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

Date: November 2022

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

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

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

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

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

Erosion protection: Wind erosion 50% total vegetation cover

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

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

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

Erosion protection

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

Rainfall

• Millimetres rainfall each month (black line).

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

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

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

Acknowledgment of data:

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

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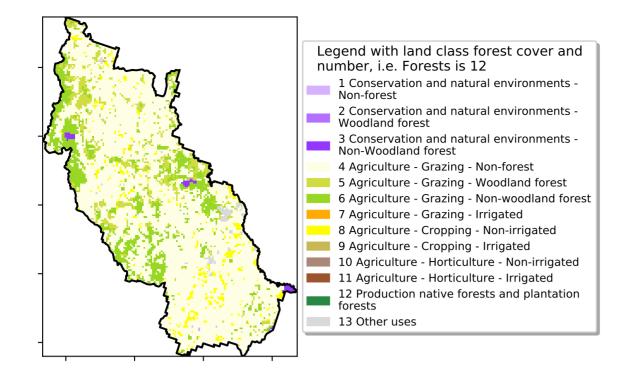


Vegetation Cover Nov 2022

Land use and forest cover

Proportion of each land class in area

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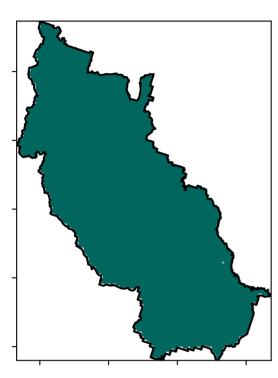
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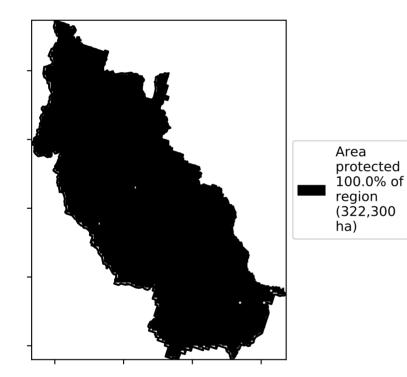
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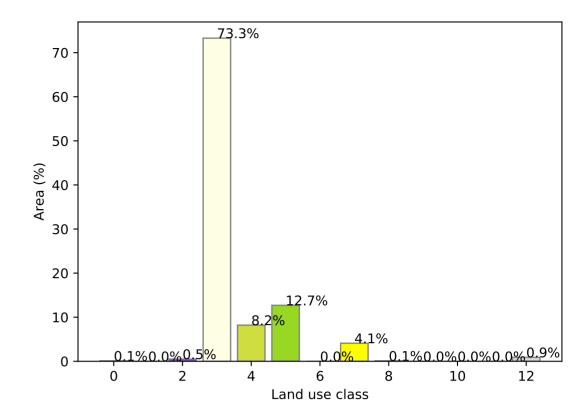
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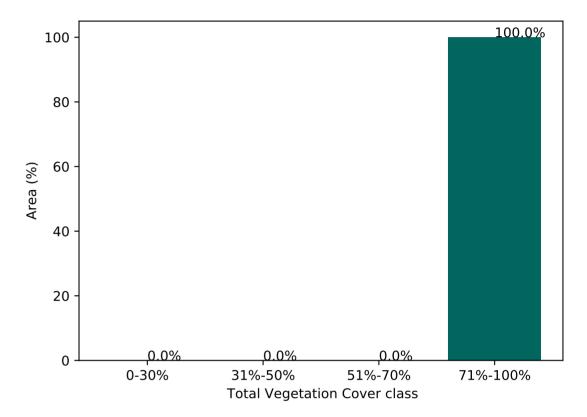


% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)

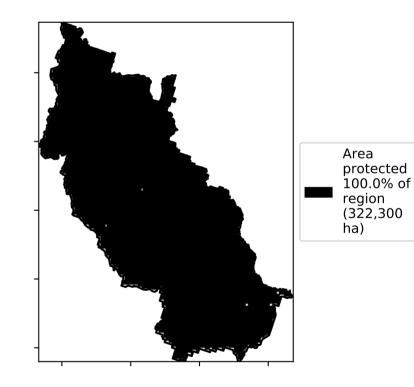




Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

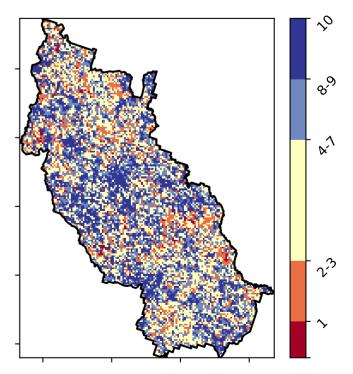


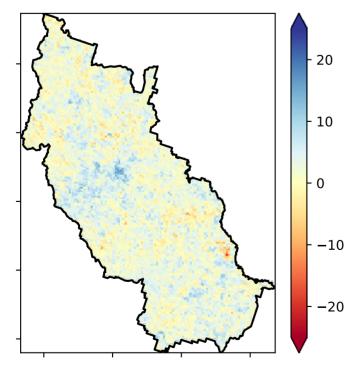
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Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]

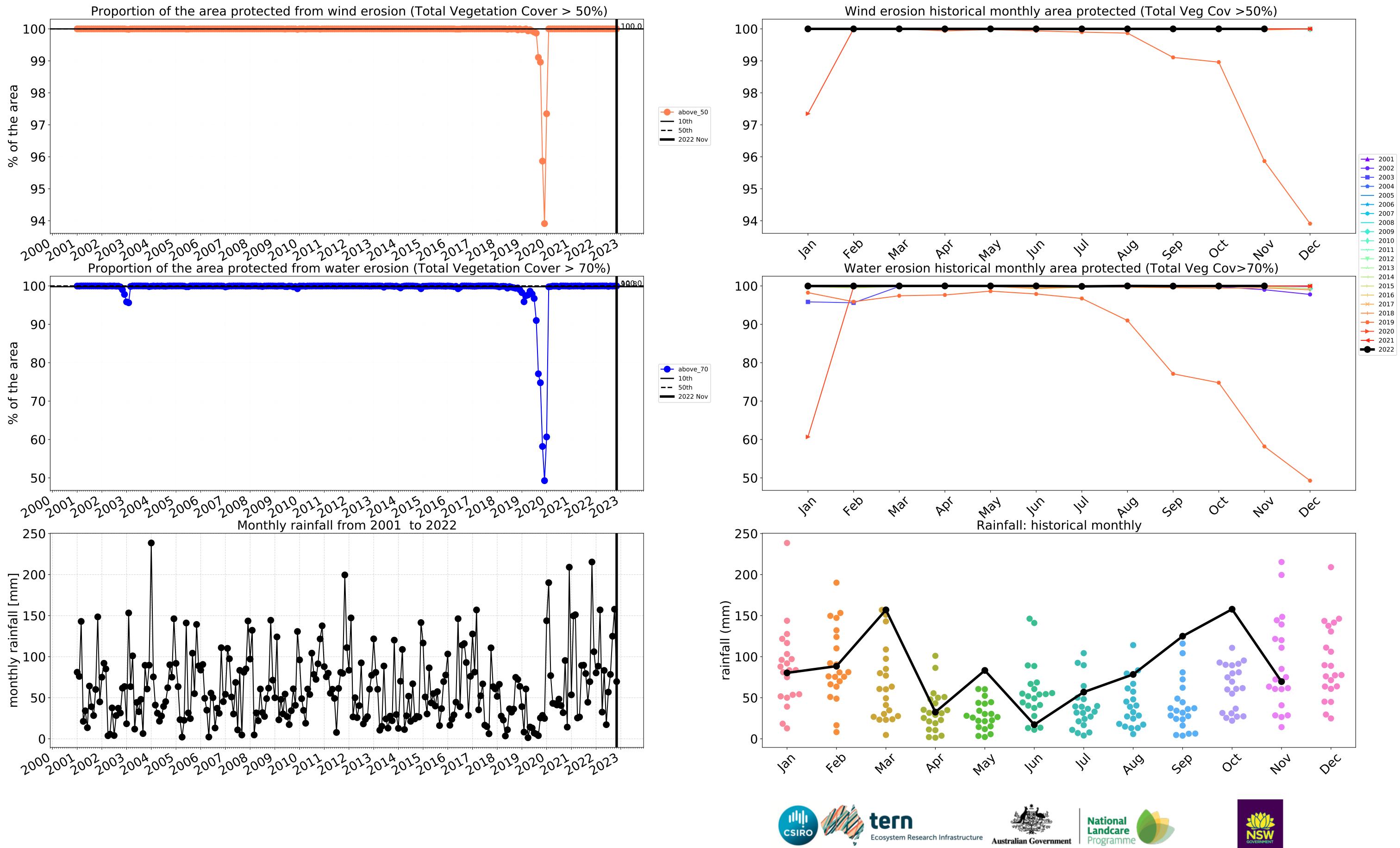


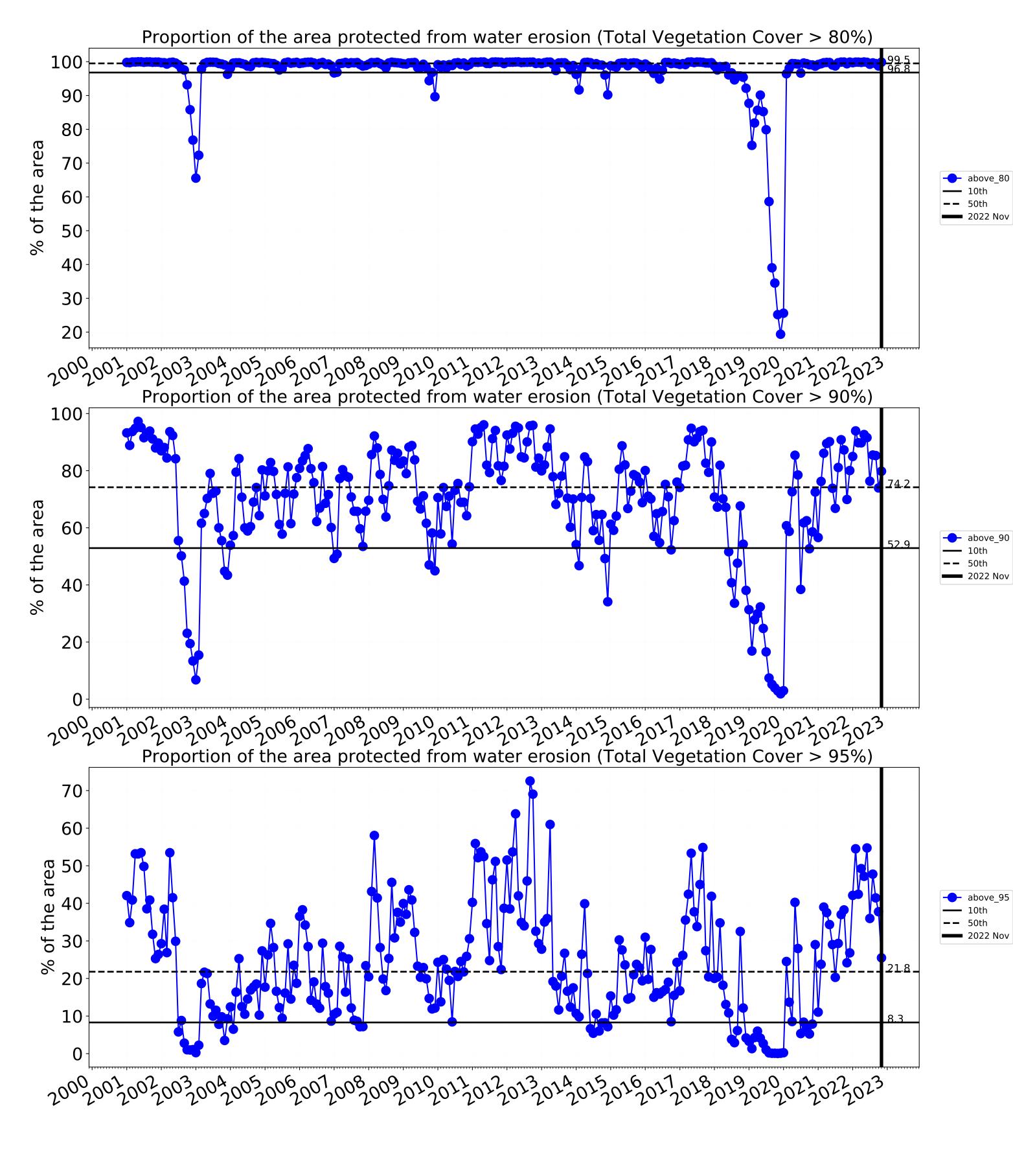


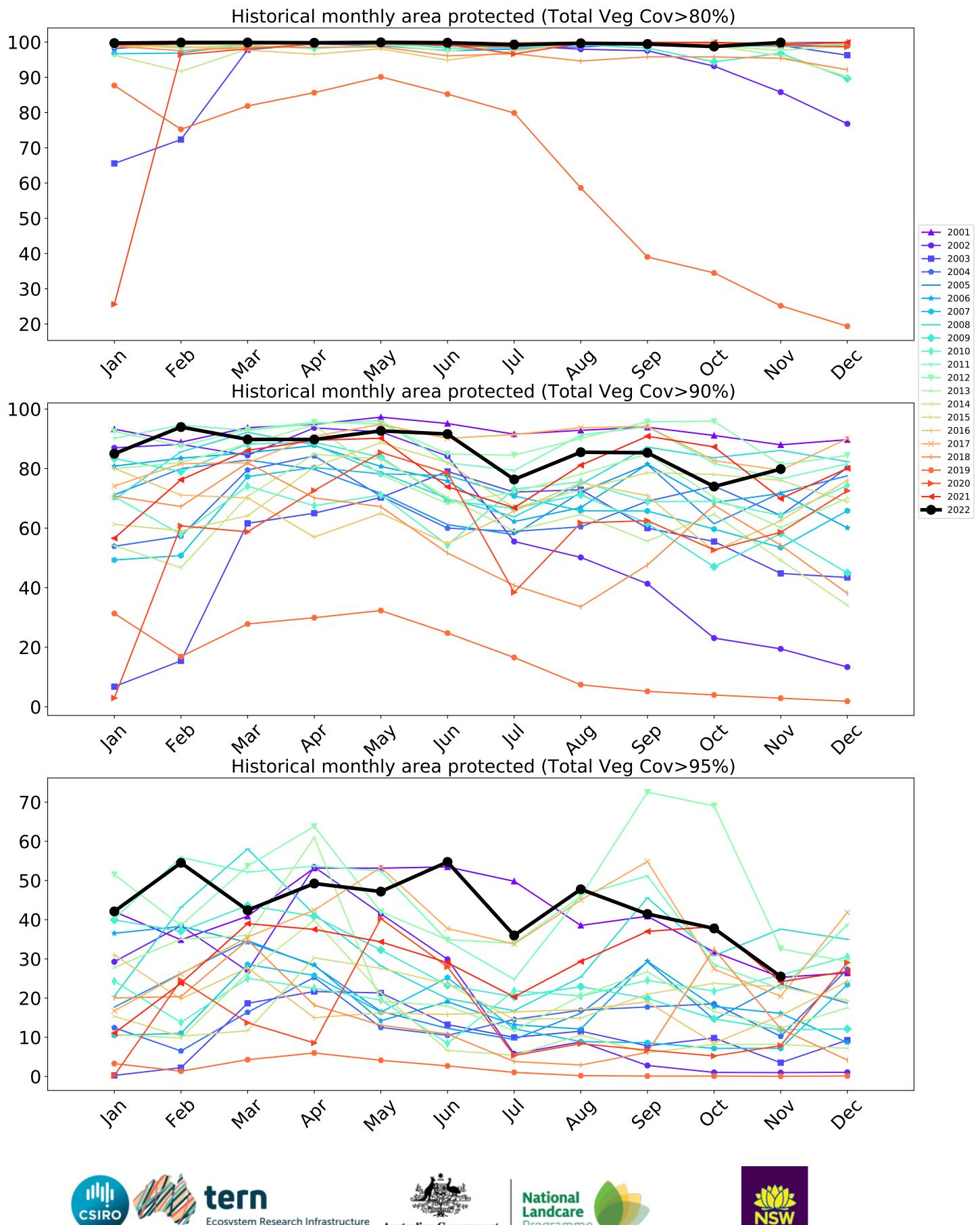
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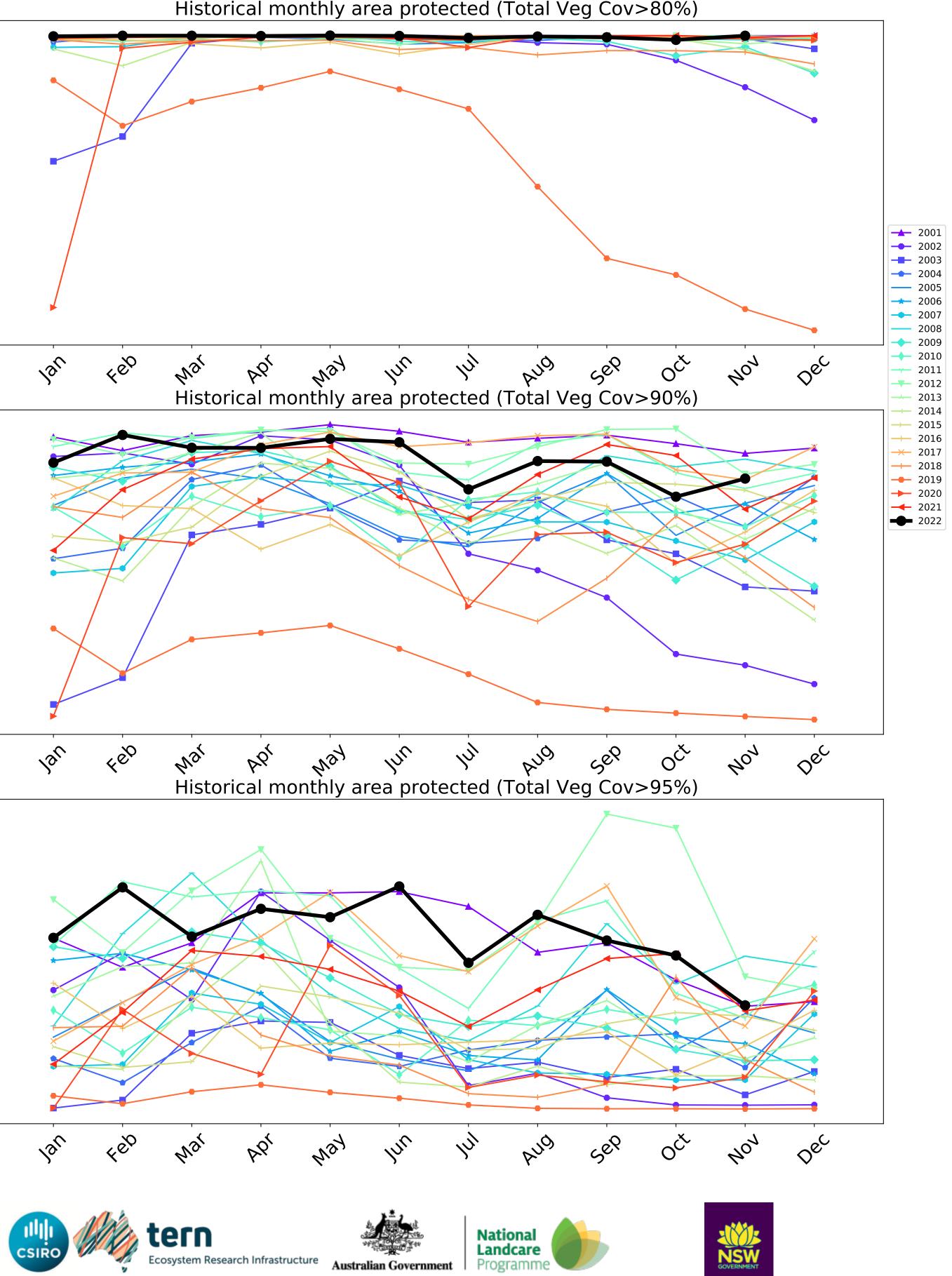


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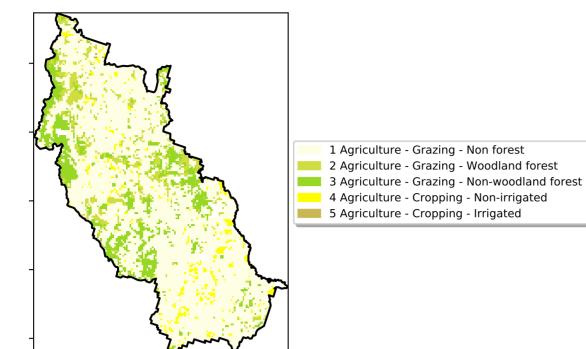




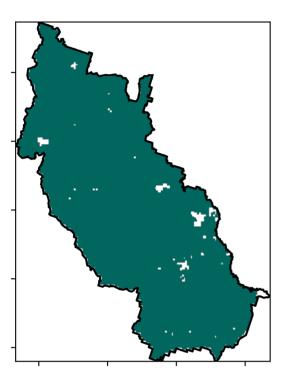


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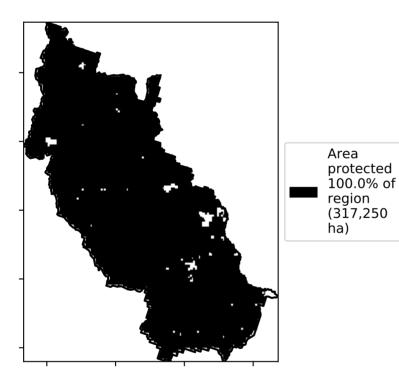
Land use and forest cover

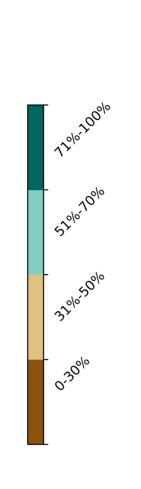


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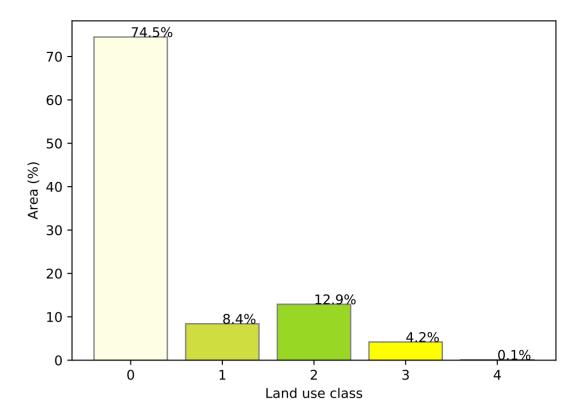


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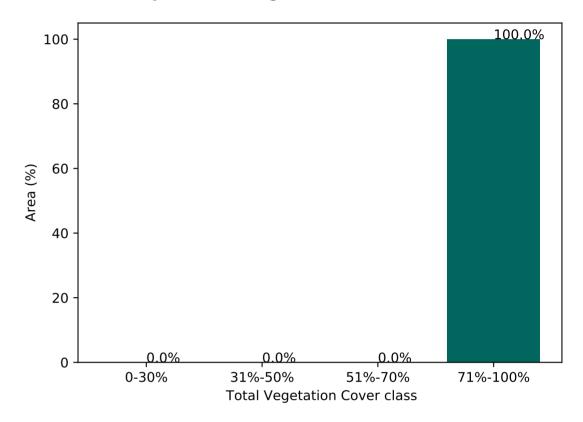
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Proportion of each land class in area

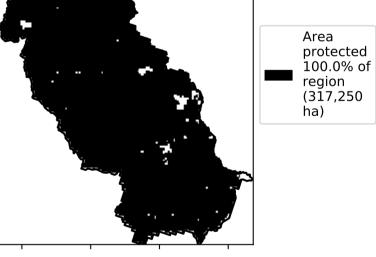


Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

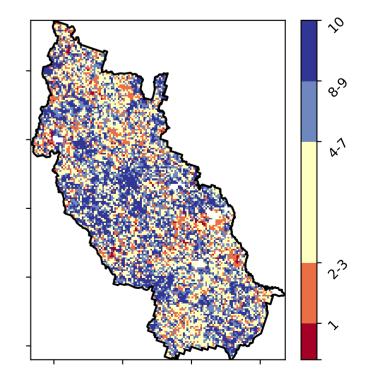


% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)





Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]



Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

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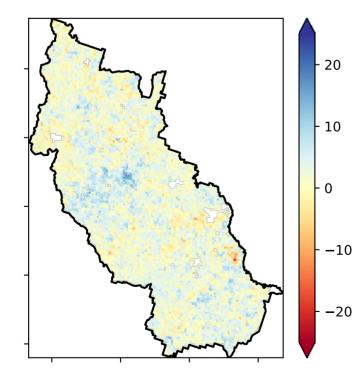
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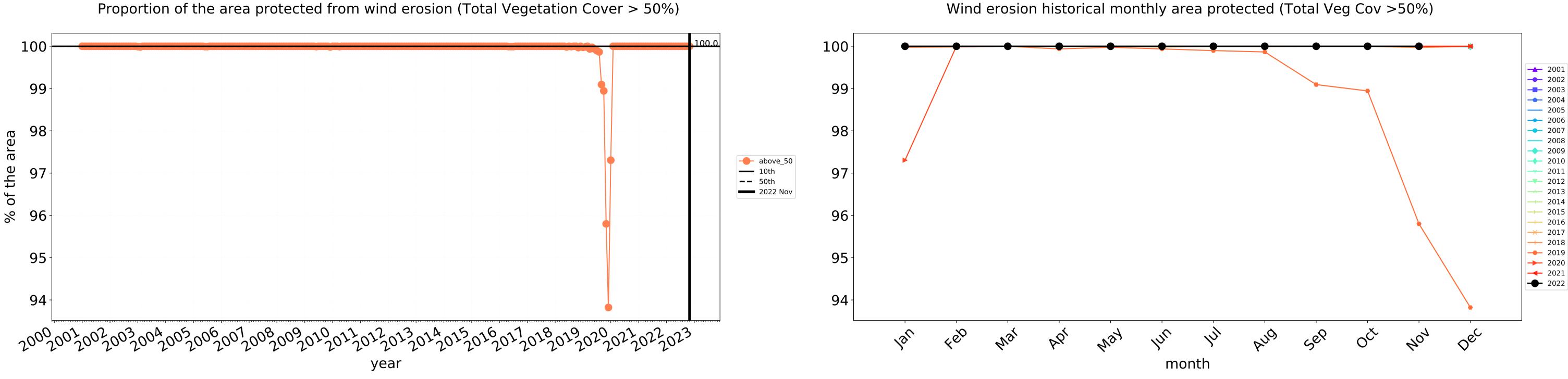
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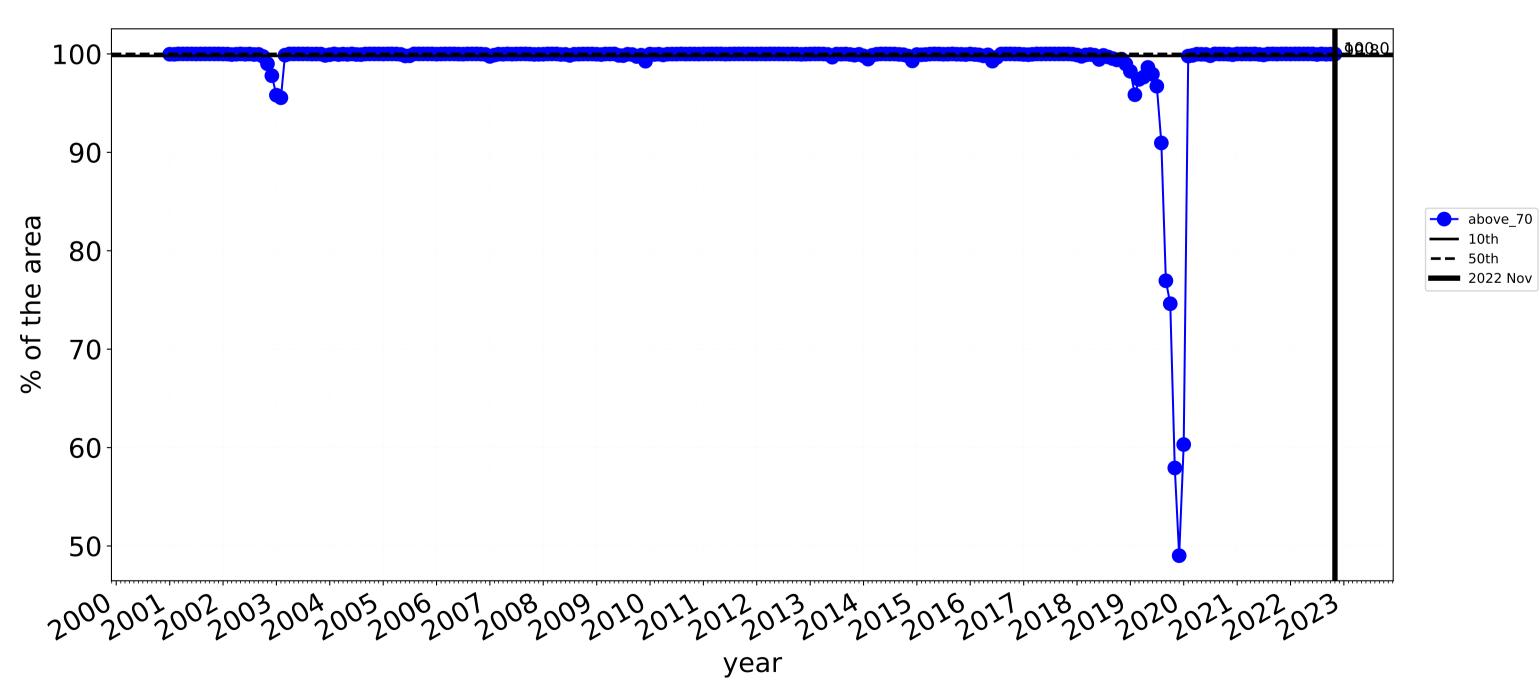


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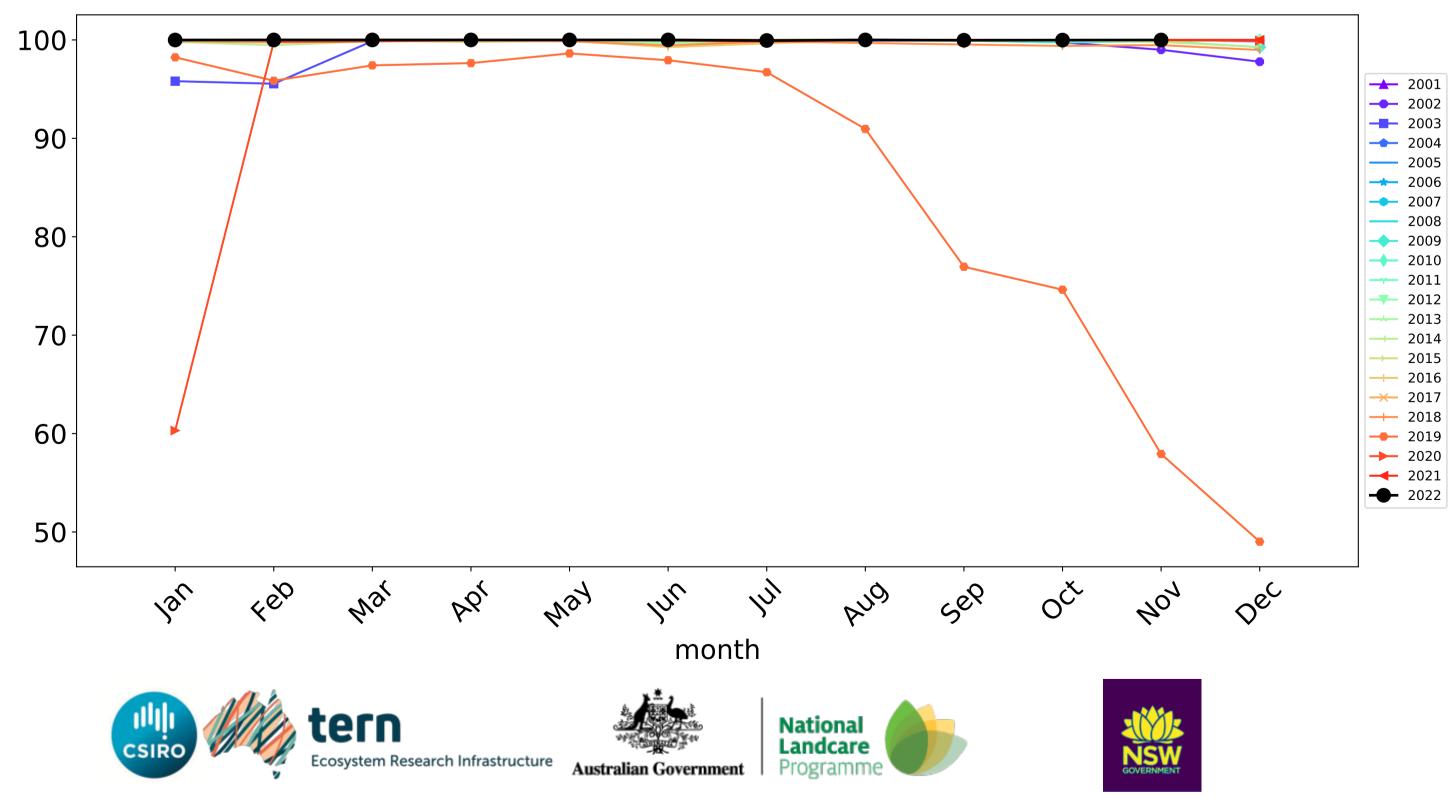


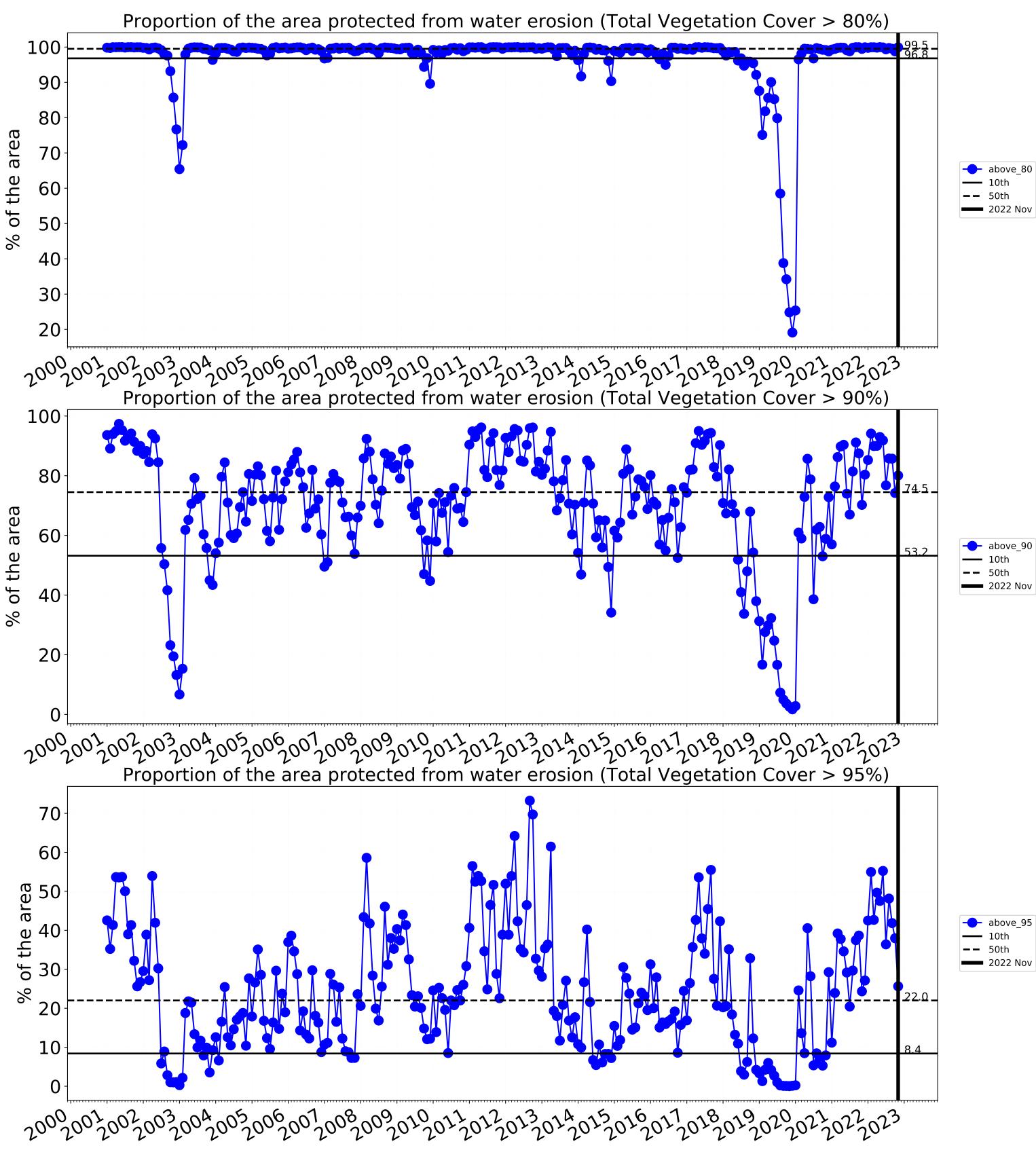
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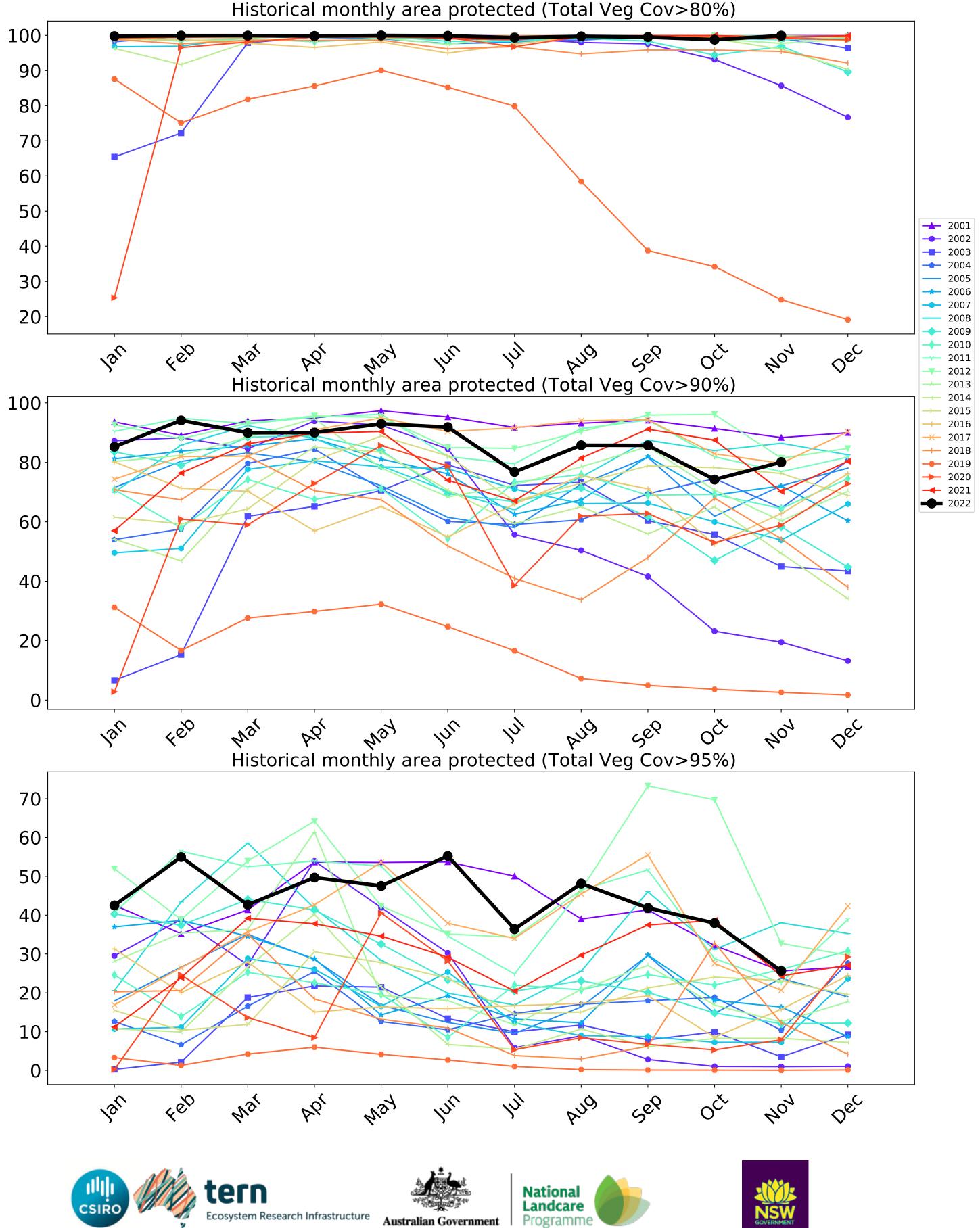


Agriculture timeseries

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



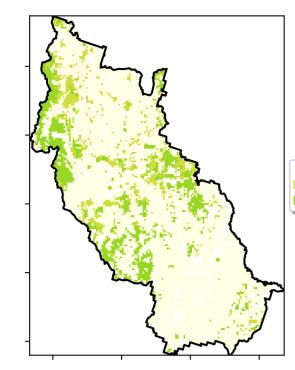




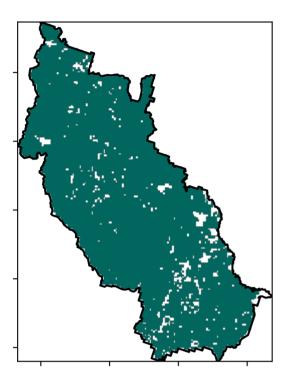


Grazing

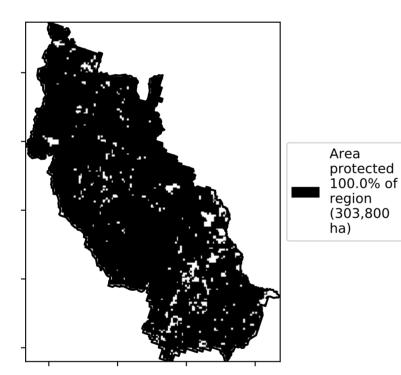
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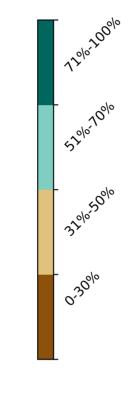


Total Vegetation Cover [%]



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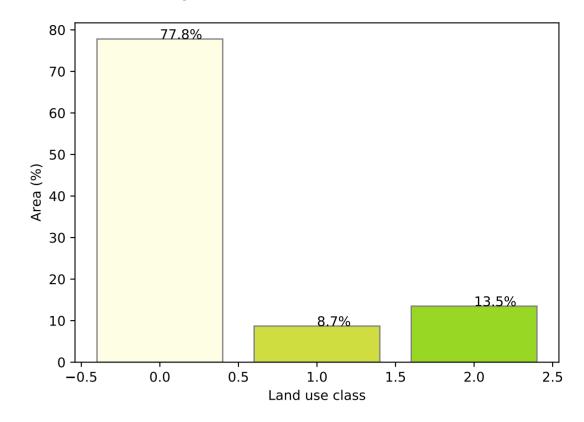


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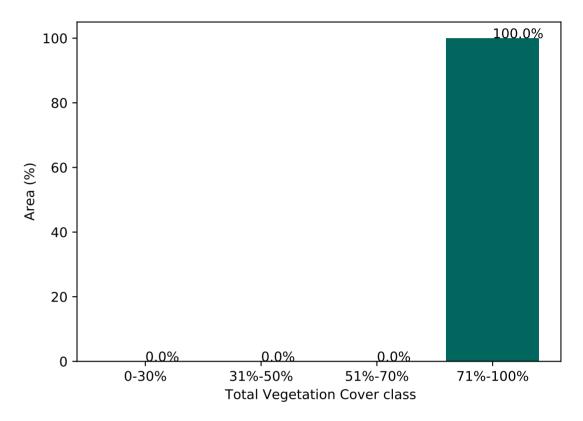
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Proportion of each land class in area



Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



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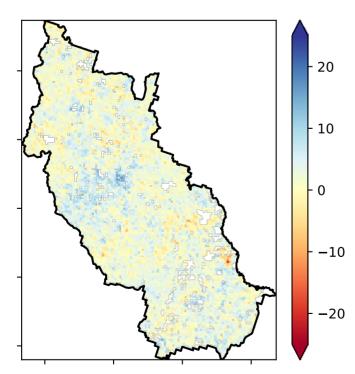
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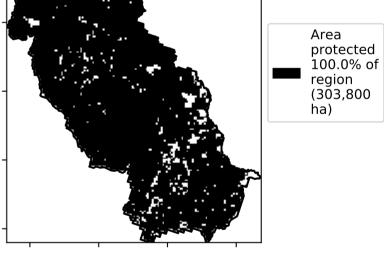
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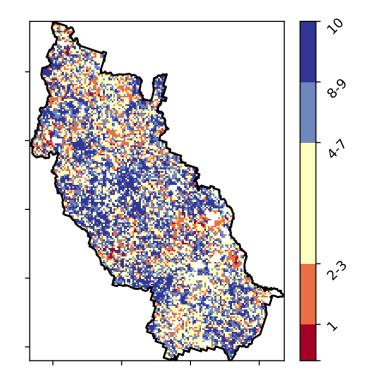
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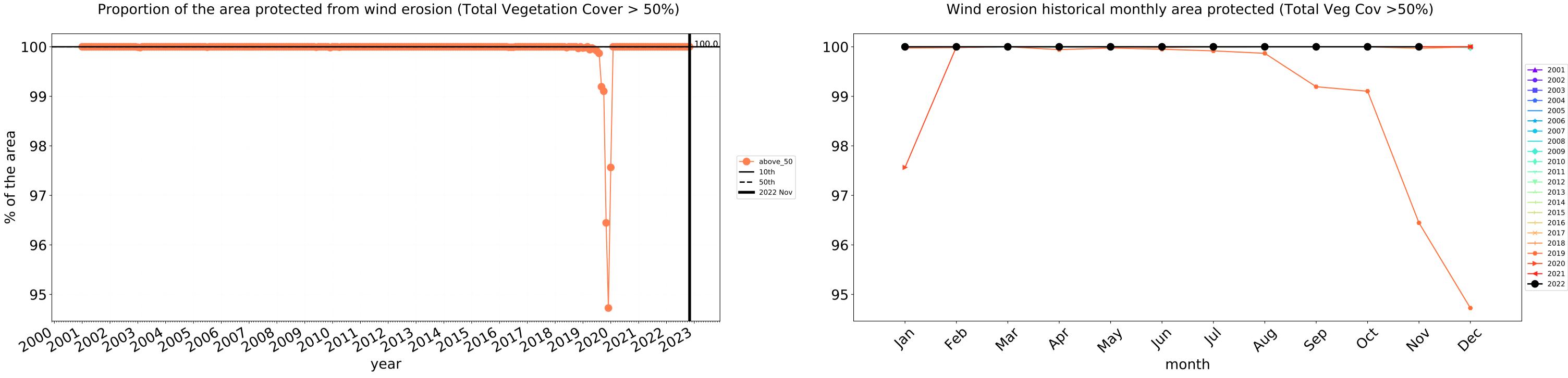
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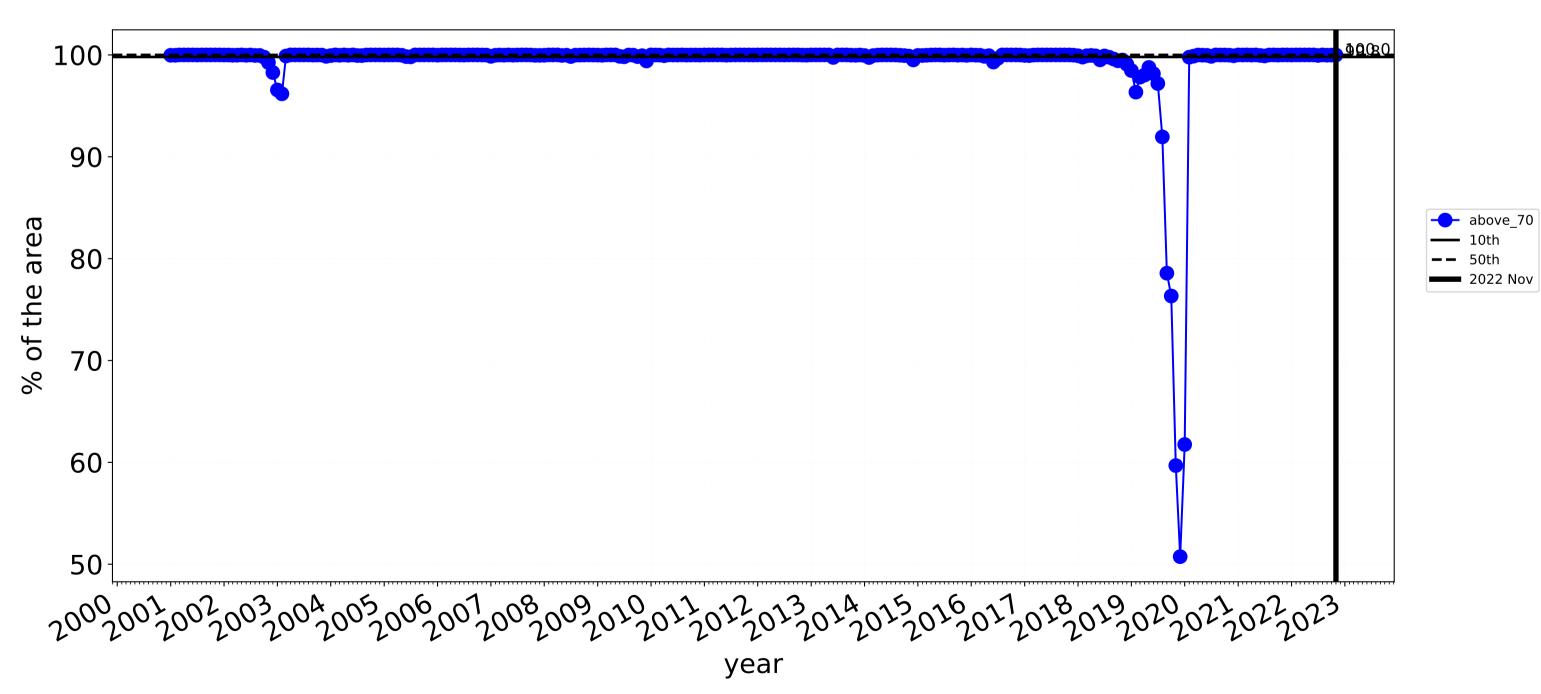


Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]





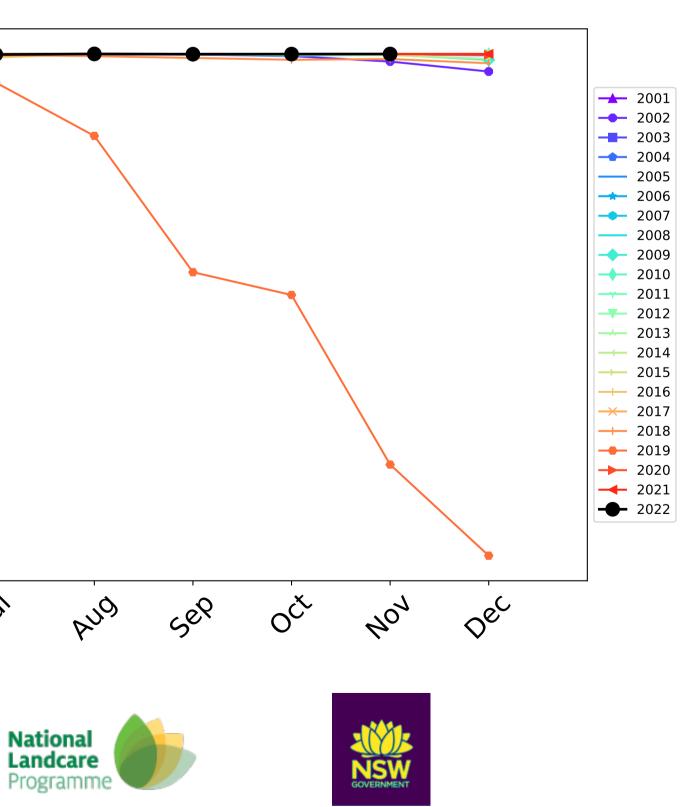


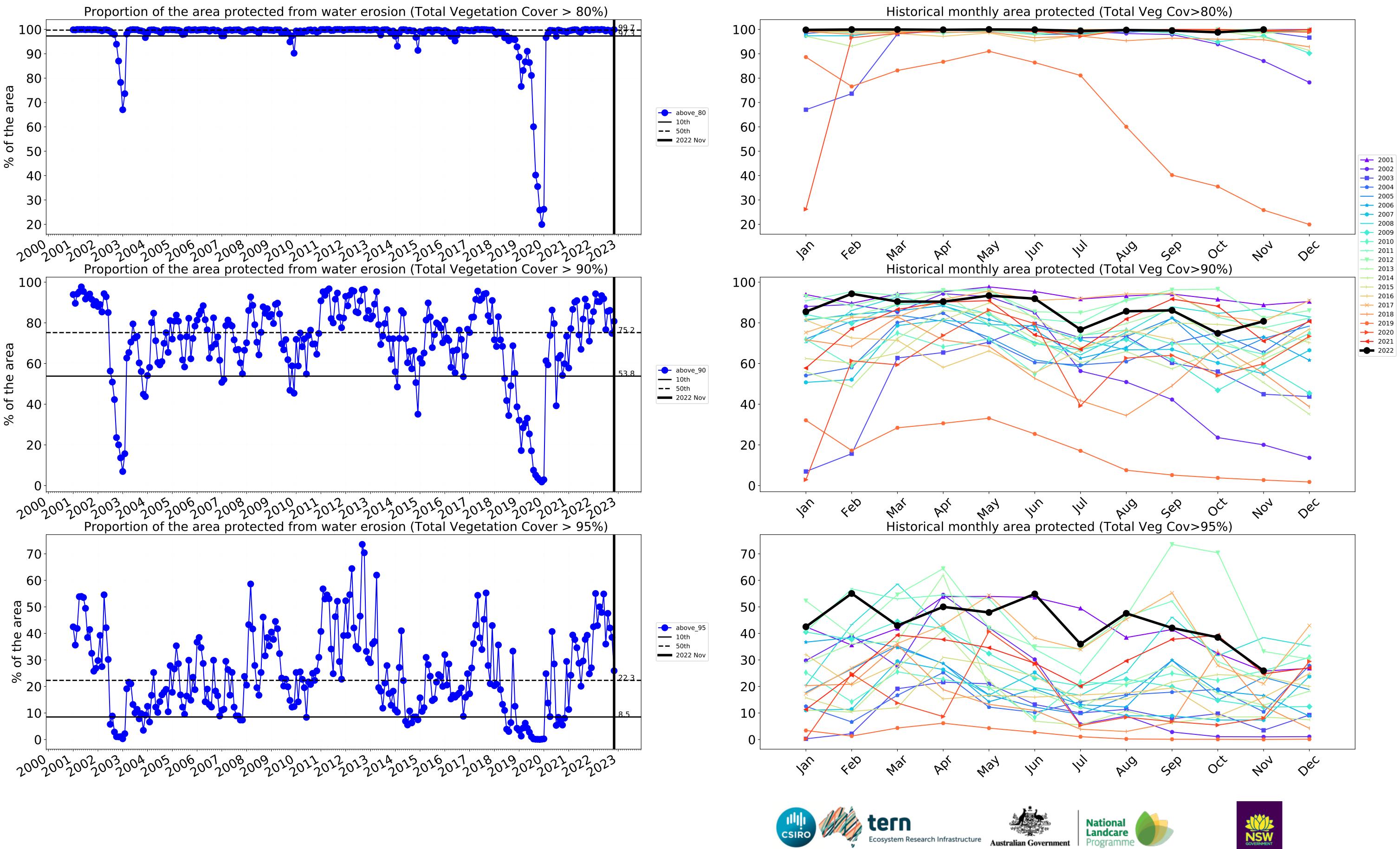


Grazing timeseries

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

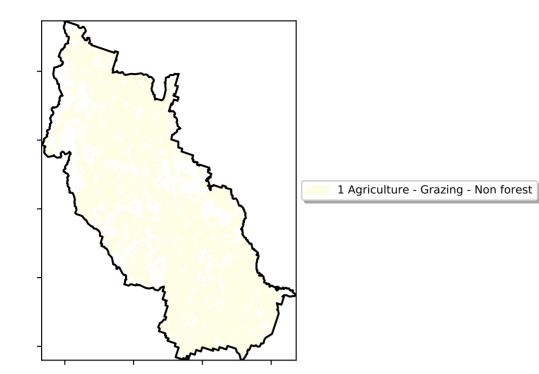




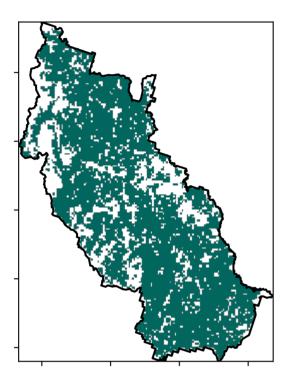
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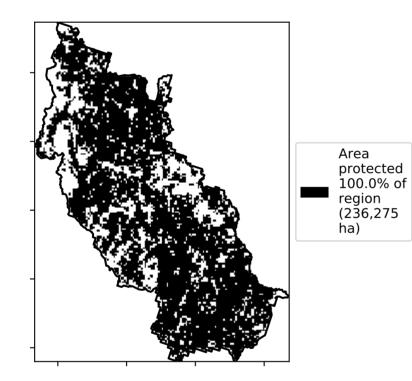
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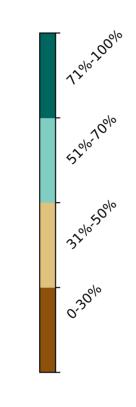


Total Vegetation Cover [%]

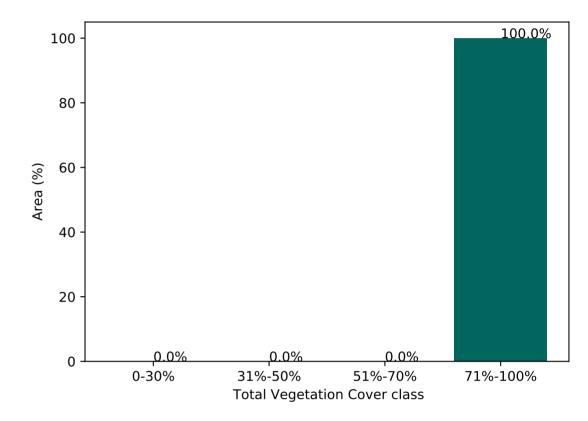


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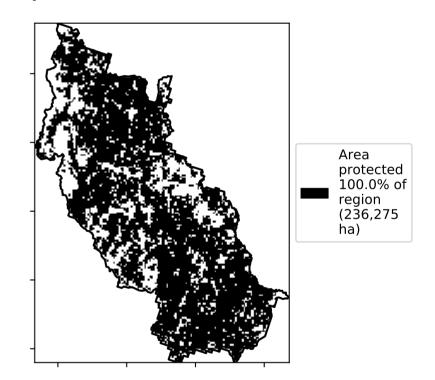




Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

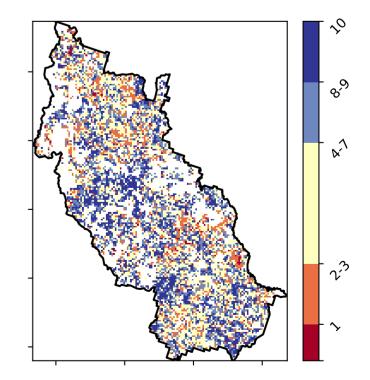


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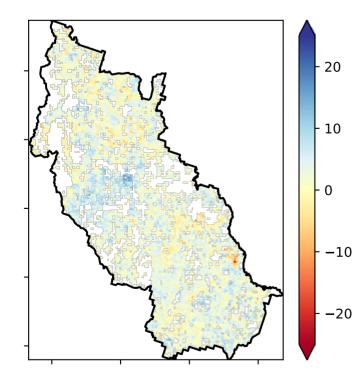
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Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]



Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

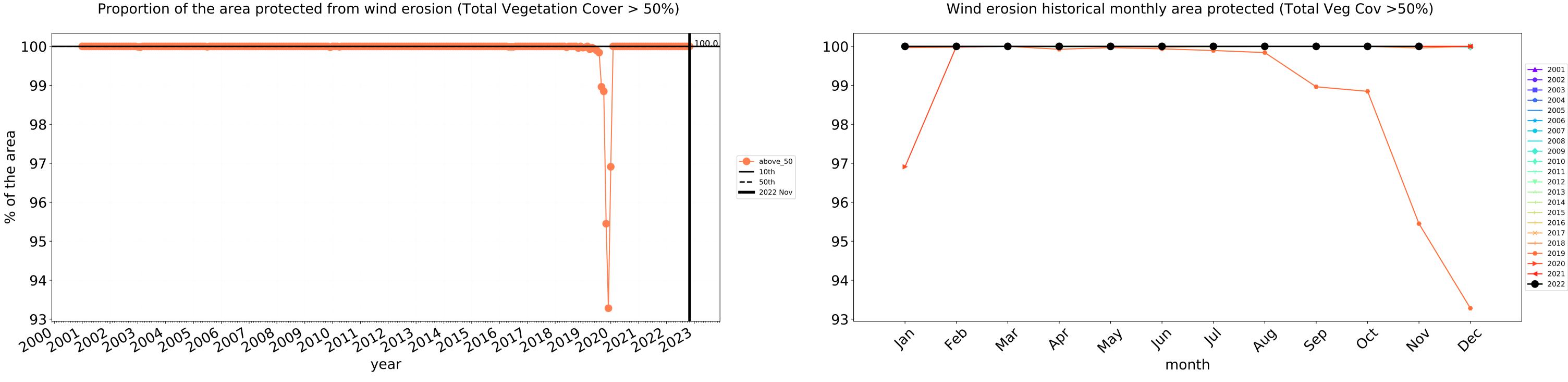
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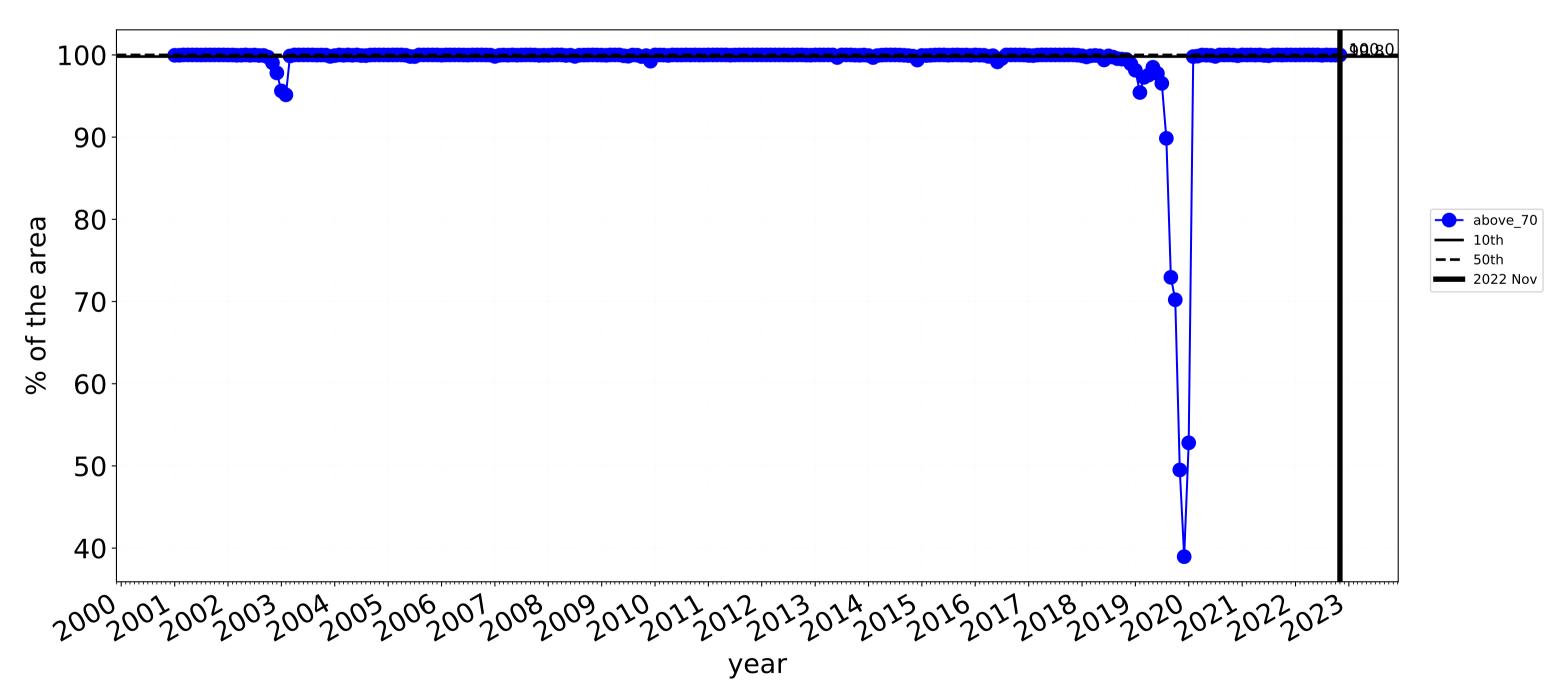


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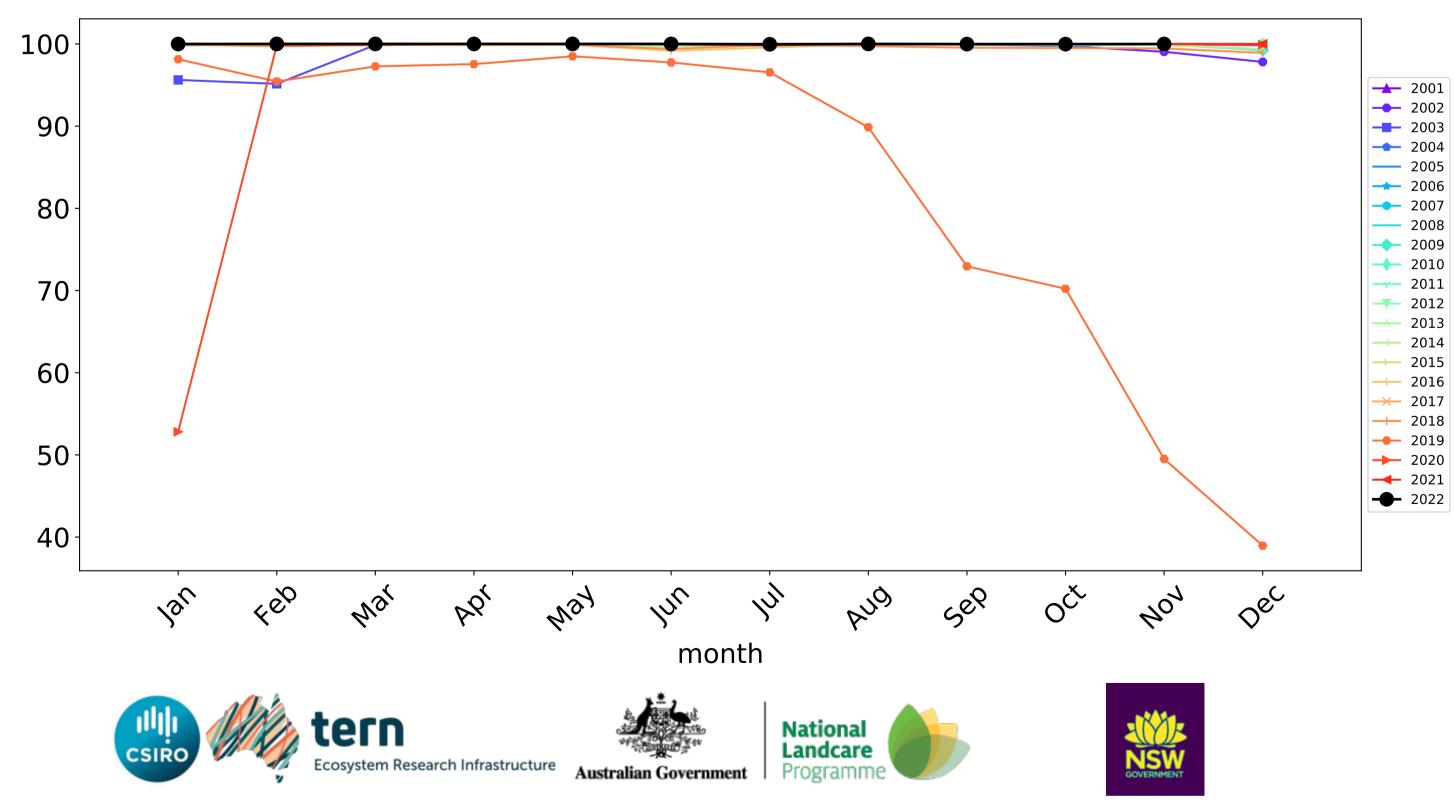


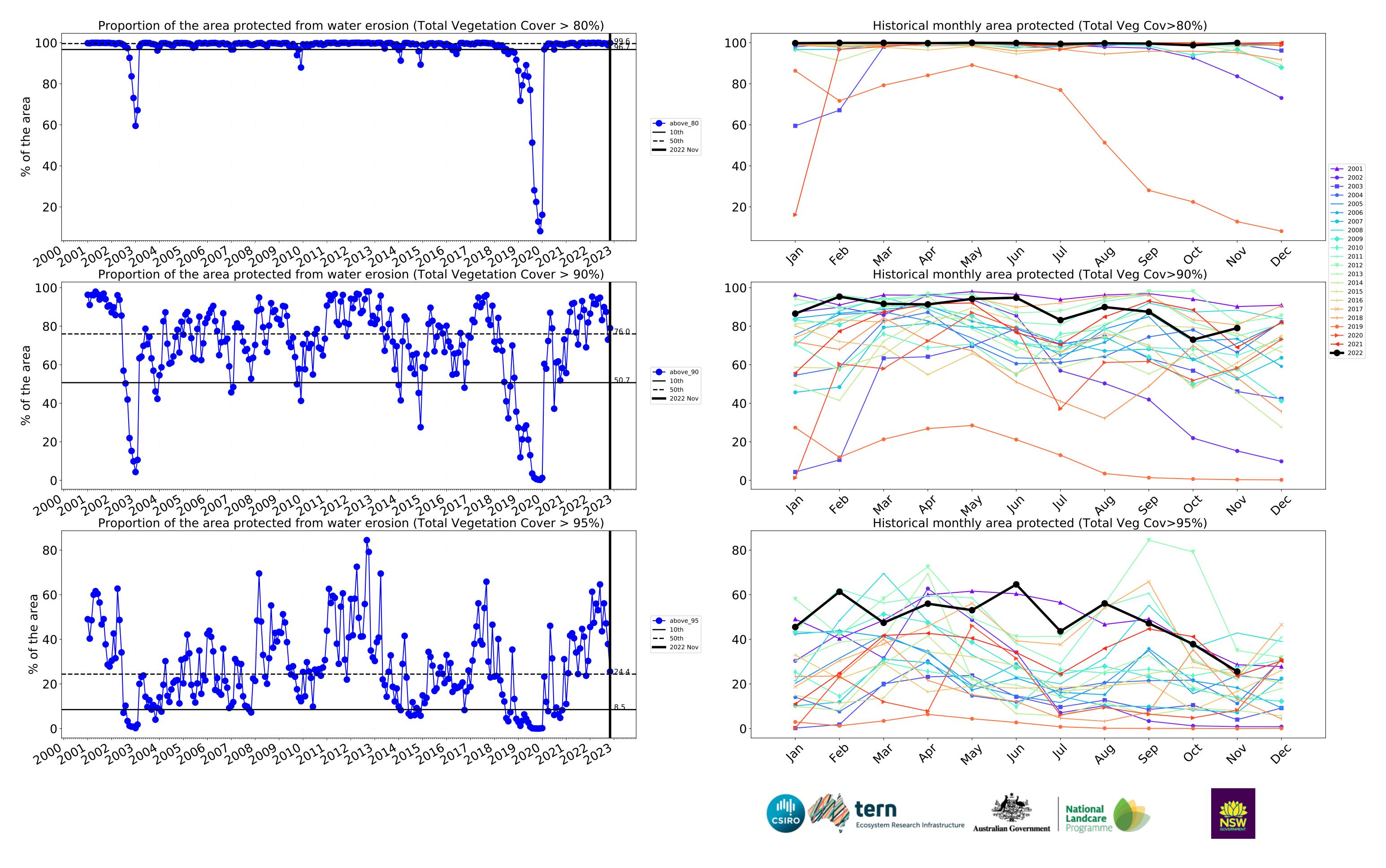




Grazing non forest timeseries

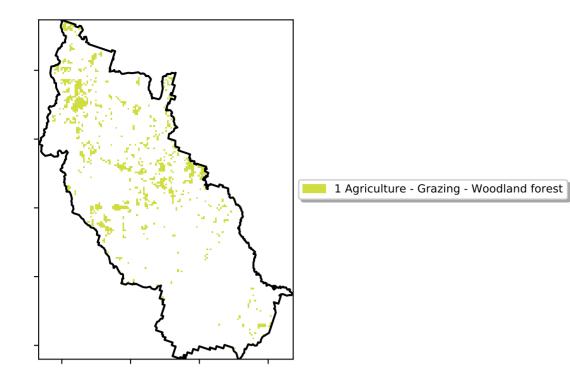
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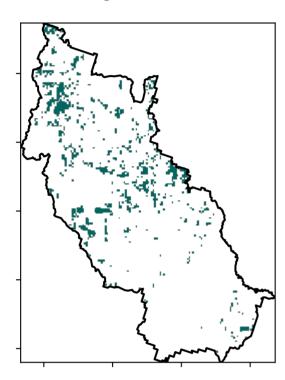


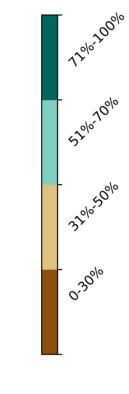
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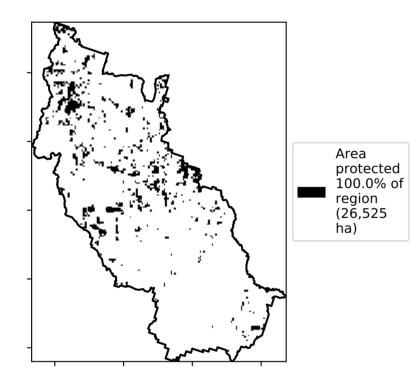


Total Vegetation Cover [%]





% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



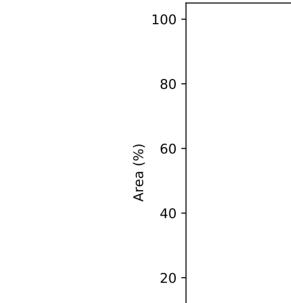
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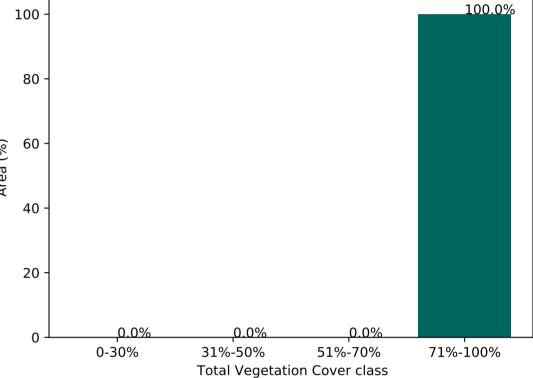
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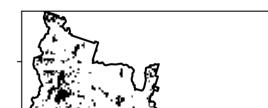
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Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



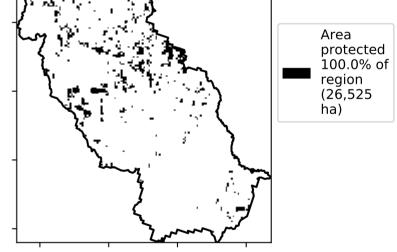
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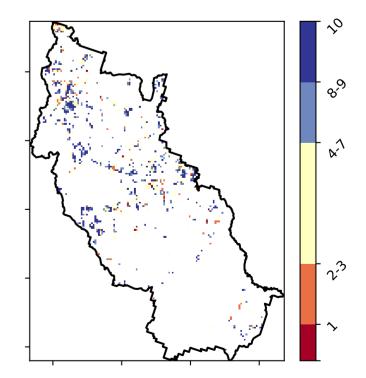
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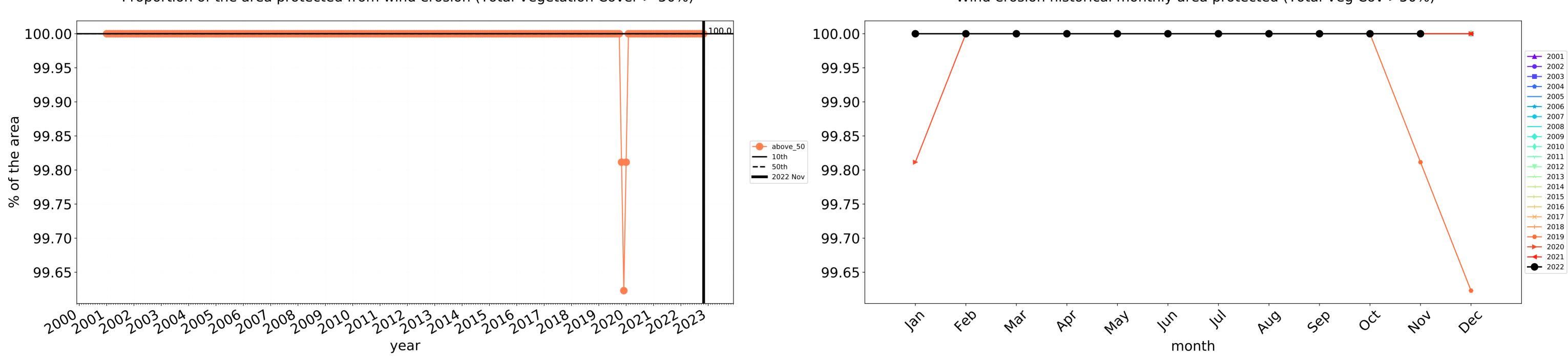


Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]

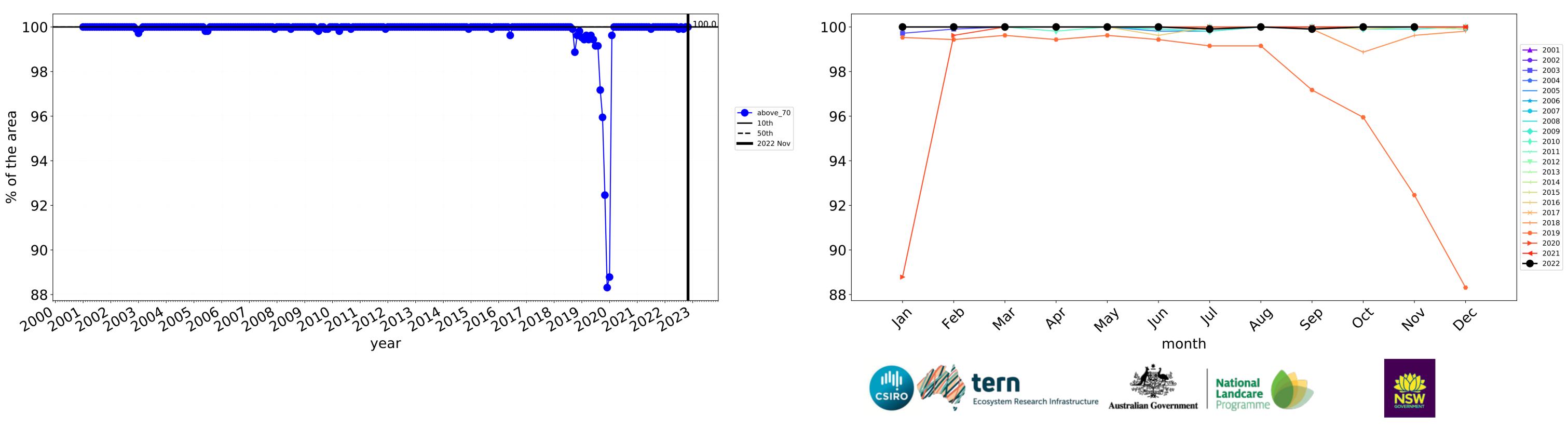




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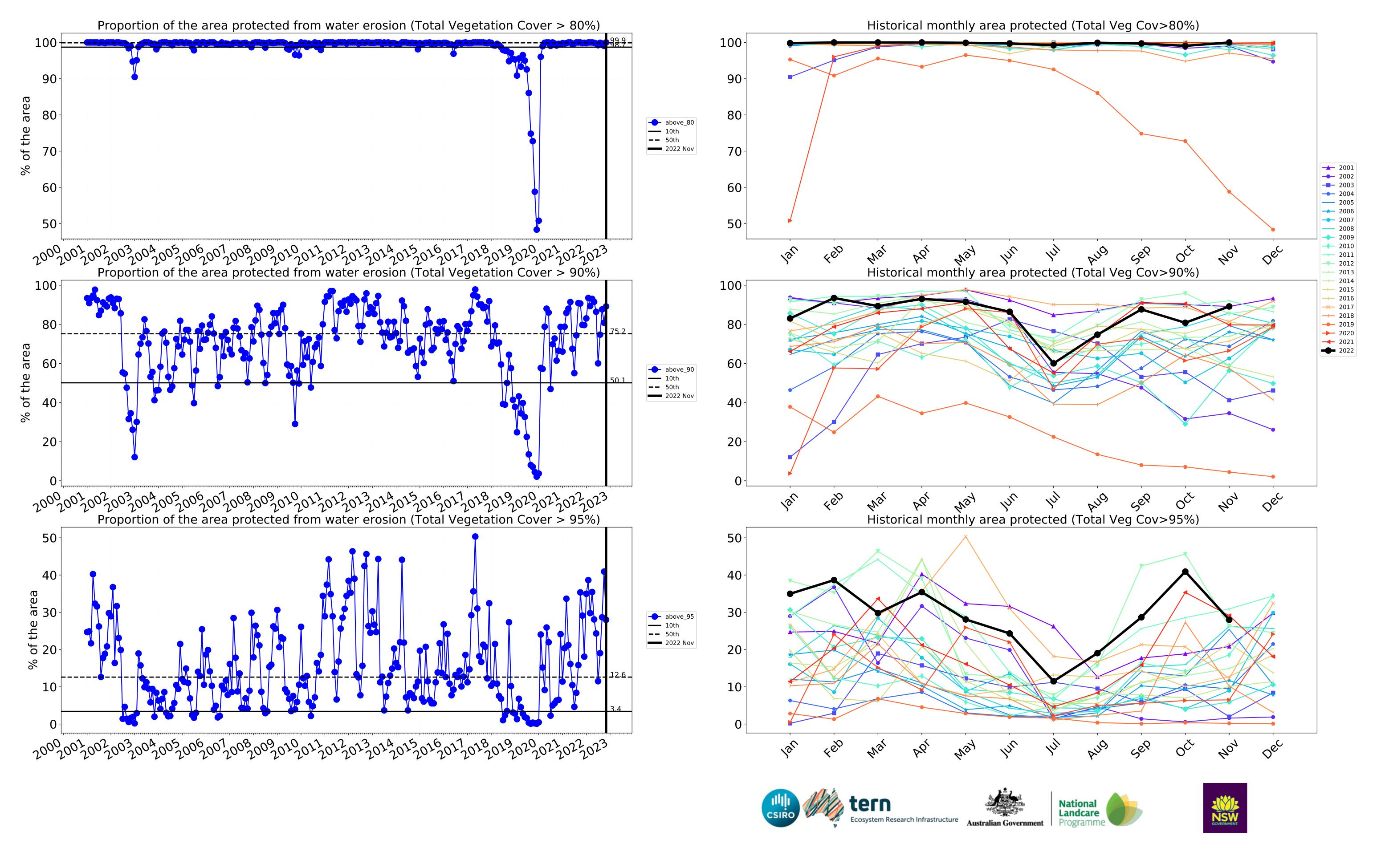


Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)



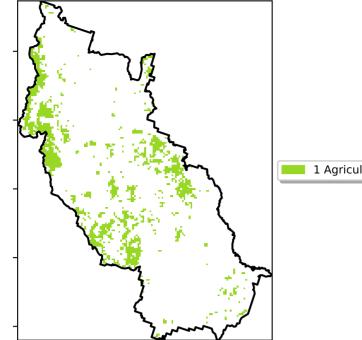
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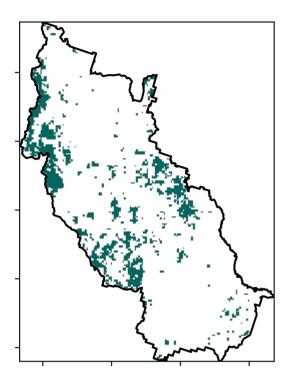
Grazing - Forest (non woodland)

Land use and forest cover

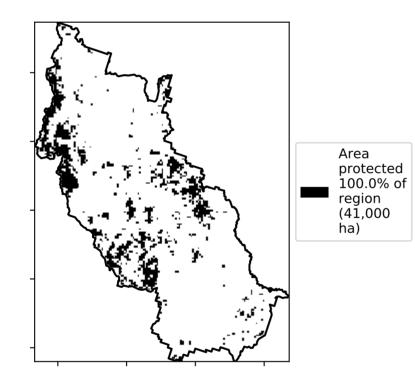


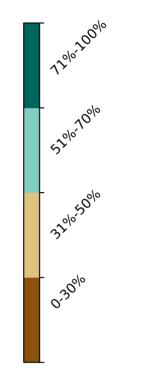
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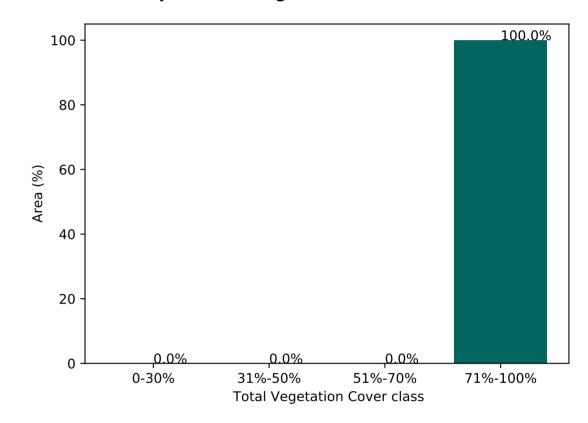




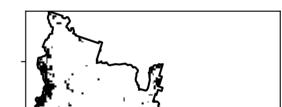




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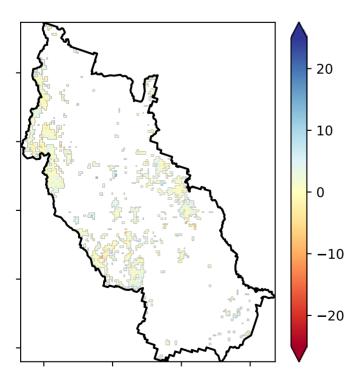
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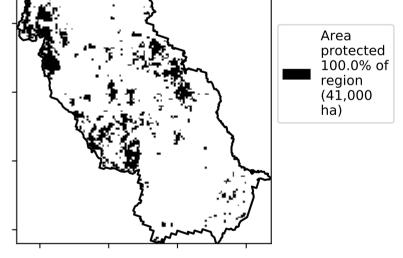
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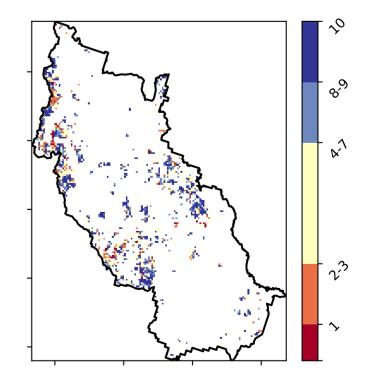
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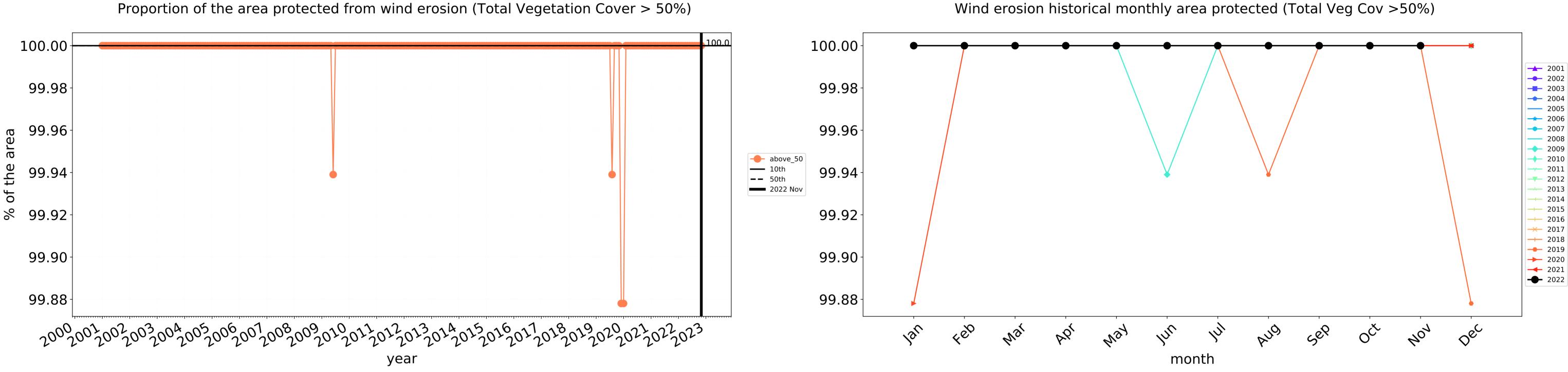
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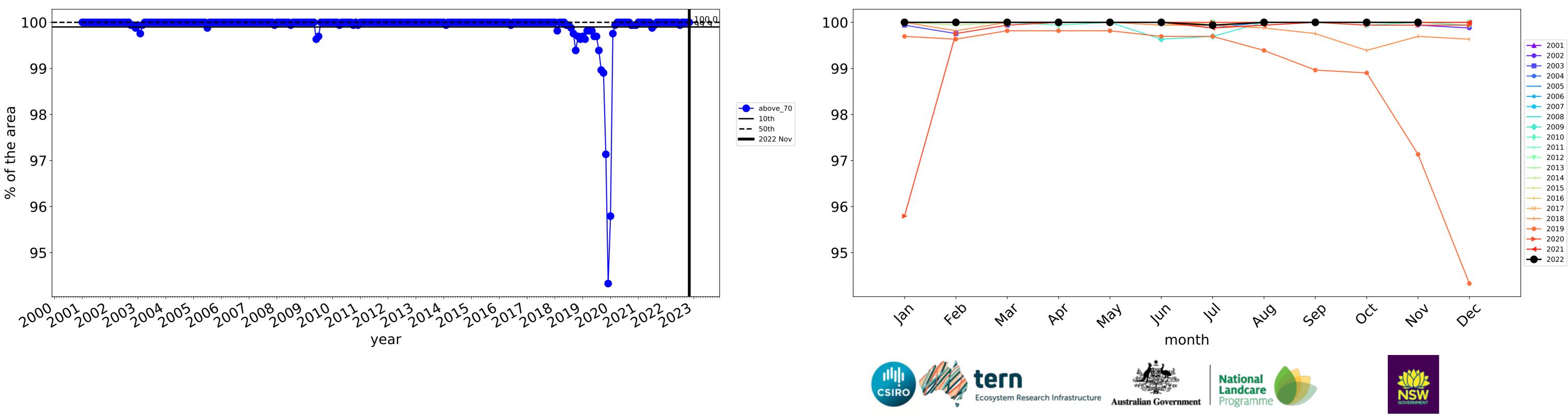
Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]



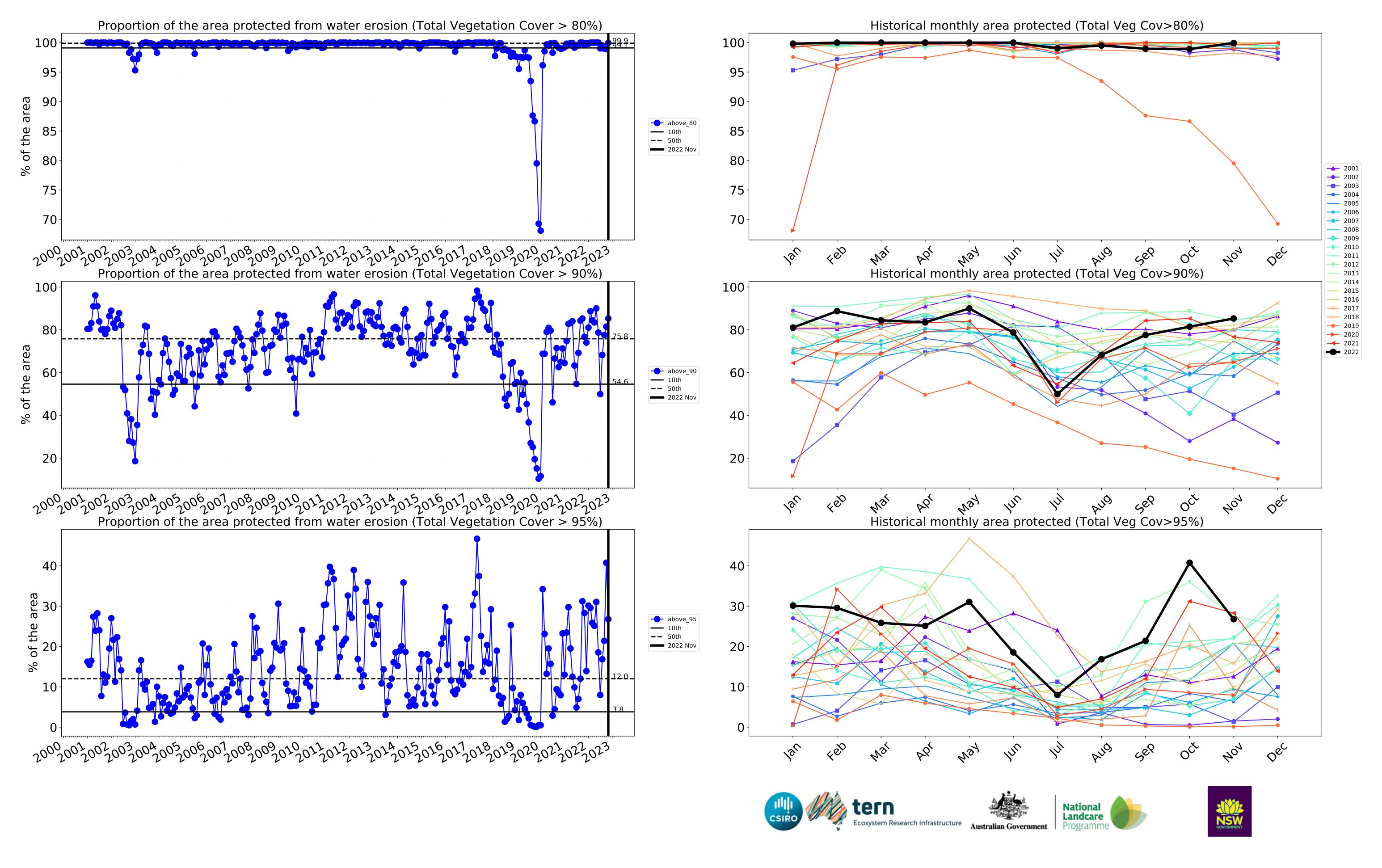




Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)

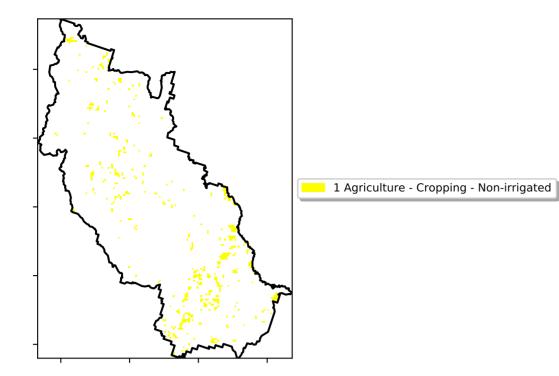


Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)

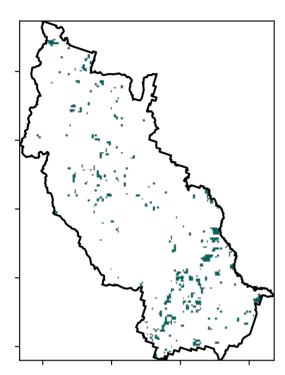


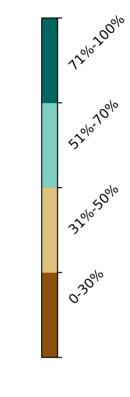
Cropping

Land use and forest cover

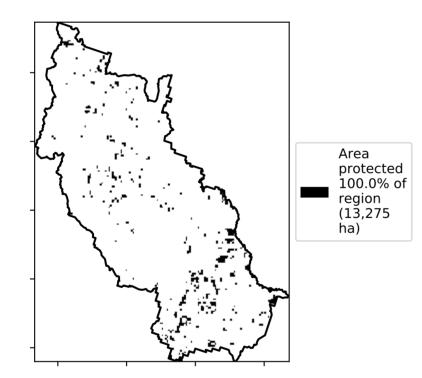


Total Vegetation Cover [%]



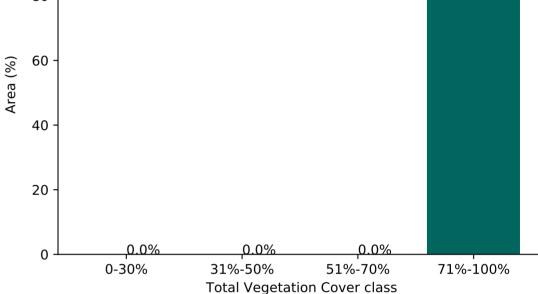


% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



80

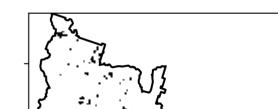
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Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

<u>100.0%</u>

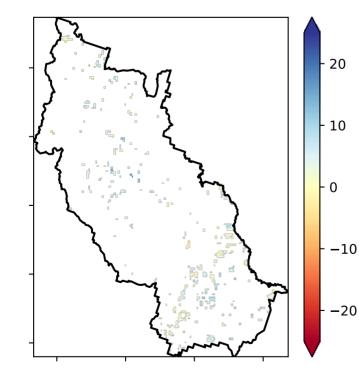
% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



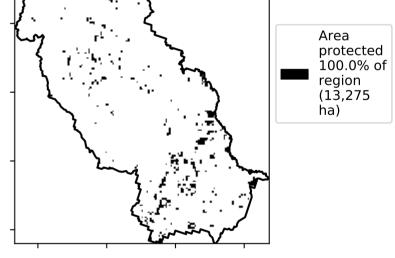
Catchment Scale Land Use and Forests of Australia (2018) Derived from Catchment Scale Land Use of Australia (2018) and Forests of Australia (2018)

Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

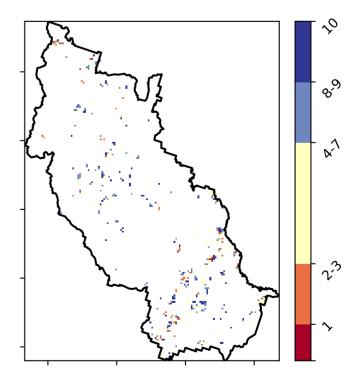
Anomaly show how many percetage points each pixel is from the mean. That is, red pixels are about 20% lower than the mean of that pixel. The mean is only for the month of the map using baseline from 2001 to 2019.



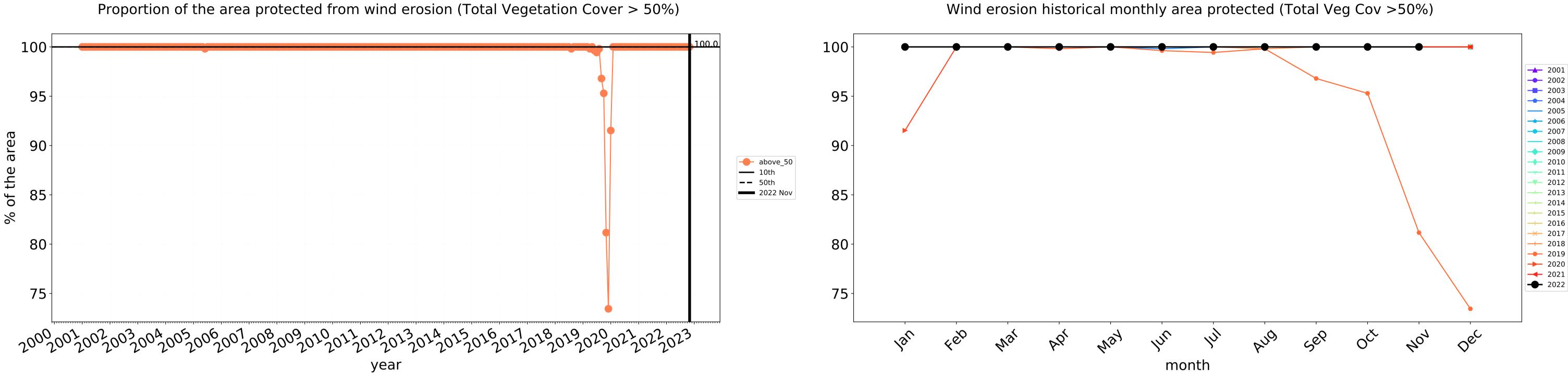
Deciles show where the pixel value lies in the record, from highest to lowest, for that month. That is, red pixels are in the lowest 10% of records for that month of the map using baseline from 2001 to 2019.

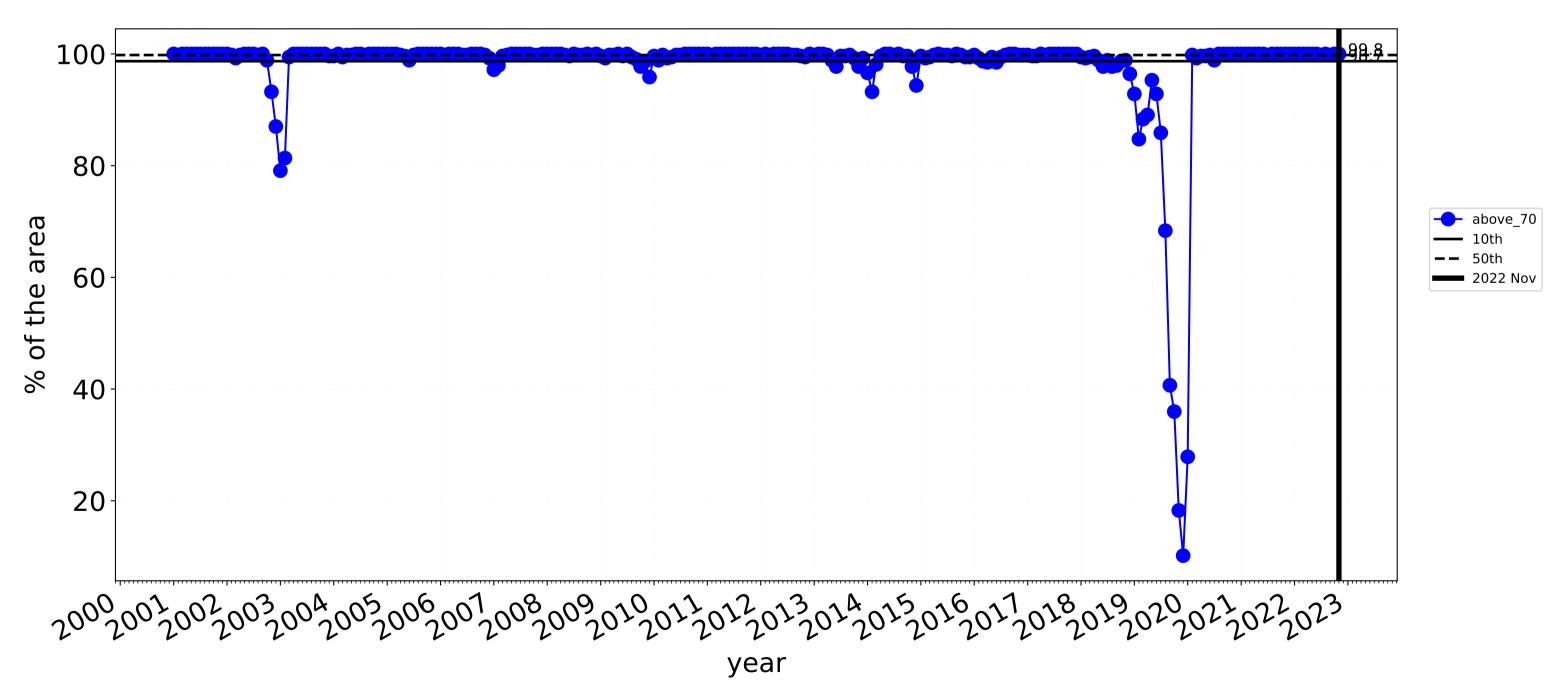


Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]



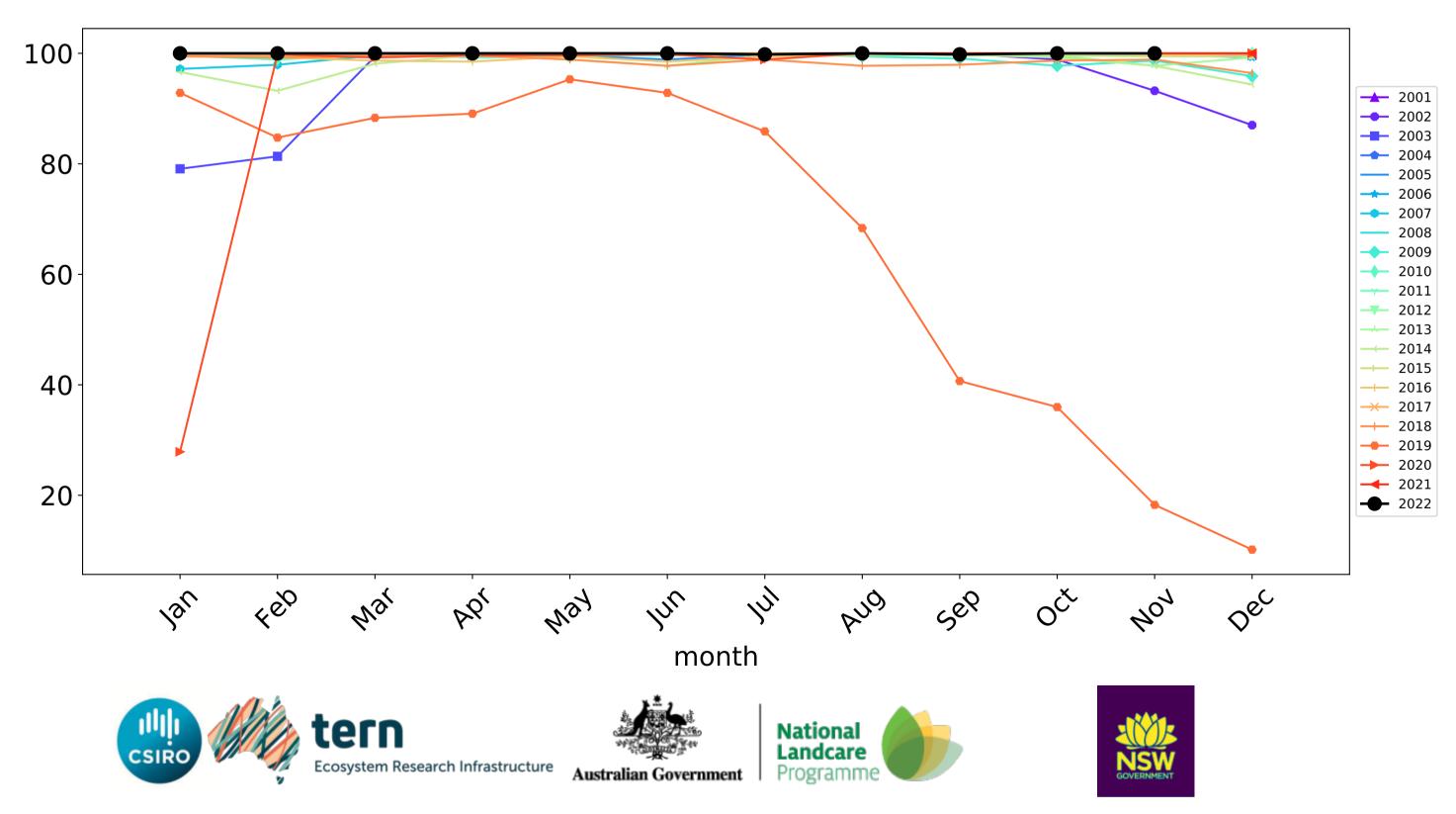


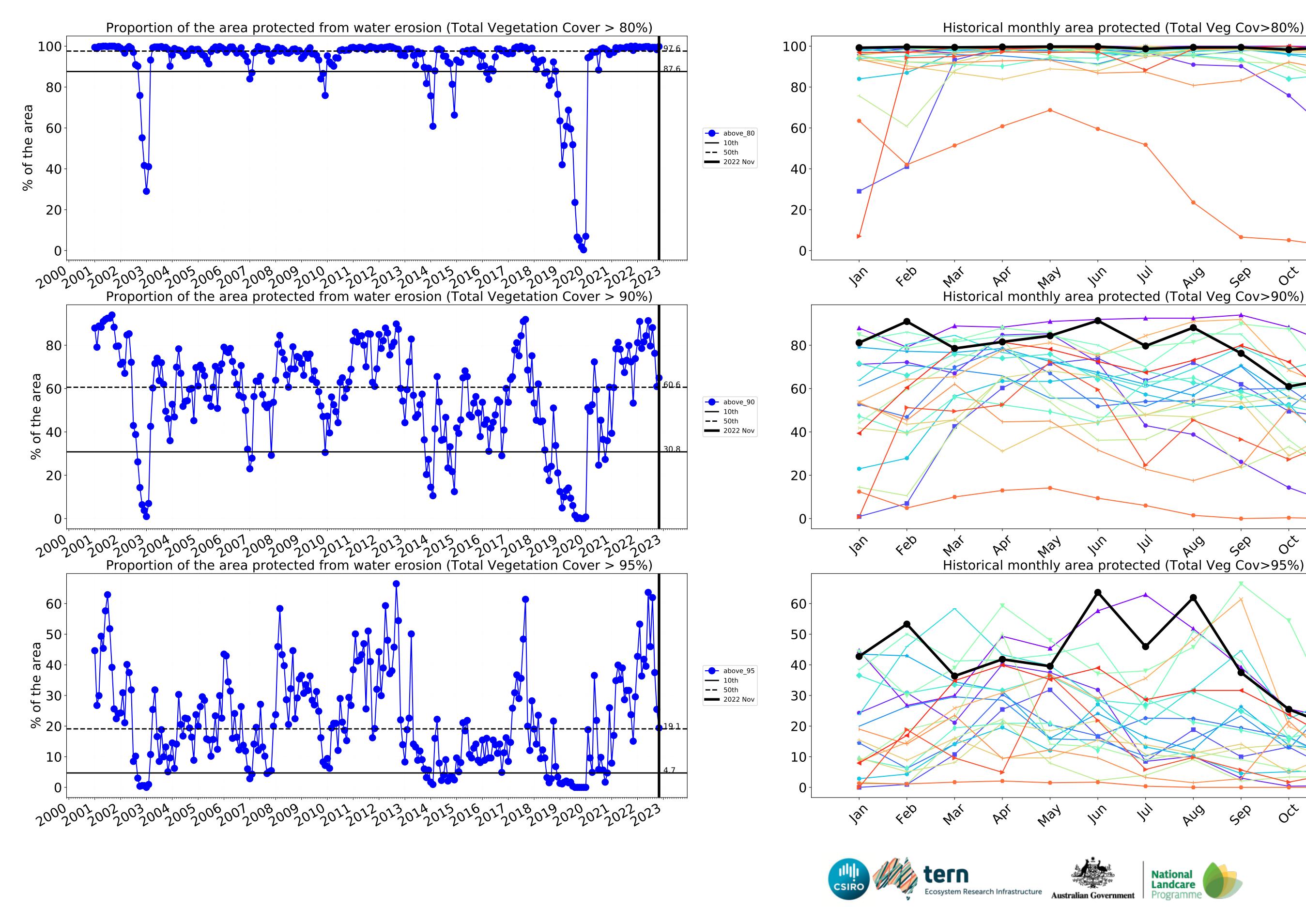


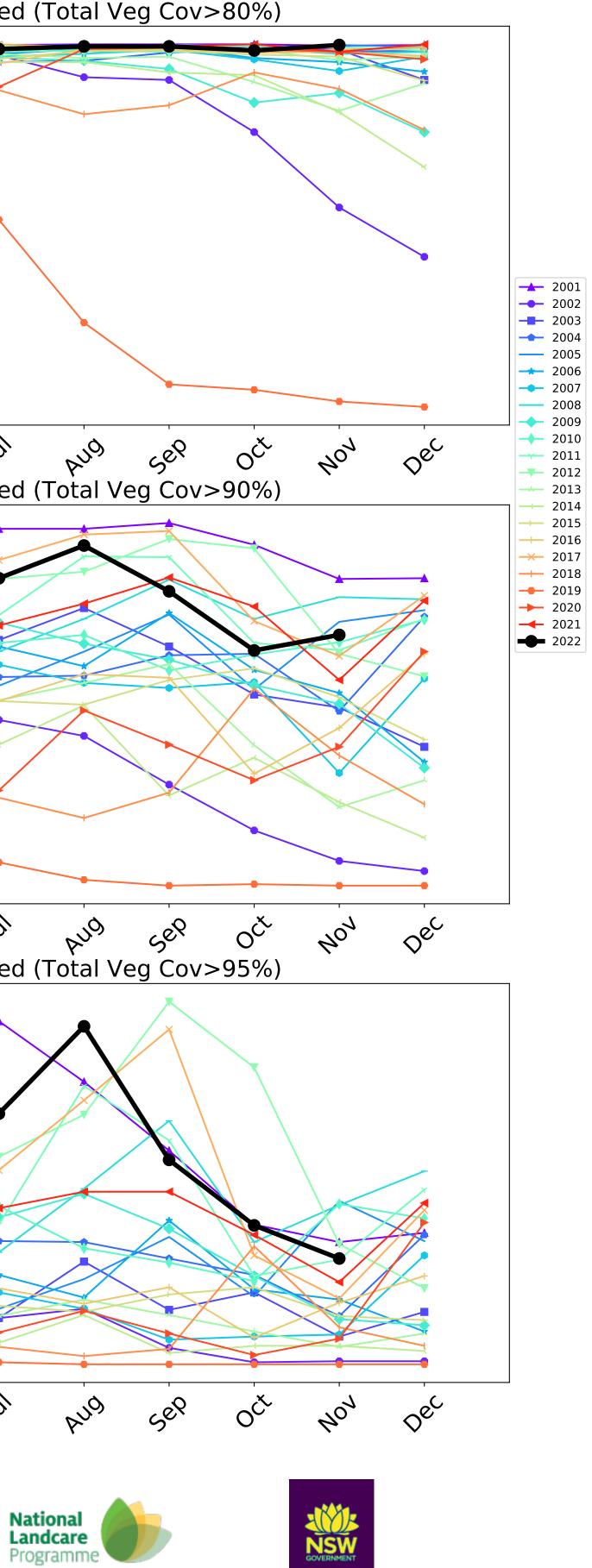


Cropping timeseries

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







Uralla_(A) (322,300 ha and no data 244 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	322,300	100.0% 322,300	100.0% 322,300	100.0% 322,275	99.9% 321,875	79.8% 257,250	25.5% 82,175
Agriculture	317,250	100.0% 317,250	100.0% 317,250	100.0% 317,225	99.9% 317,000	80.1% 254,050	25.6% 81,325
Grazing	303,800	100.0% 303,800	100.0% 303,800	100.0% 303,775	99.9% 303,575	80.8% 245,350	25.9% 78,725
Grazing non forest	236,275	100.0% 236,275	100.0% 236,275	100.0% 236,250	99.9% 236,075	79.0% 186,725	25.5% 60,325
Grazing Woodland forest	26,525	100.0% 26,525	100.0% 26,525	100.0% 26,525	100.0% 26,525	89.2% 23,650	28.0% 7,425
Grazing - Forest (non woodland)	41,000	100.0% 41,000	100.0% 41,000	100.0% 41,000	99.9% 40,975	85.3% 34,975	26.8% 10,975
Cropping	13,275	100.0% 13,275	100.0% 13,275	100.0% 13,275	99.8% 13,250	65.0% 8,625	19.4% 2,575

