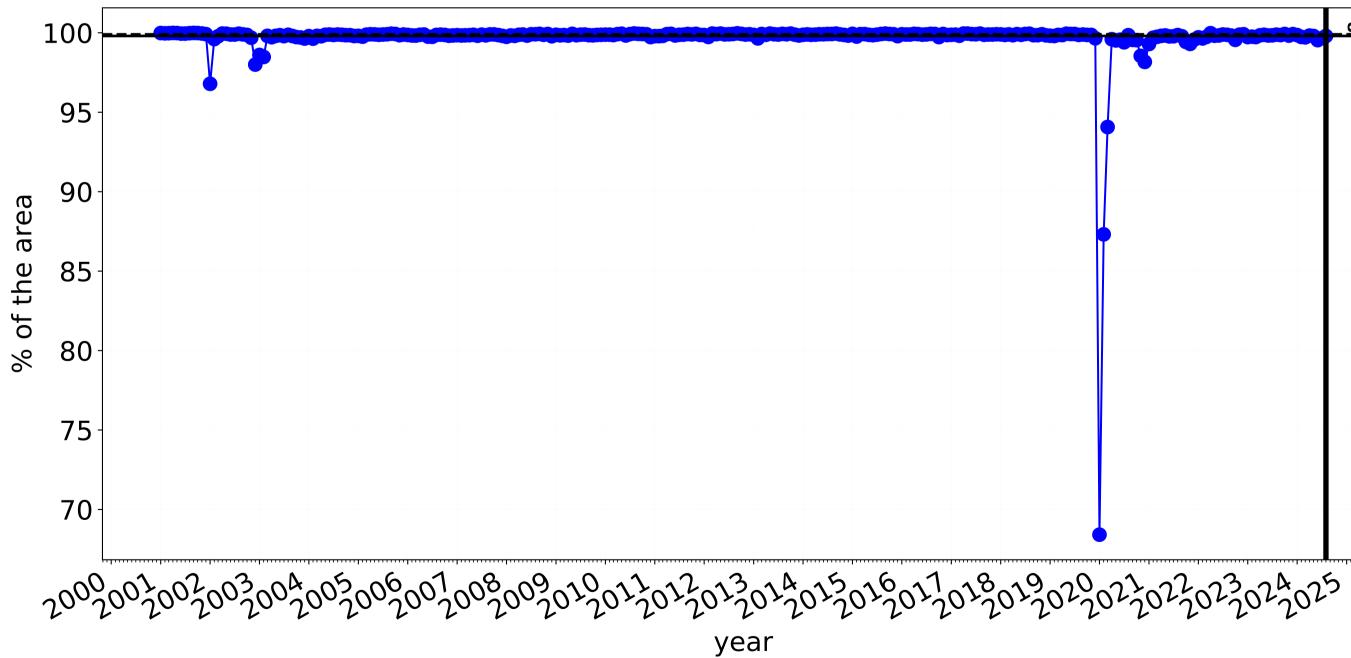




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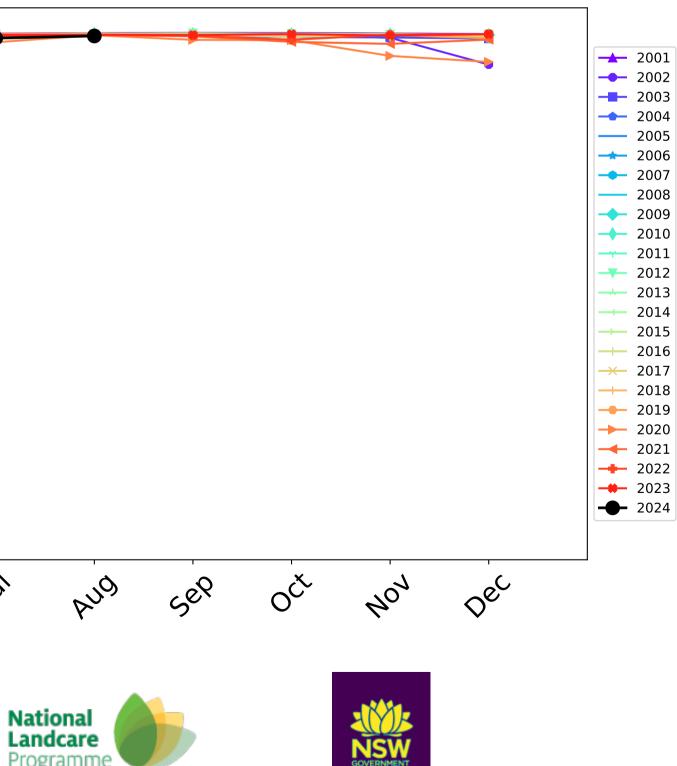
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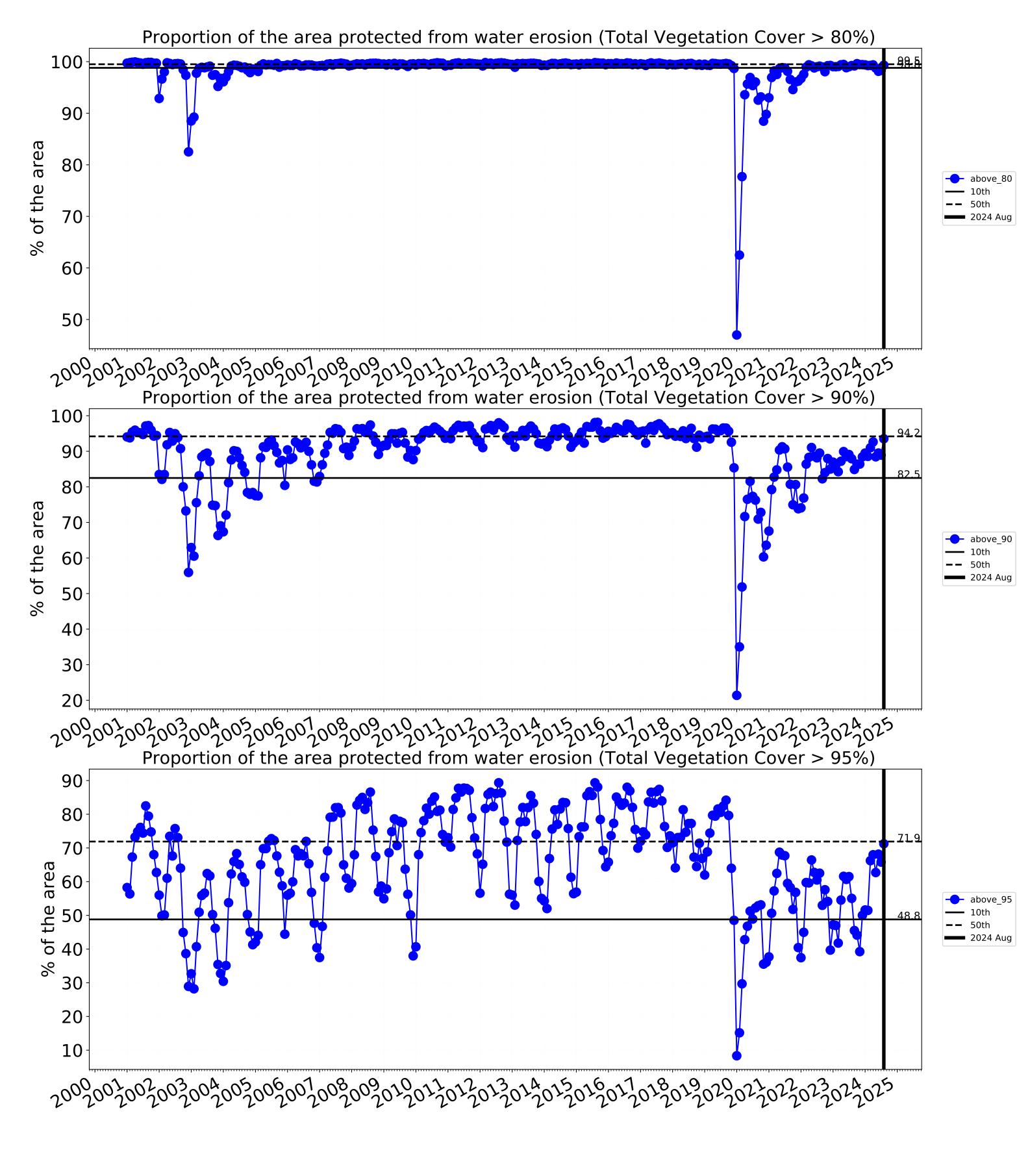


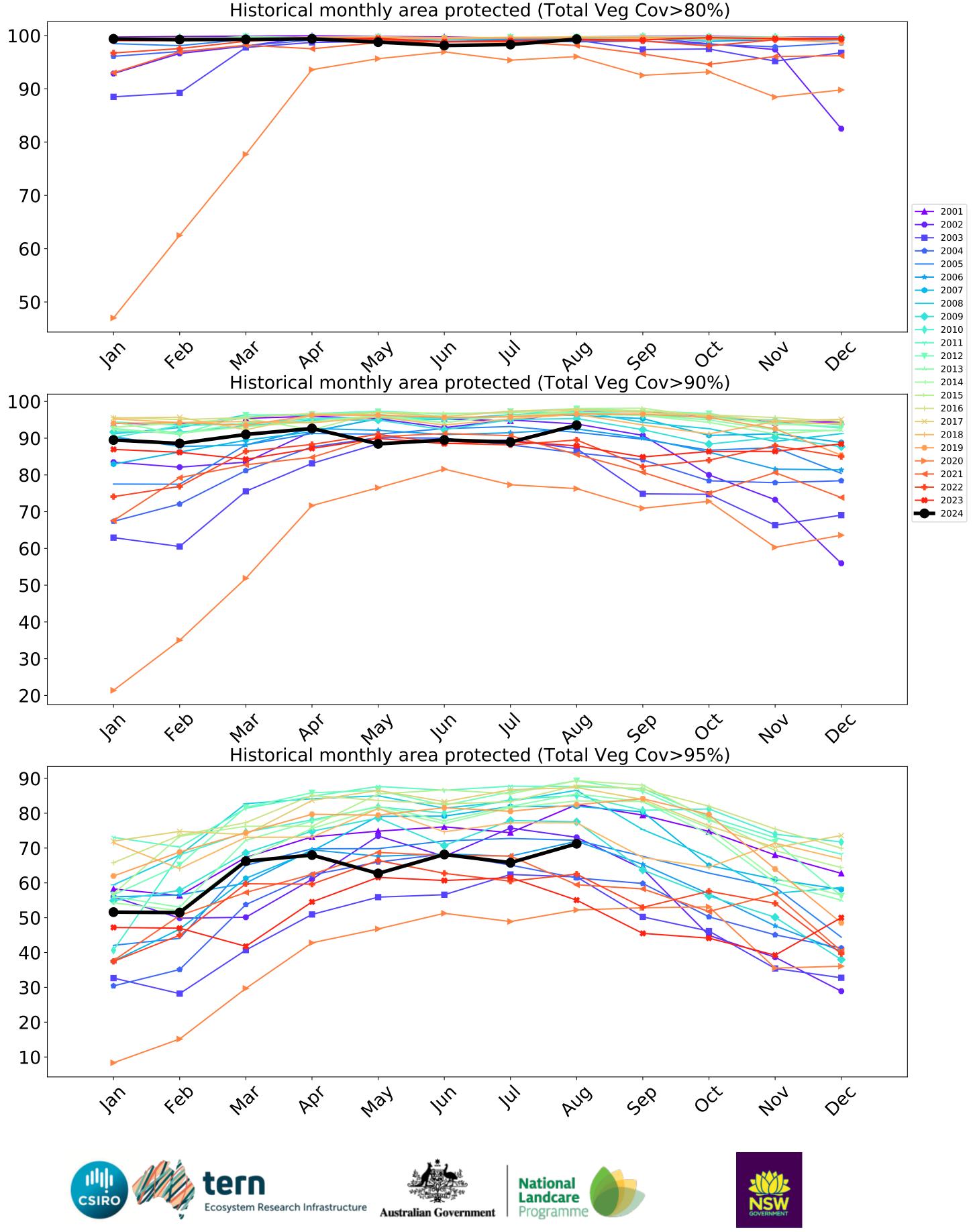
Conservation and natural environments timeseries

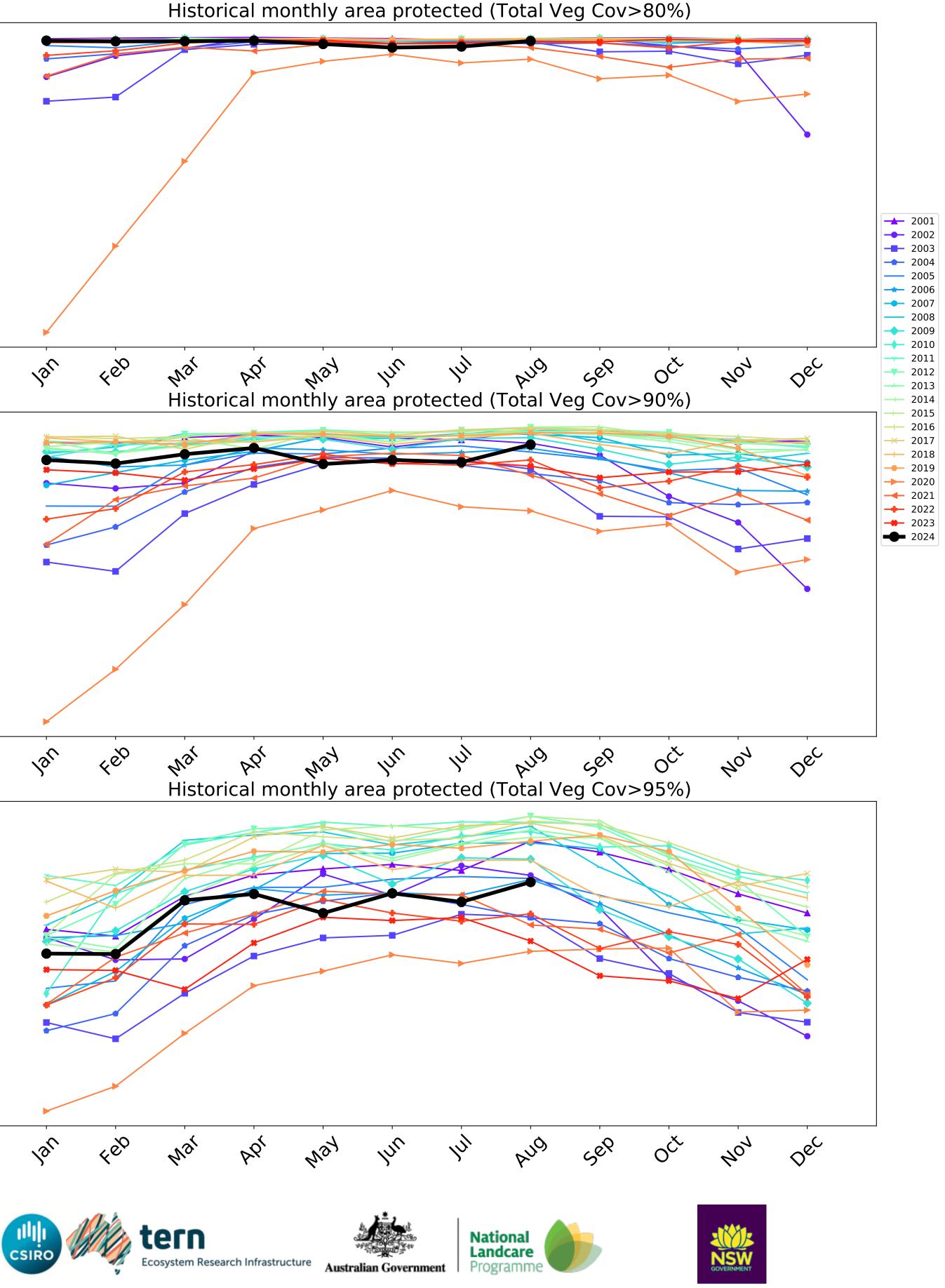
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Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)



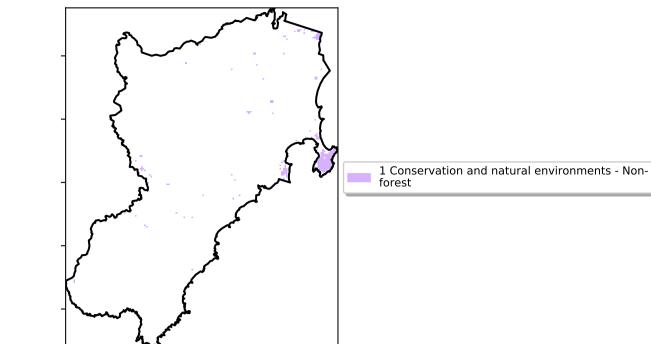




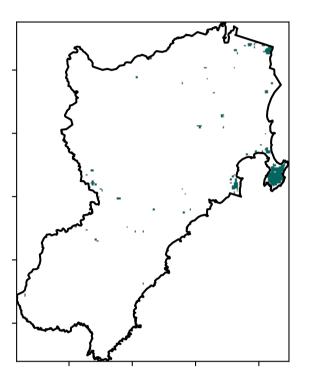


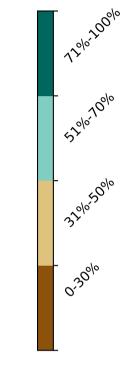
Conservation and natural environments non forest

Land use and forest cover

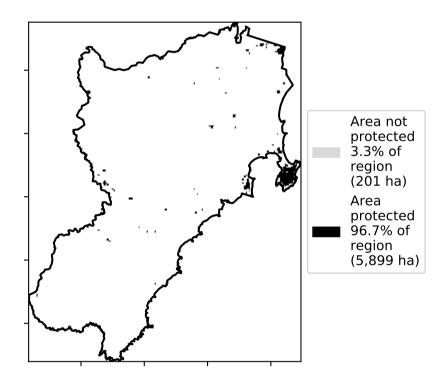


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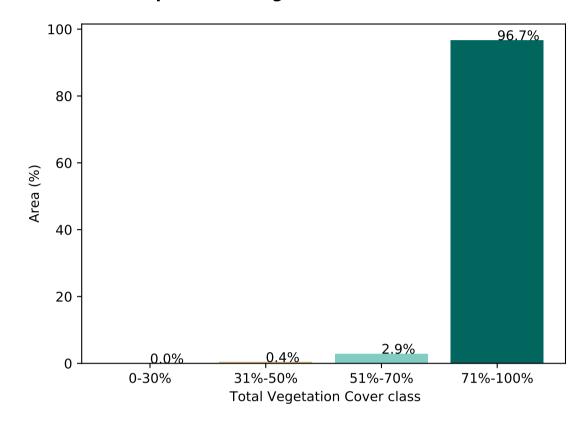




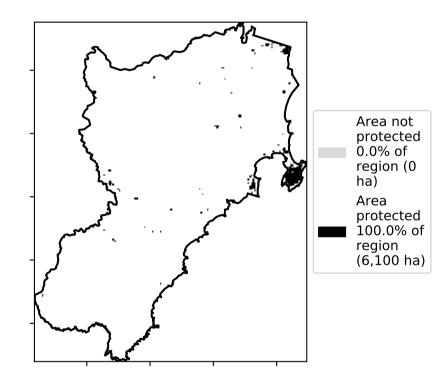
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Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



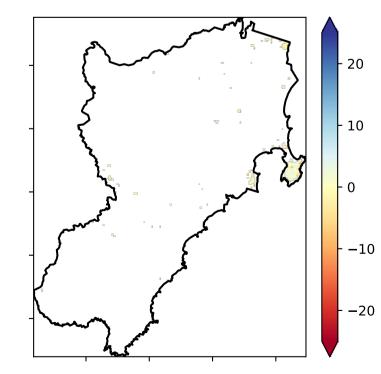
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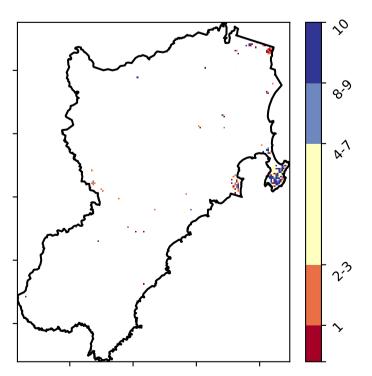
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Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

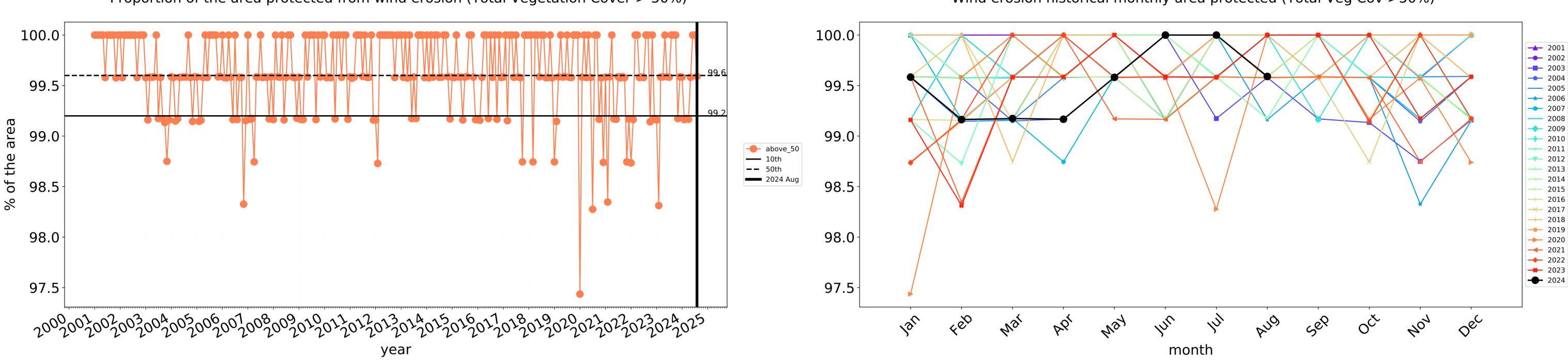
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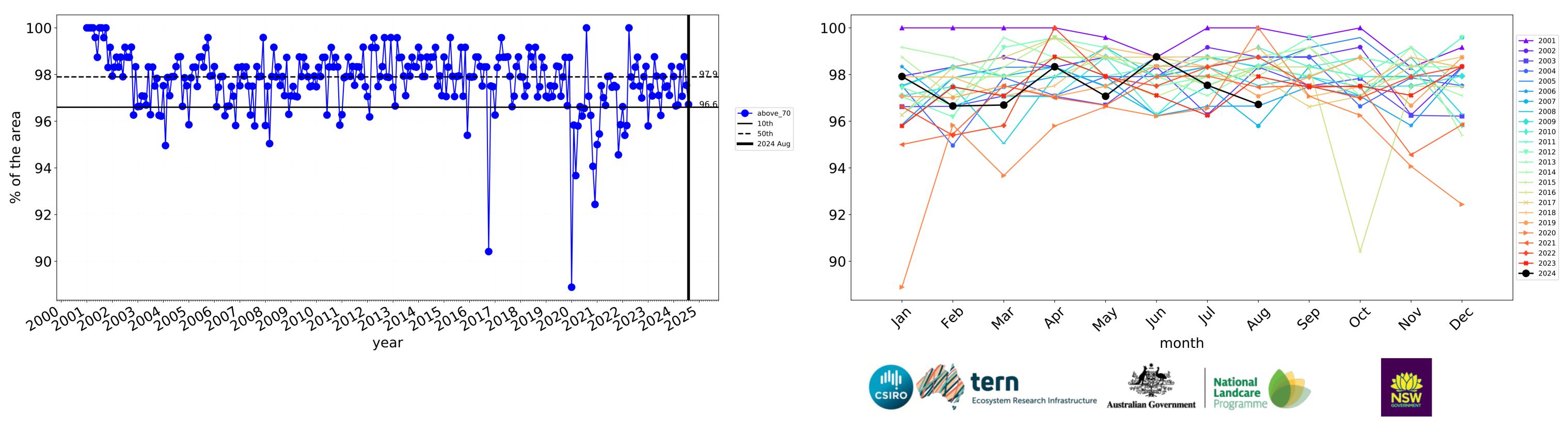






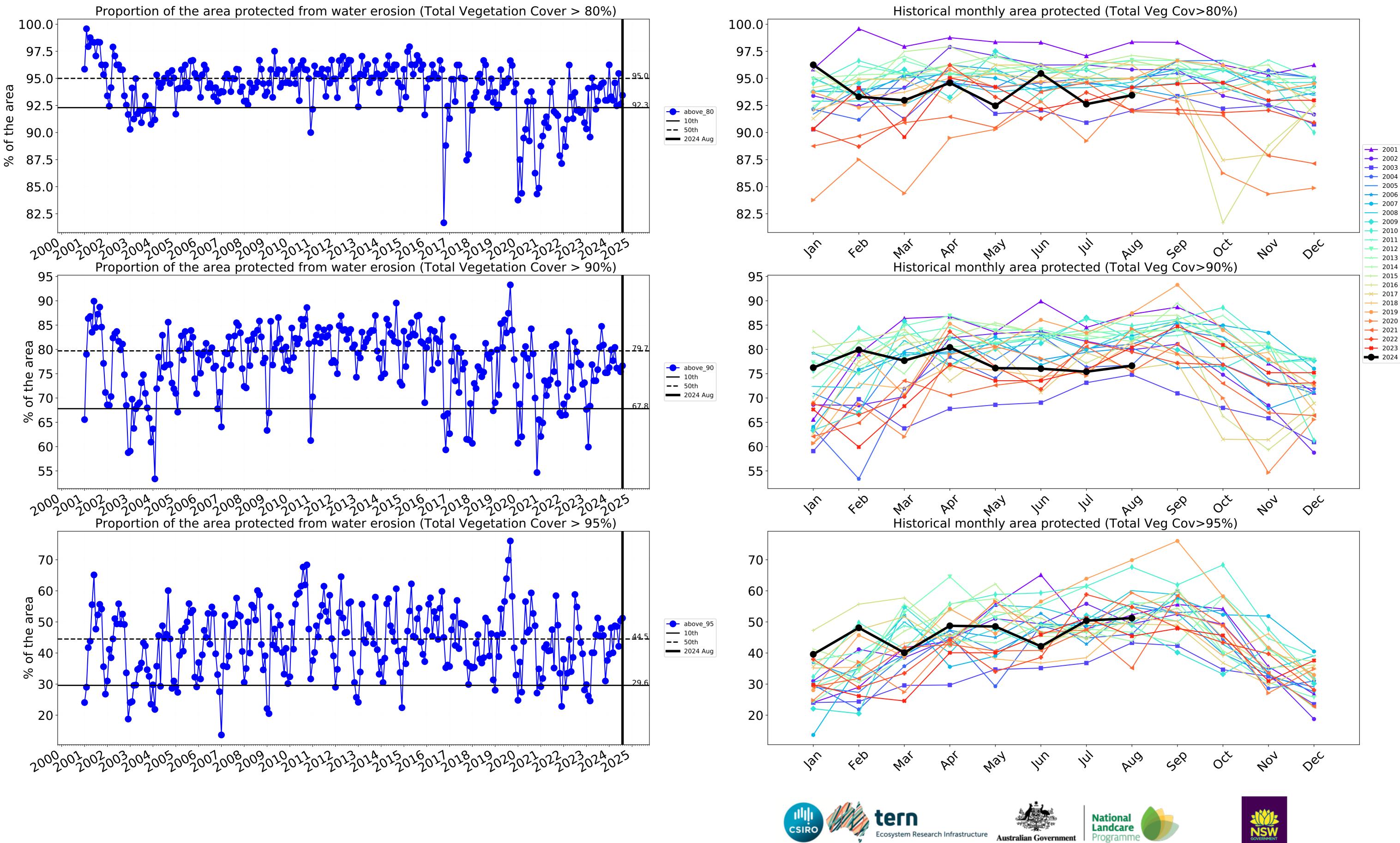
Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)



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

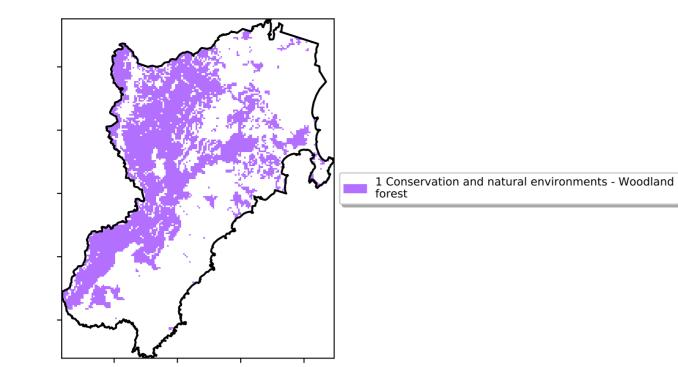
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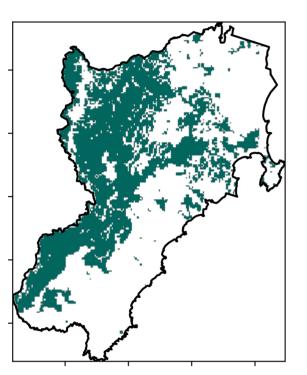
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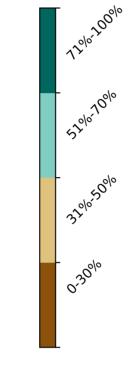
Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest

Land use and forest cover

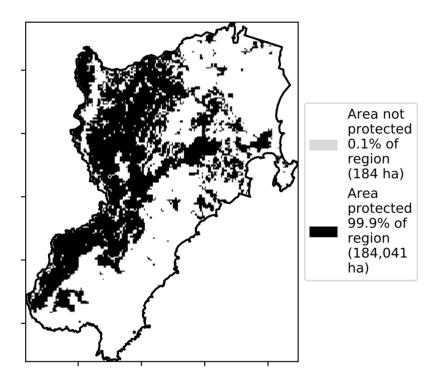


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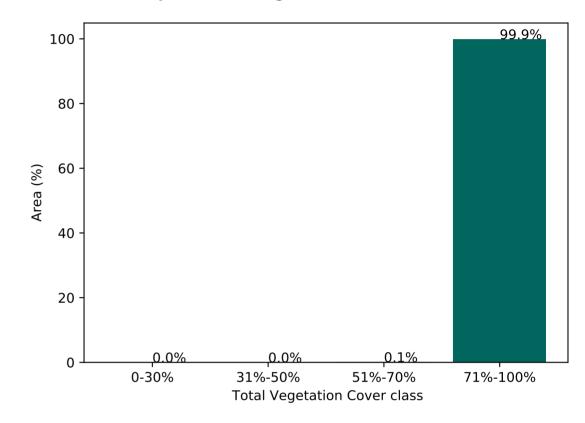




% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



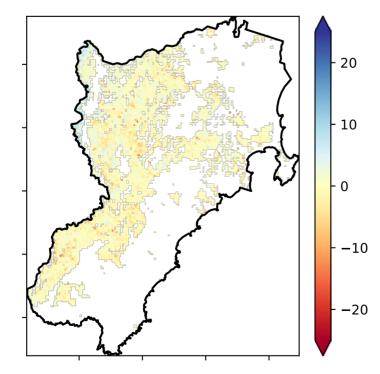
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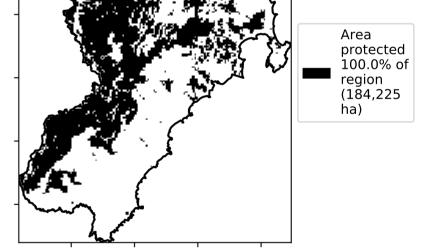
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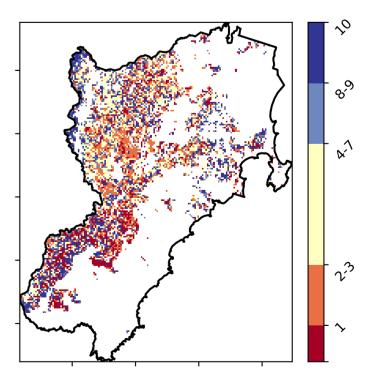
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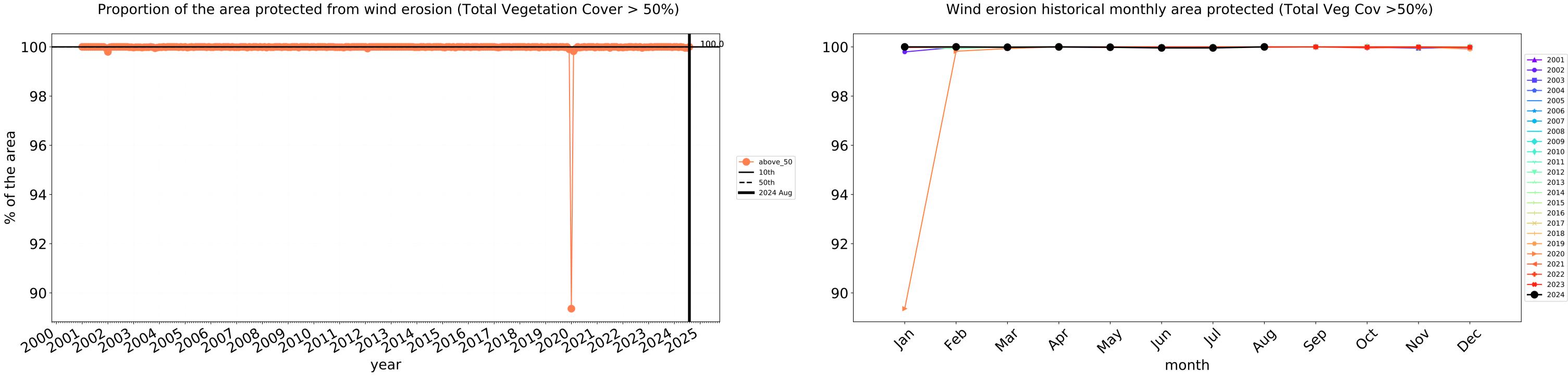
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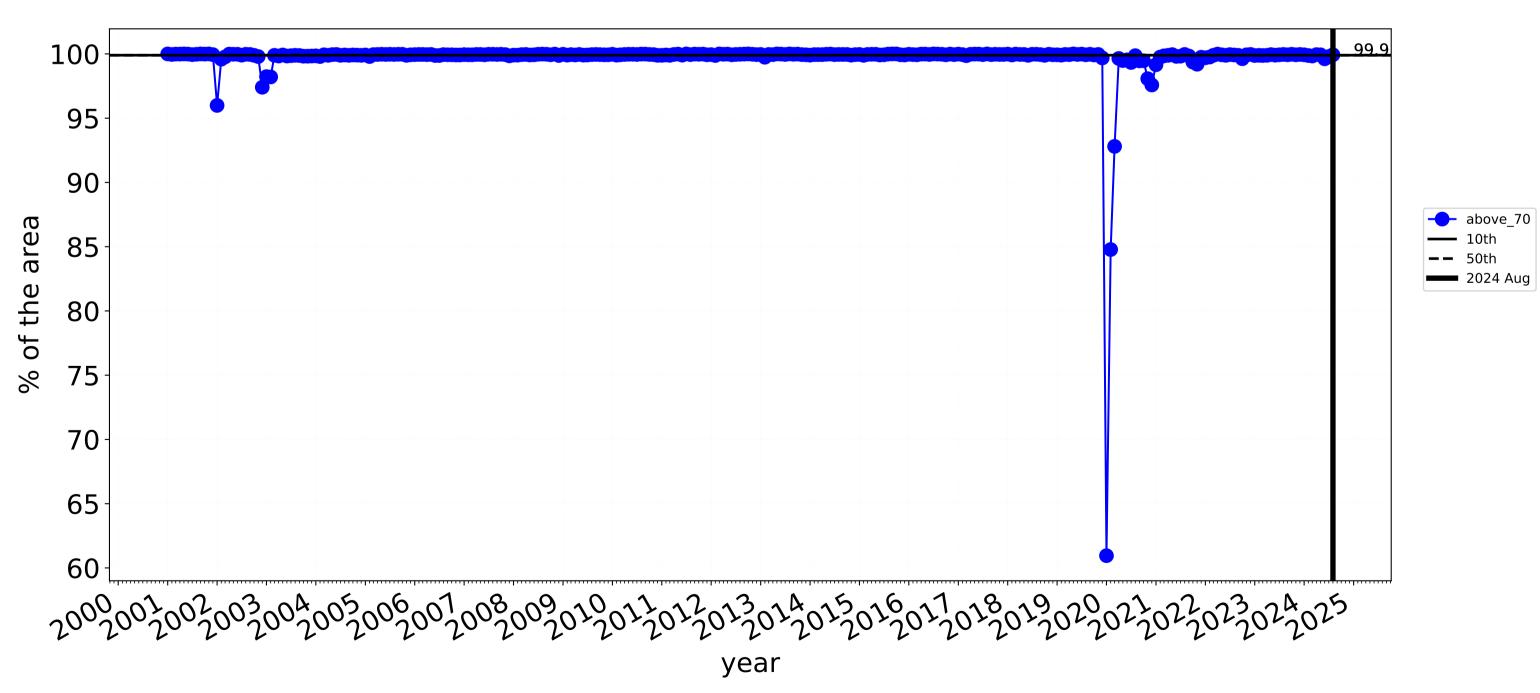


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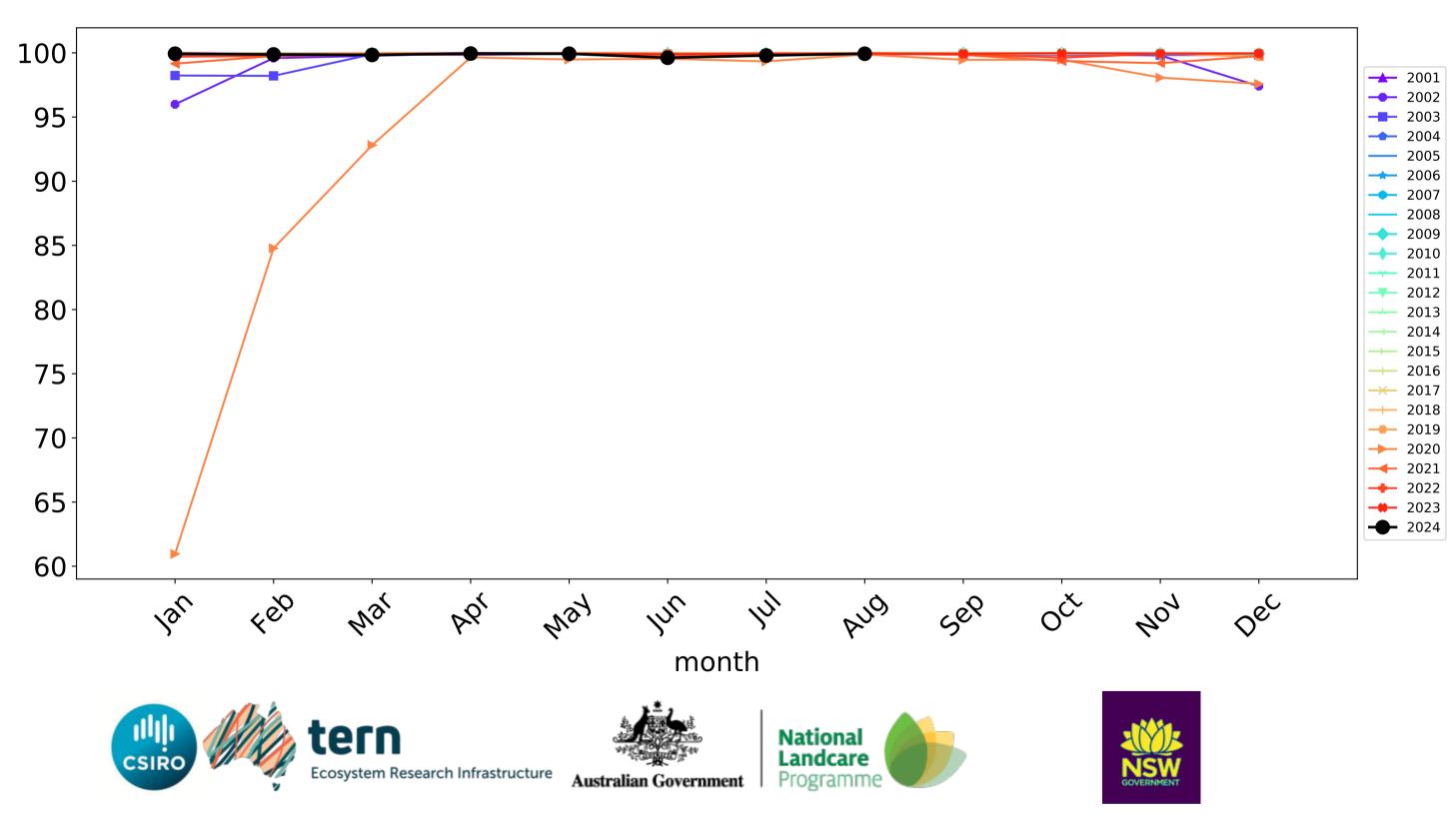
Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest timeseries

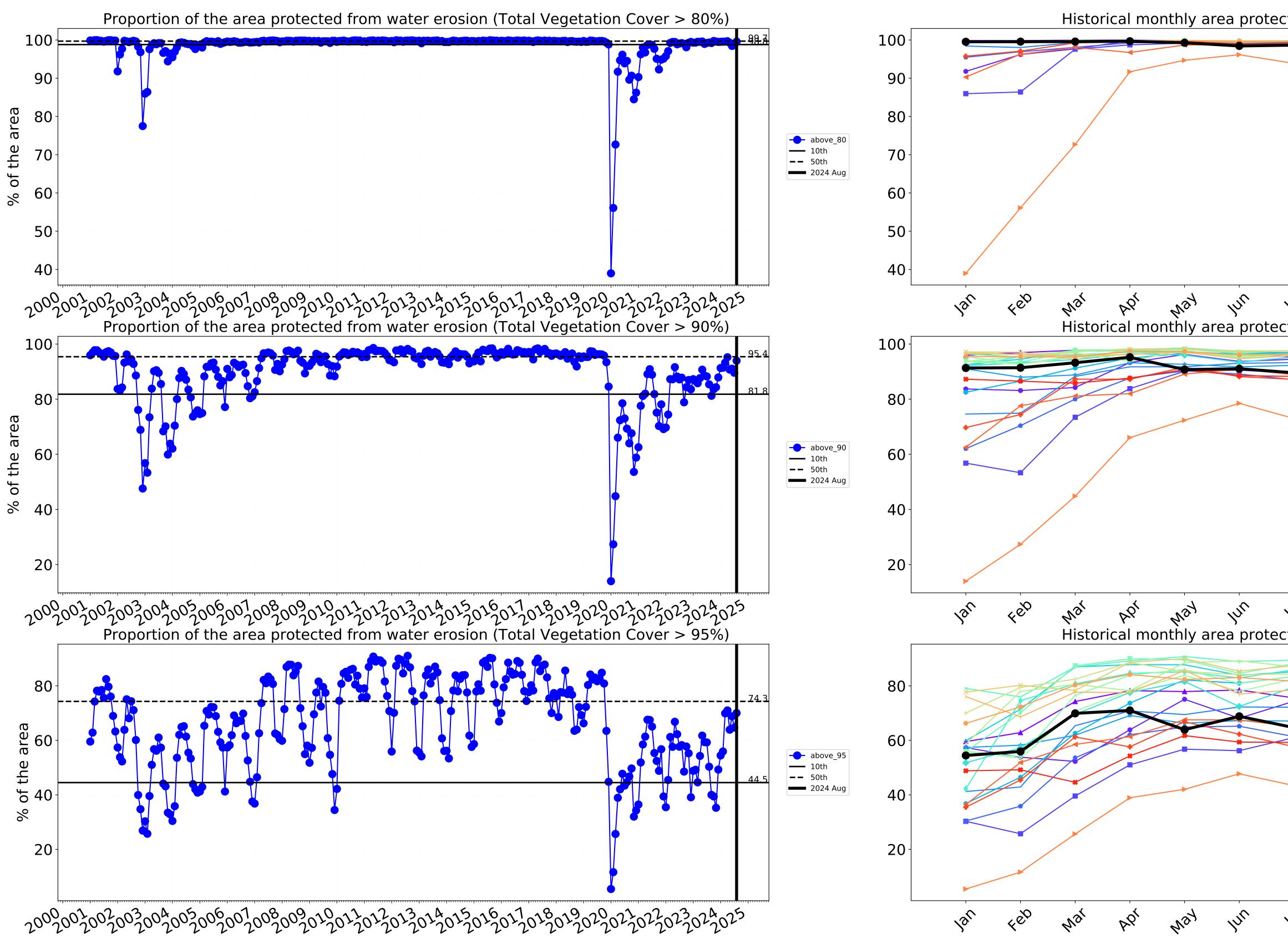


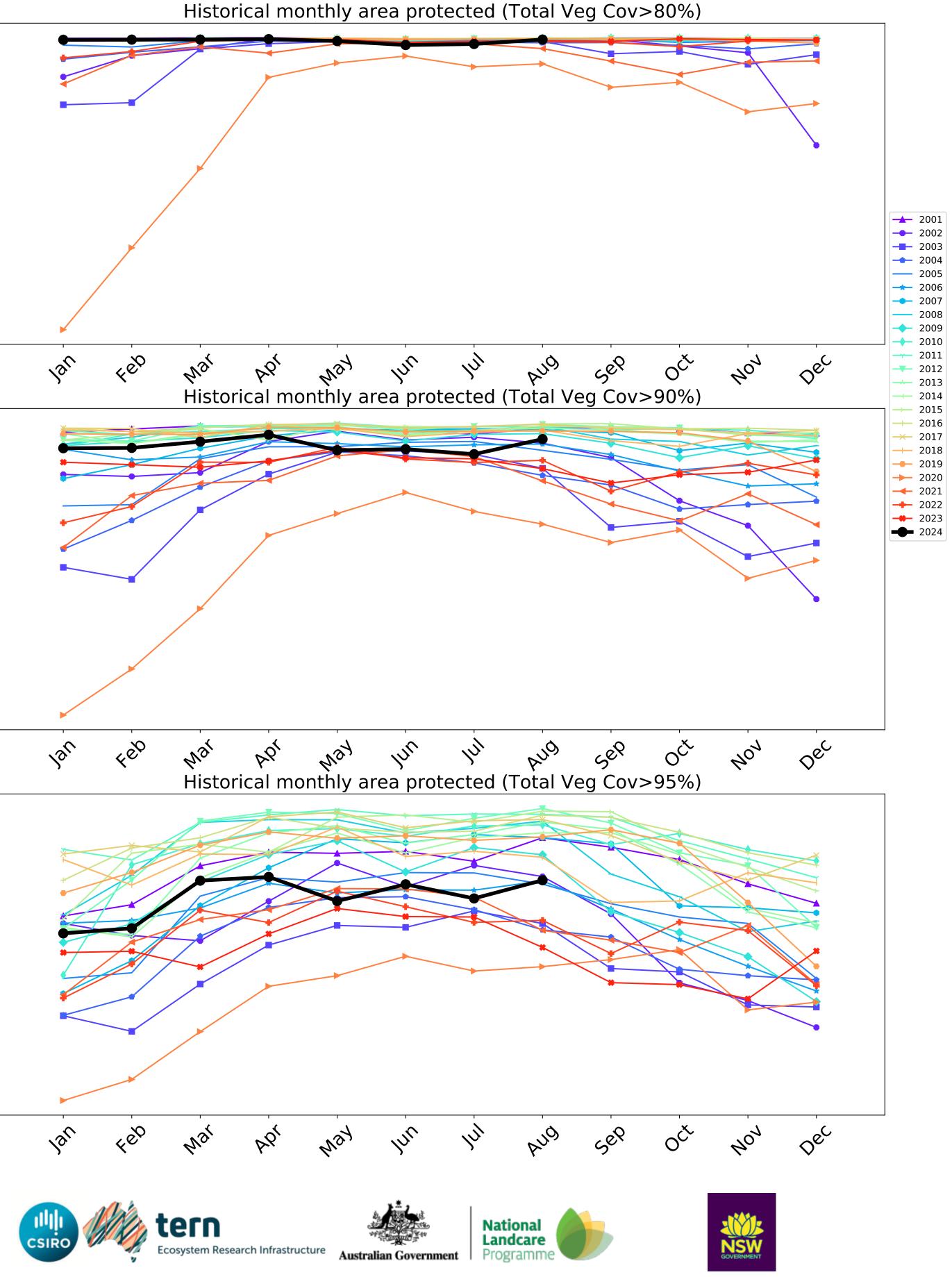
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Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)



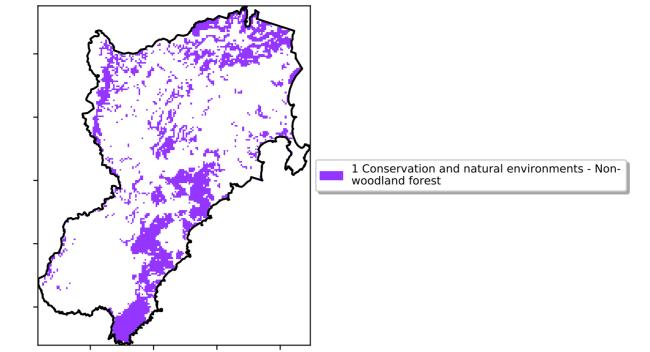




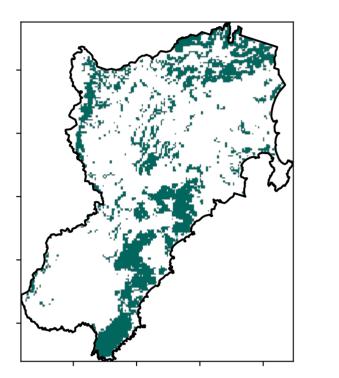
Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)

Land use and forest cover

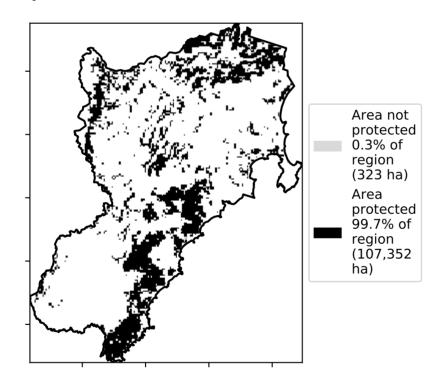


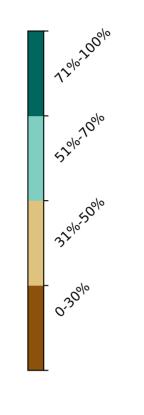


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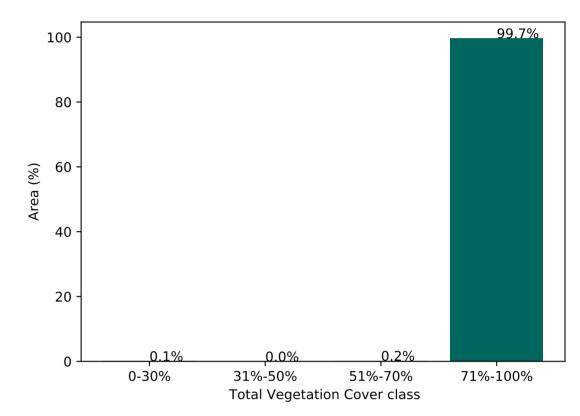


% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)





Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



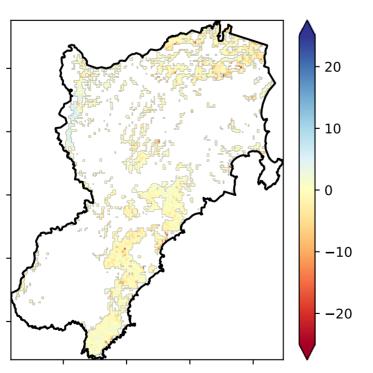
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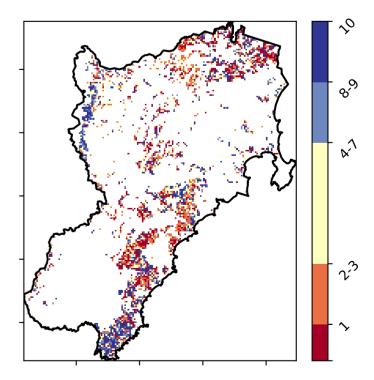
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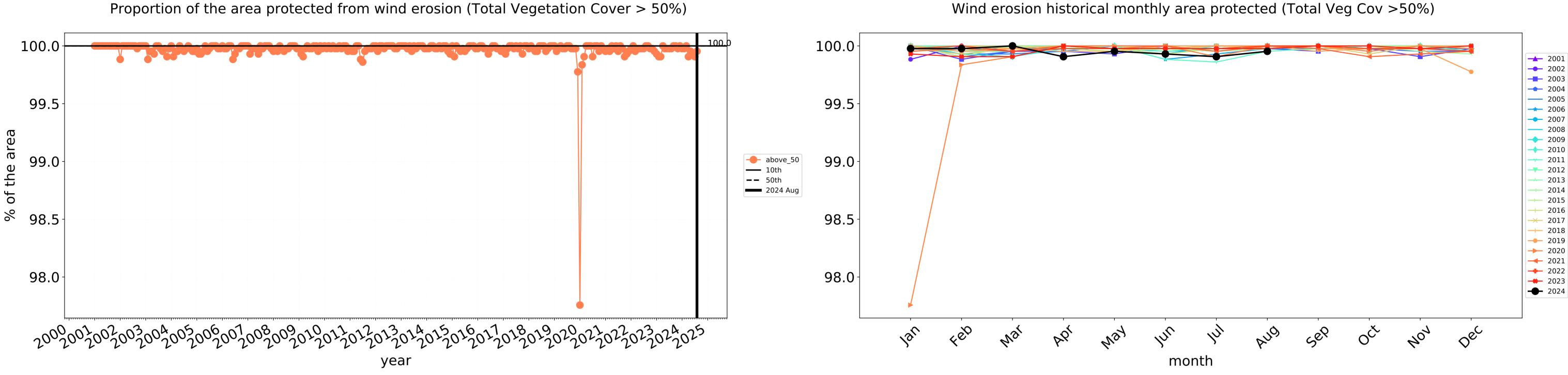
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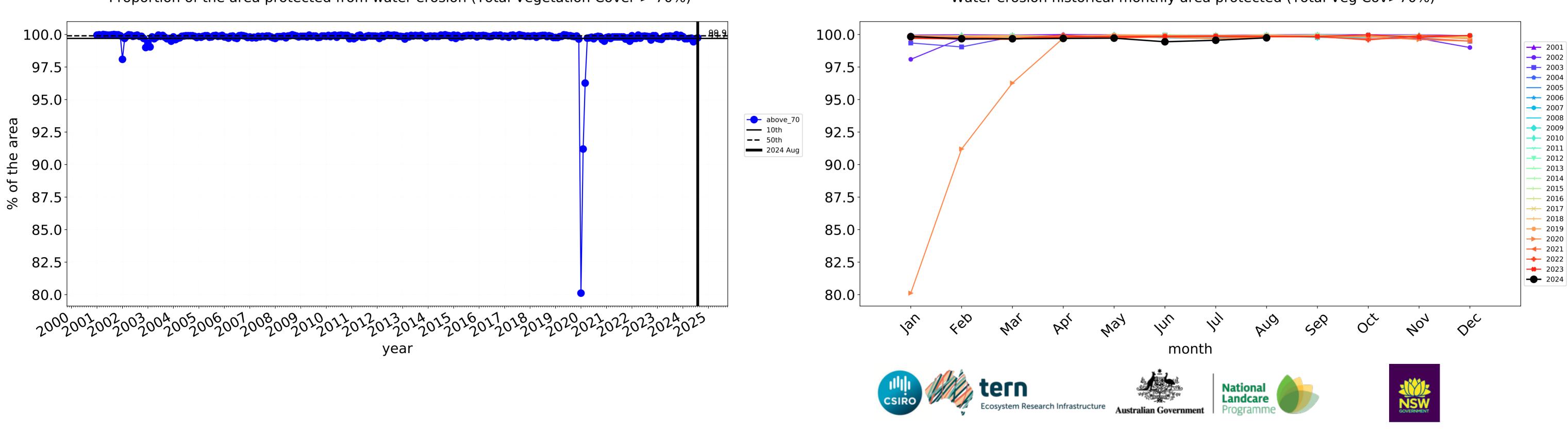




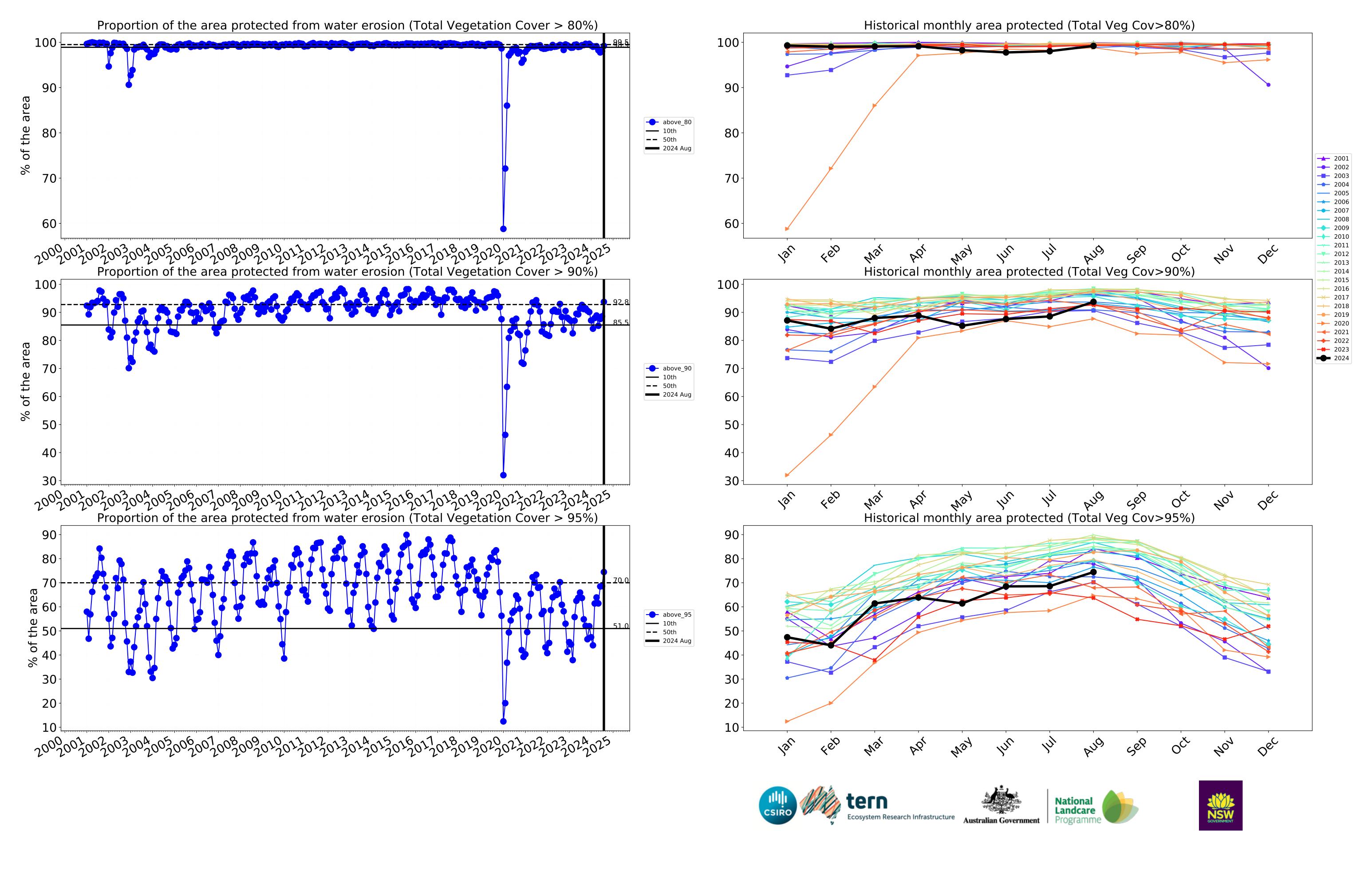


Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland) timeseries





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



Agriculture

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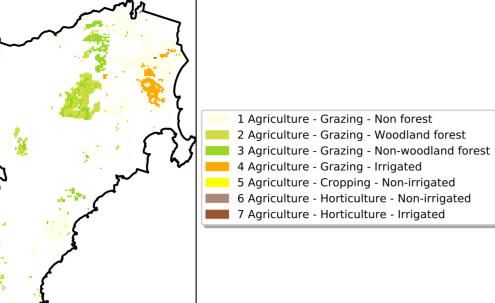
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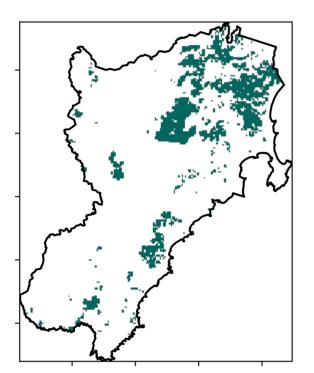
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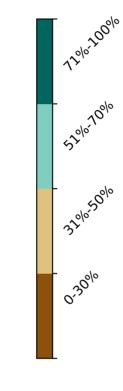
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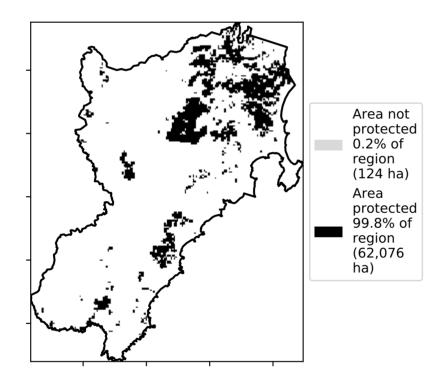


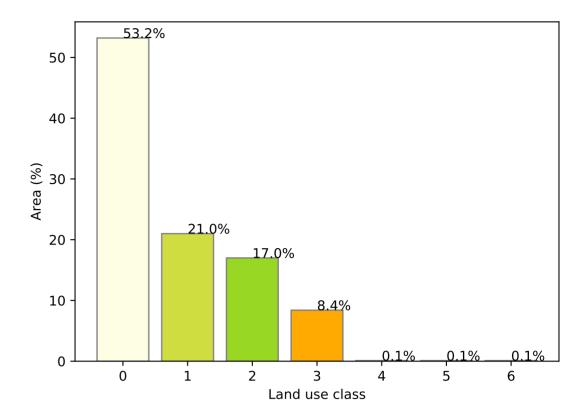
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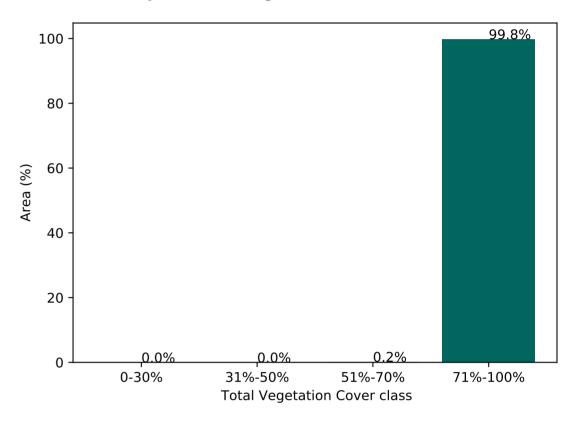


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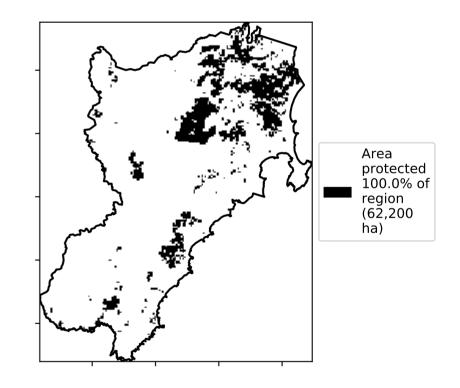




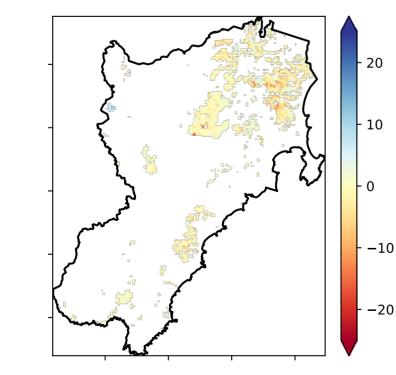
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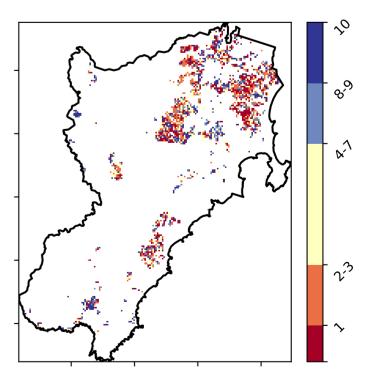
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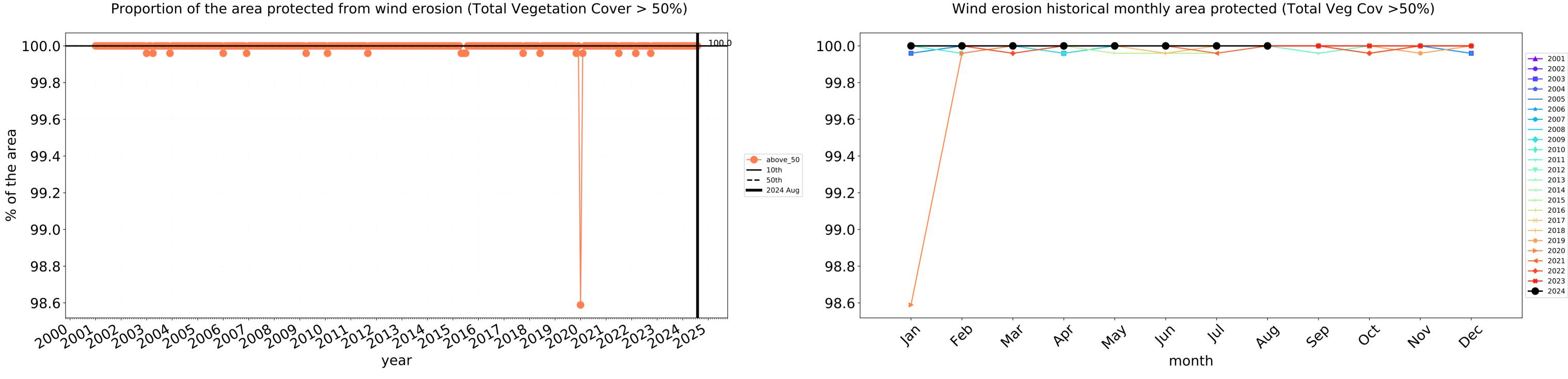
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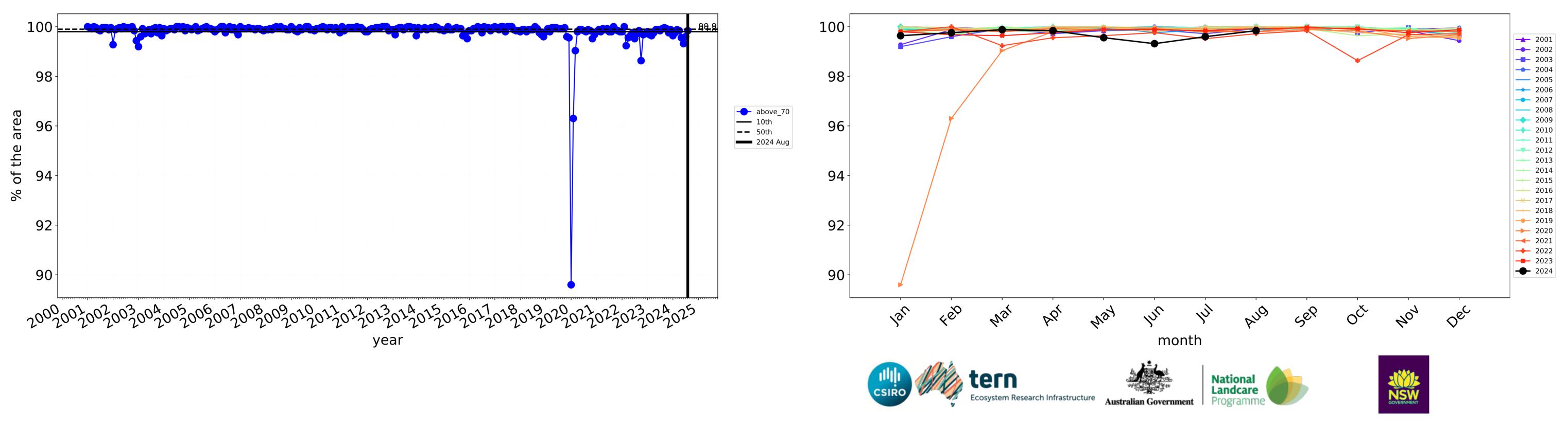






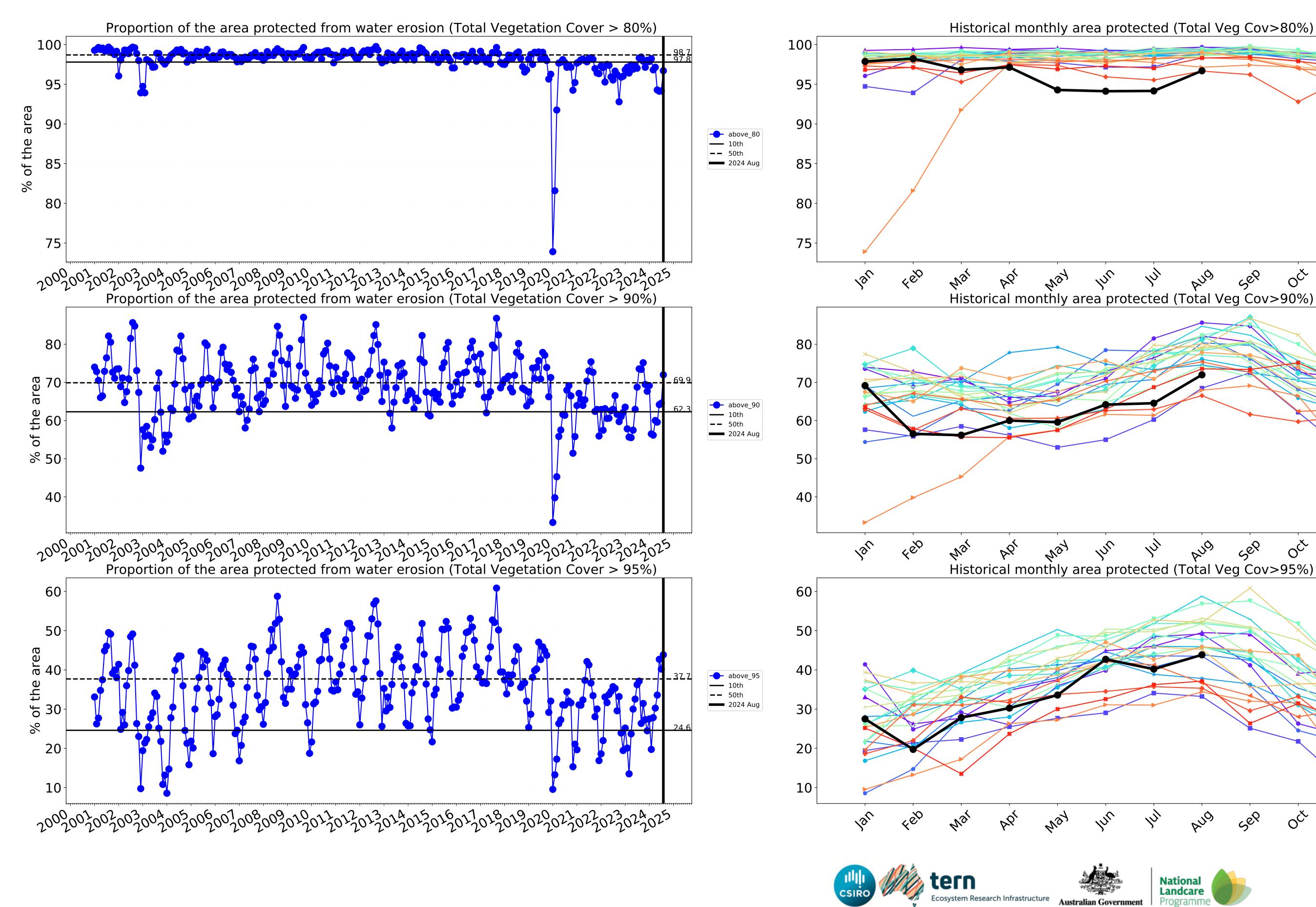
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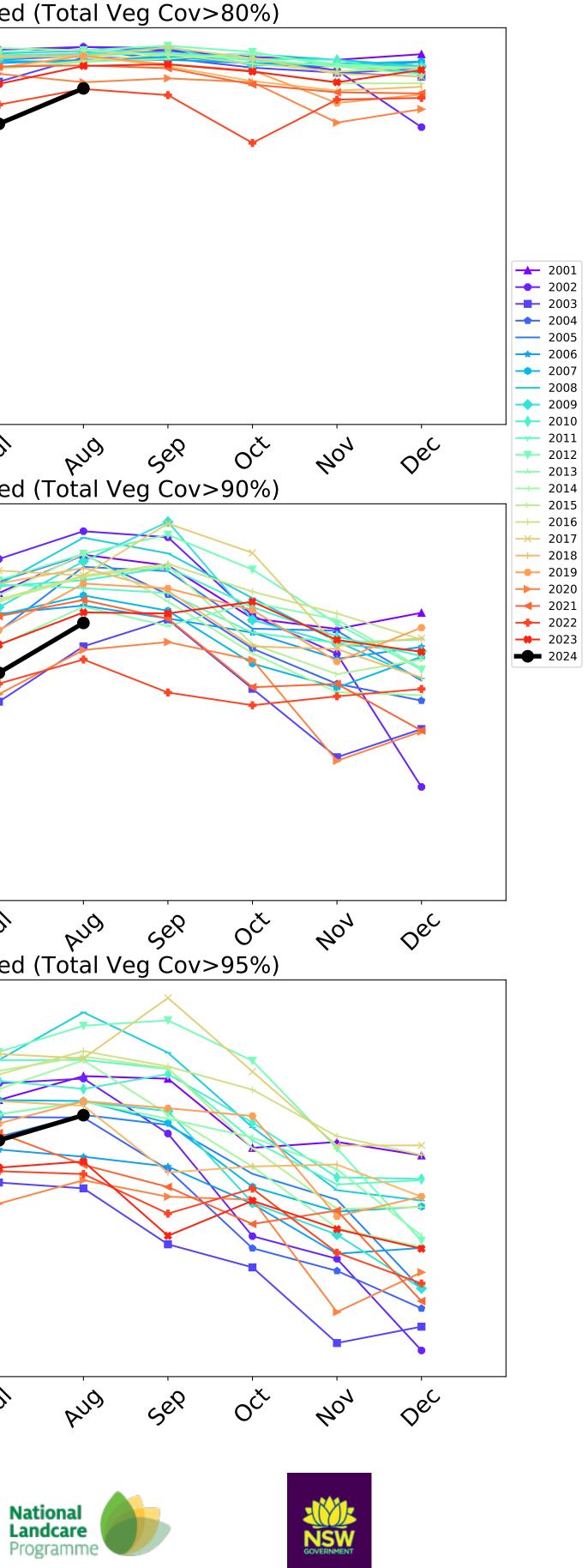
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Agriculture timeseries

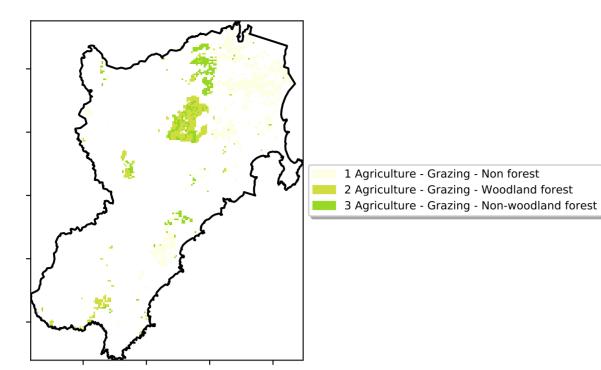
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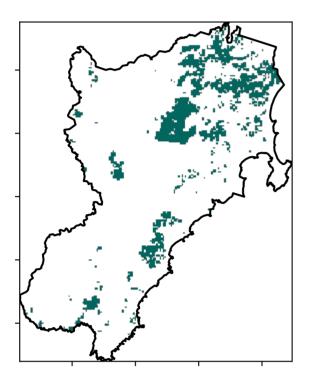
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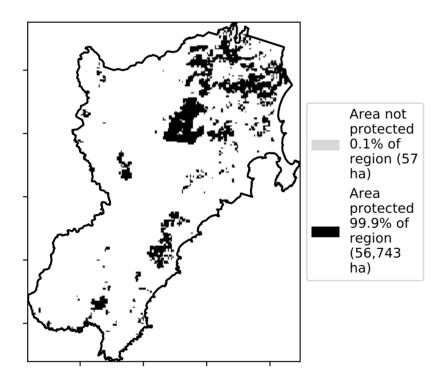


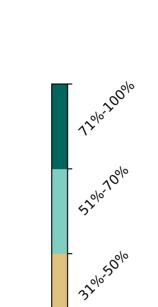
Total Vegetation Cover [%]

Land use and forest cover



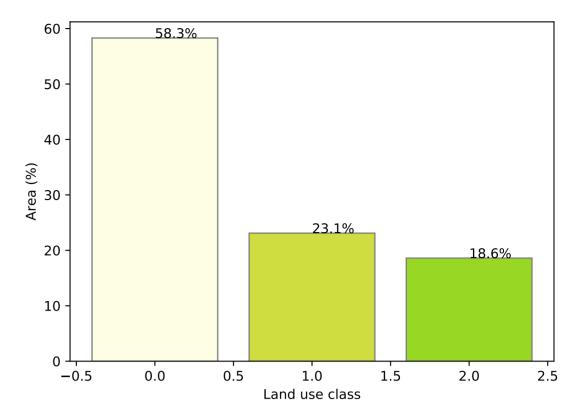
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



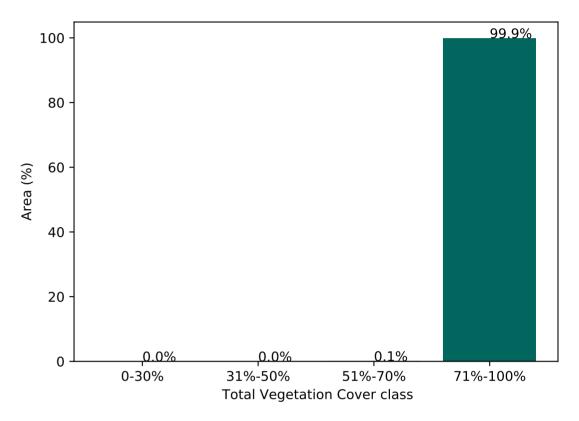


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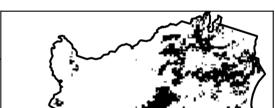
Proportion of each land class in area



Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



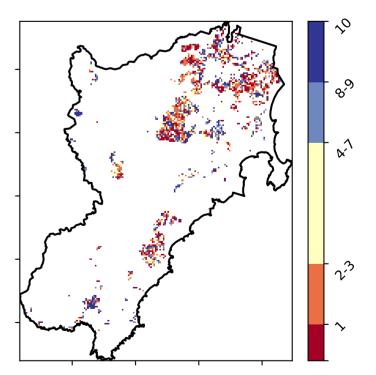
% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

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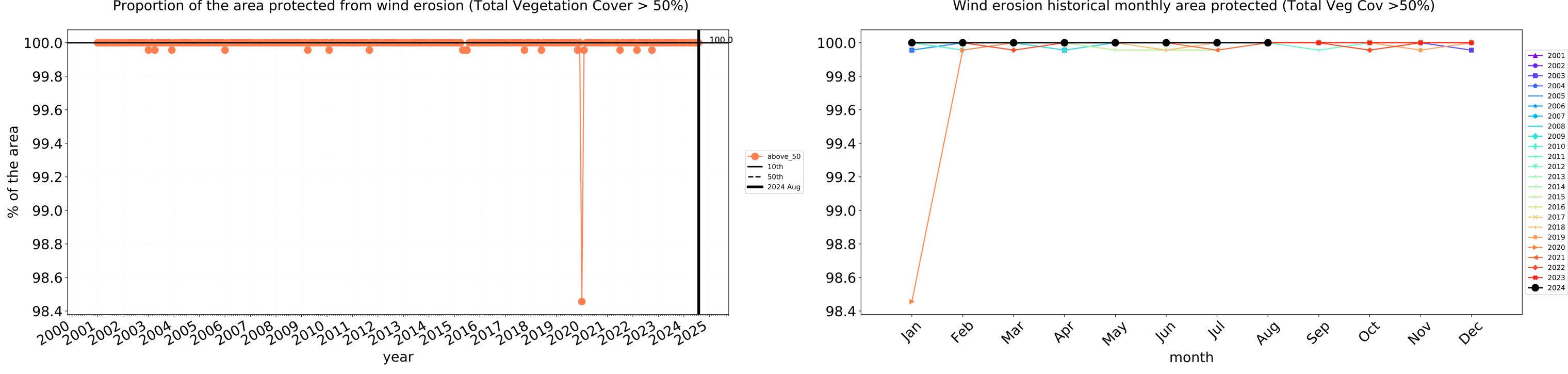
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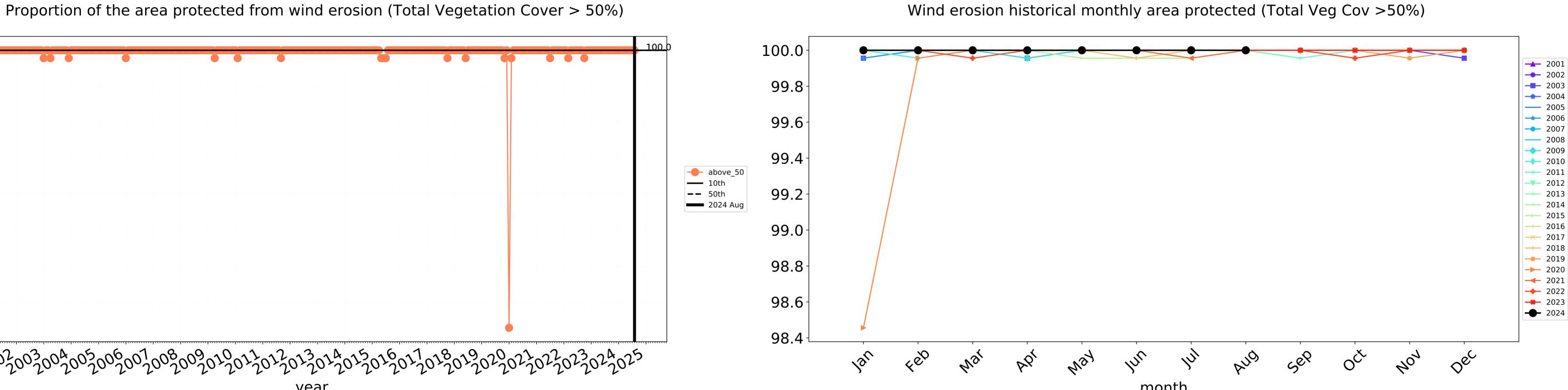


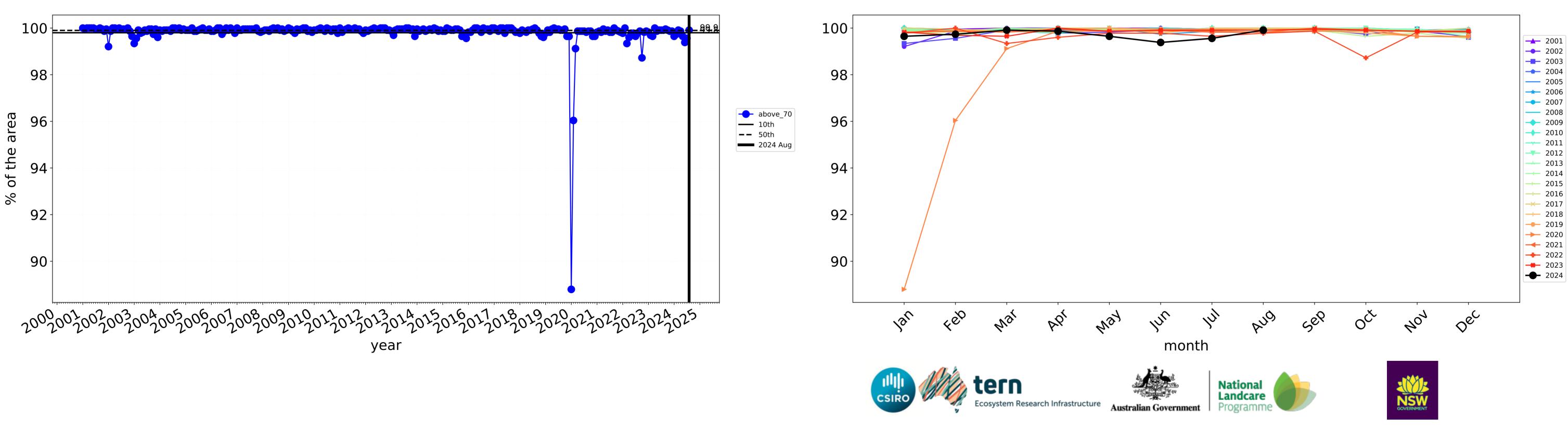


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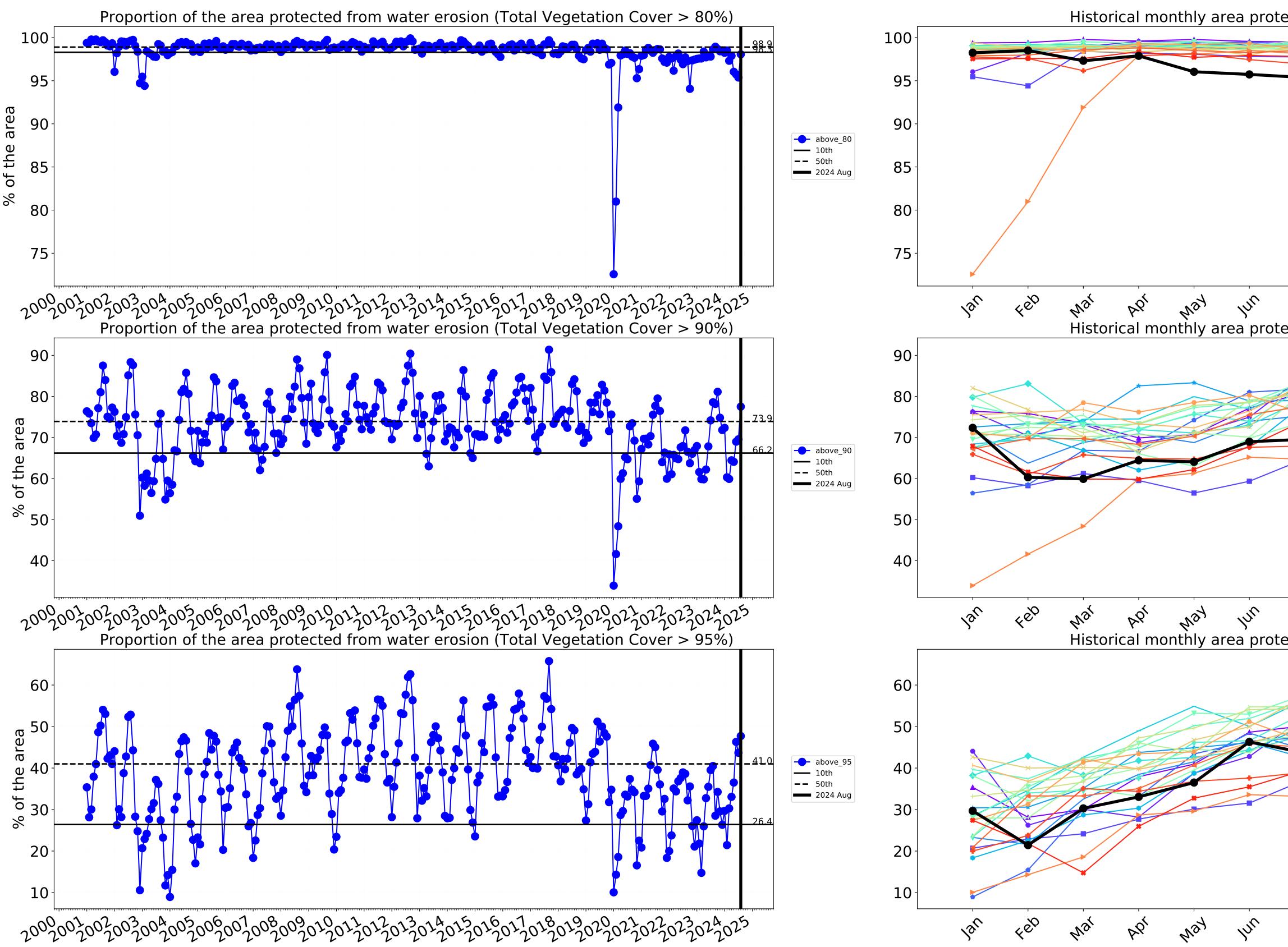


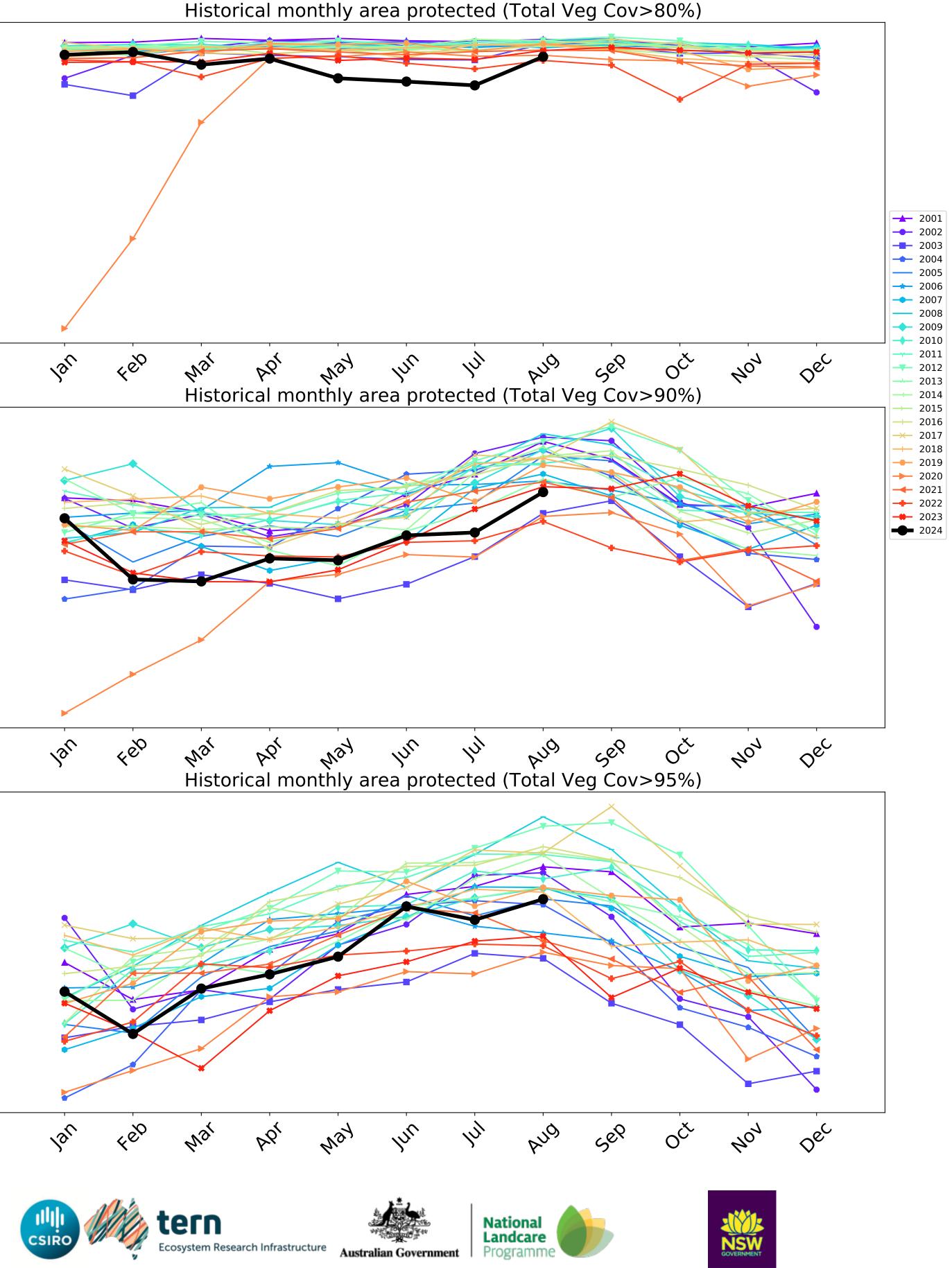






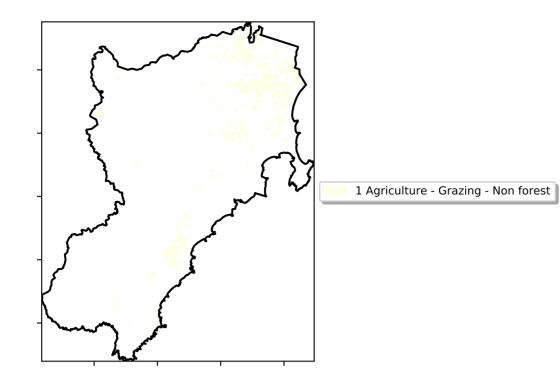
Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)



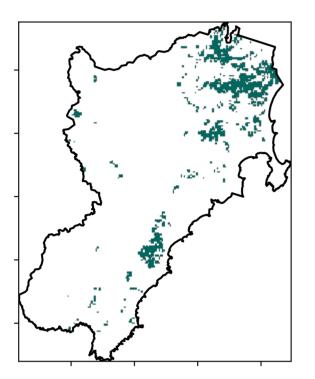


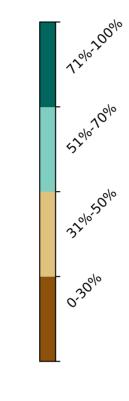
Grazing non forest

Land use and forest cover

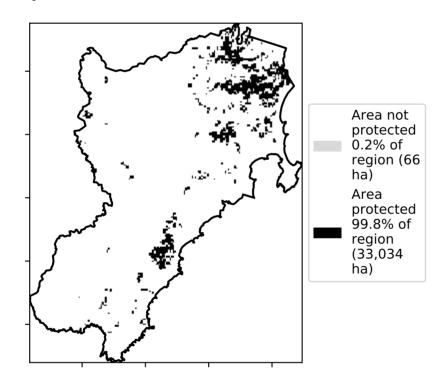


Total Vegetation Cover [%]

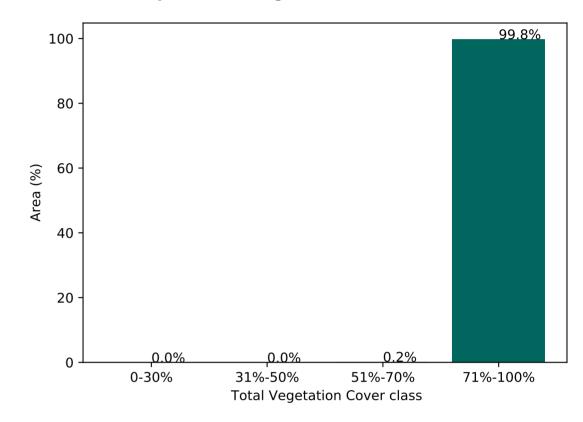




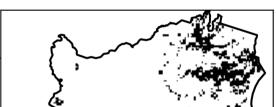
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

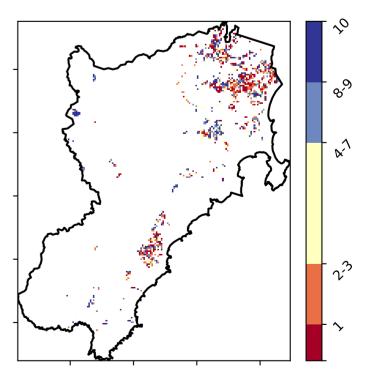


Catchment Scale Land Use and Forests of Australia (2018) Derived from Catchment Scale Land Use of Australia (2018) and Forests of Australia (2018)

Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

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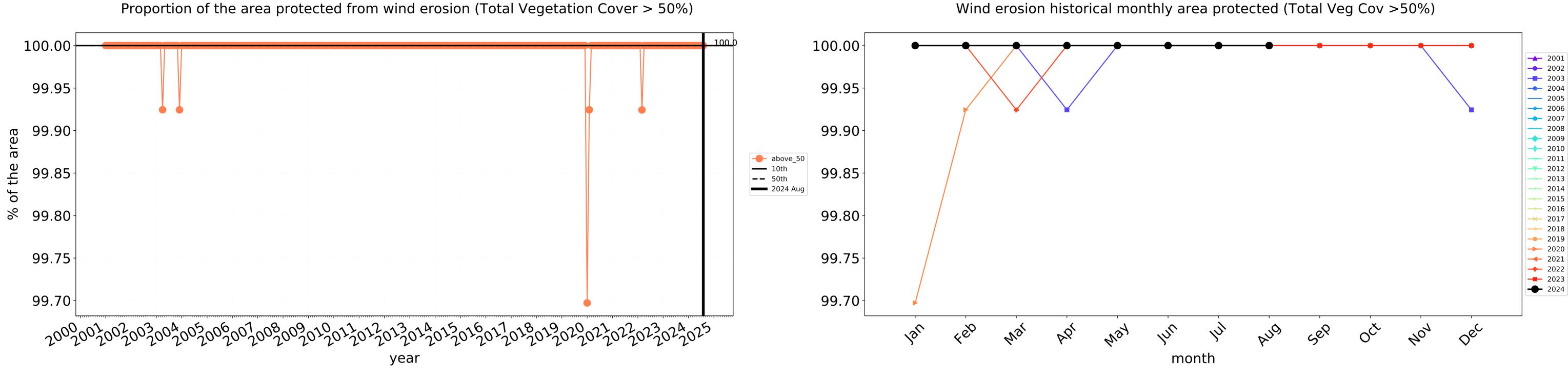
Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]

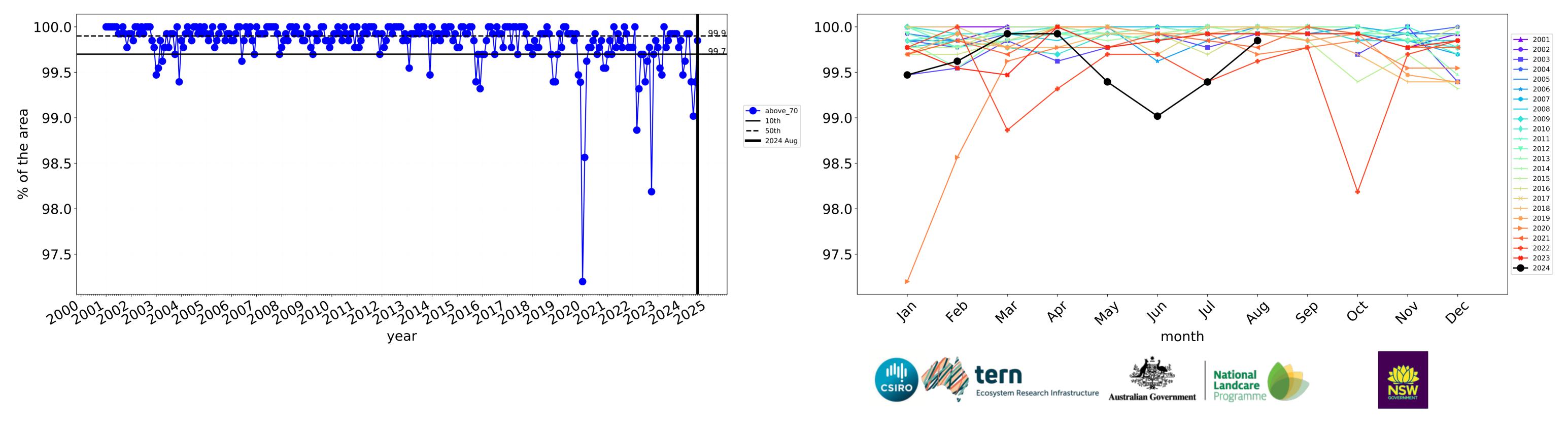




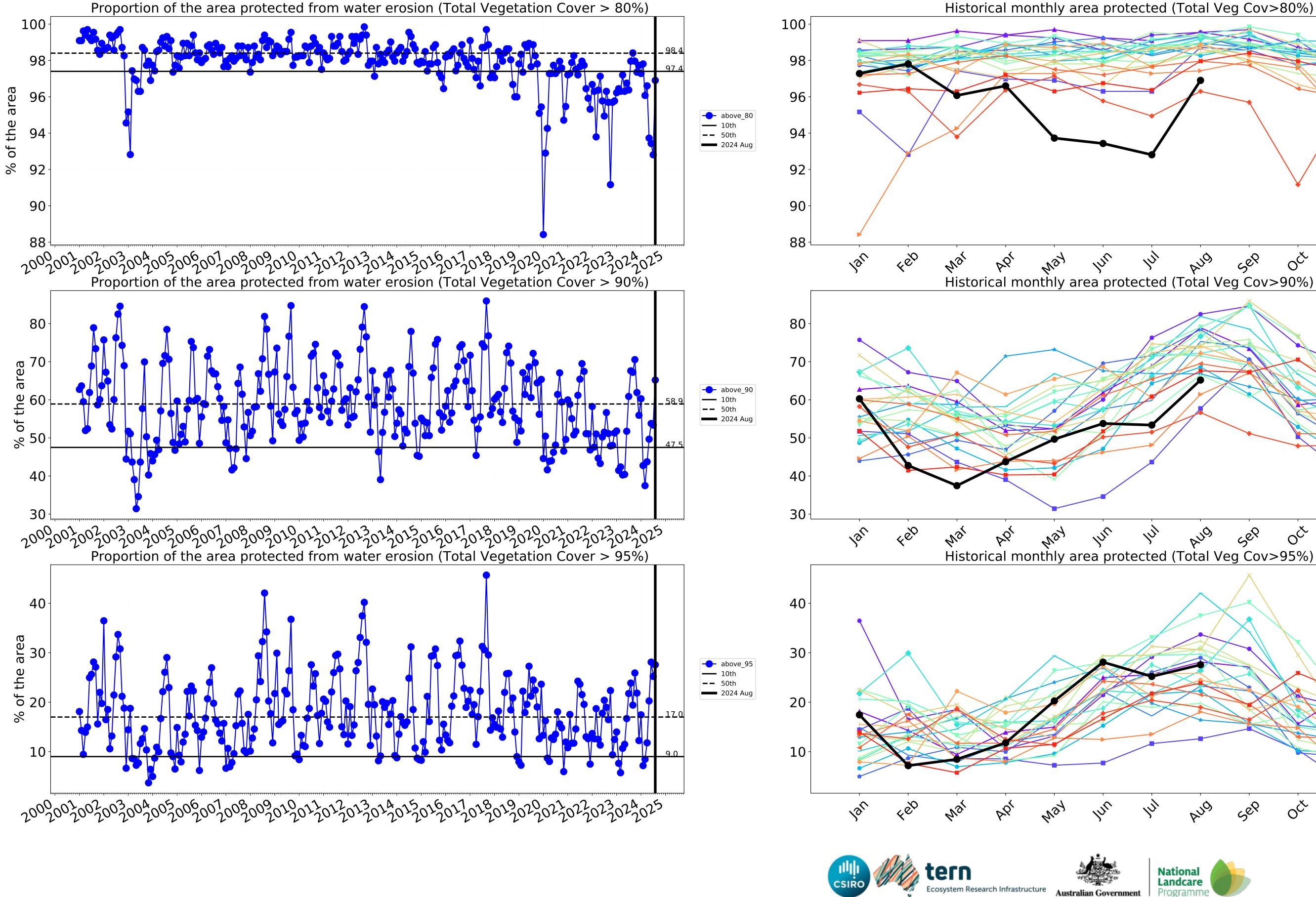


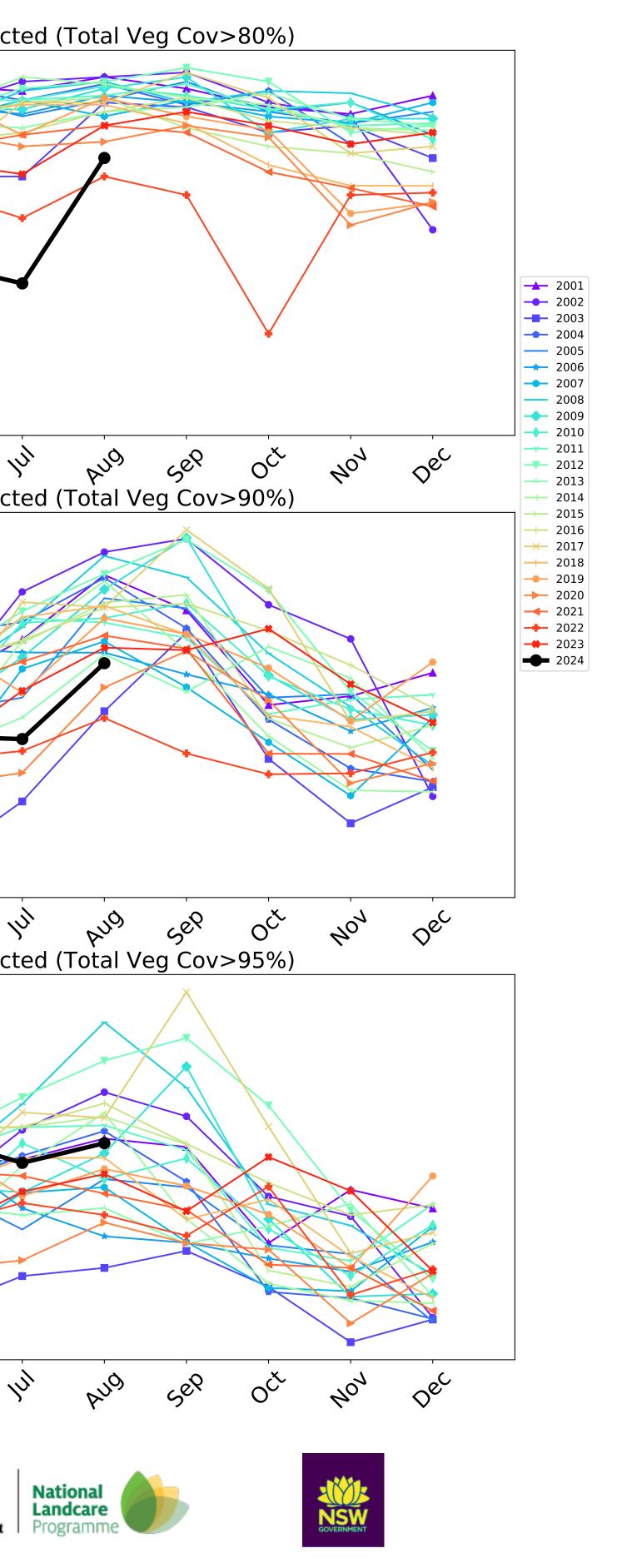
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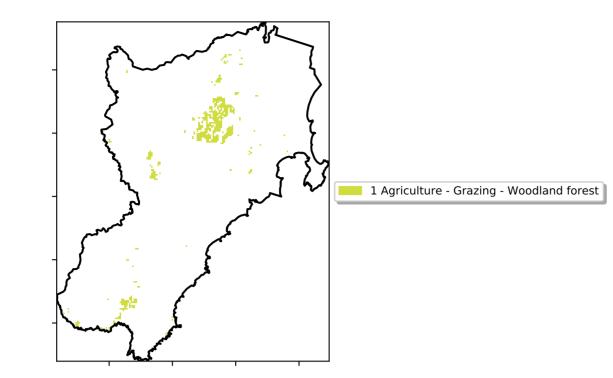
Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)



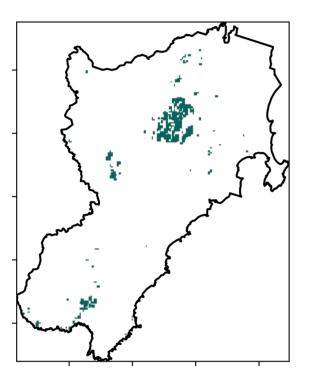


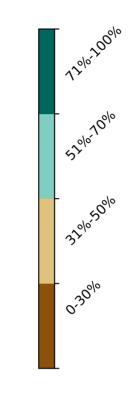
Grazing Woodland forest

Land use and forest cover

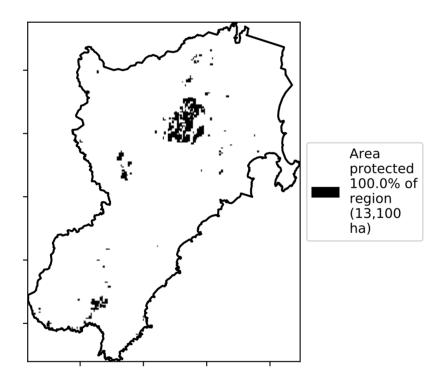


Total Vegetation Cover [%]

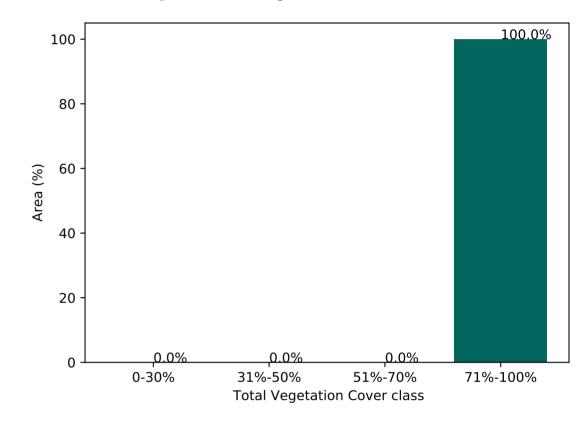




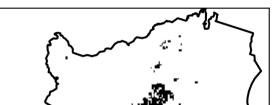
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



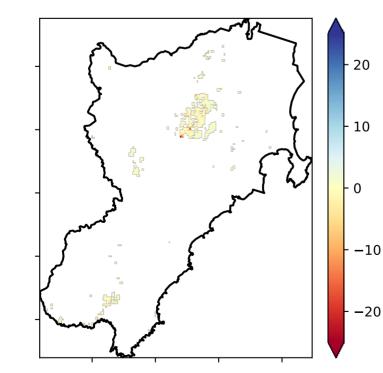
% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



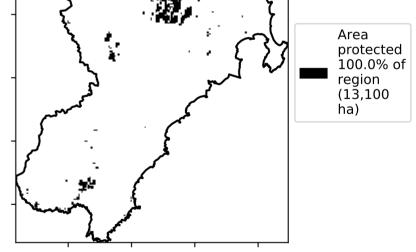
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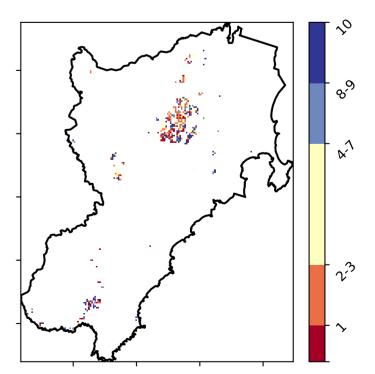
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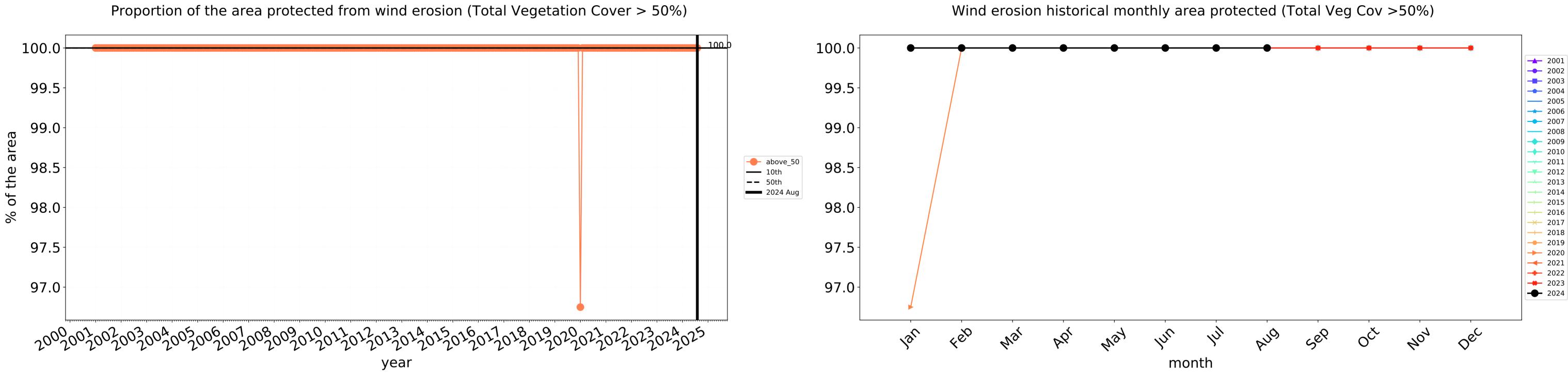


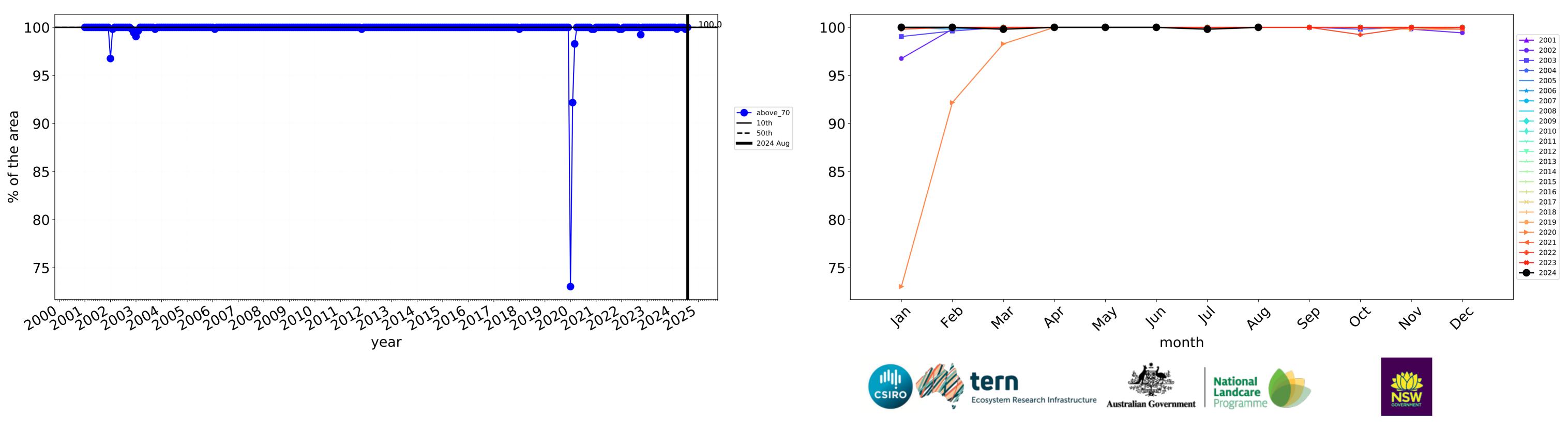
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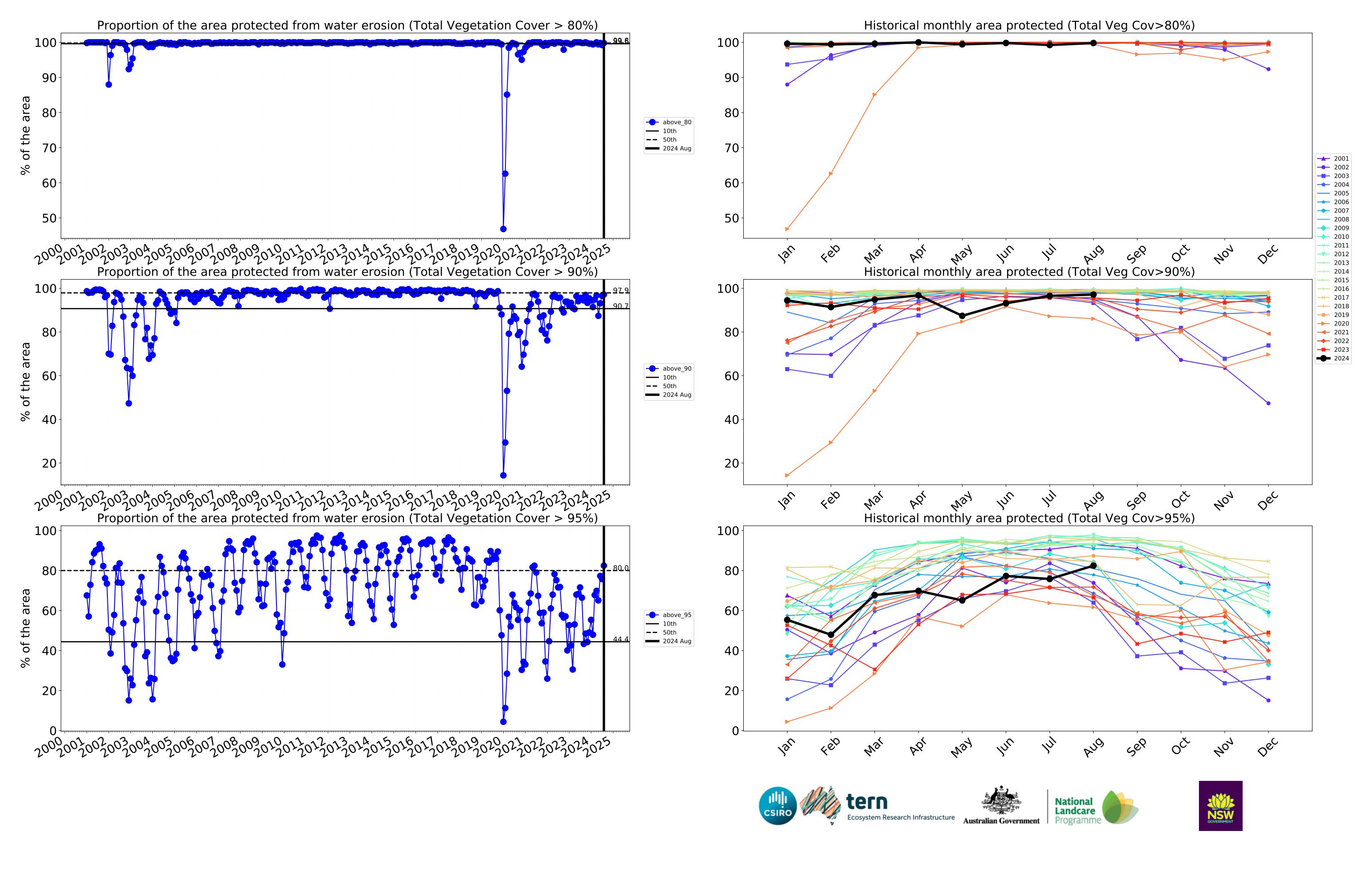






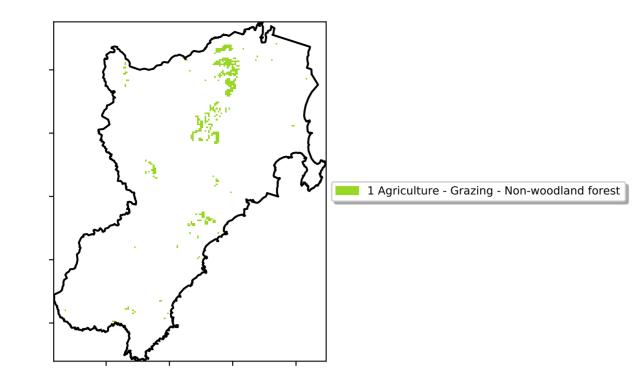


Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)

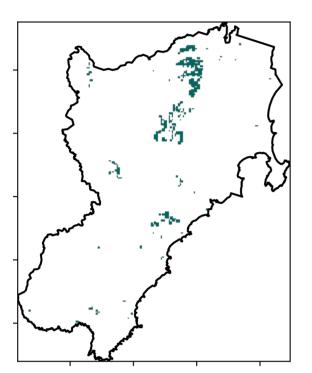


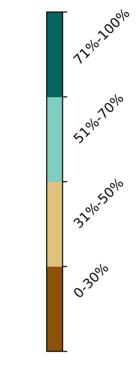
Grazing - Forest (non woodland)

Land use and forest cover

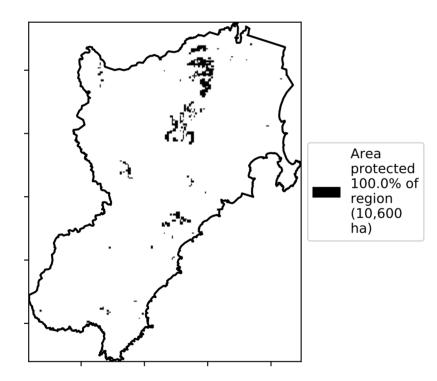


Total Vegetation Cover [%]

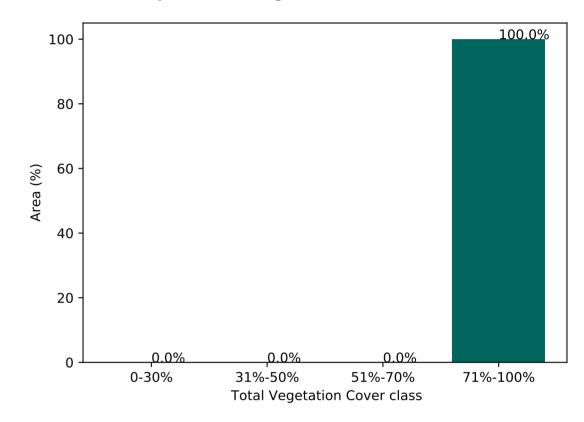




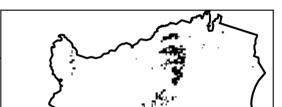
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



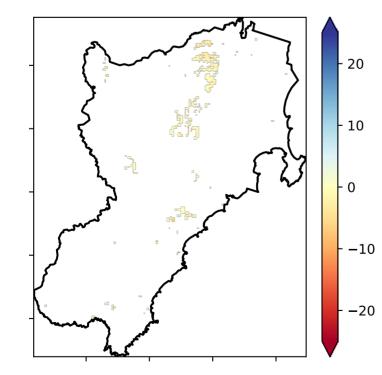
% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



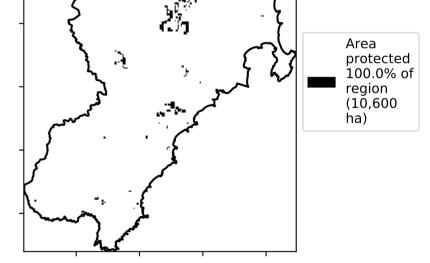
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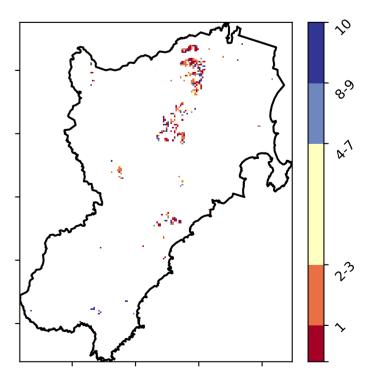
Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

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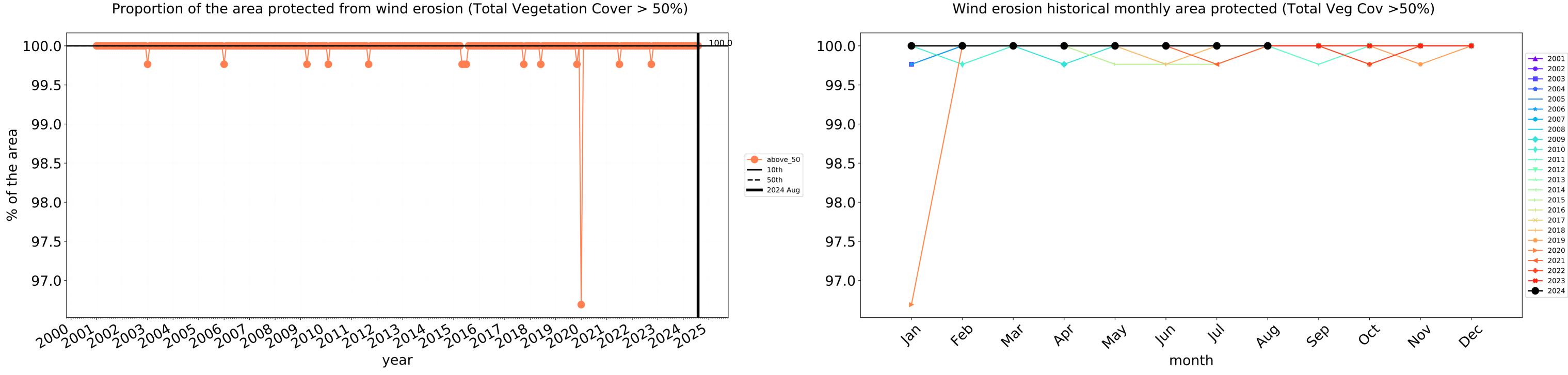


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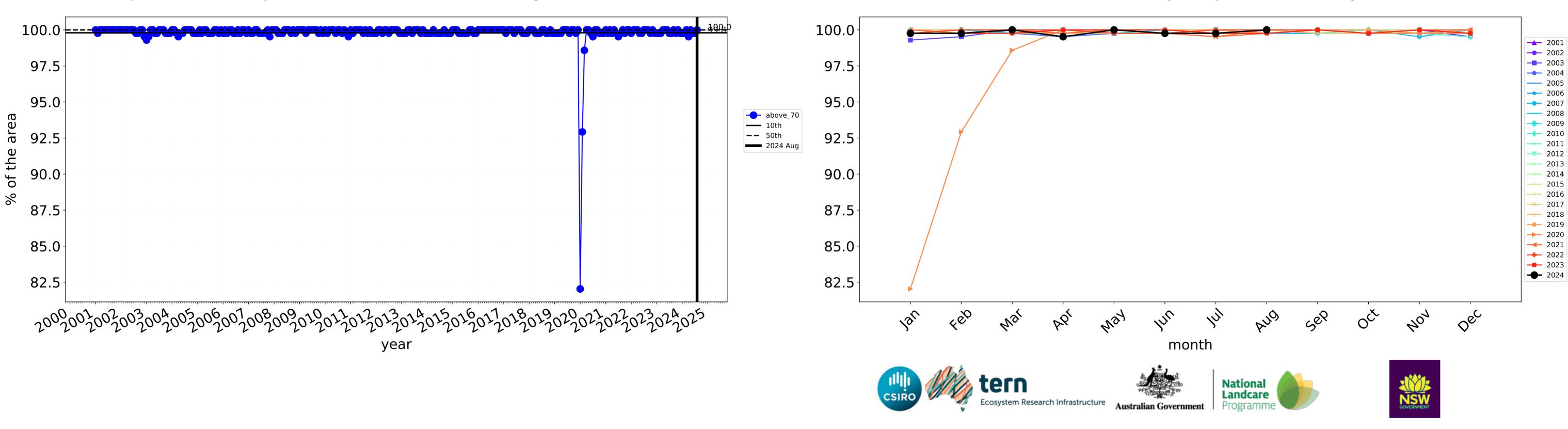




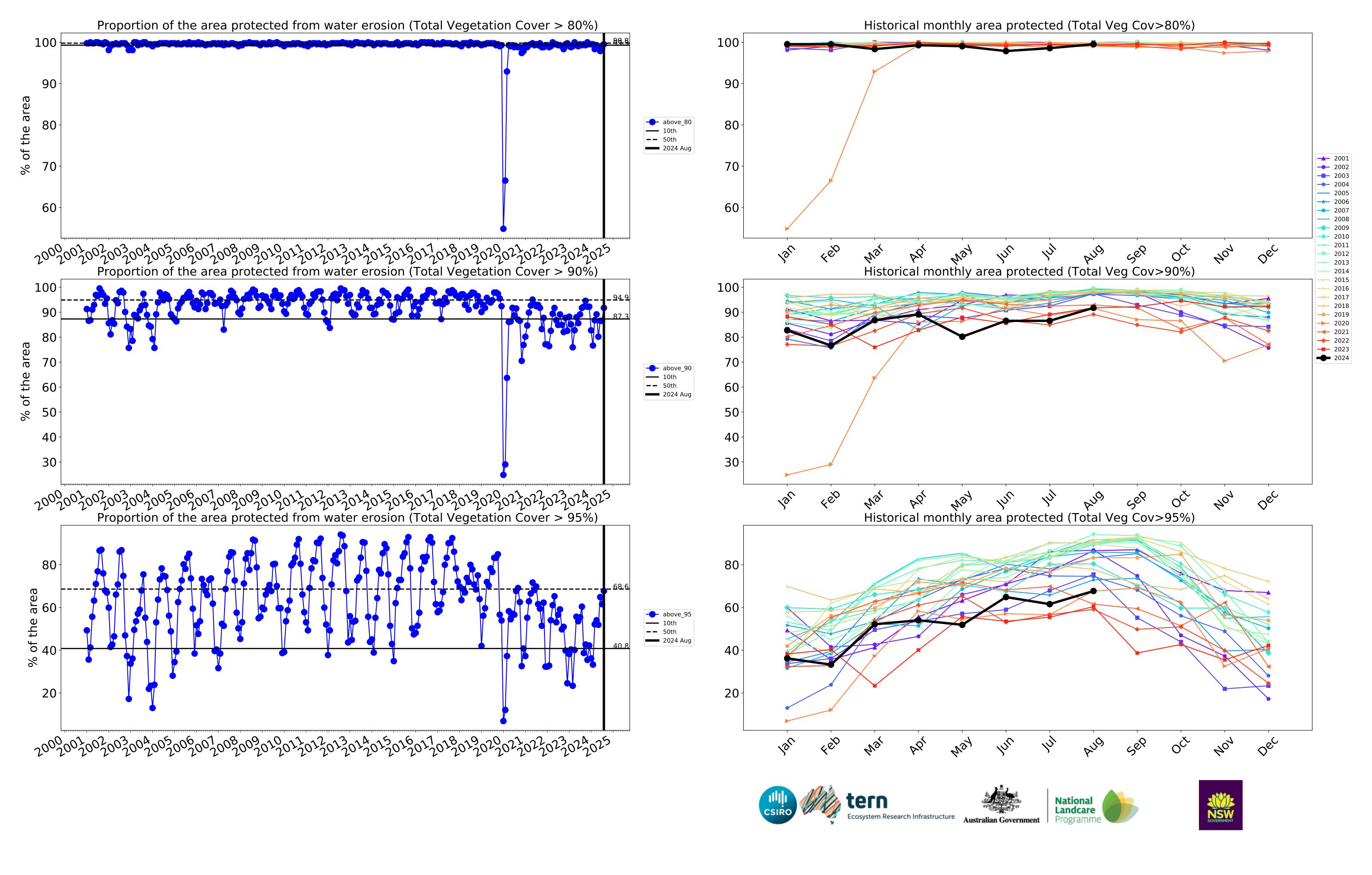




Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)



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

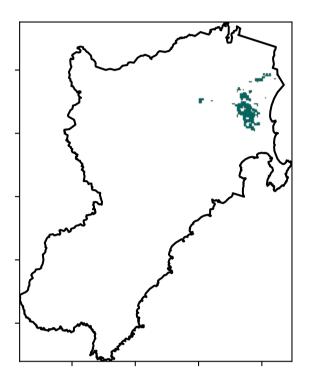


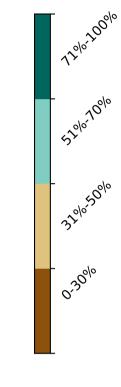
Irrigation

Agriculture - Grazing - Irrigated
2 Agriculture - Horticulture - Irrigated

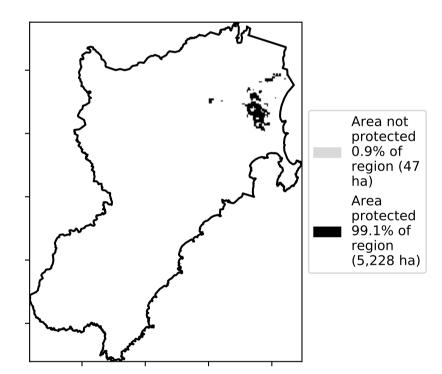
Land use and forest cover

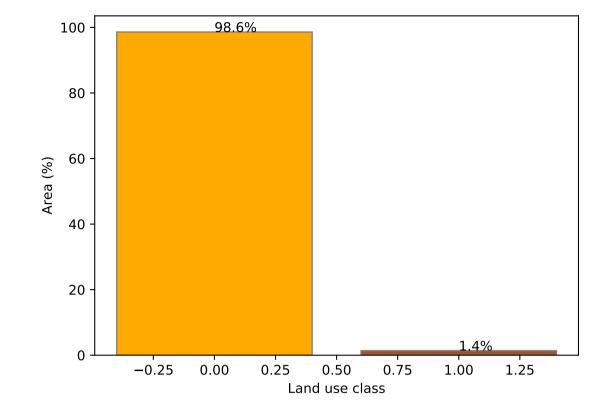
Total Vegetation Cover [%]





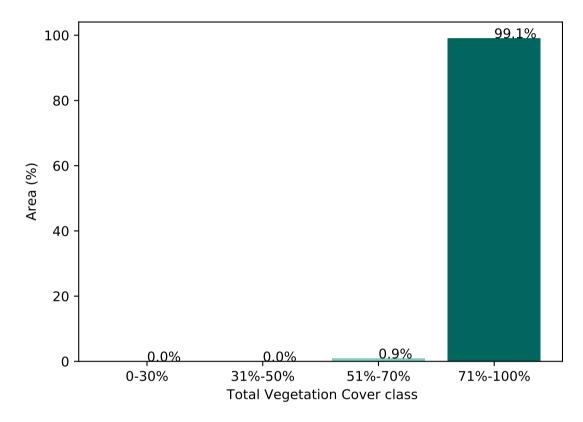
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



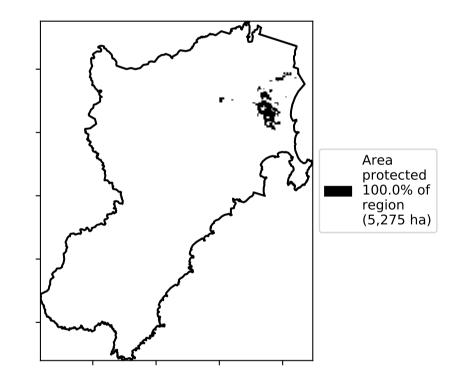


Proportion of each land class in area

Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

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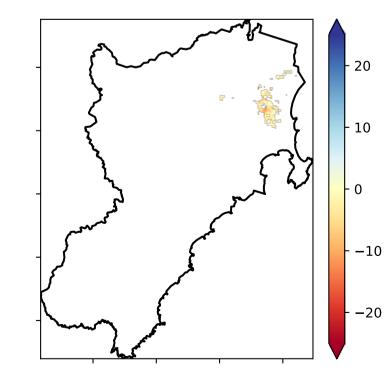
Catchment Scale Land Use and Forests of Australia (2018)

Catchment Scale Land

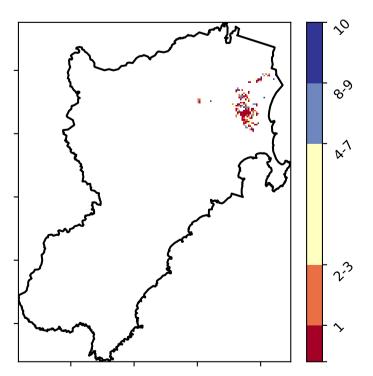
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Use of Australia (2018) and Forests

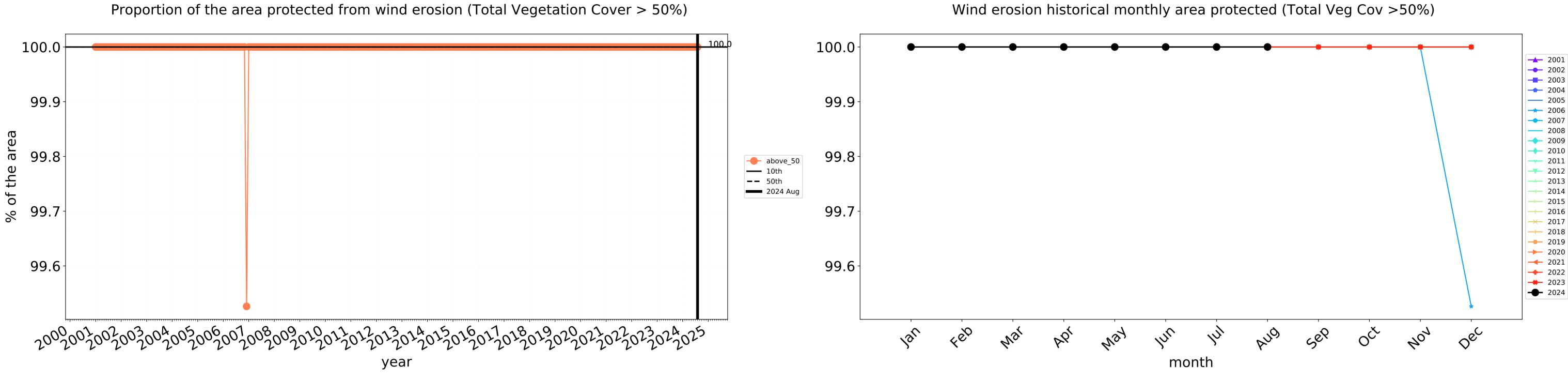
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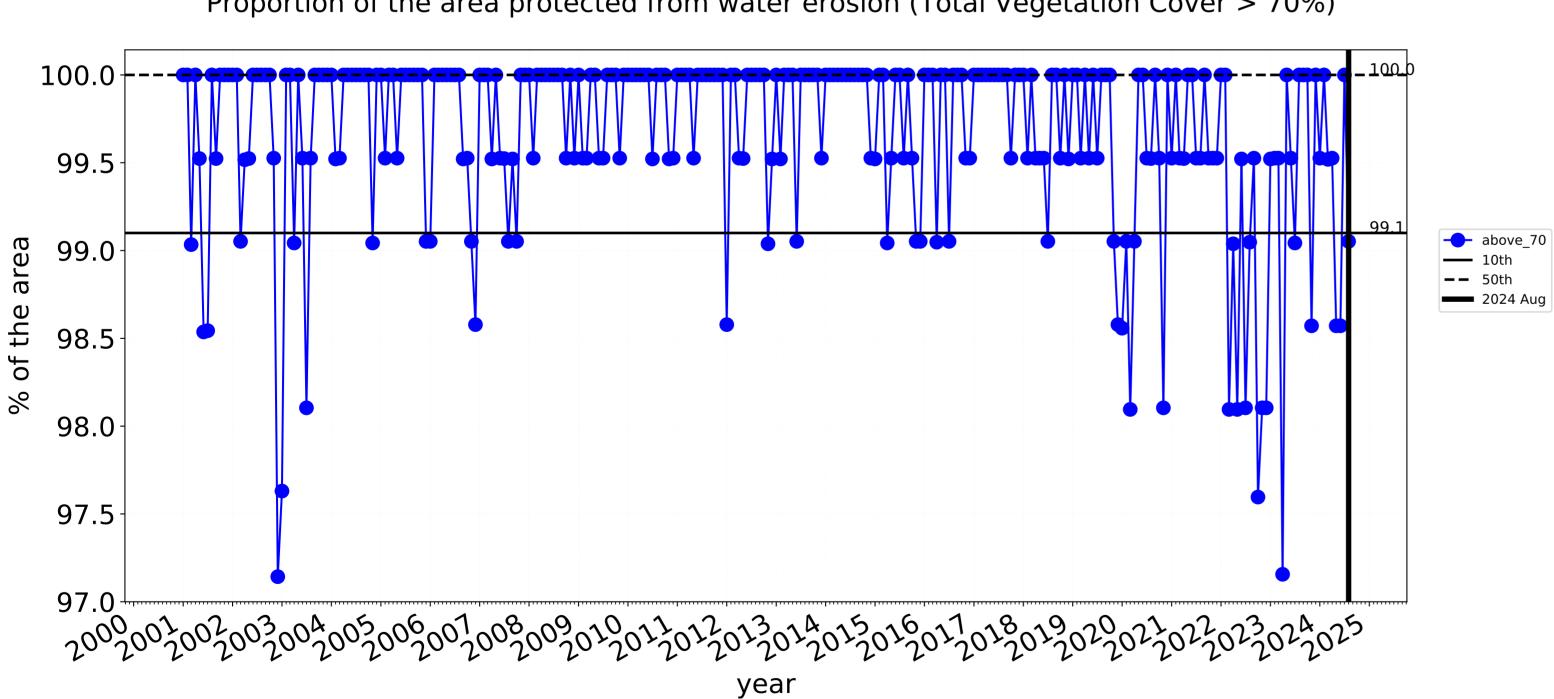
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Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)

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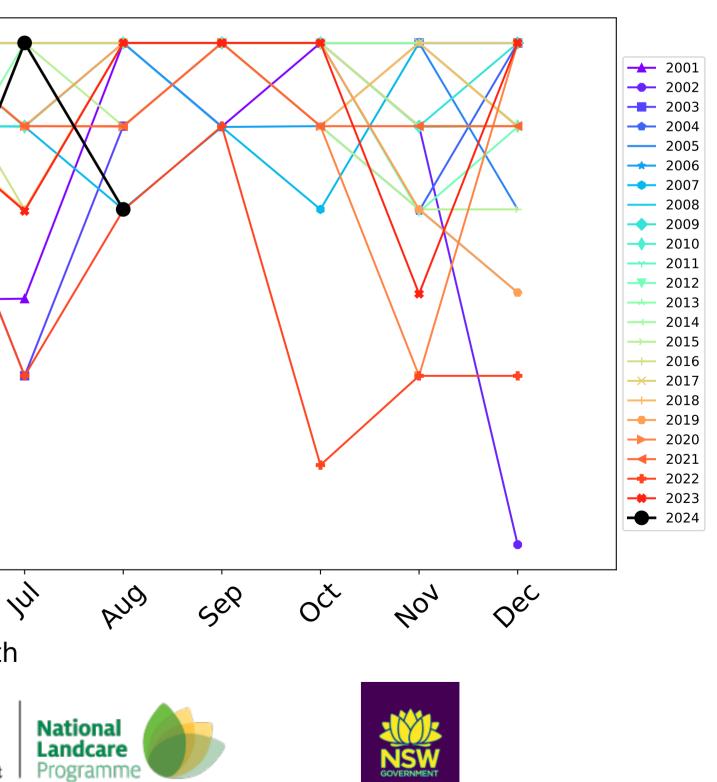
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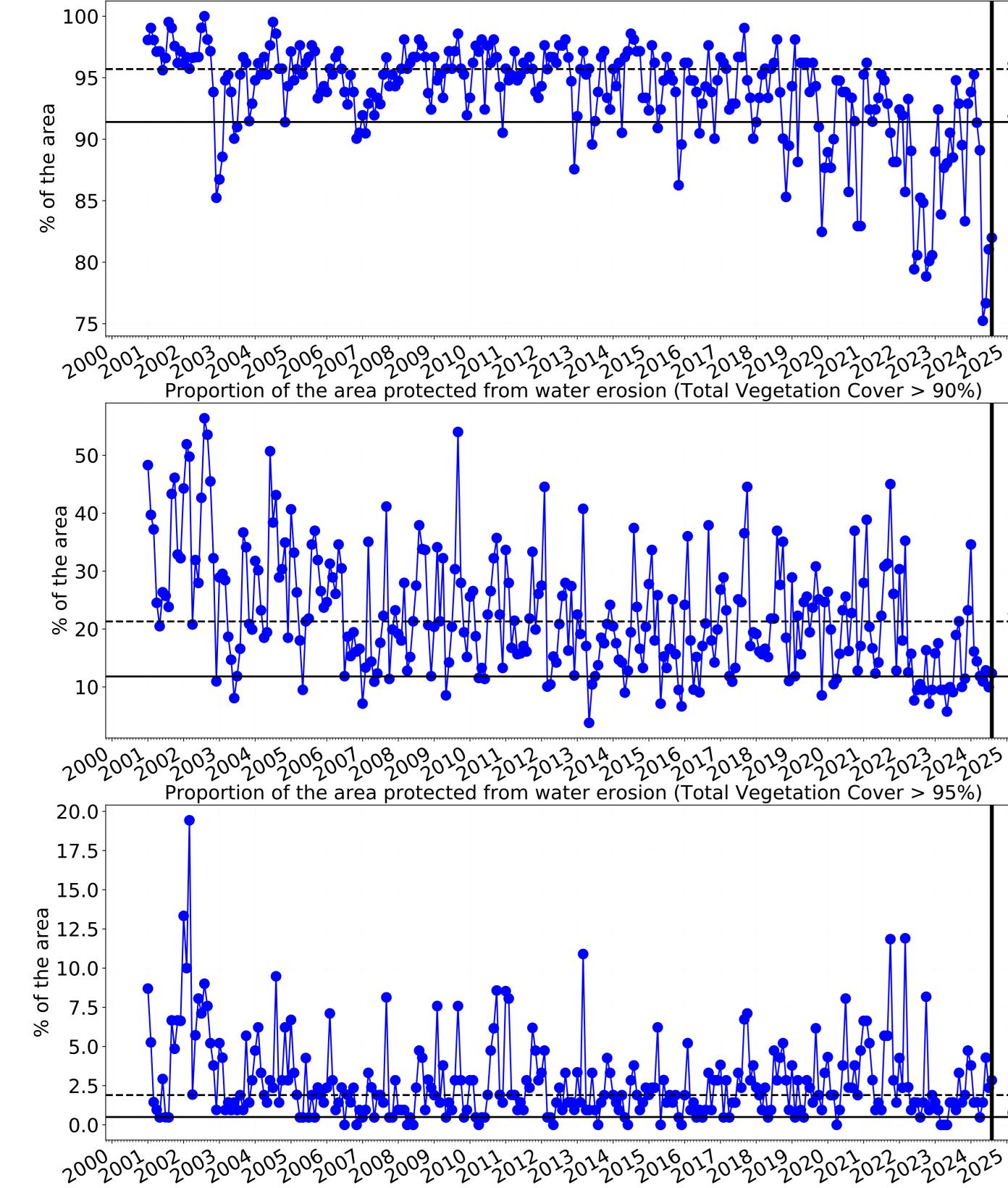
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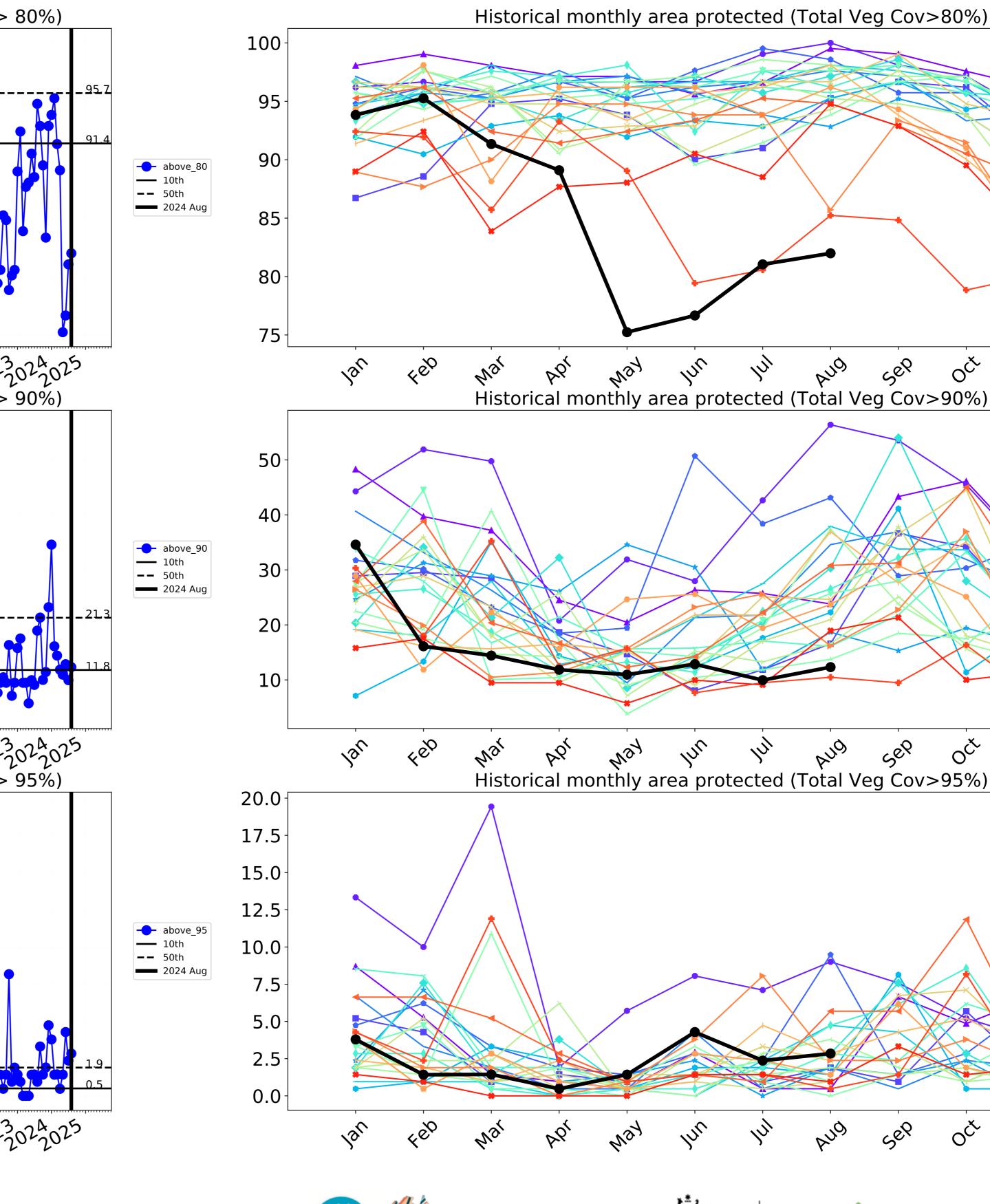
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Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)

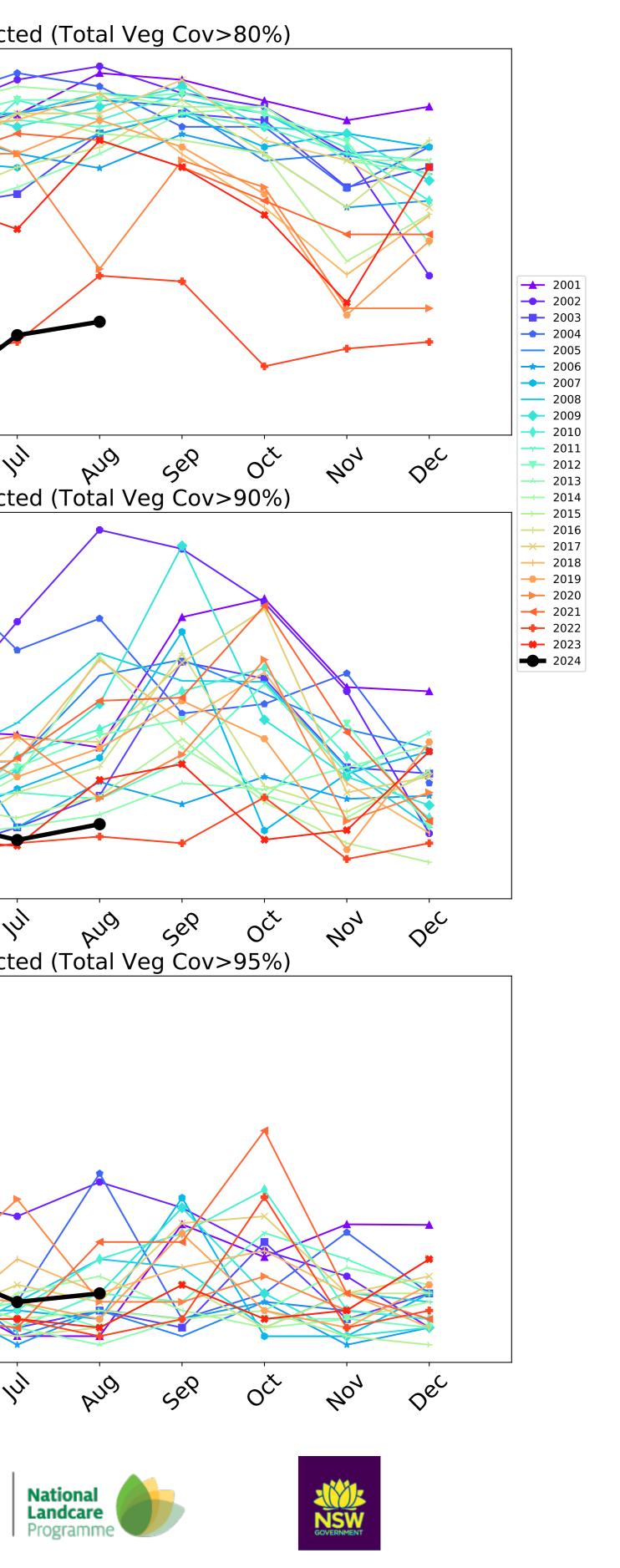


Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 80%)



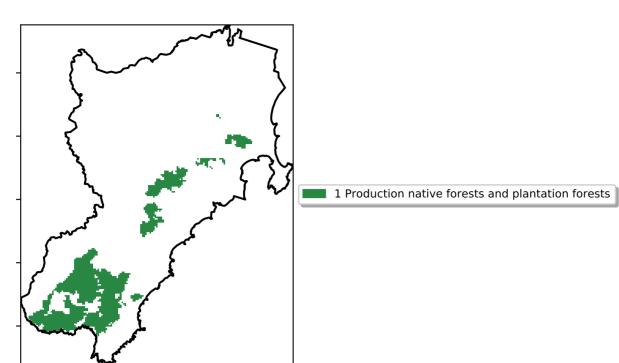




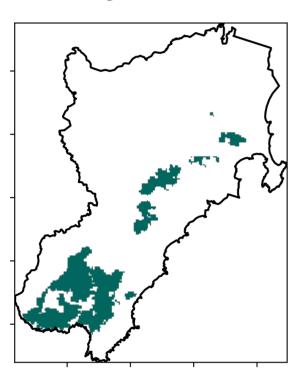


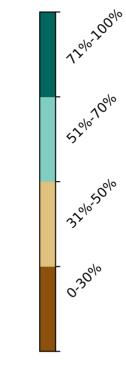
Production native forests and plantation forests

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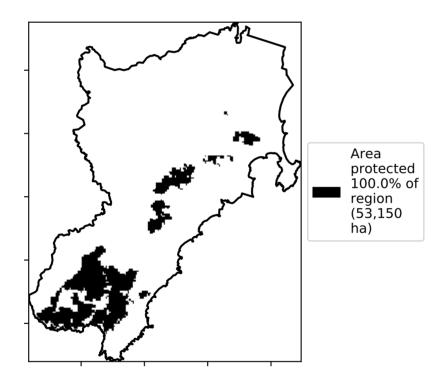


Total Vegetation Cover [%]





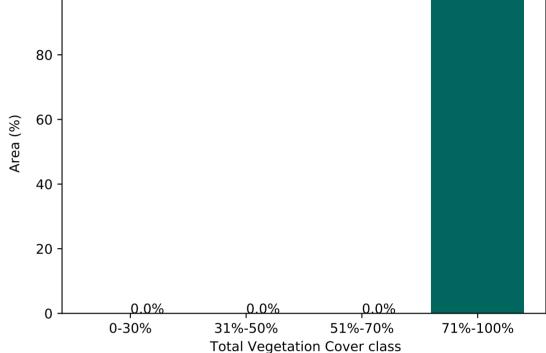
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



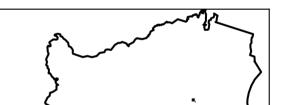


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Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



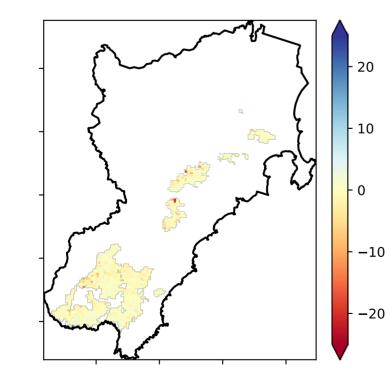
% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



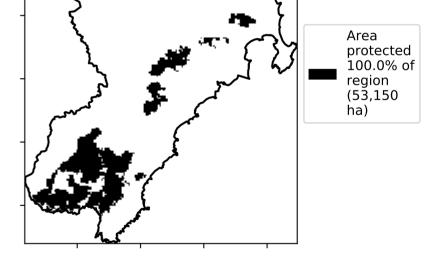
Land use and forest cover

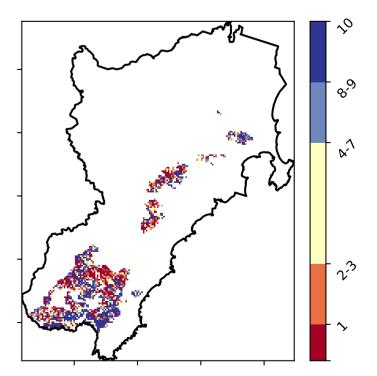
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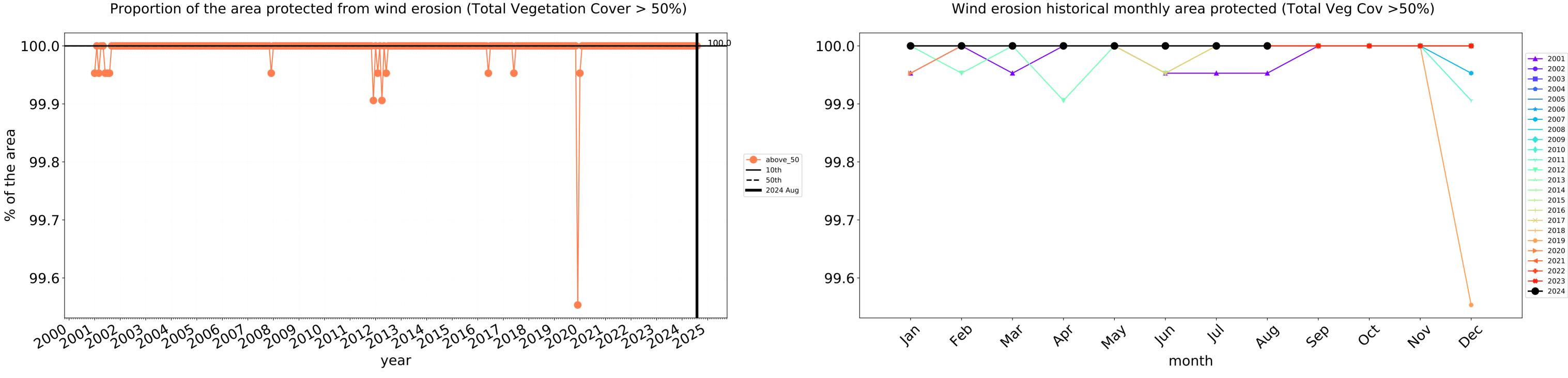
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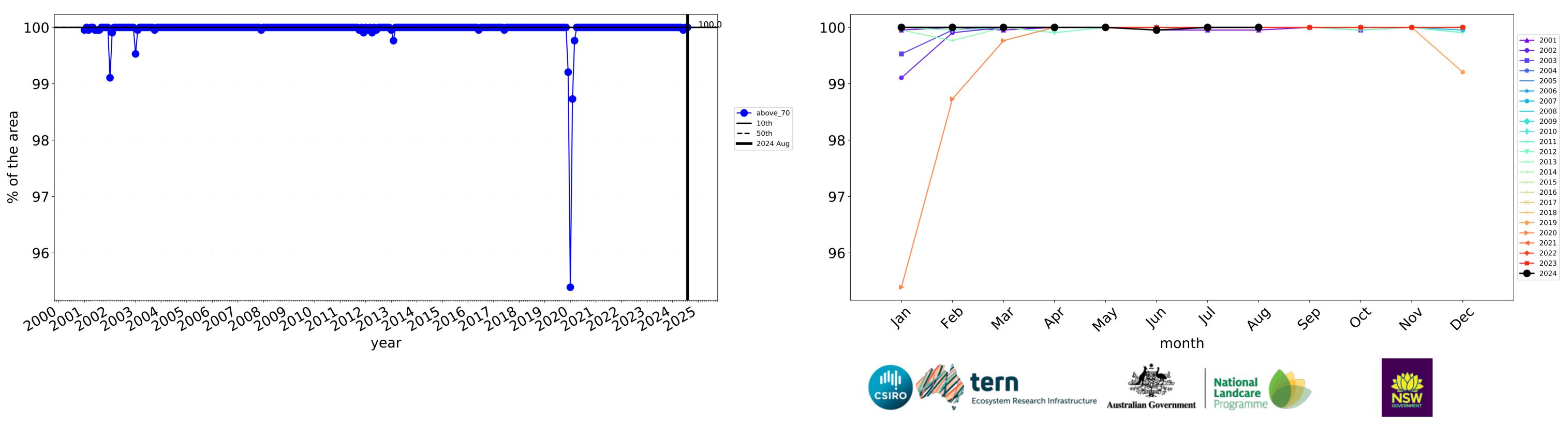




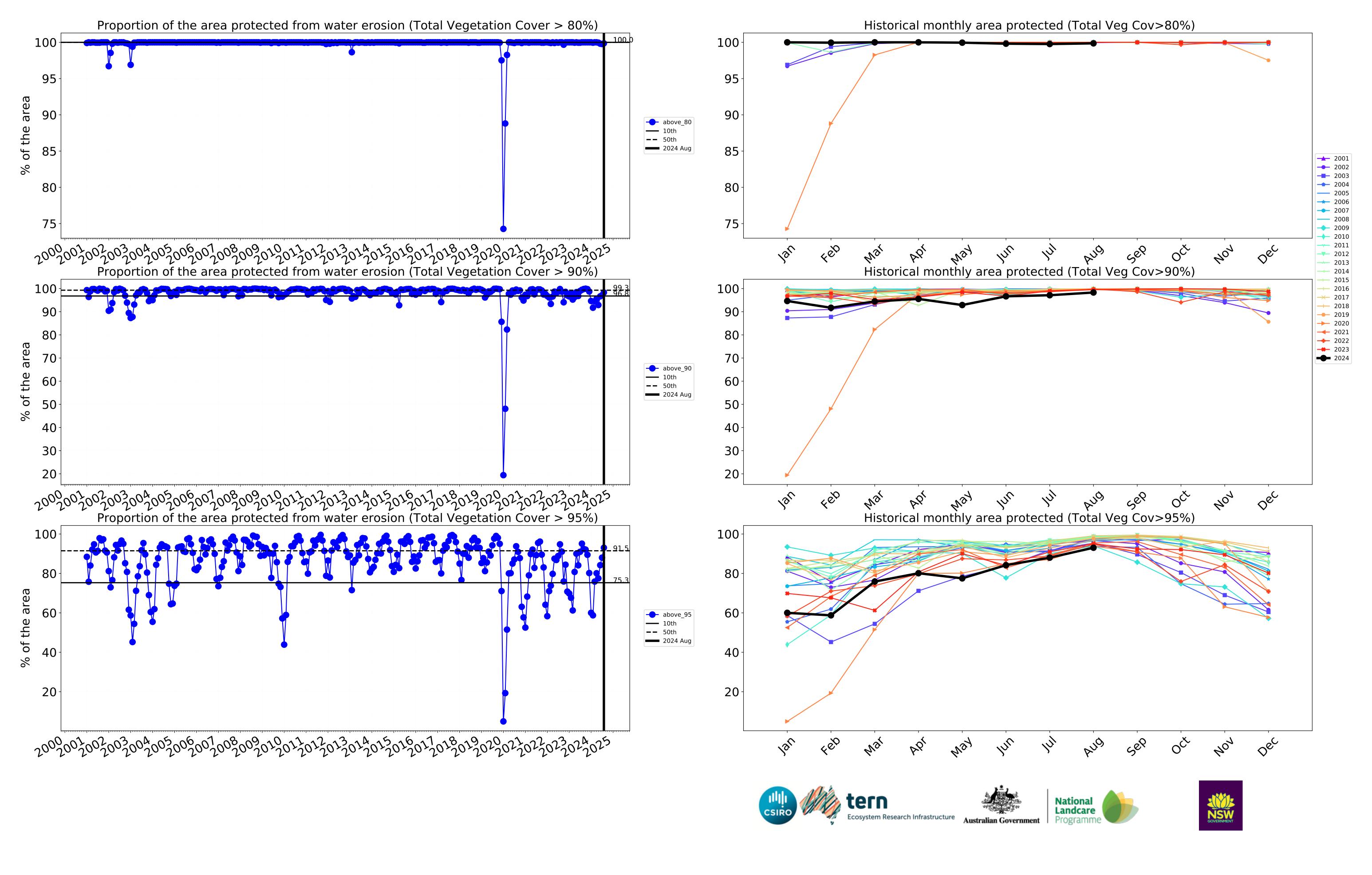
Production native forests and plantation forests timeseries



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



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



Shoalhaven_(C) (445,700 ha and no data 11,097 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	445,700	100.0% 445,625	99.9% 445,375	99.3% 442,425	97.5% 434,750	88.1% 392,650	66.8% 297,900
Conservation and natural environments	298,000	100.0% 298,000	100.0% 297,925	99.8% 297,400	99.3% 295,975	93.5% 278,700	71.2% 212,300
Conservation and natural environments non forest	6,100	100.0% 6,100	99.6% 6,075	96.7% 5,900	93.4% 5,700	76.6% 4,675	51.2% 3,125
Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest	184,225	100.0% 184,225	100.0% 184,225	99.9% 184,100	99.6% 183,450	93.9% 173,075	70.0% 129,000
Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)	107,675	100.0% 107,675	100.0% 107,625	99.7% 107,400	99.2% 106,825	93.8% 100,950	74.5% 80,175
Agriculture	62,200	100.0% 62,200	100.0% 62,200	99.8% 62,100	96.7% 60,150	72.0% 44,775	43.9% 27,275
Grazing	56,800	100.0% 56,800	100.0% 56,800	99.9% 56,750	98.1% 55,700	77.5% 44,025	47.7% 27,100
Grazing non forest	33,100	100.0% 33,100	100.0% 33,100	99.8% 33,050	96.9% 32,075	65.2% 21,575	27.6% 9,125
Grazing Woodland forest	13,100	100.0% 13,100	100.0% 13,100	100.0% 13,100	99.8% 13,075	97.1% 12,725	82.4% 10,800
Grazing - Forest (non woodland)	10,600	100.0% 10,600	100.0% 10,600	100.0% 10,600	99.5% 10,550	91.7% 9,725	67.7% 7,175
Irrigation	5,275	100.0% 5,275	100.0% 5,275	99.1% 5,225	82.0% 4,325	12.3% 650	2.8% 150
Production native forests and plantation forests	53,150	100.0% 53,150	100.0% 53,150	100.0% 53,150	99.9% 53,075	98.3% 52,250	93.0% 49,450

