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

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

Land use forest cover:

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

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

- 71-100% High cover protected from wind and usually water erosion (high rainfall, steep slopes, and erodible soils may need greater than 80, 90, 95 and up to 100% cover)
 - 51-70% Moderate cover protected from wind erosion
 - 31-50% Low cover not protected
 - 0-30% Very Low cover not protected

Erosion protection: Wind erosion 50% total vegetation cover

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

- Map: water erosion protection (>70% cover) percentage area and hectares.
- Map: wind erosion protection (>50% cover) percentage area and hectares.

Comparison with previous years:

- Map: anomaly comparing this month to the average cover from the same month in previous years.
- Map: deciles rank of month against the same month in previous years.

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

Erosion protection

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

Rainfall

• Millimetres rainfall each month (black line).

Each time series is also stacked by year. The black line shows the current year of data.

Water erosion protection for higher rainfall and steeper slopes:

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

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

Acknowledgment of data:

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

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Date: August 2025

Vegetation Cover Aug 2025

Land use and forest cover

Catchment Scale

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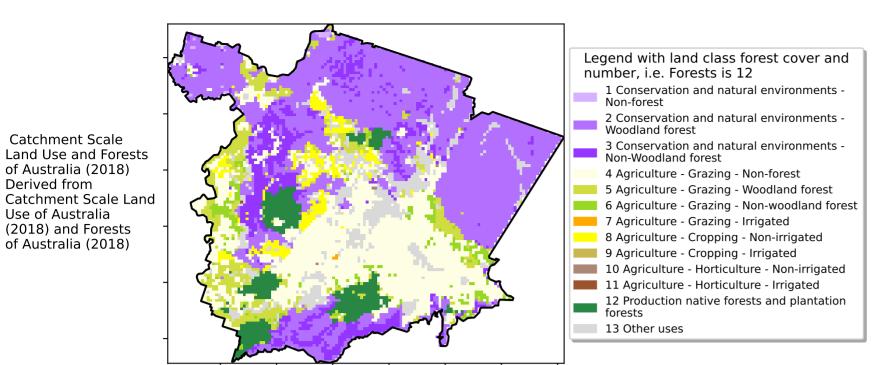
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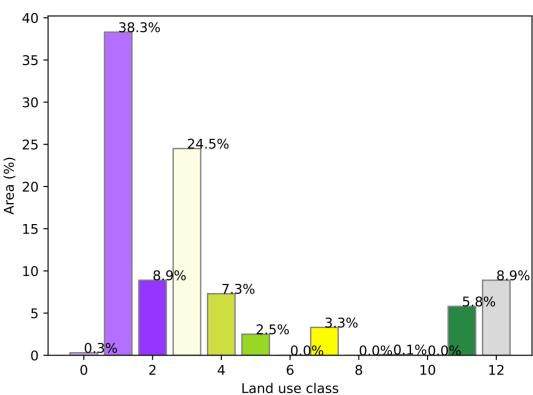
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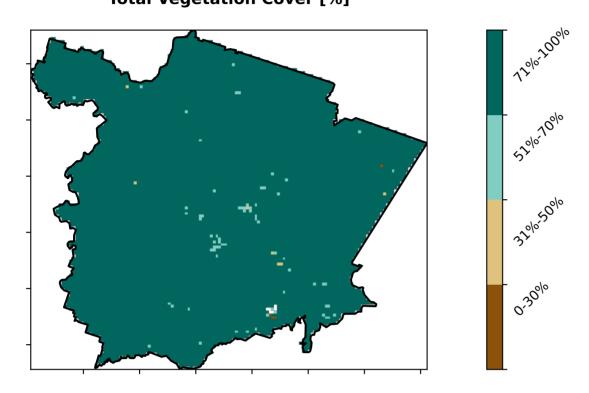
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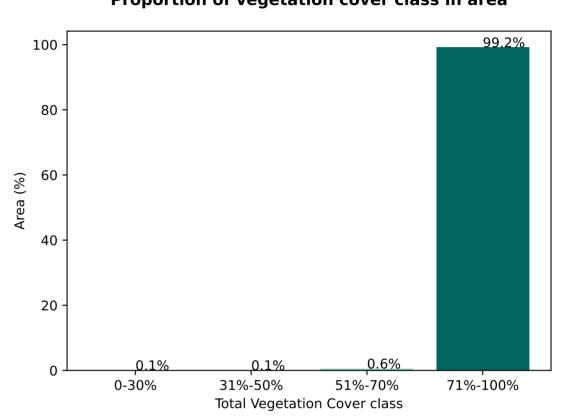
Proportion of each land class in area

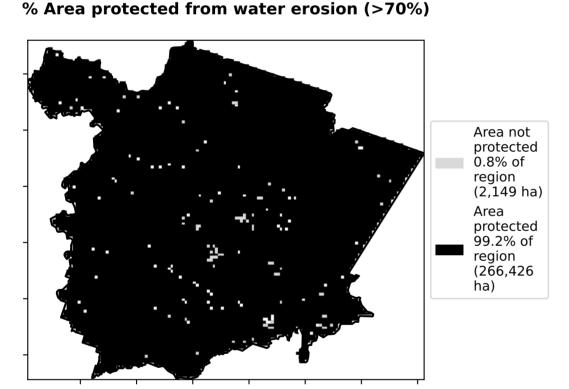


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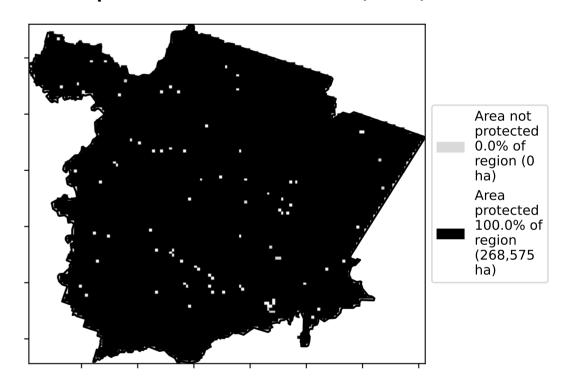


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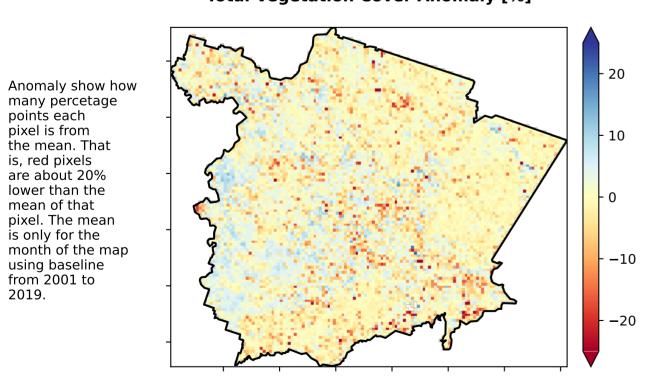




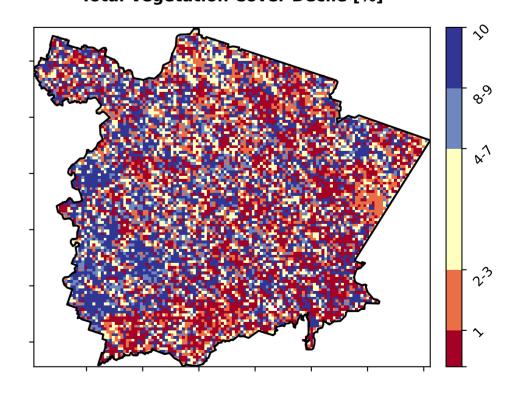
% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]



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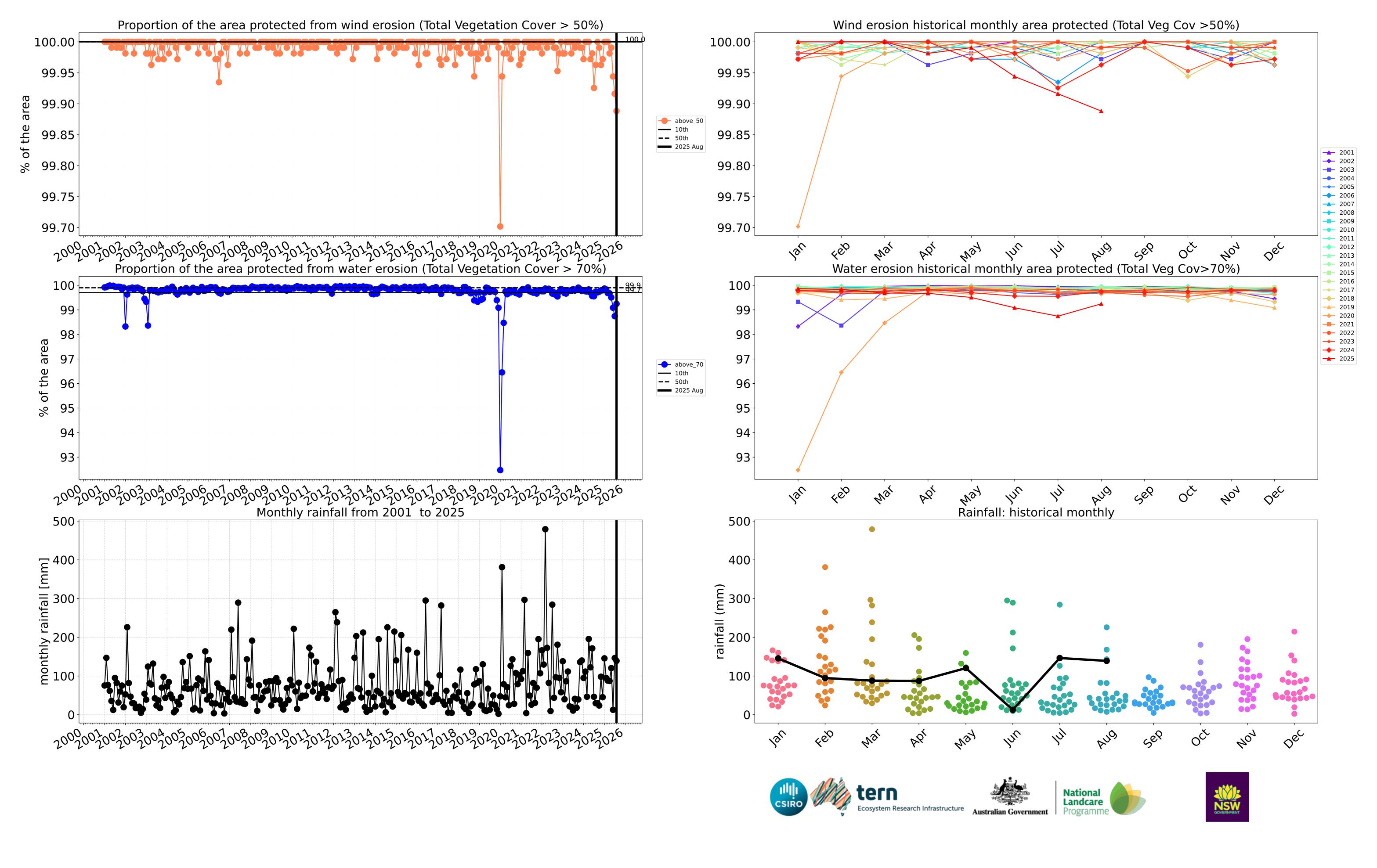


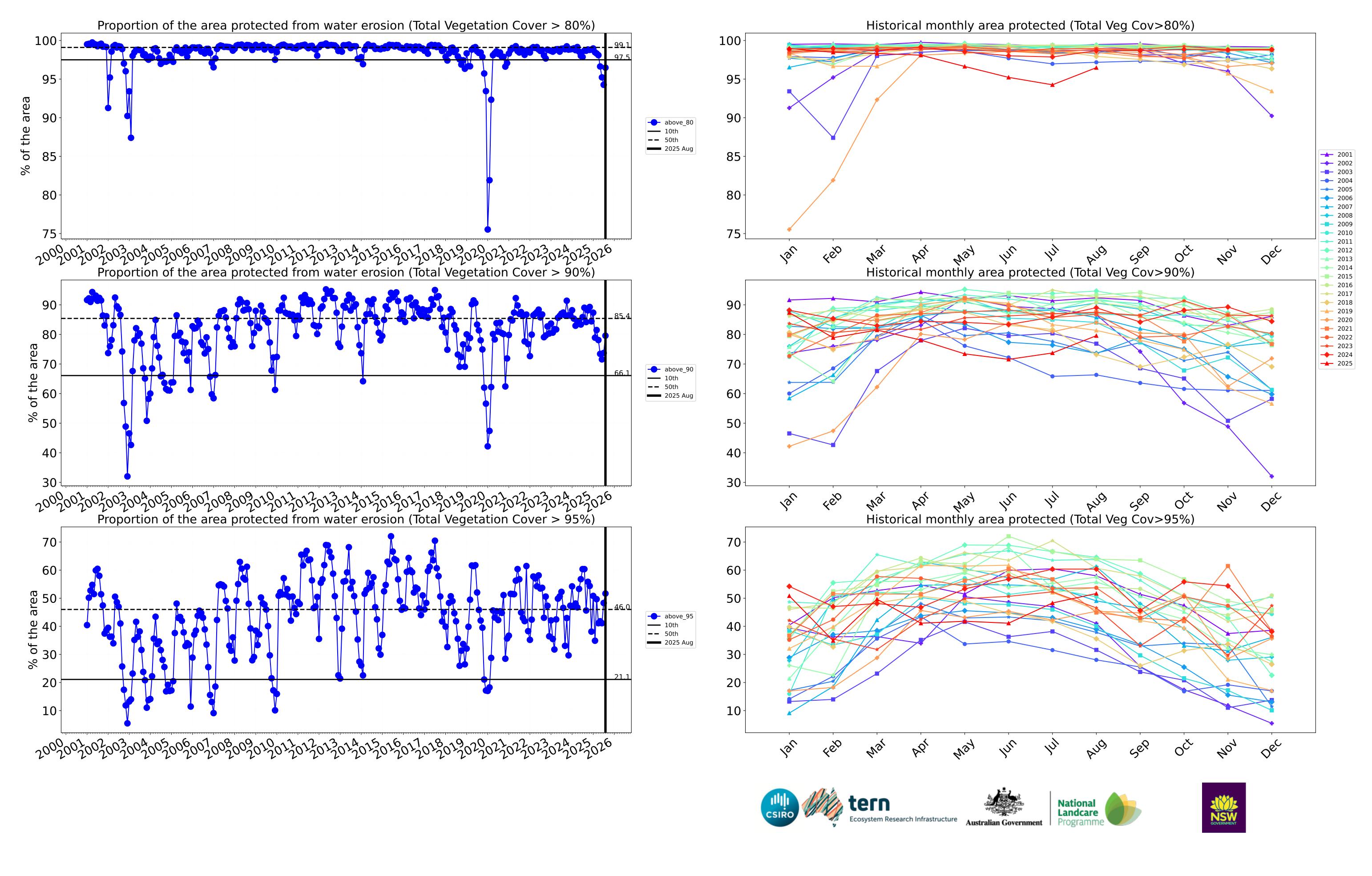








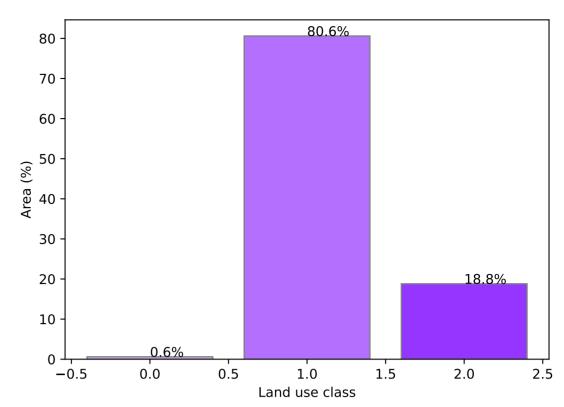




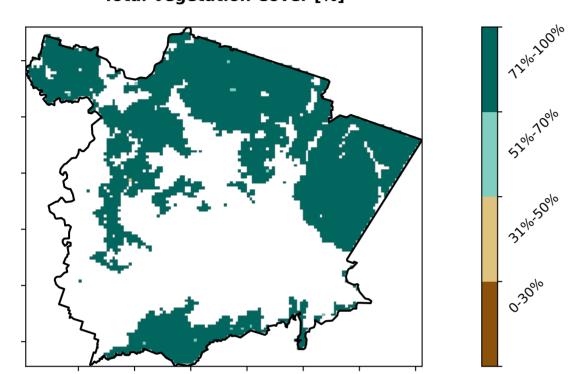
Conservation and natural environments

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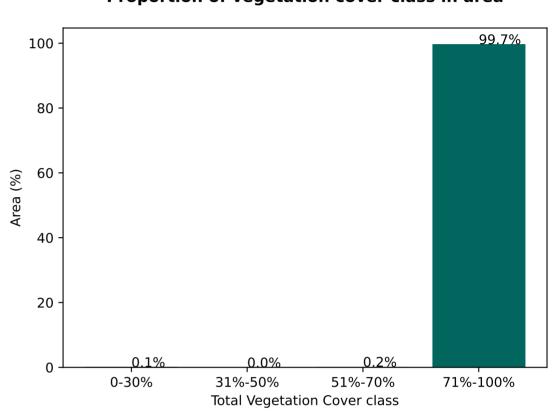
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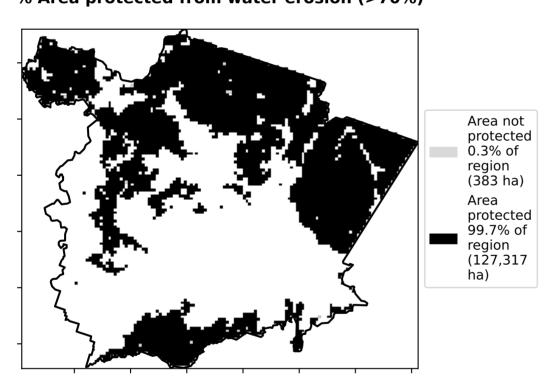
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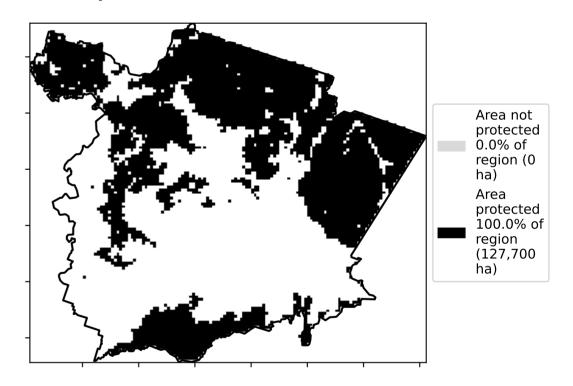
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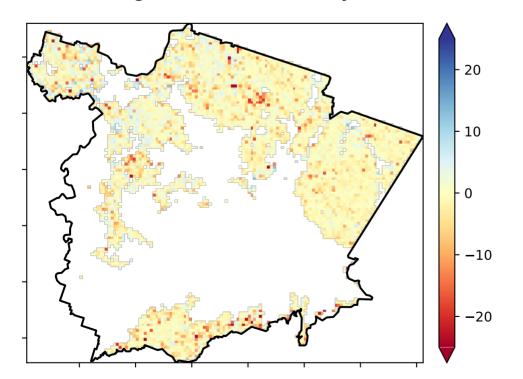
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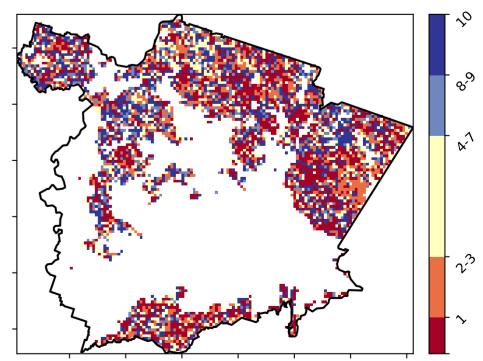
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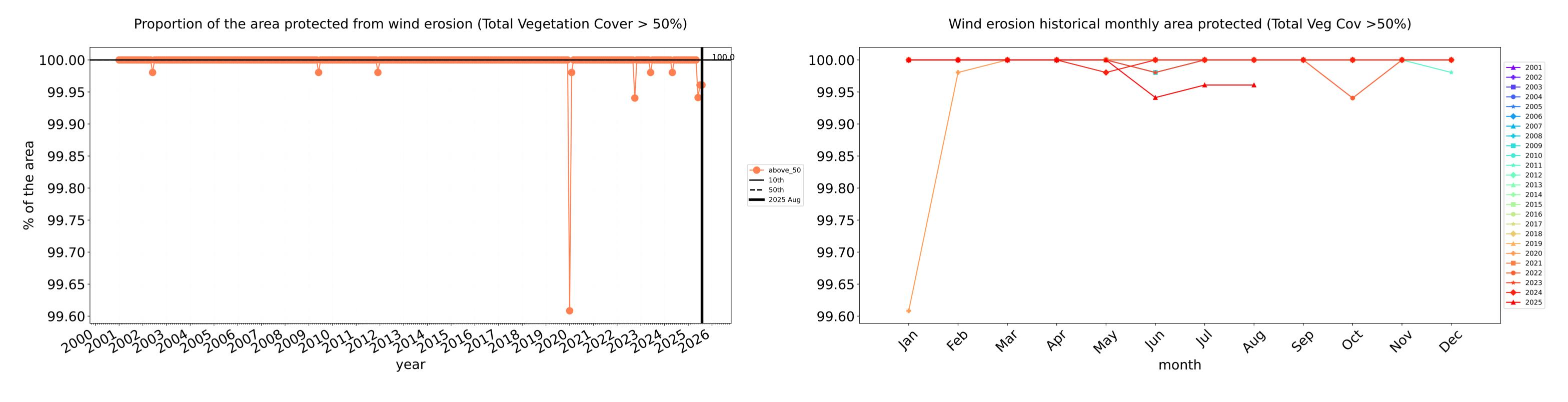


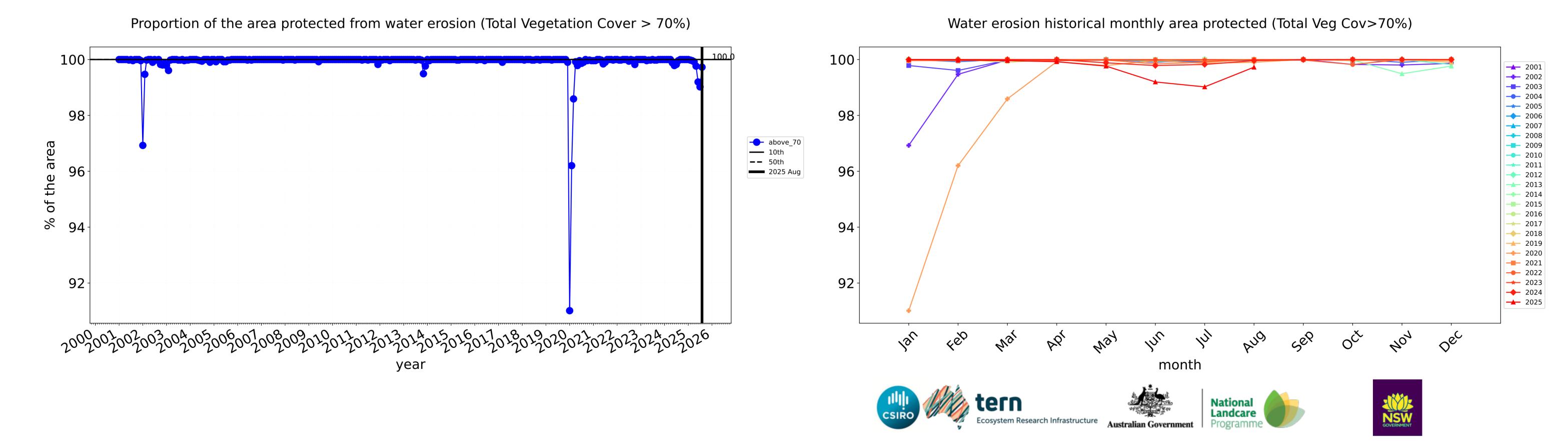


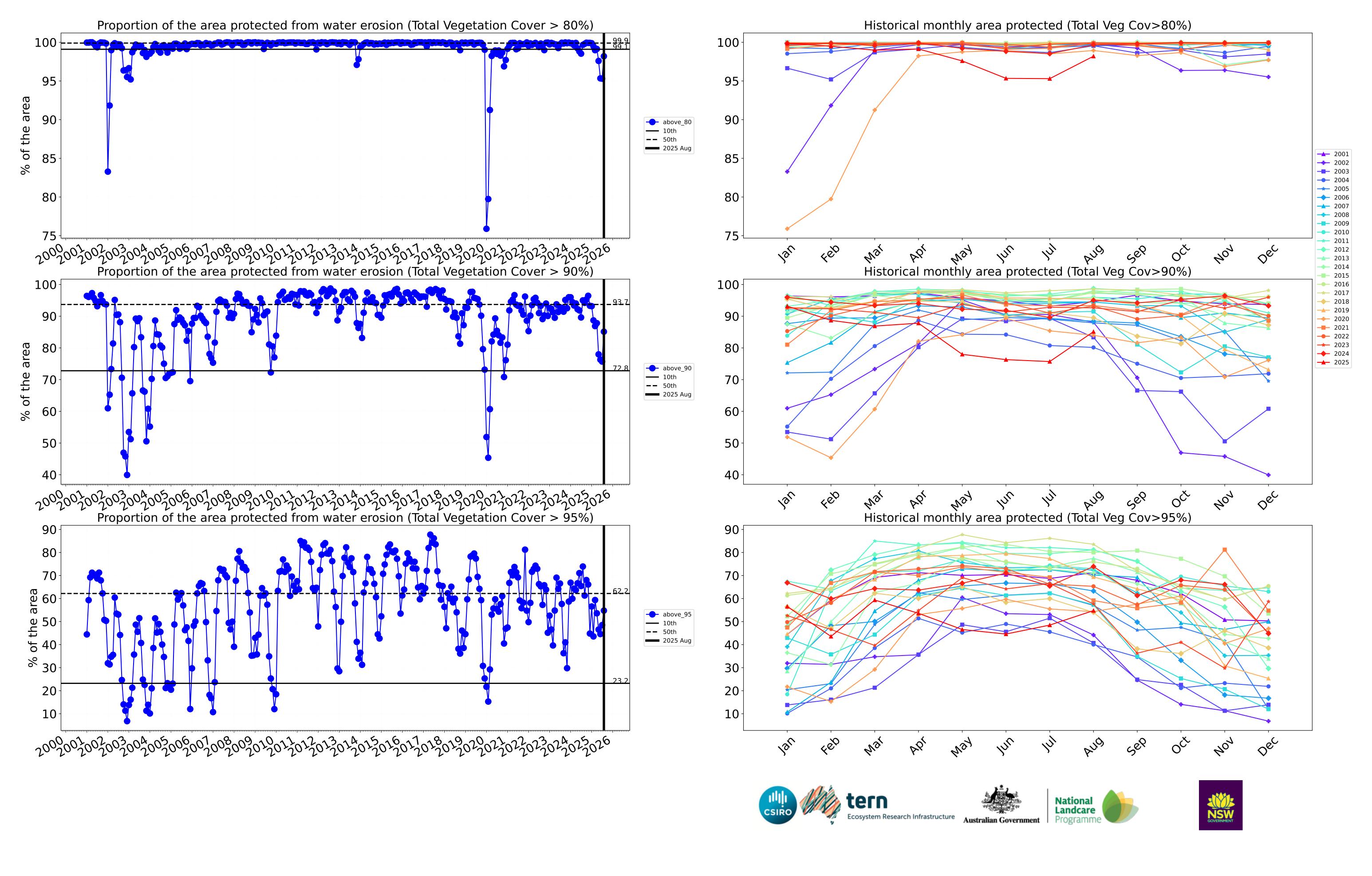




Conservation and natural environments timeseries

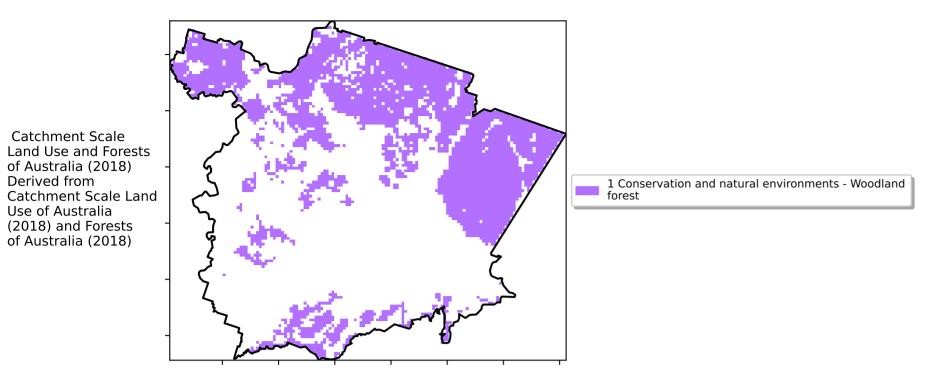




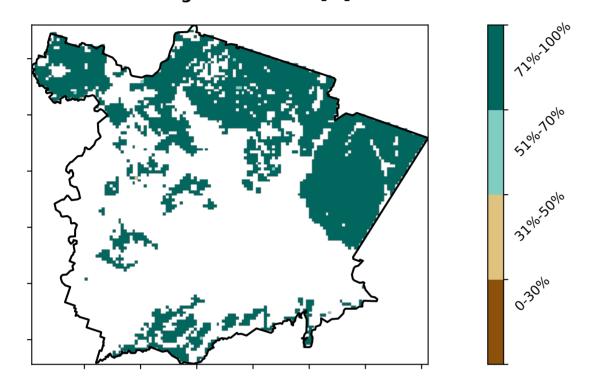


Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest

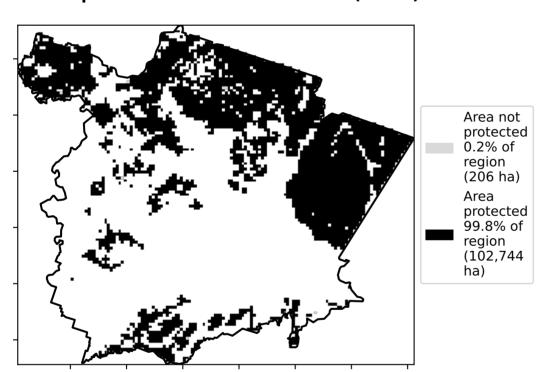
Land use and forest cover



Total Vegetation Cover [%]



% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

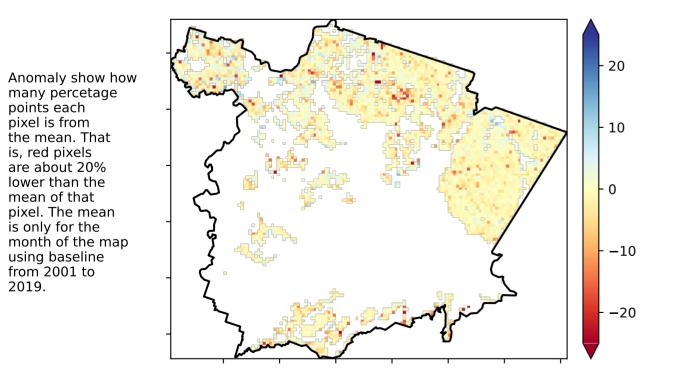
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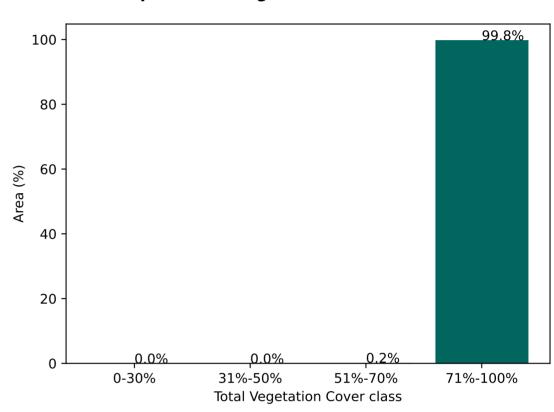
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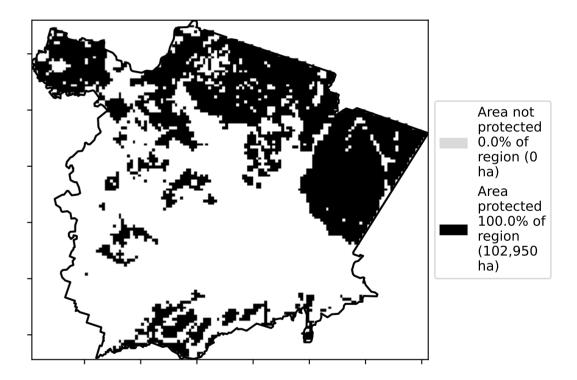


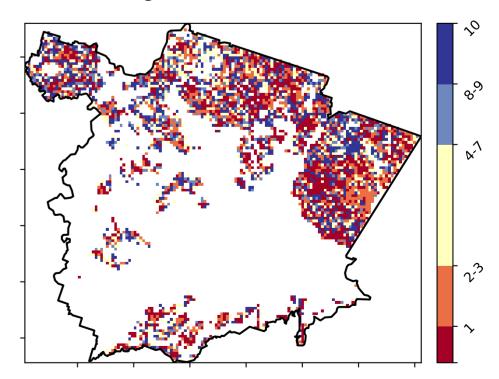
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Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)





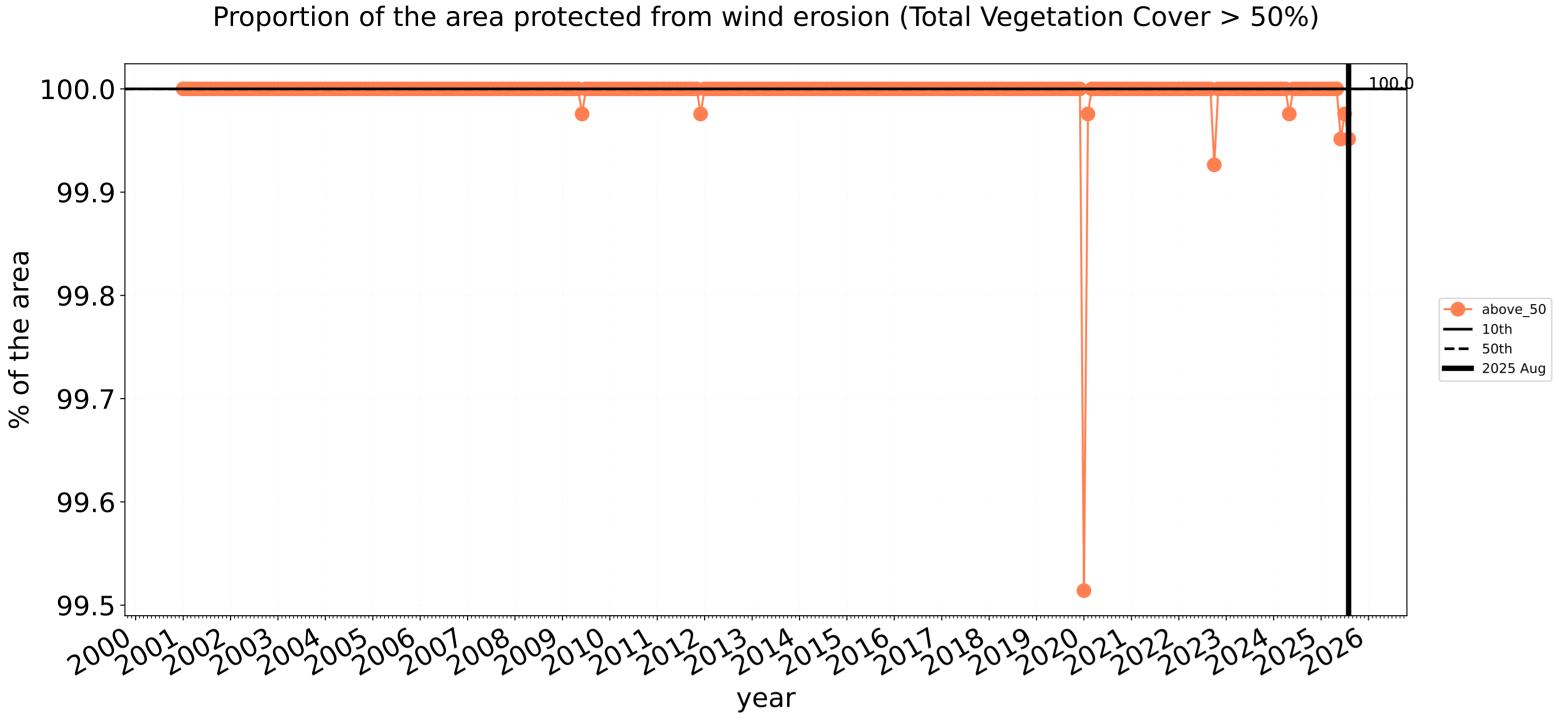


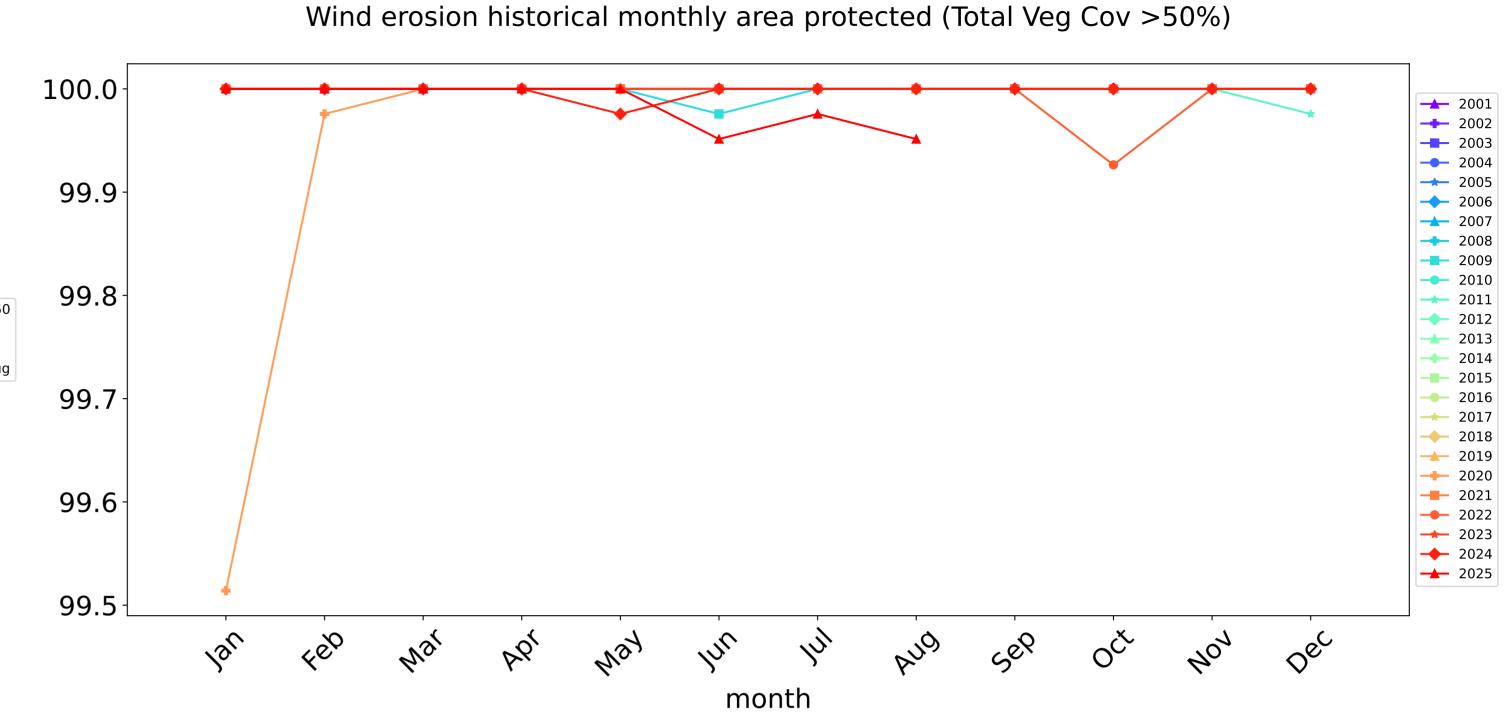


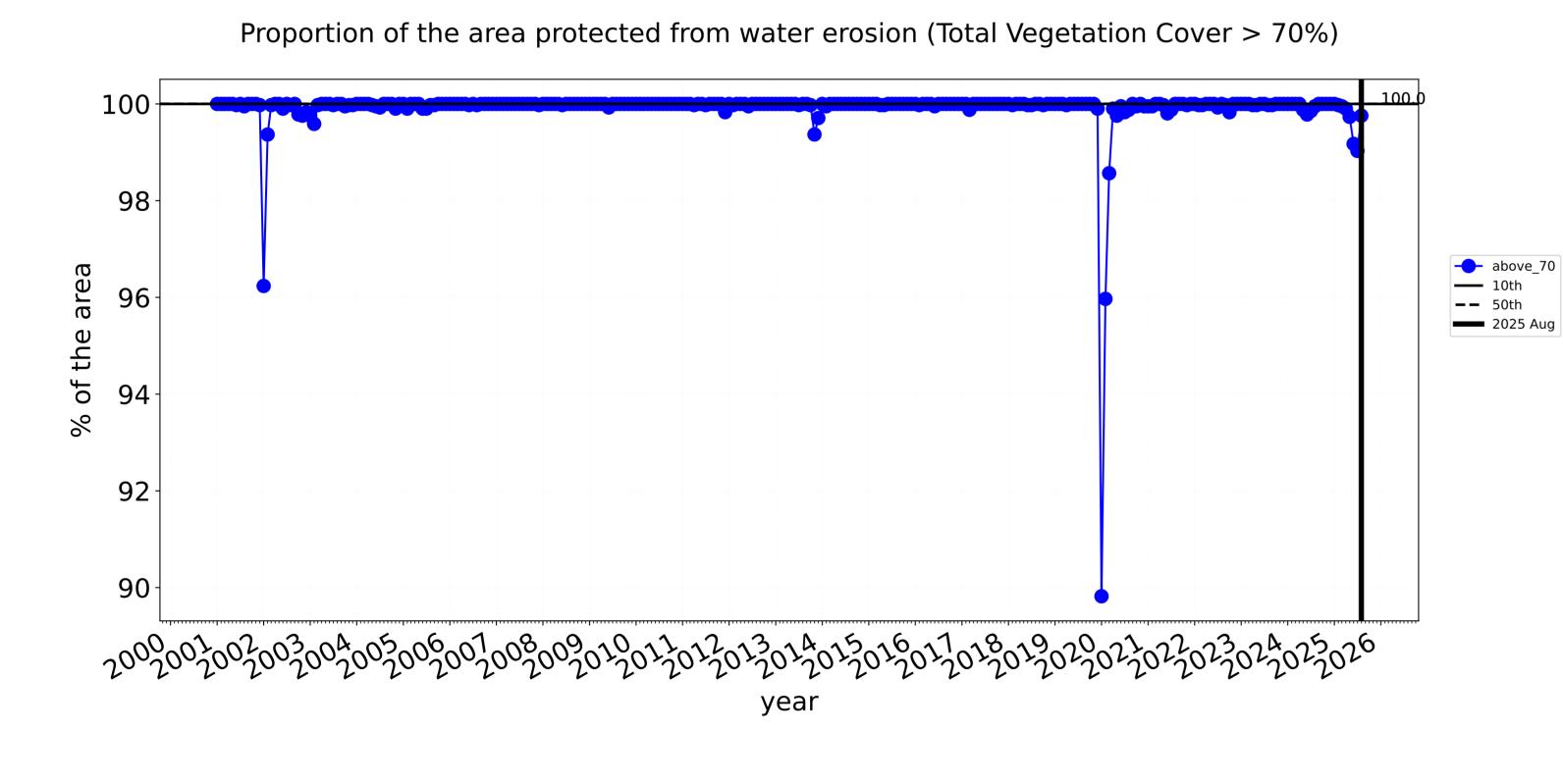


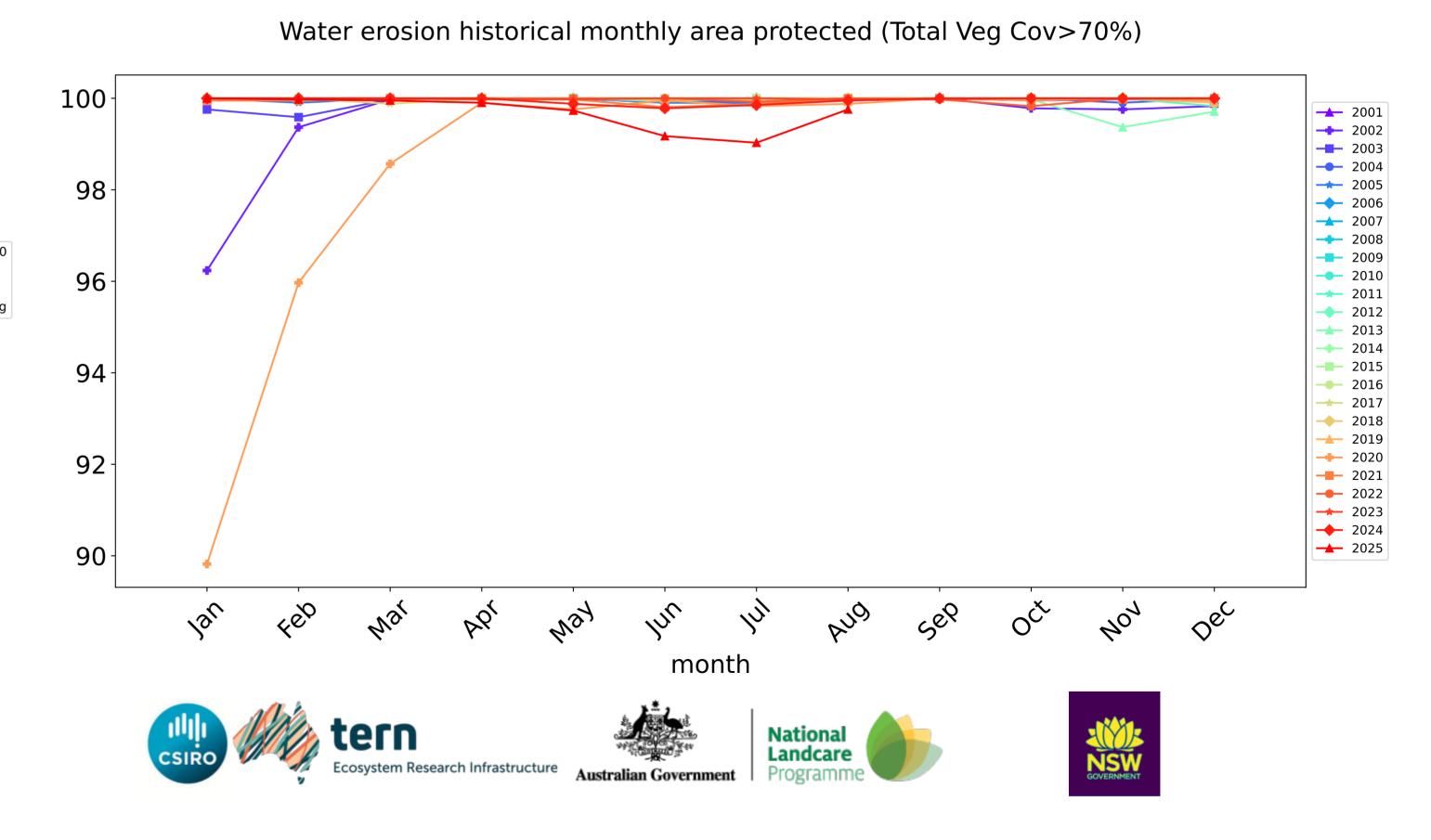


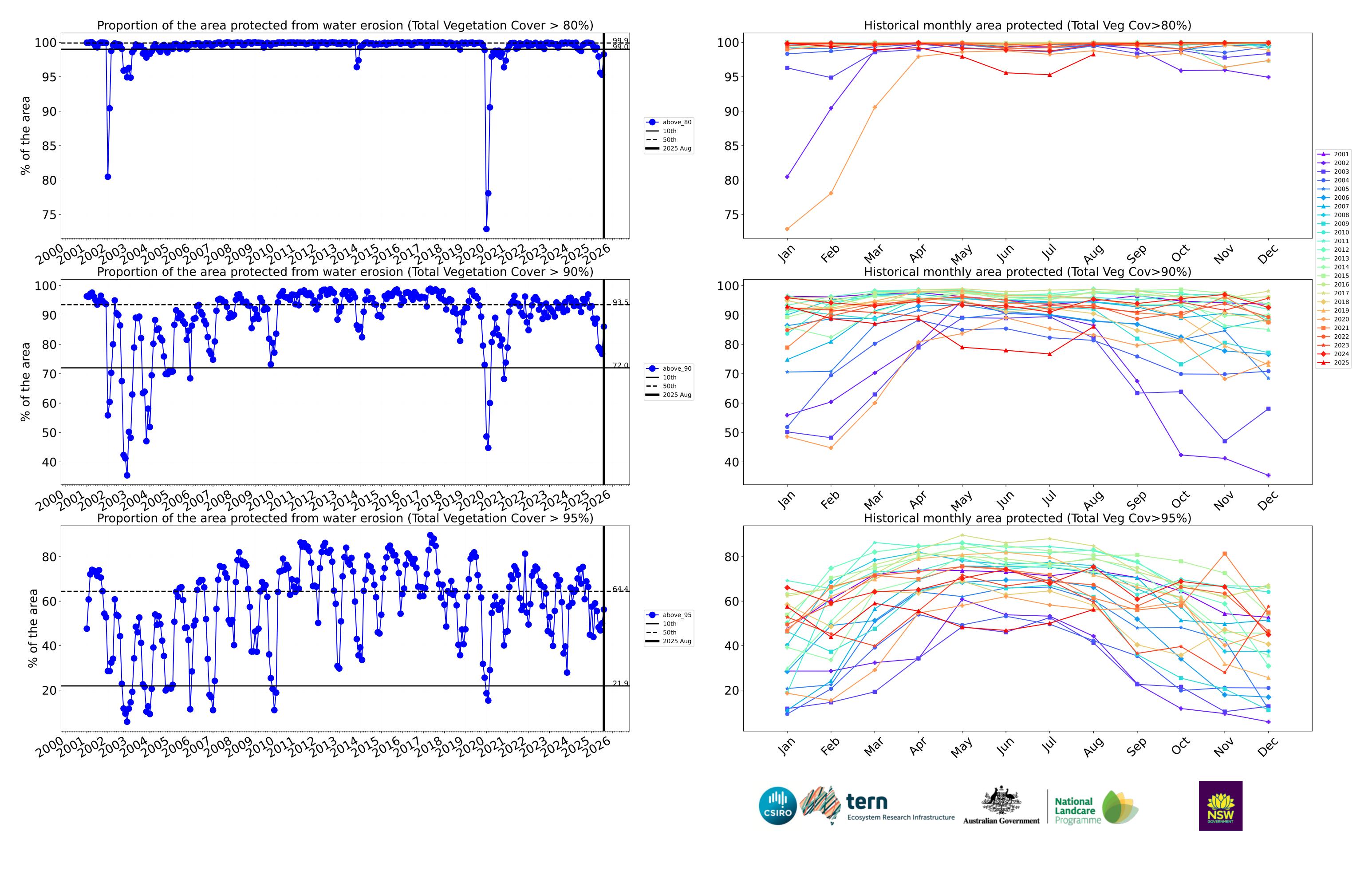
Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest timeseries





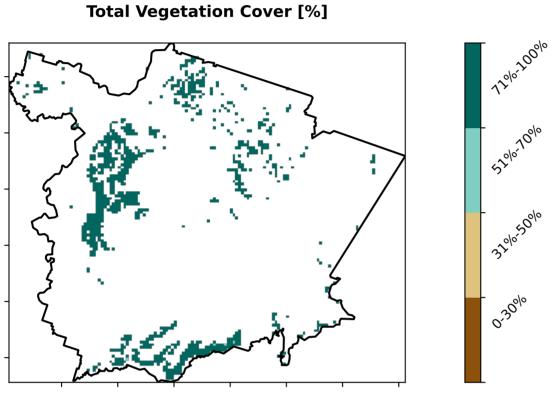


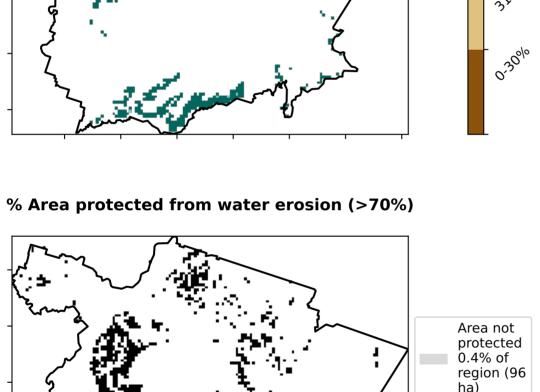


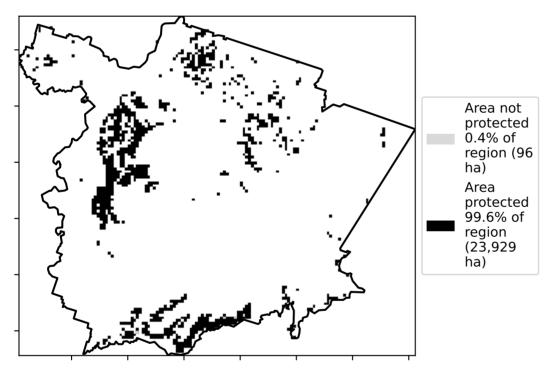


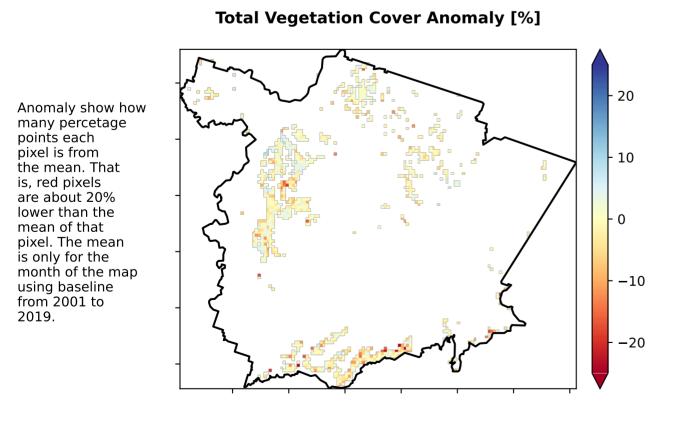
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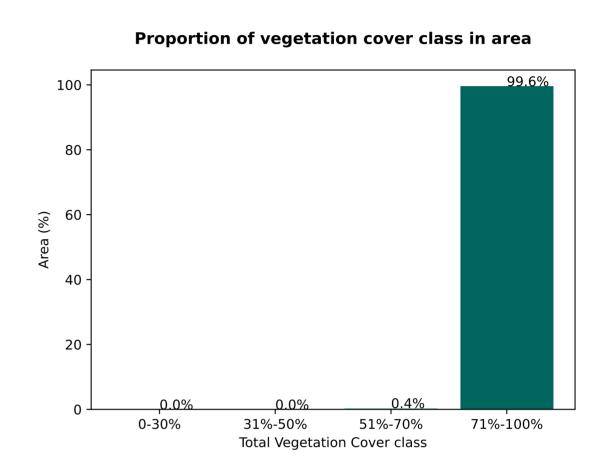


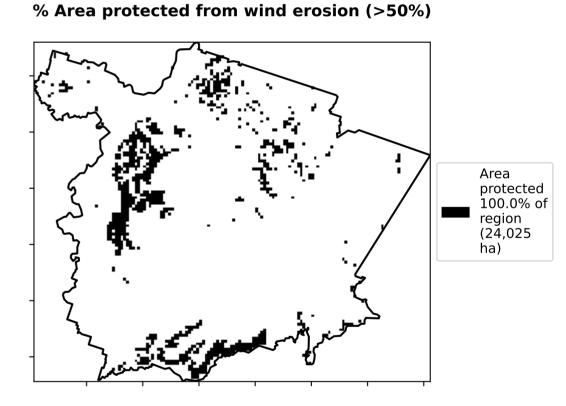


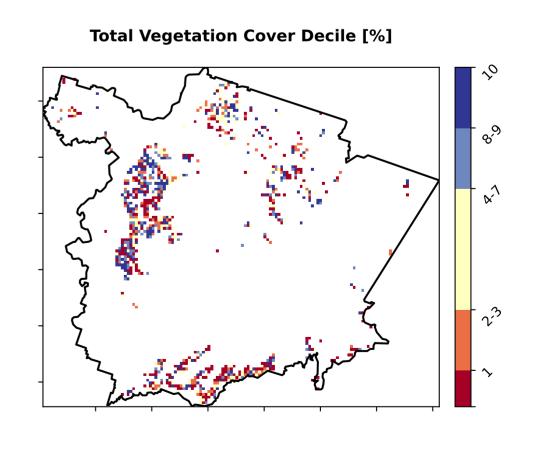




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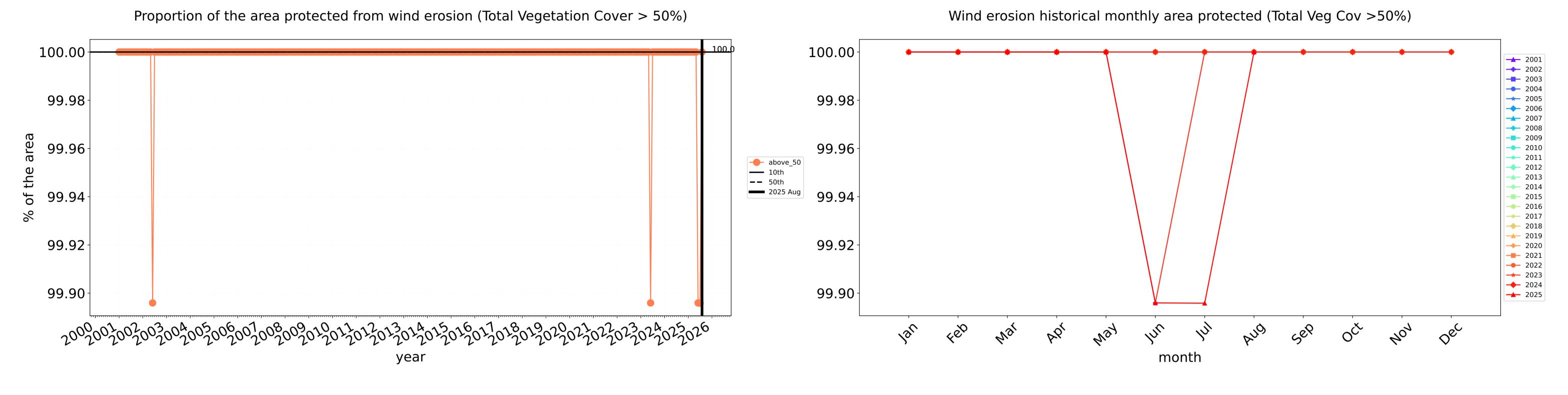


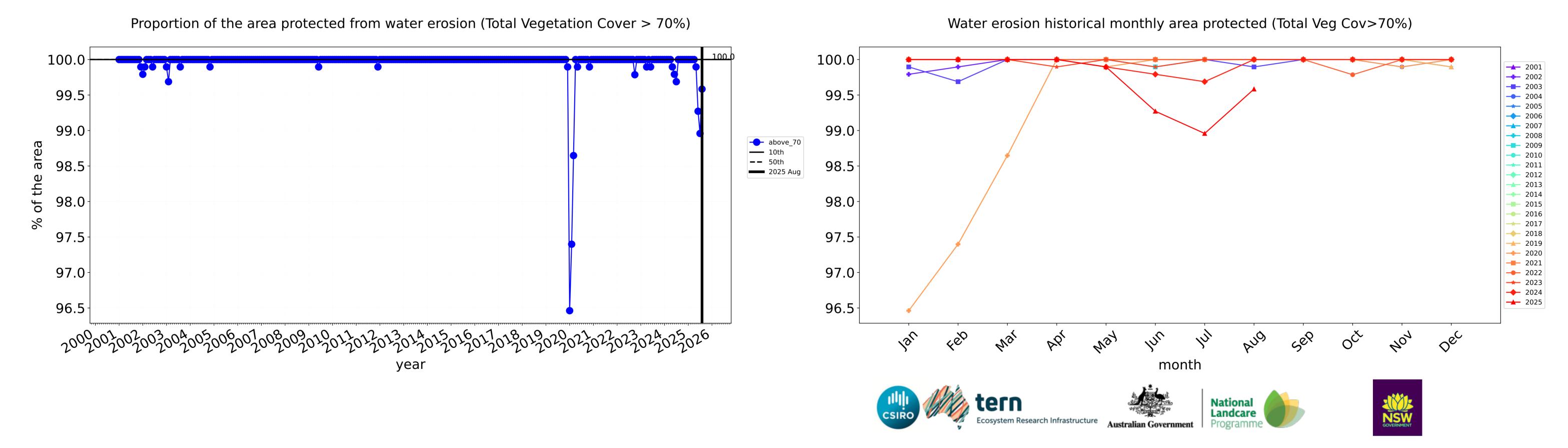


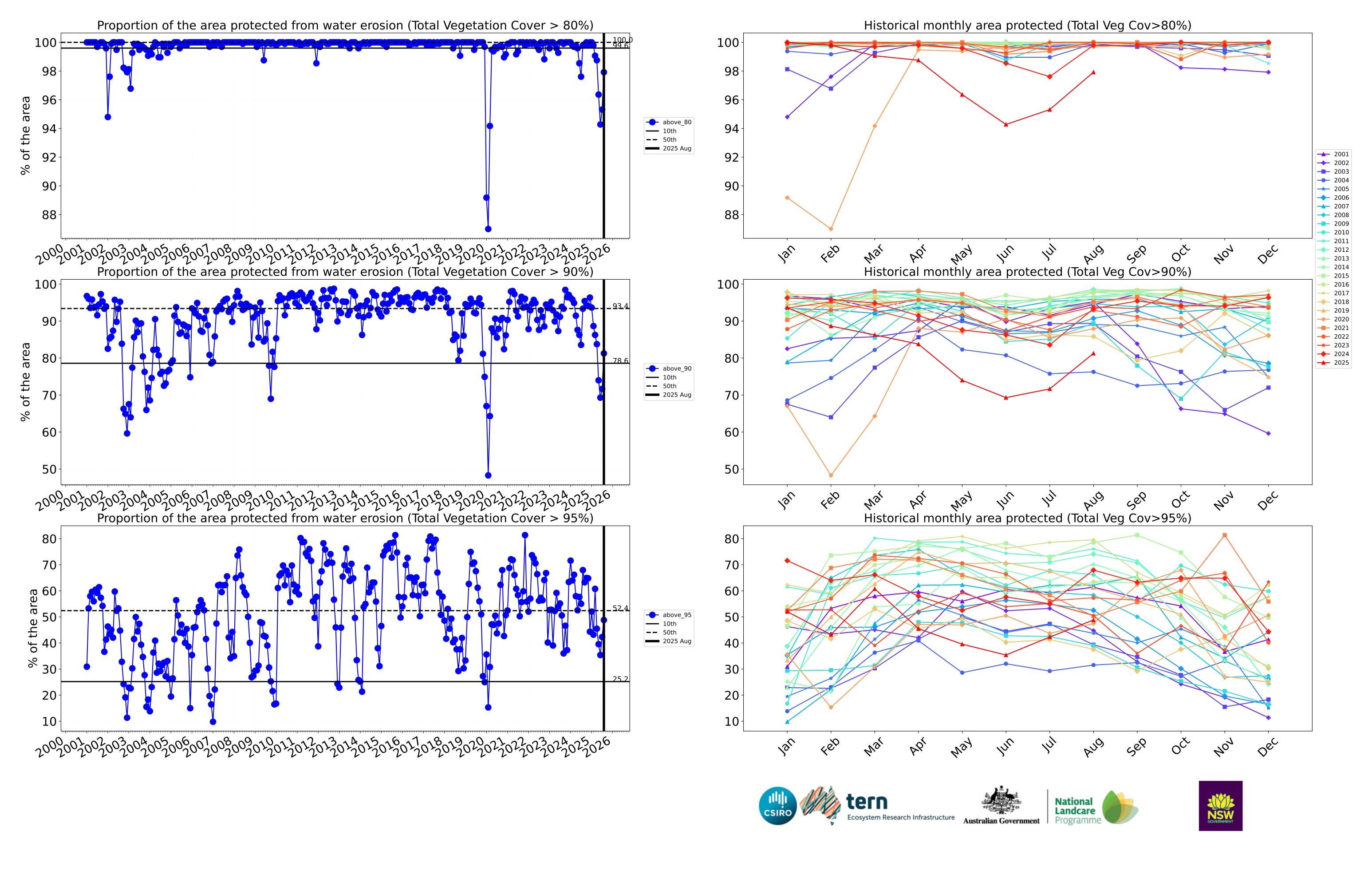




Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland) timeseries







Agriculture

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Land use and forest cover 1 Agriculture - Grazing - Non forest 2 Agriculture - Grazing - Woodland forest 3 Agriculture - Grazing - Non-woodland forest 4 Agriculture - Grazing - Irrigated 5 Agriculture - Cropping - Non-irrigated 6 Agriculture - Cropping - Irrigated

Total Vegetation Cover [%]

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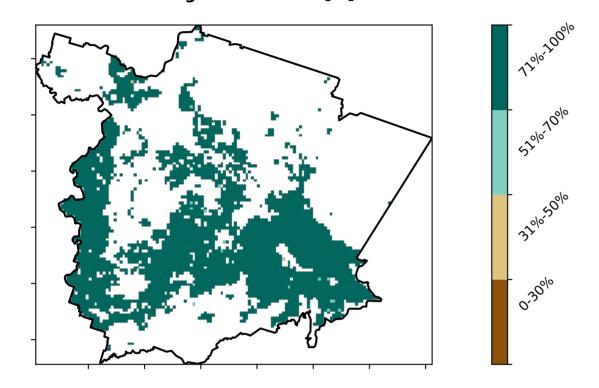
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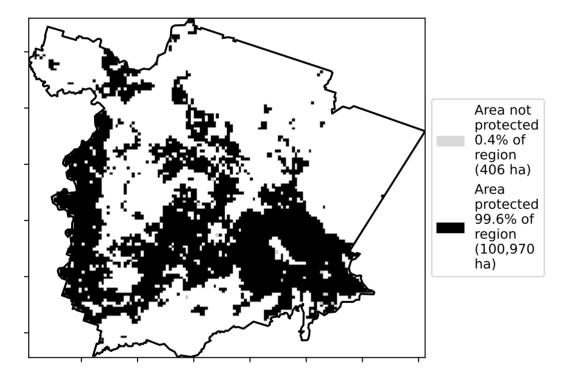
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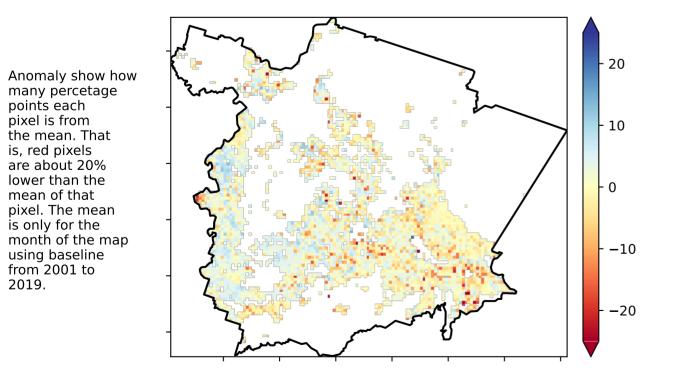
Catchment Scale Land



% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)

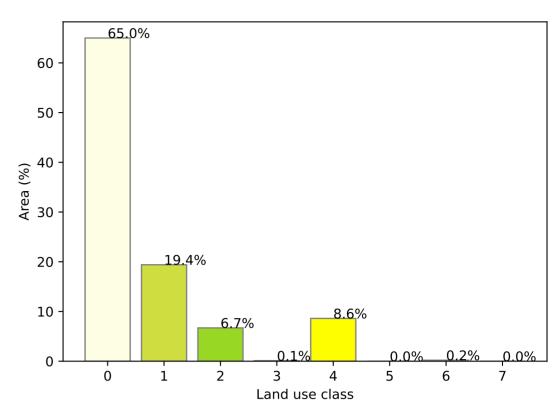


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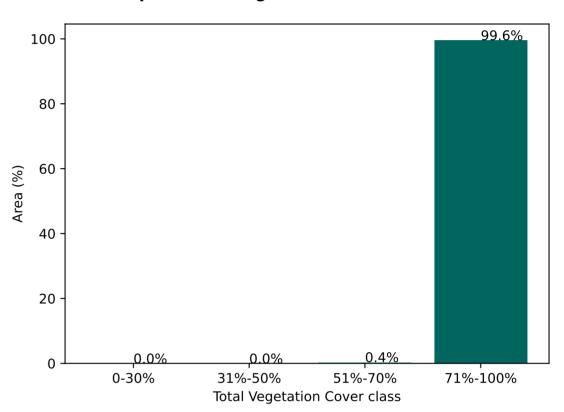


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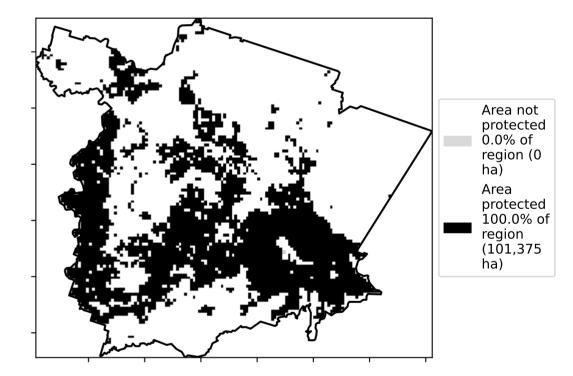
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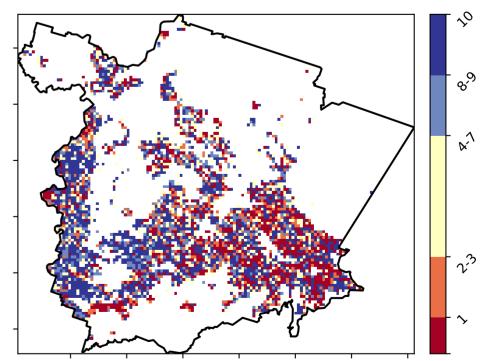


Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



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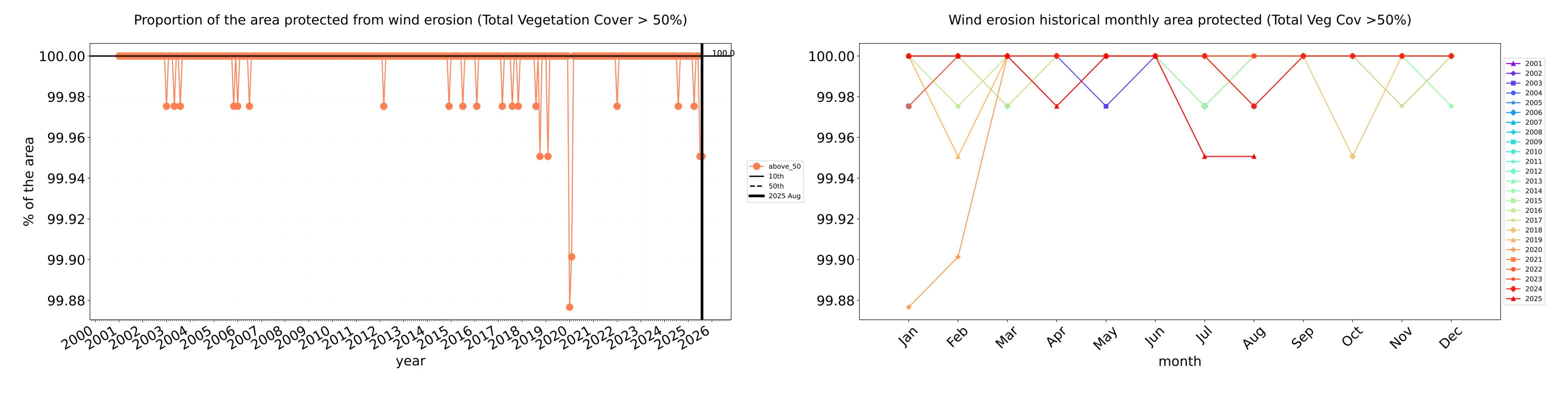


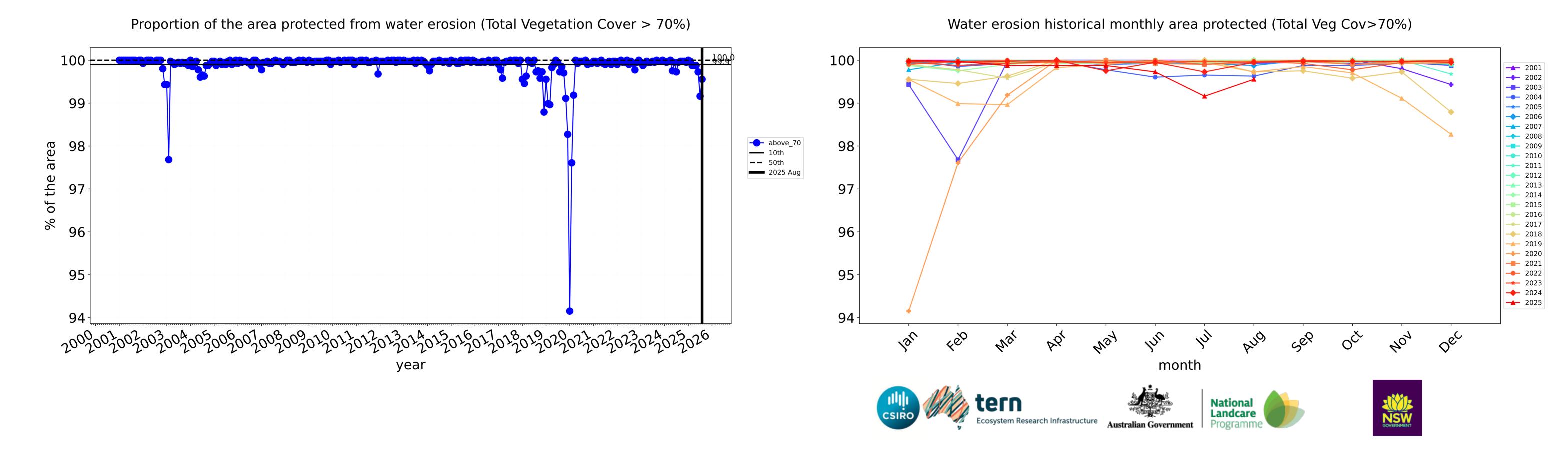


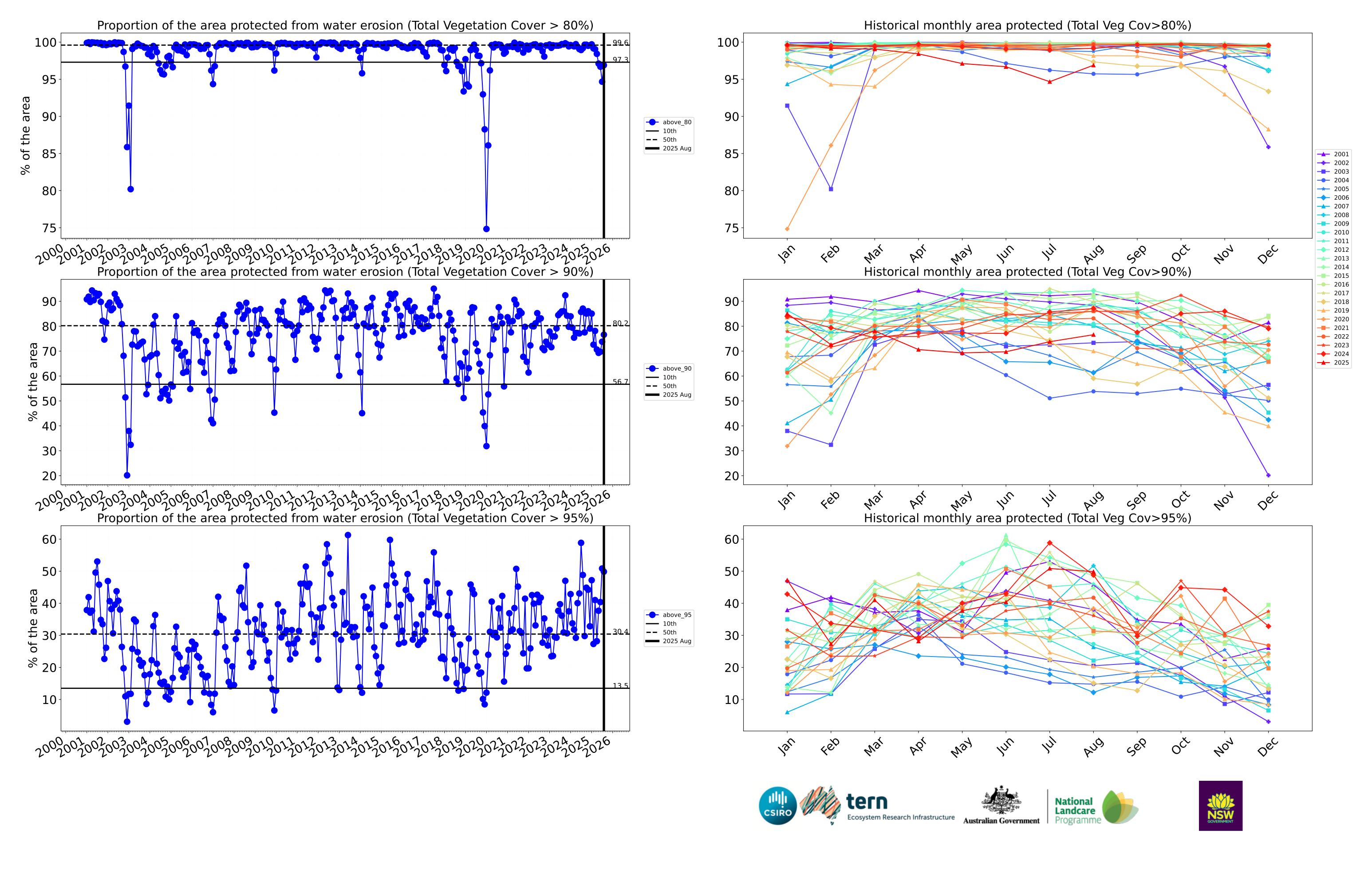




Agriculture timeseries





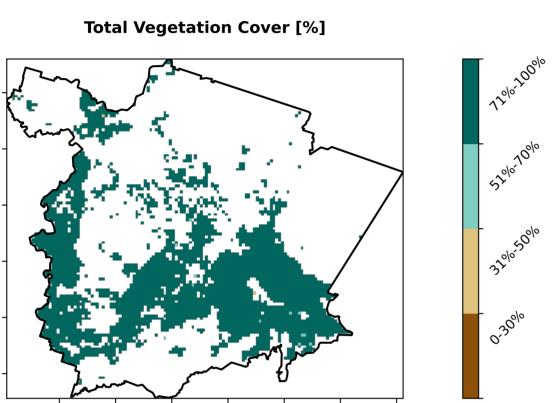


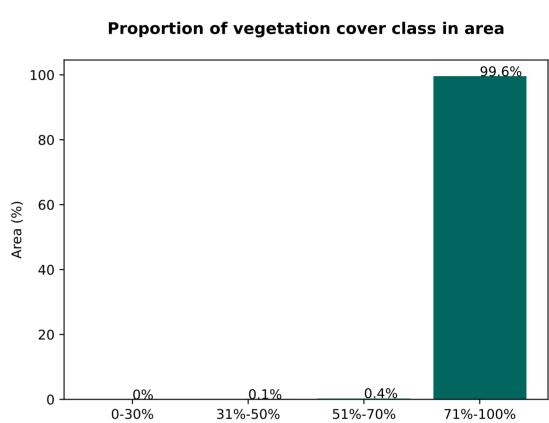
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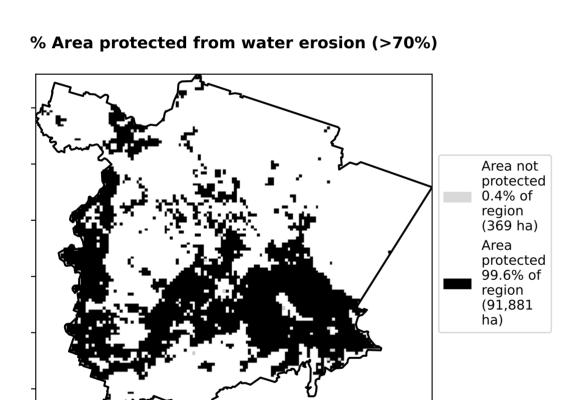
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Proportion of each land class in area

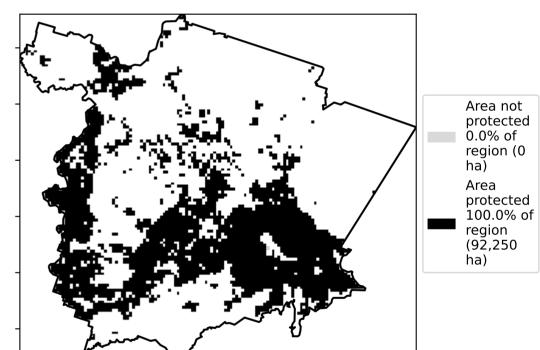


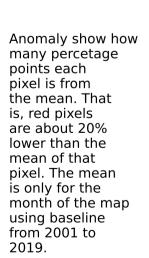


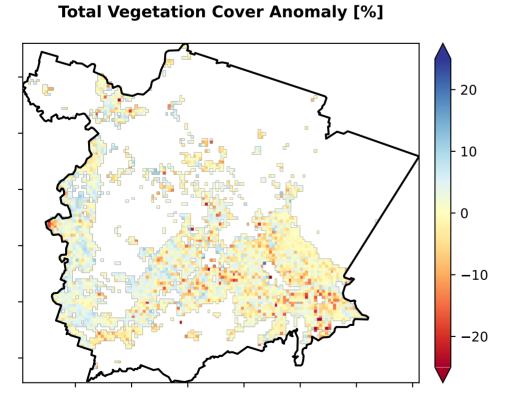


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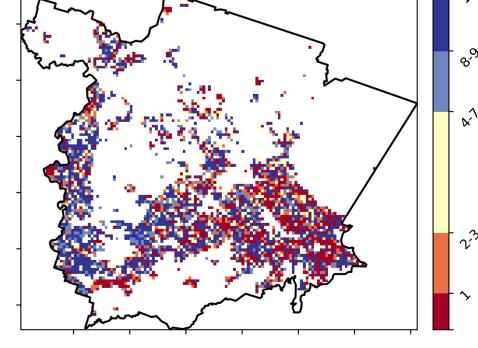
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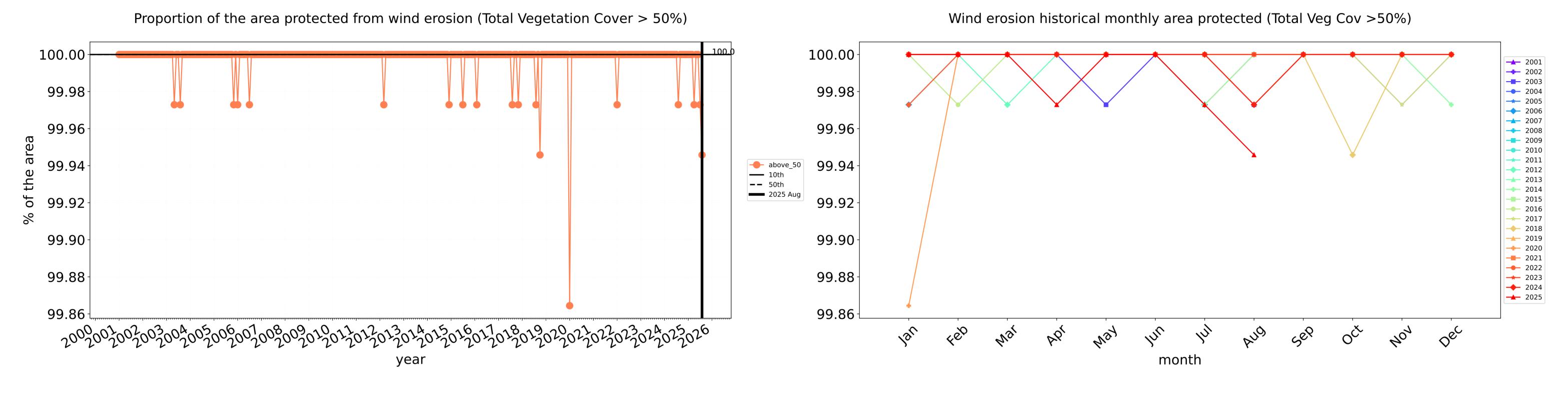


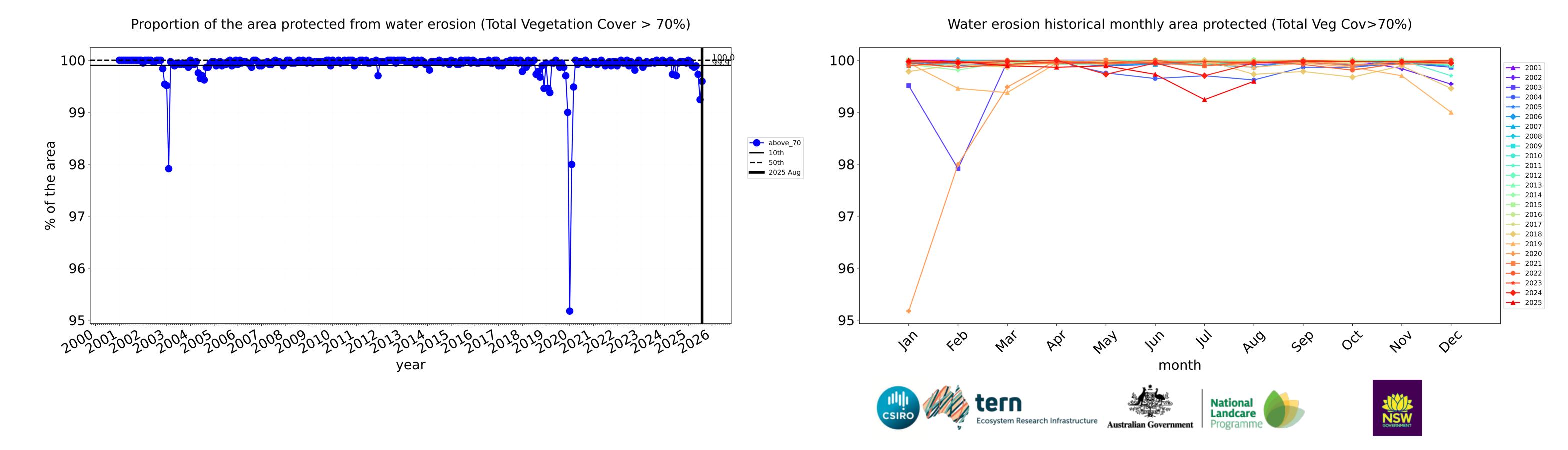


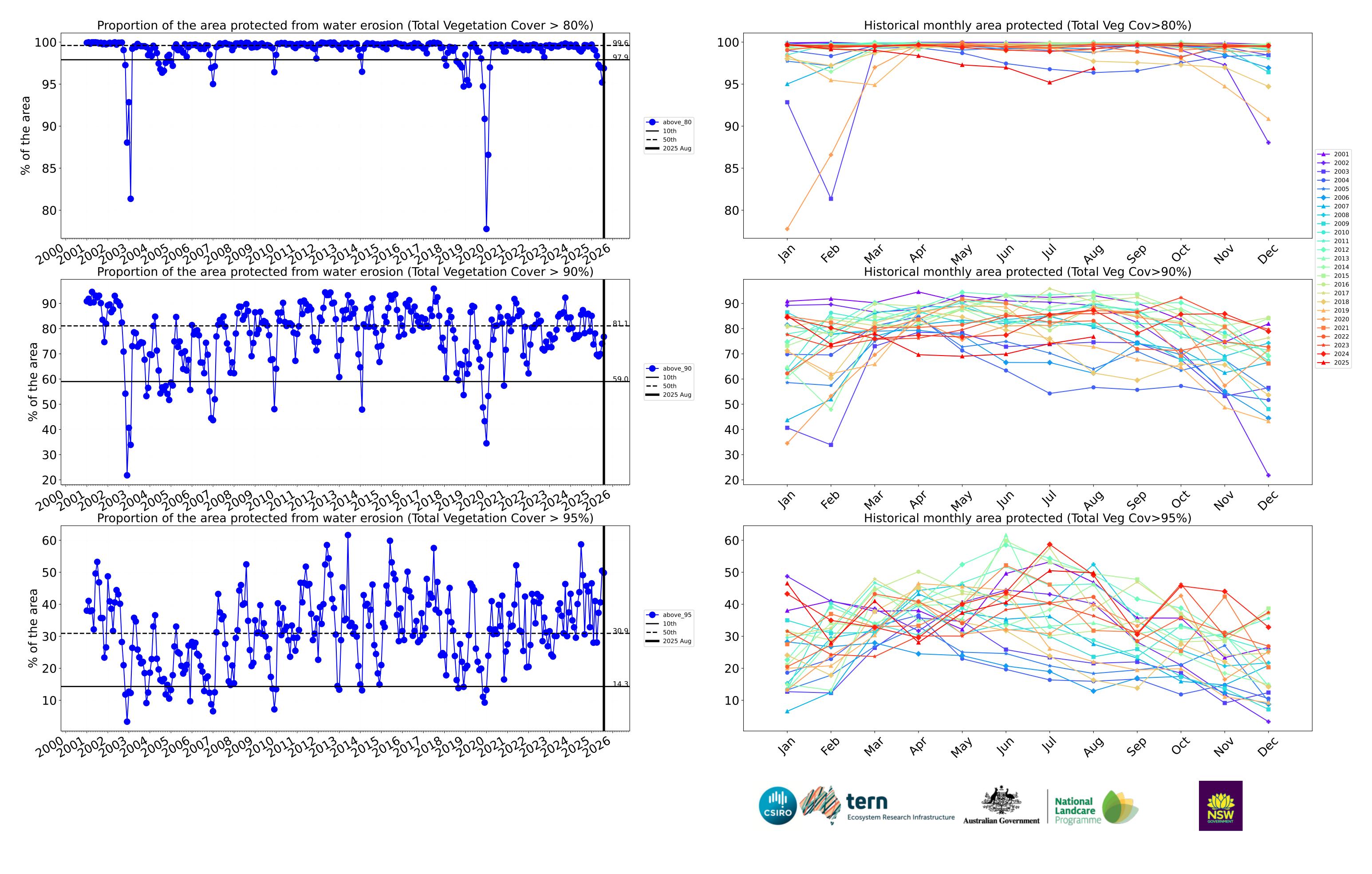




Grazing timeseries







Grazing non forest

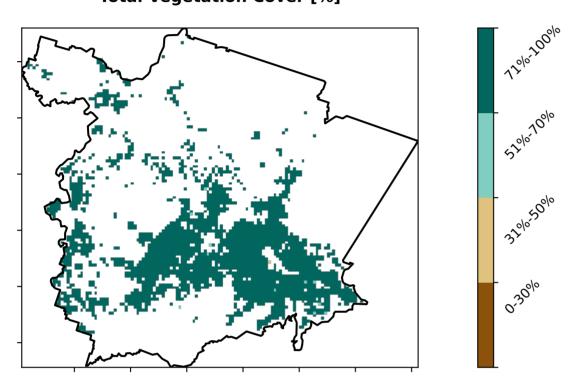
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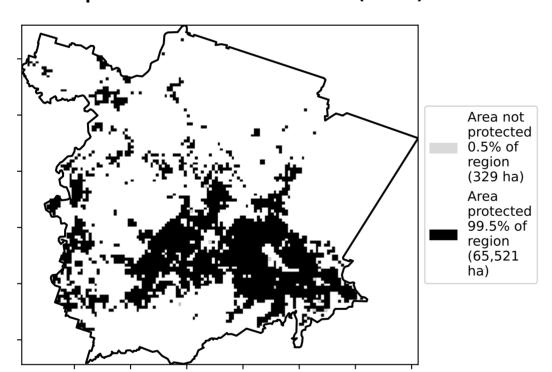
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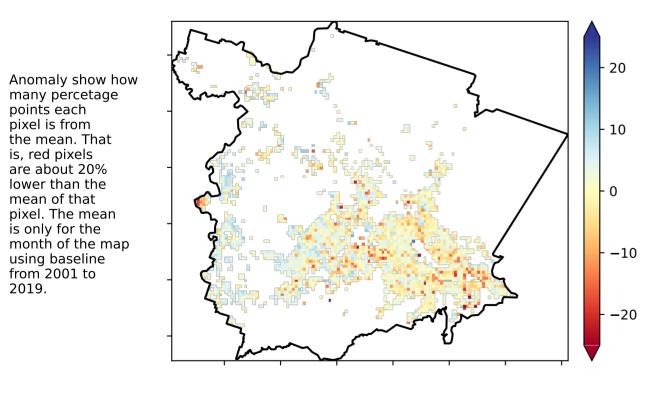
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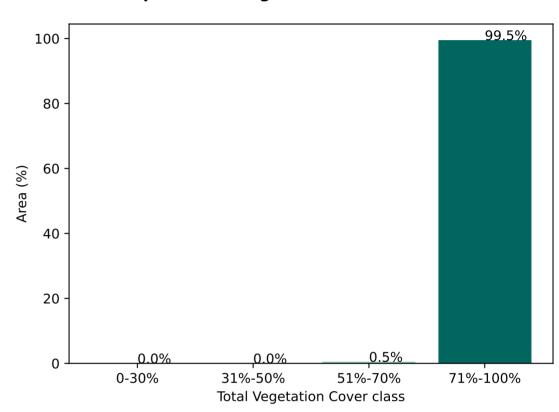


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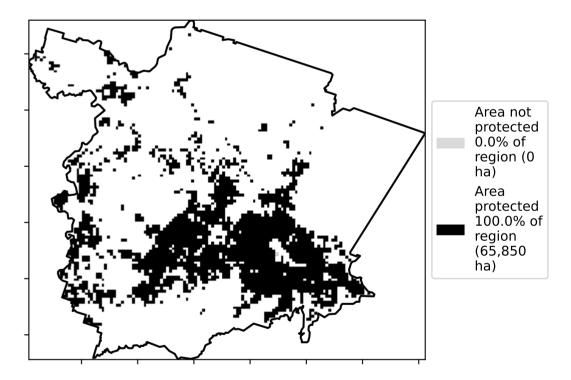


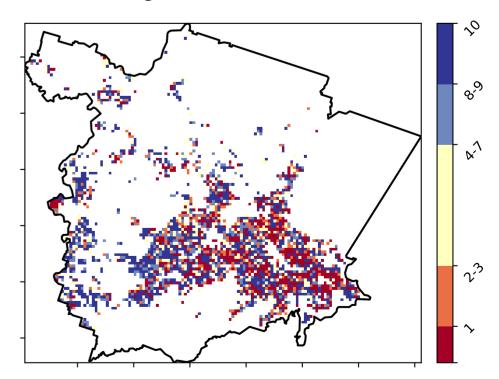
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Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)









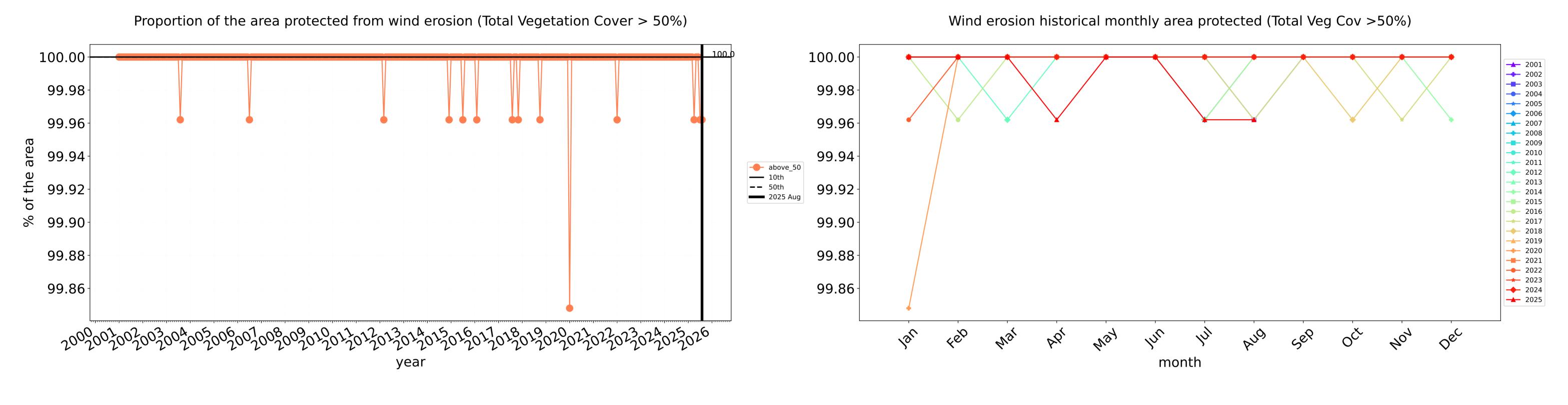


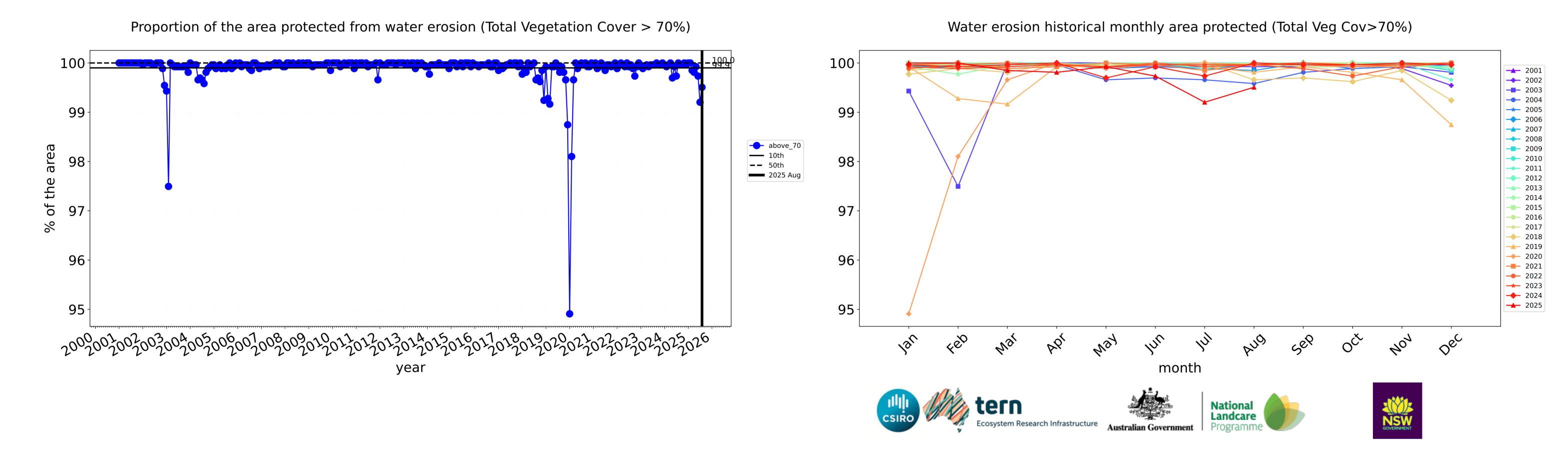


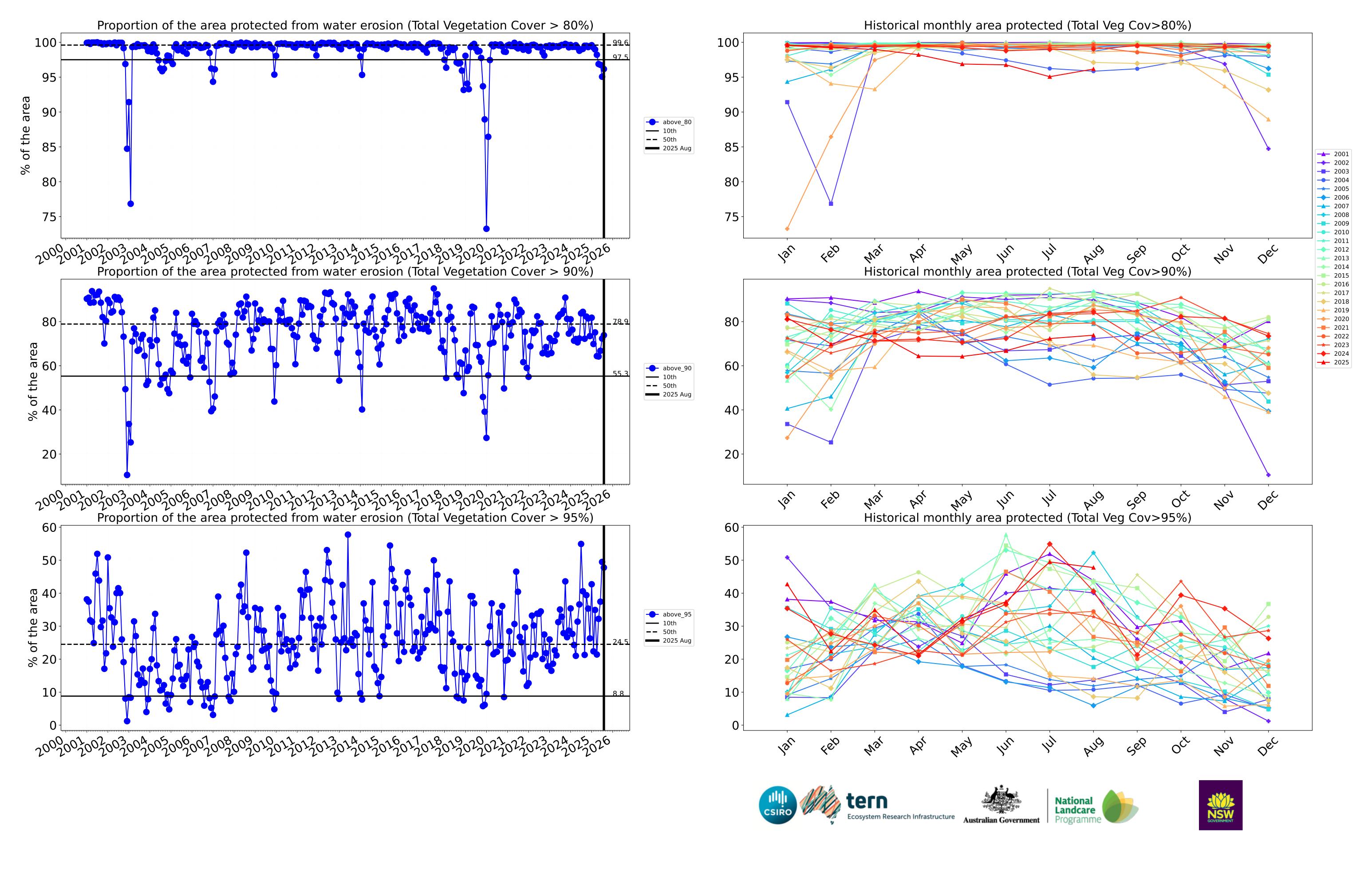




Grazing non forest timeseries

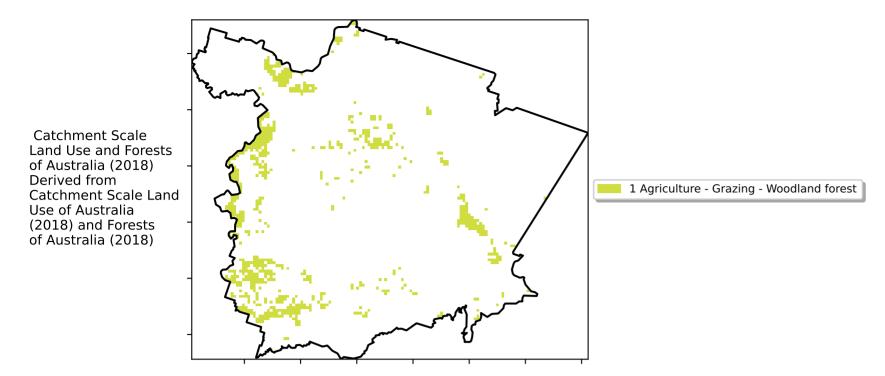




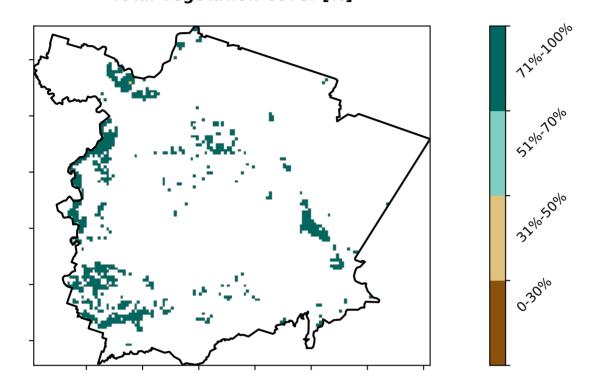


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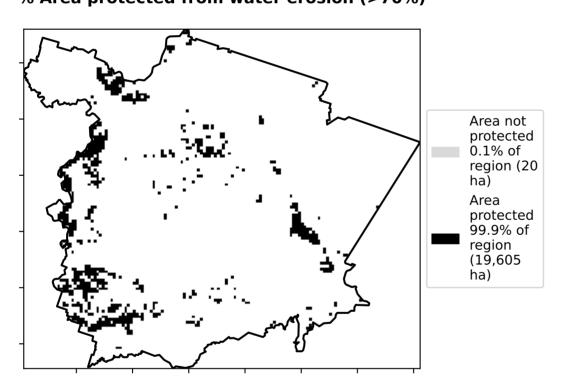
Land use and forest cover



Total Vegetation Cover [%]



% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



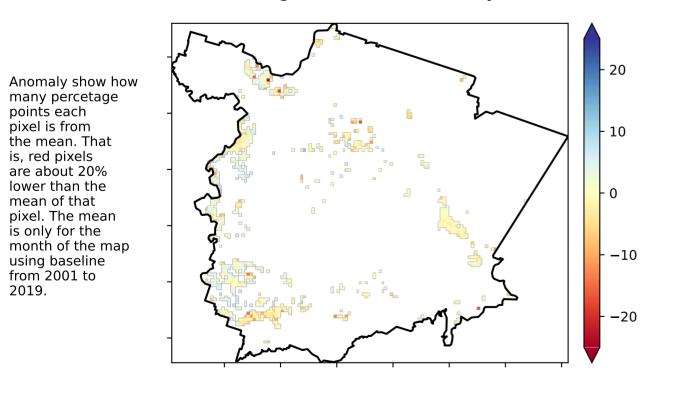
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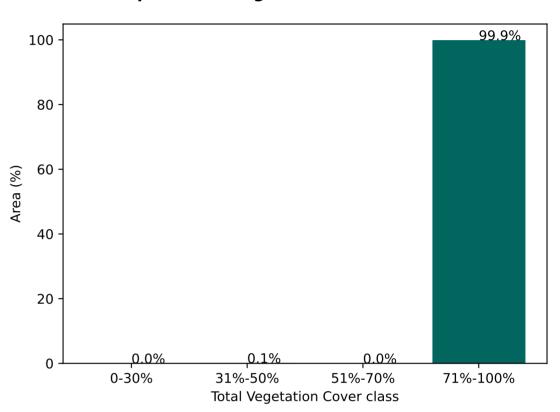
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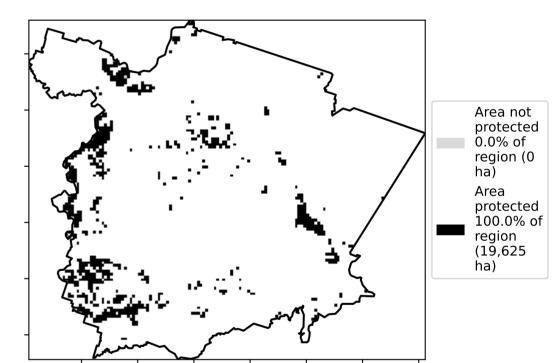


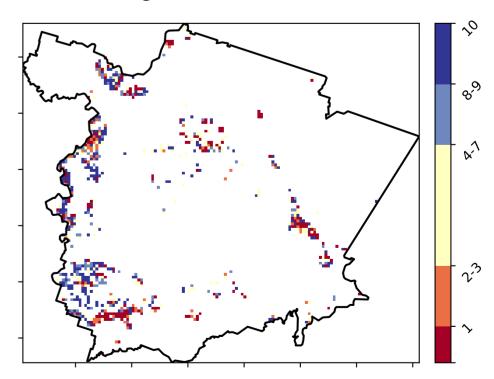
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Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)





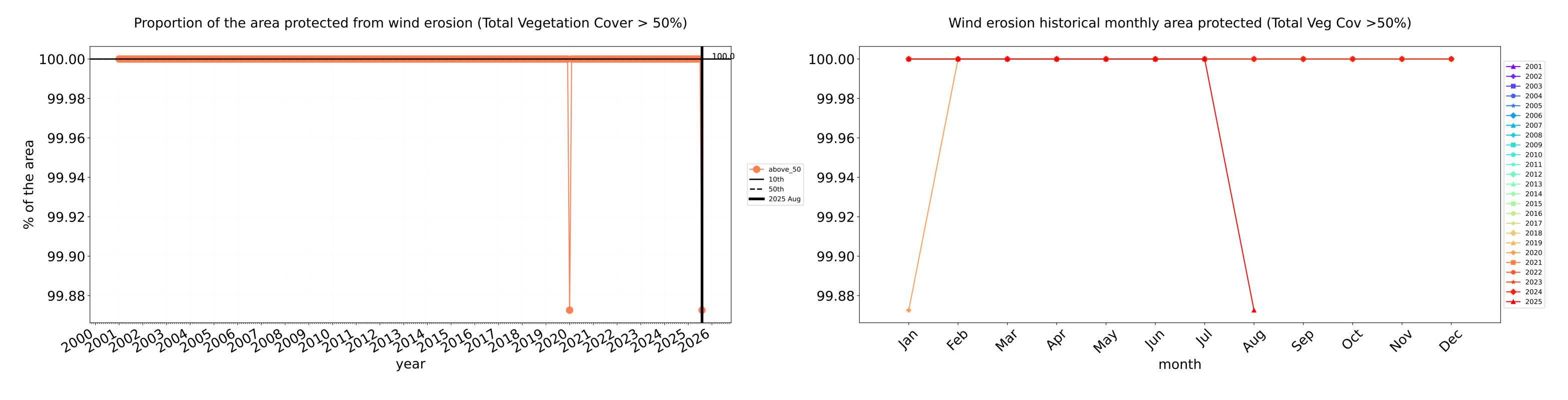


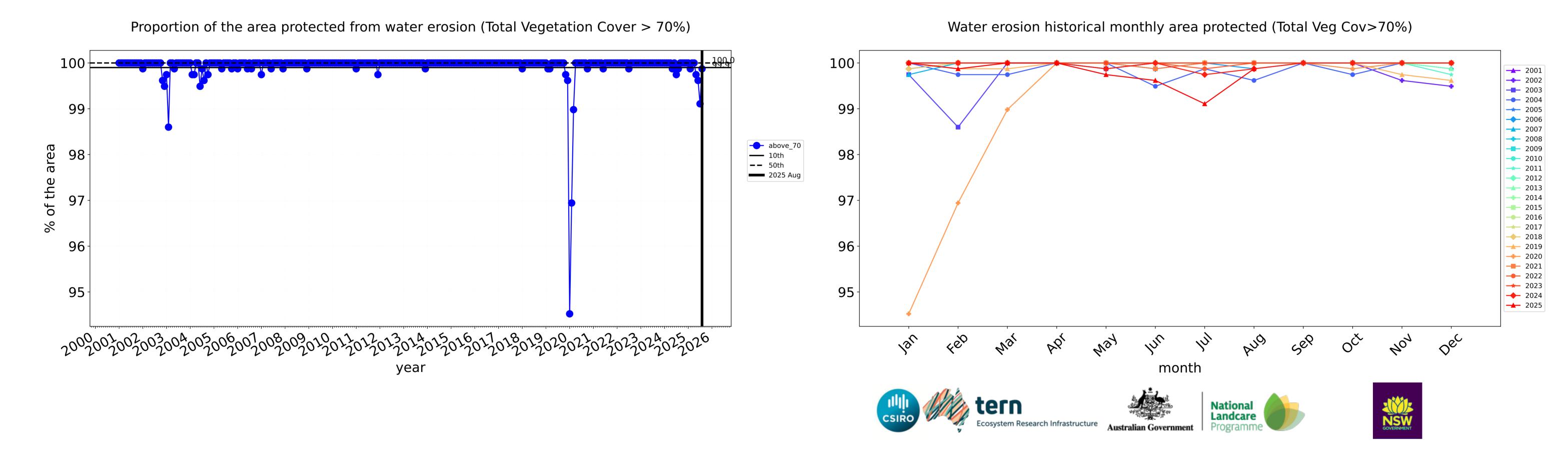


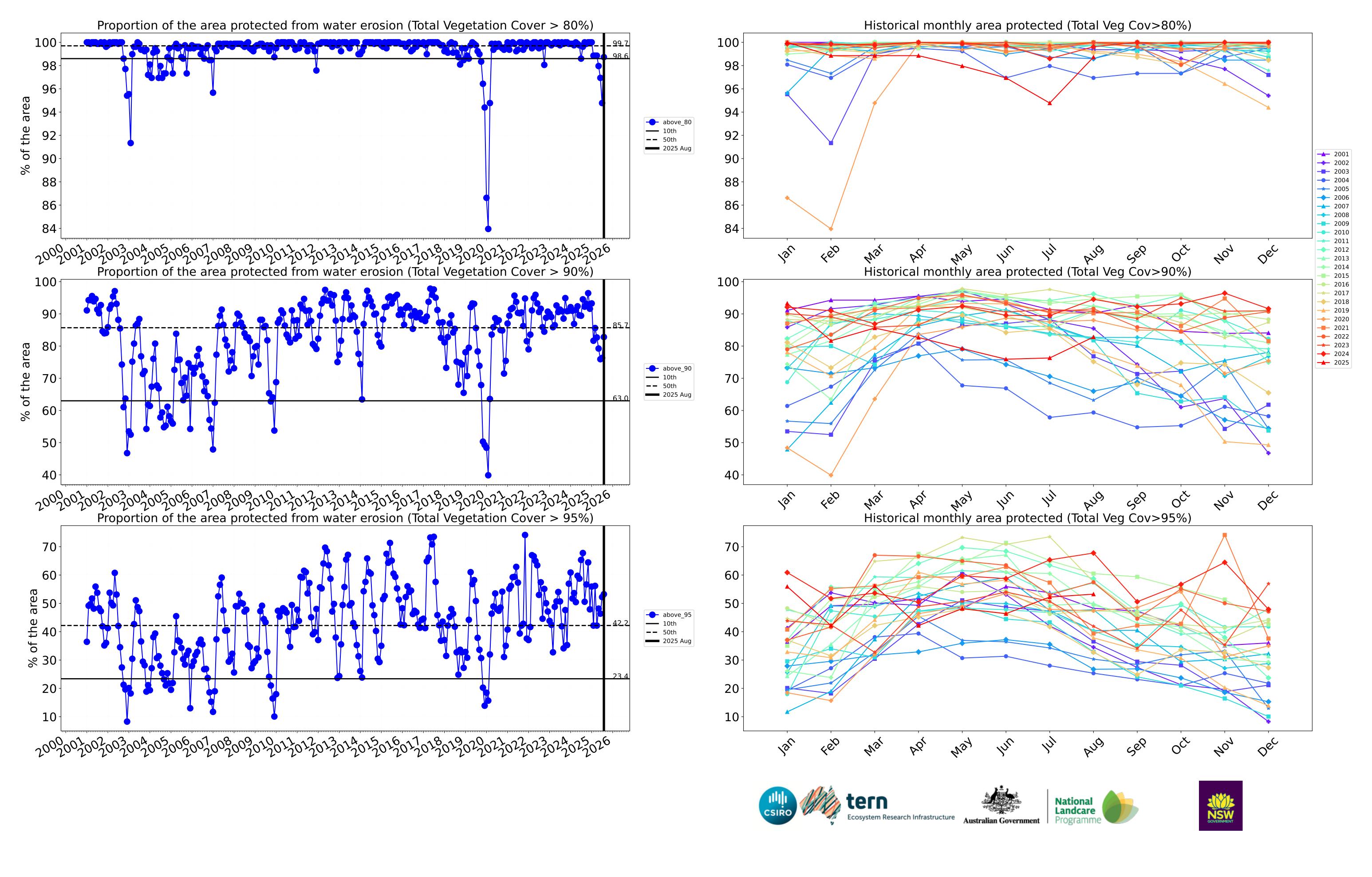




Grazing Woodland forest timeseries

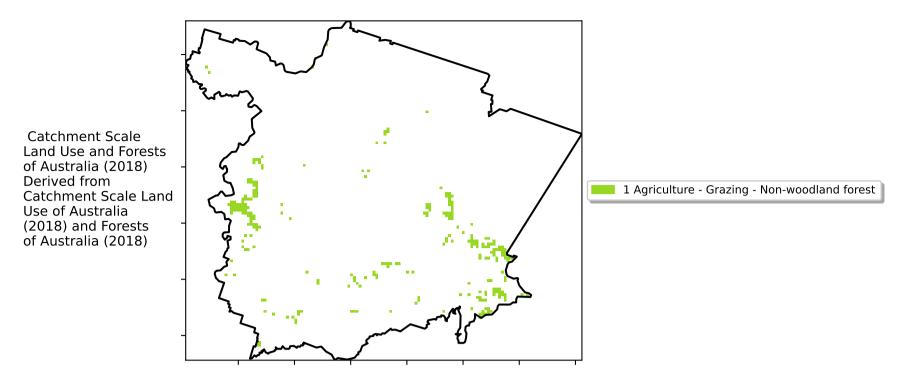




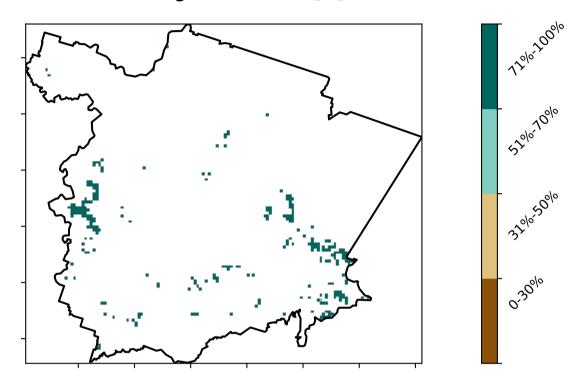


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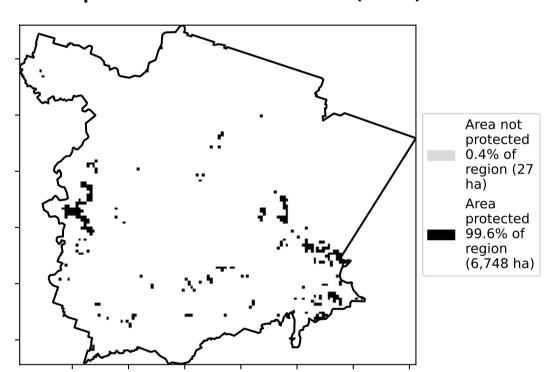
Land use and forest cover



Total Vegetation Cover [%]



% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

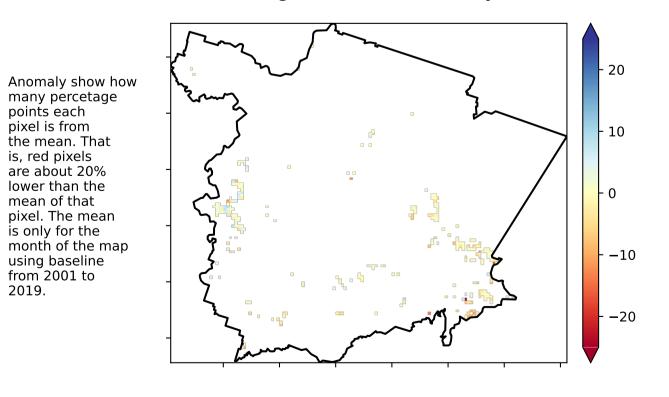
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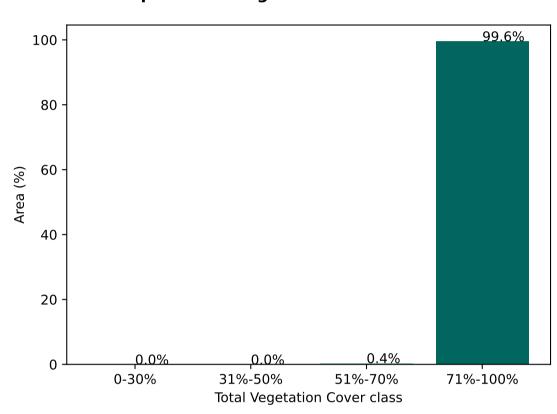
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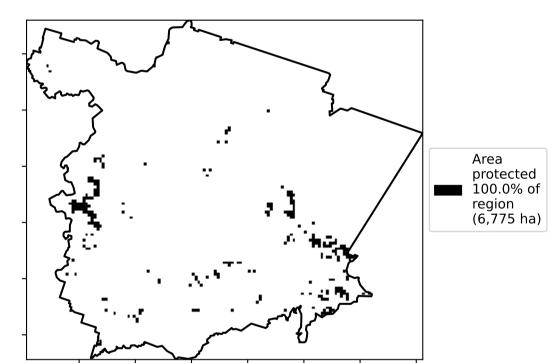


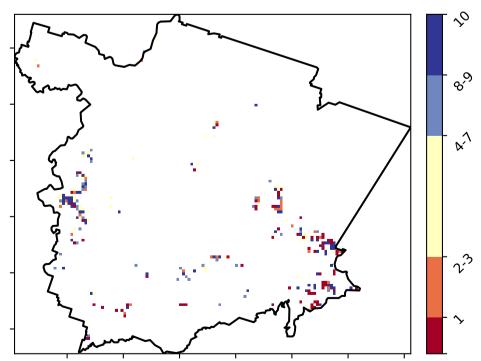
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Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



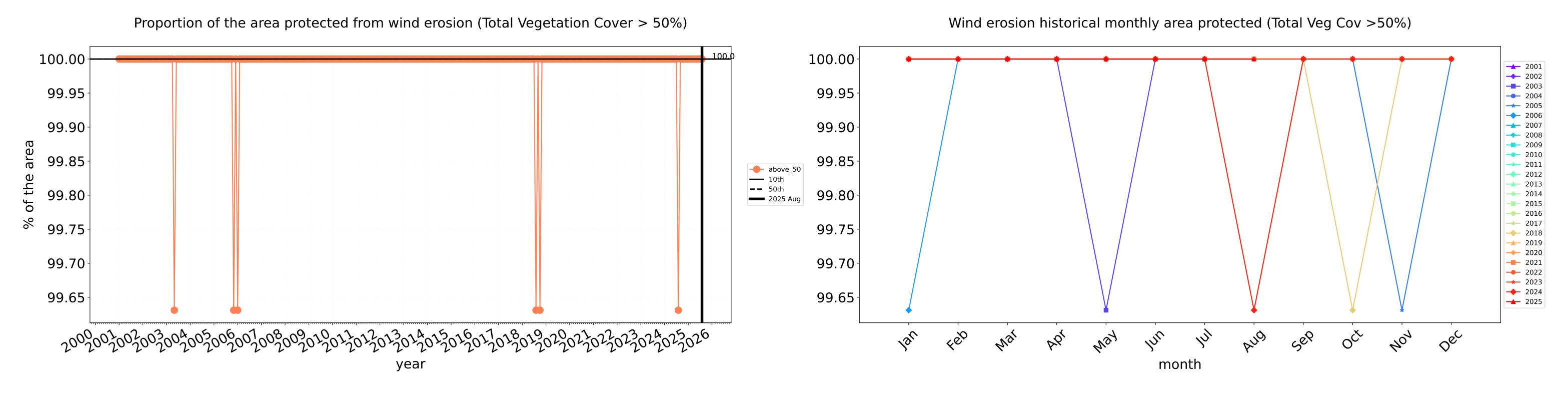


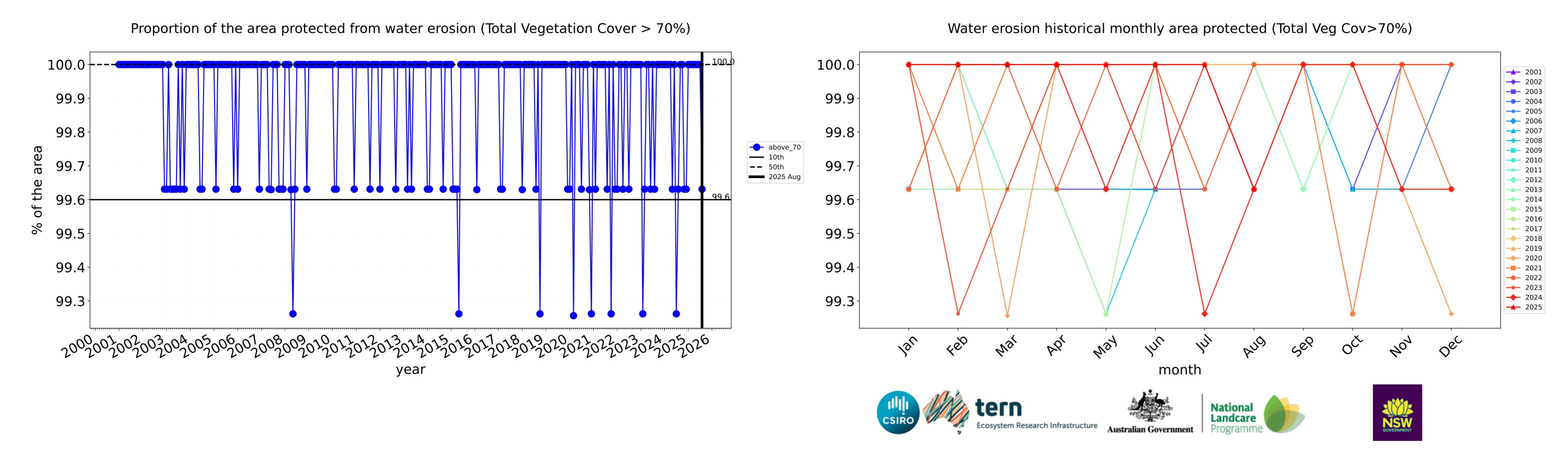


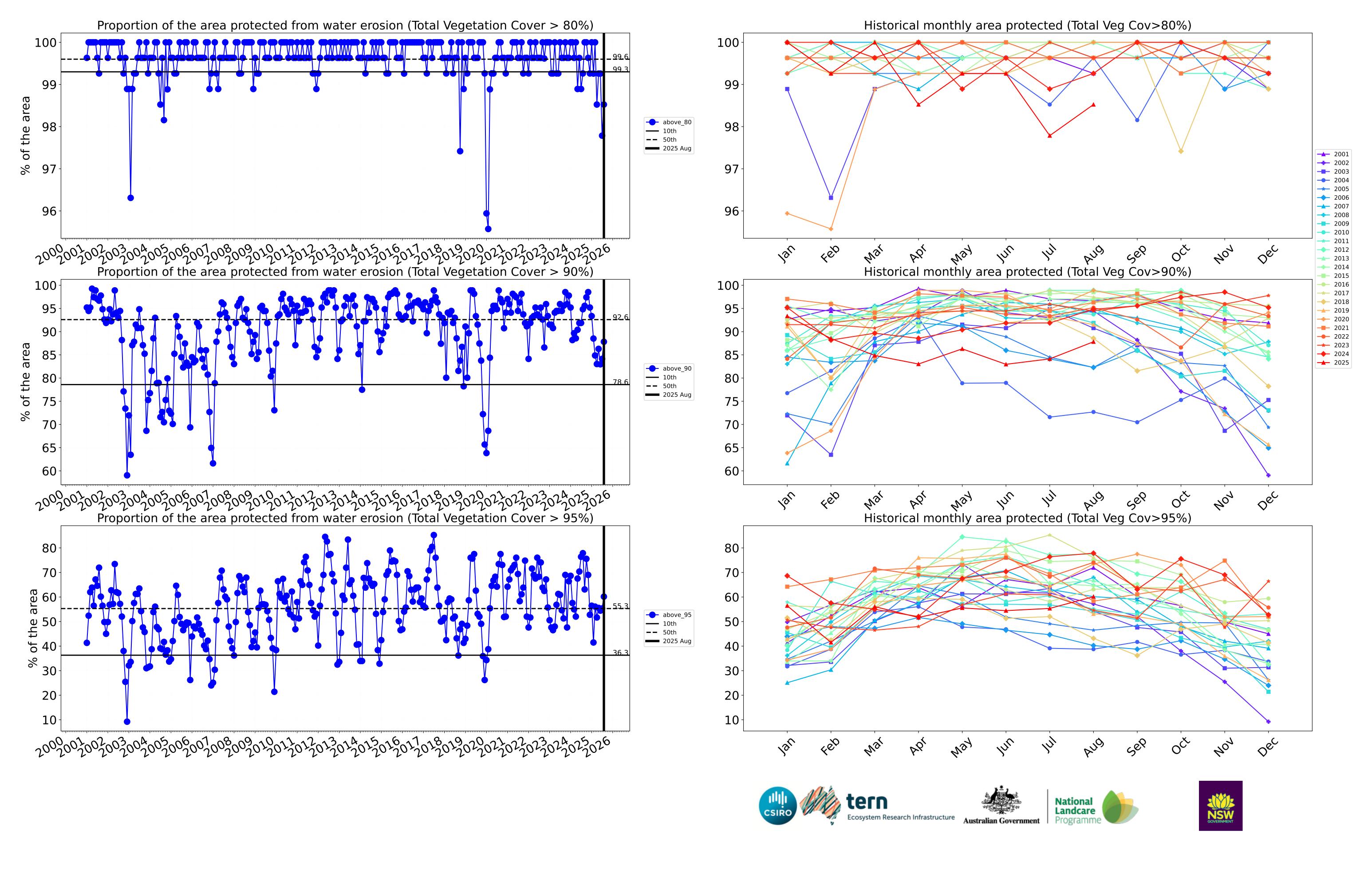






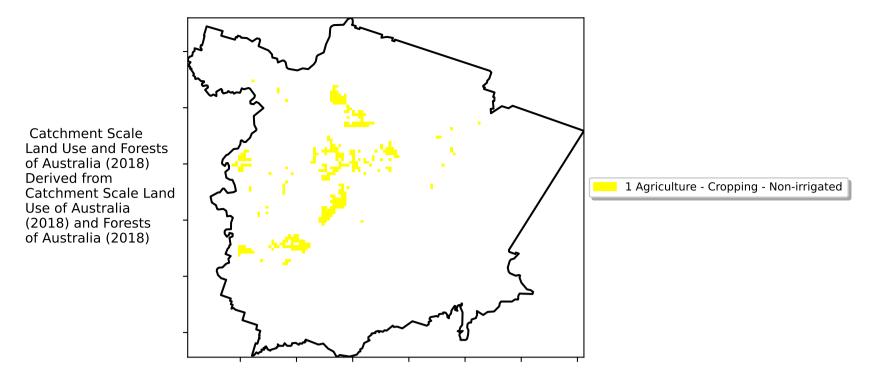




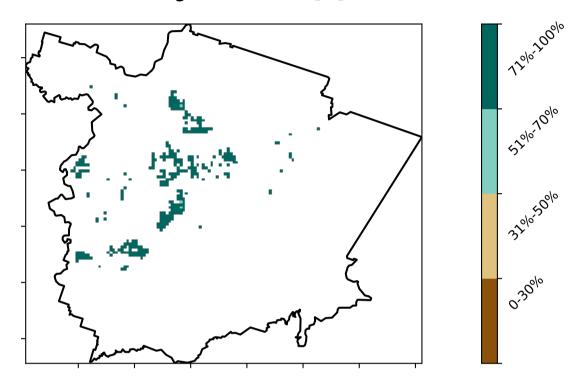


Cropping

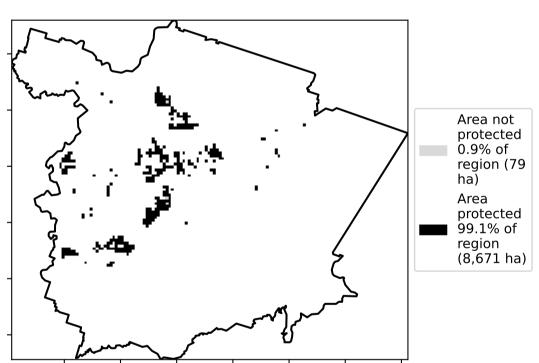
Land use and forest cover



Total Vegetation Cover [%]



% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



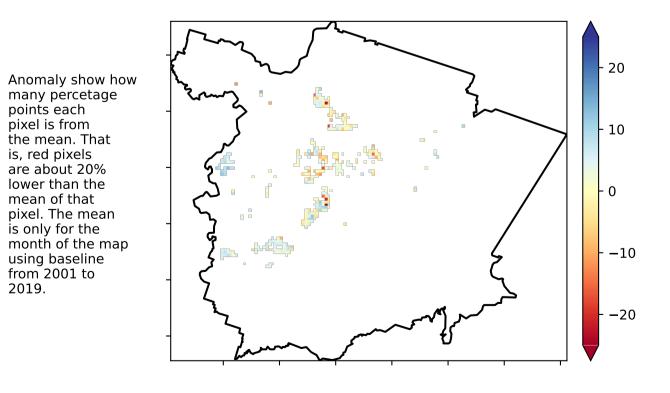
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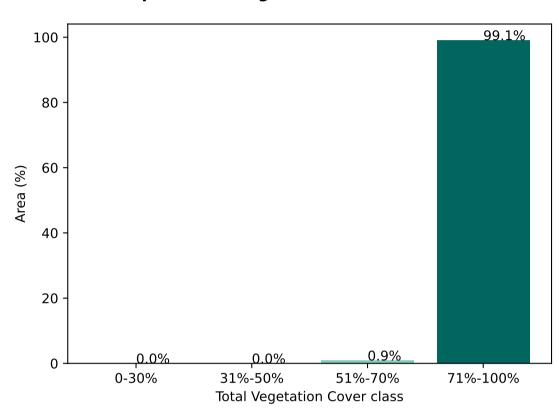
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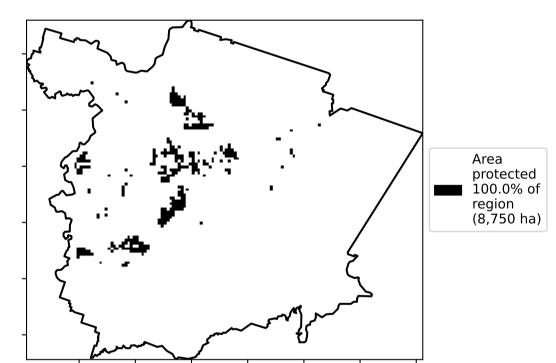


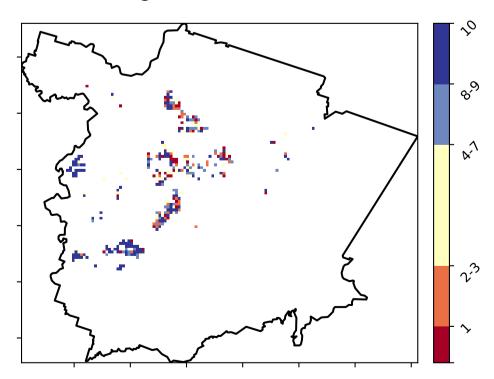
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Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



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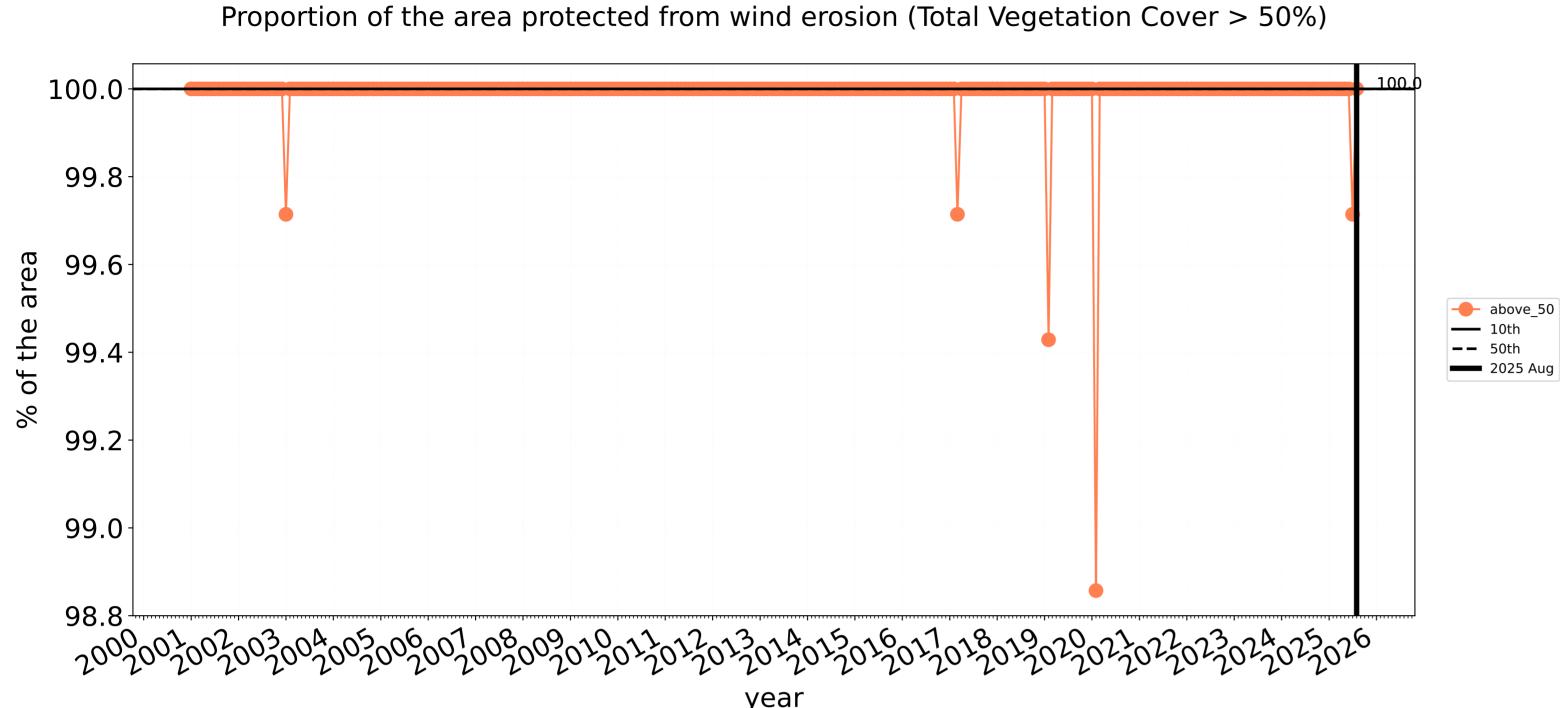


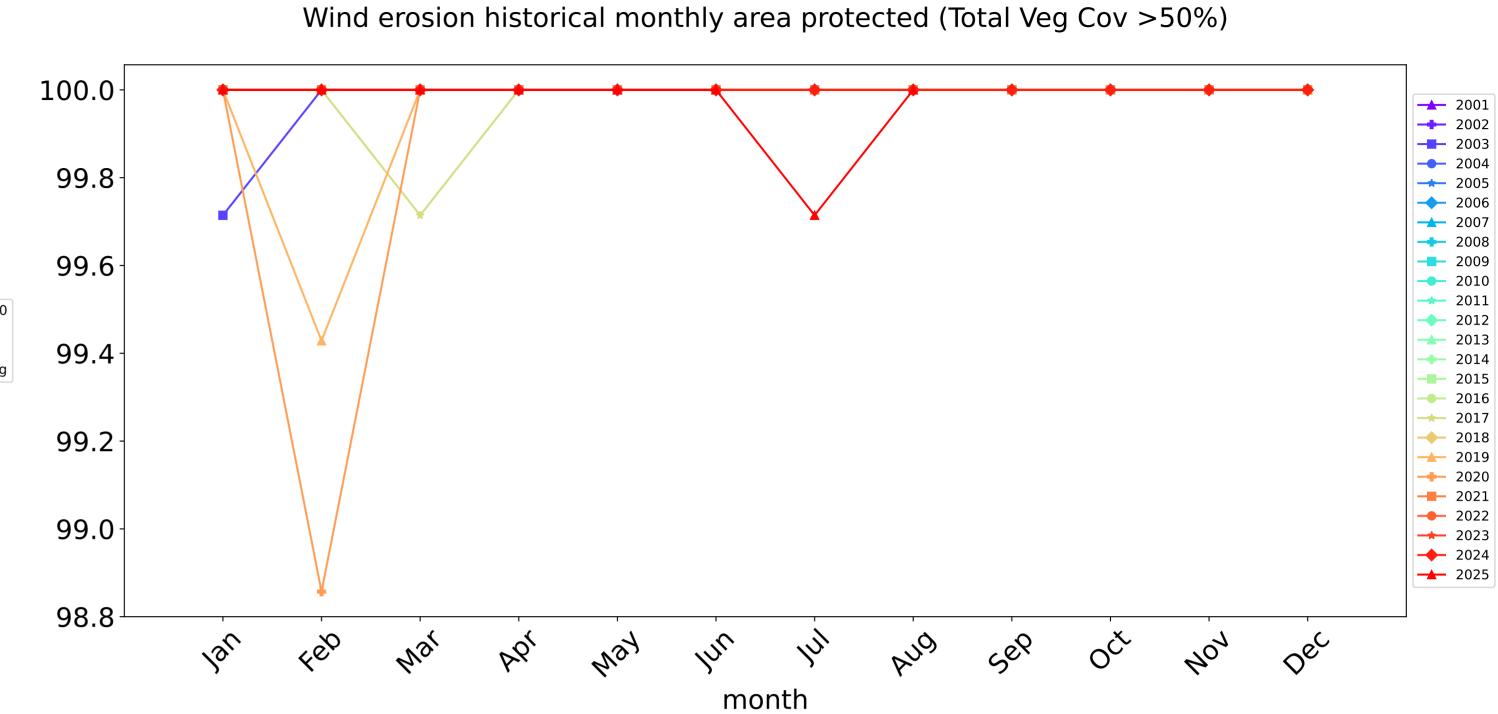


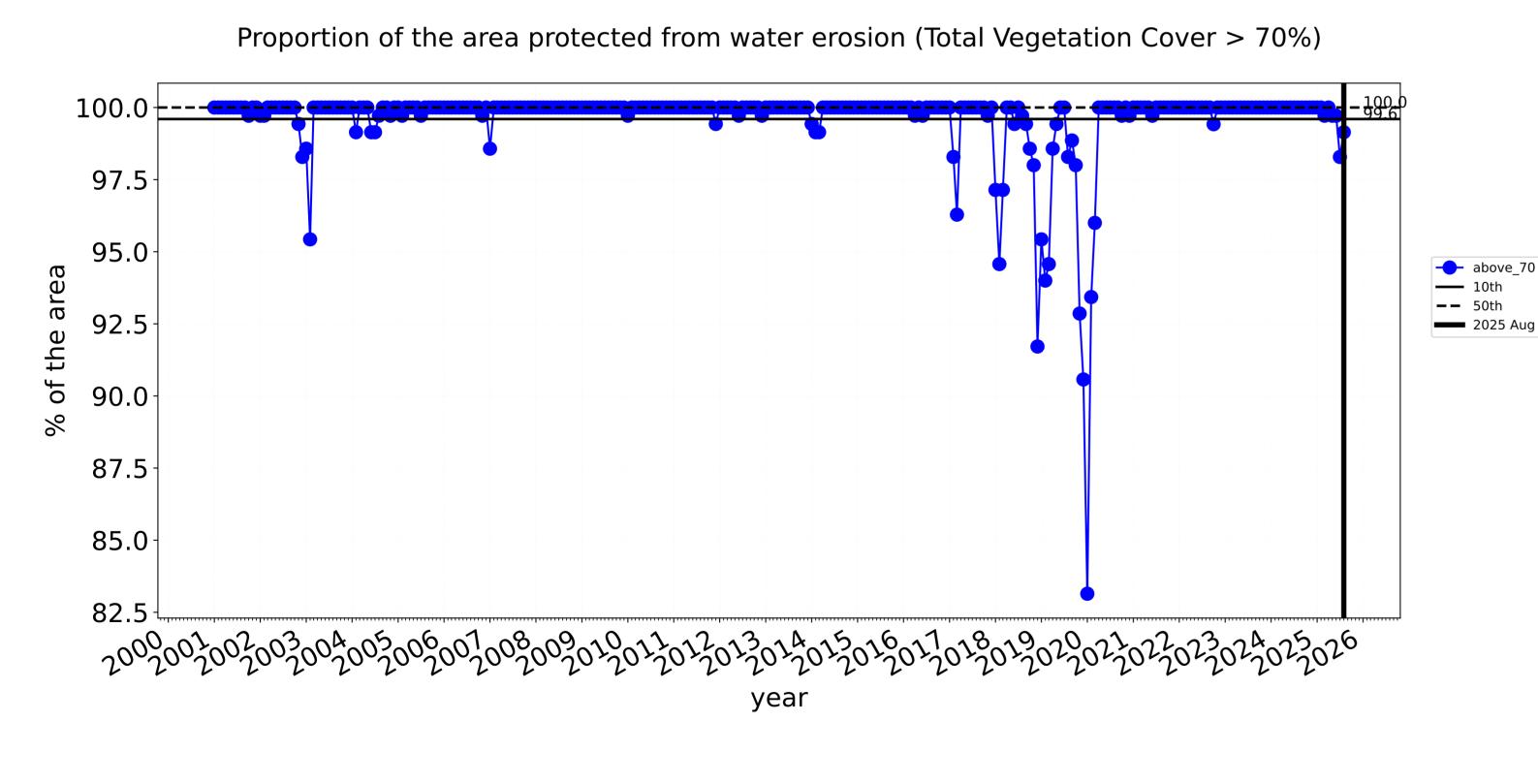


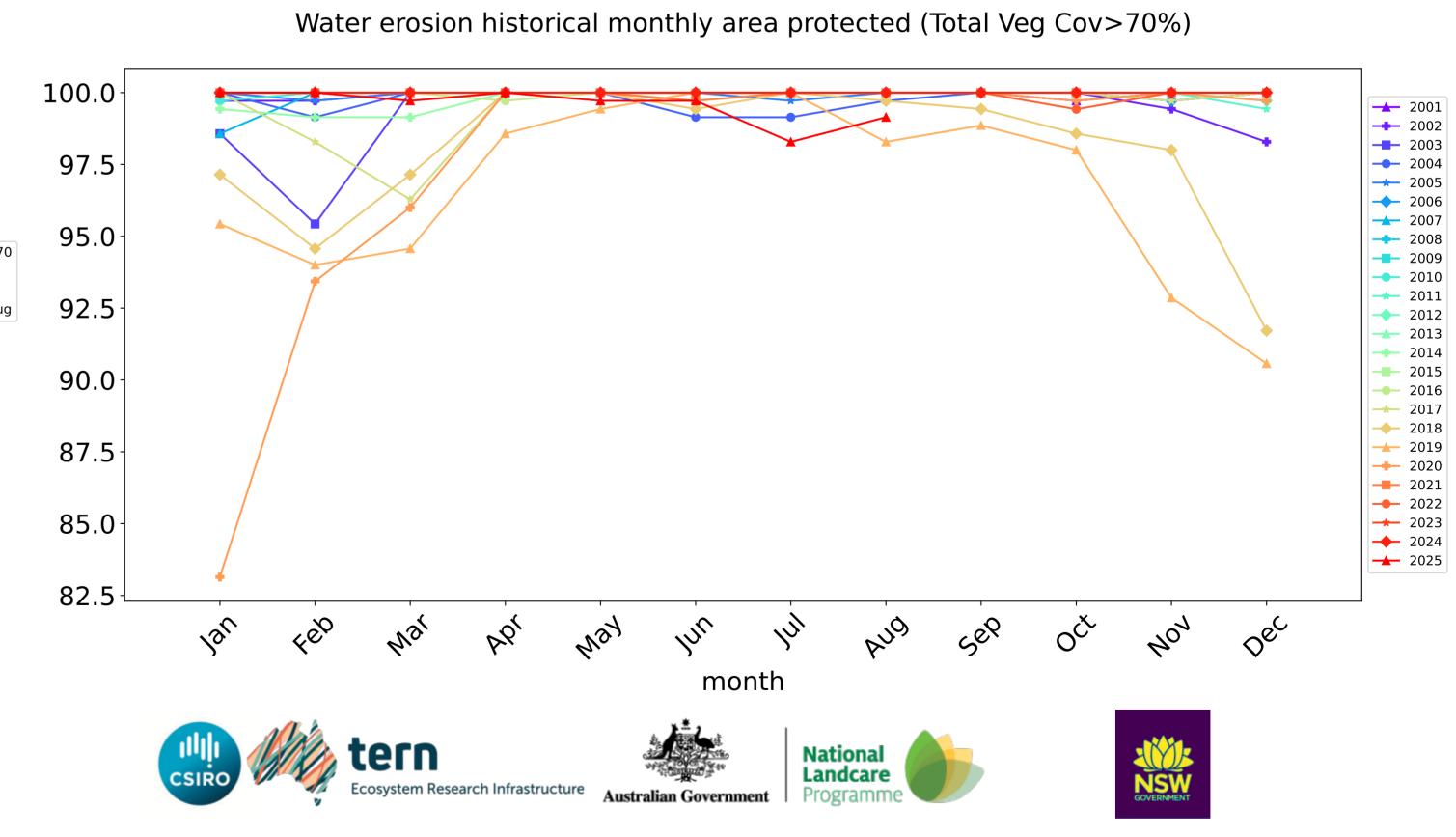


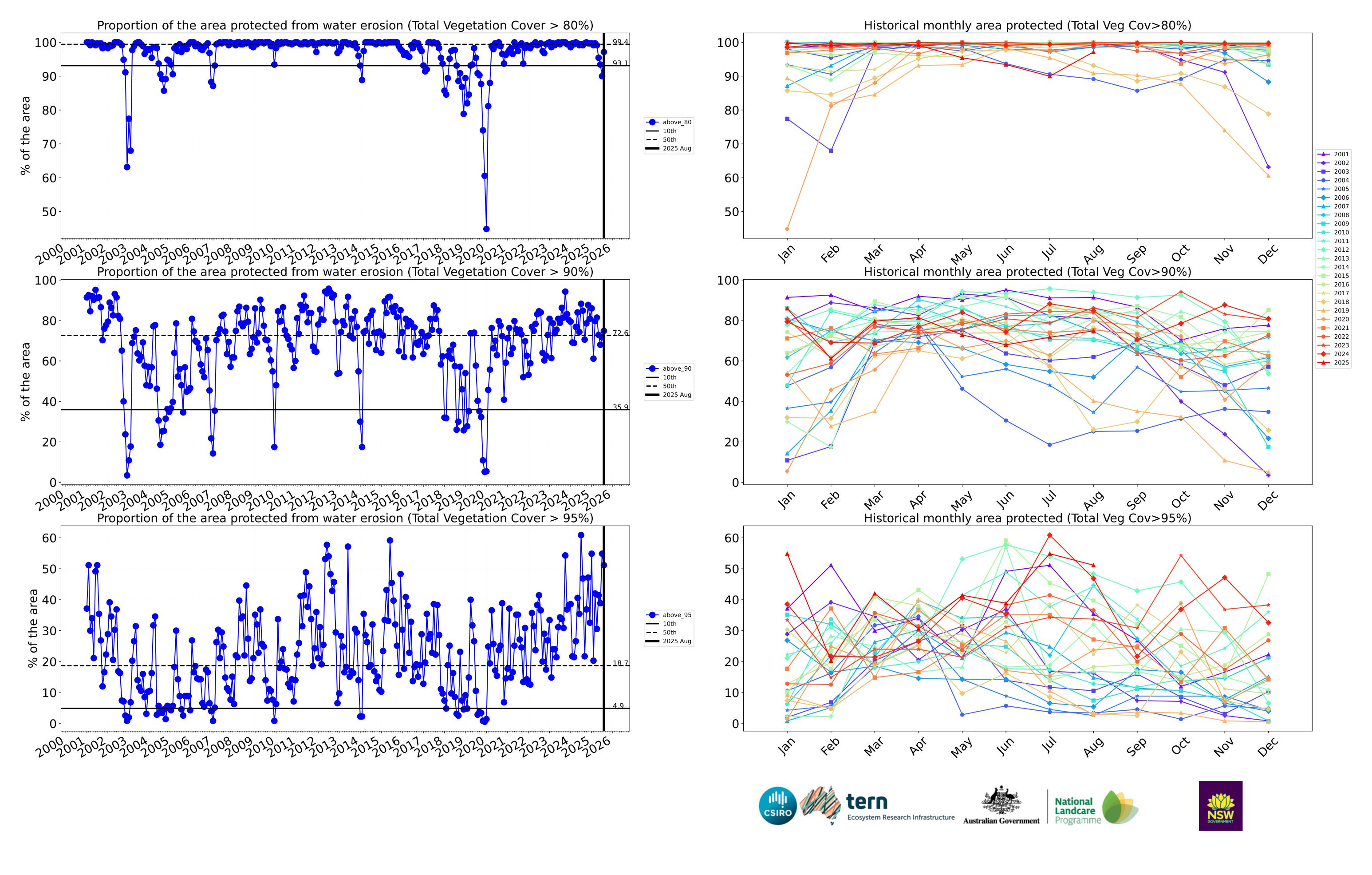
Cropping timeseries





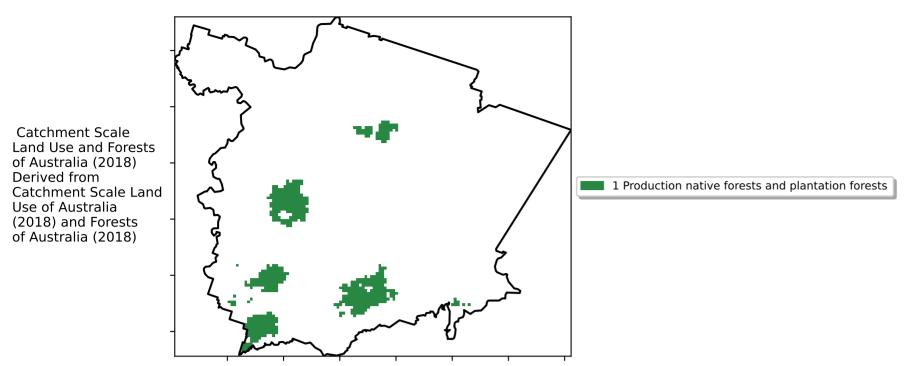




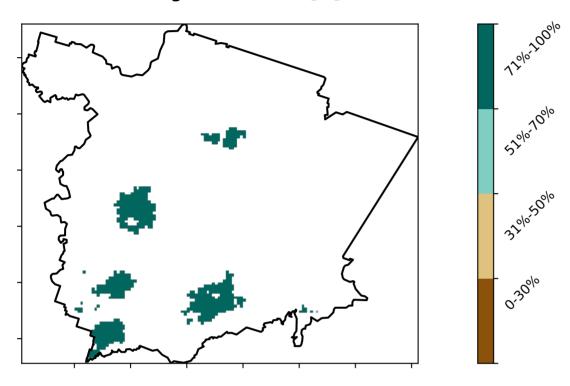


Production native forests and plantation forests

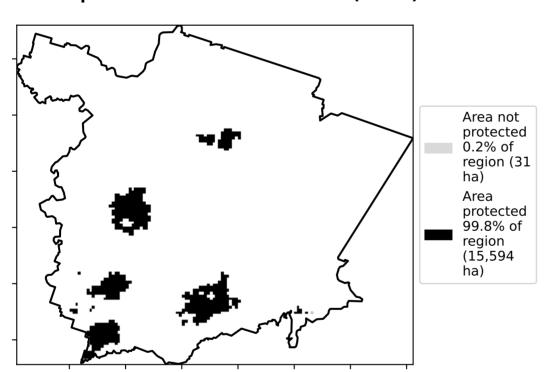
Land use and forest cover



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Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

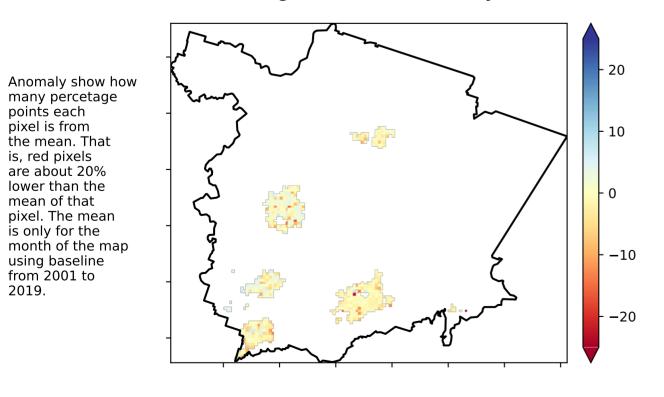
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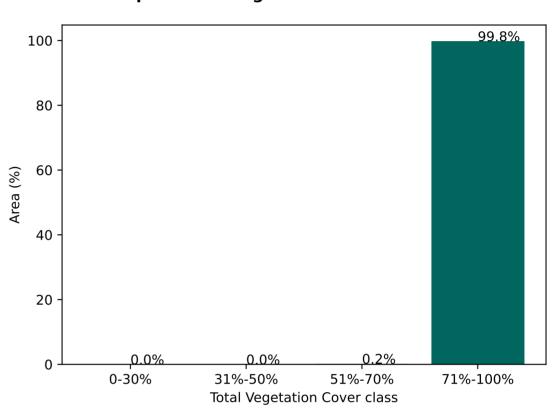
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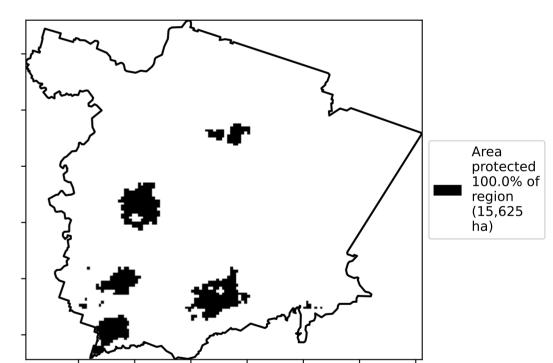


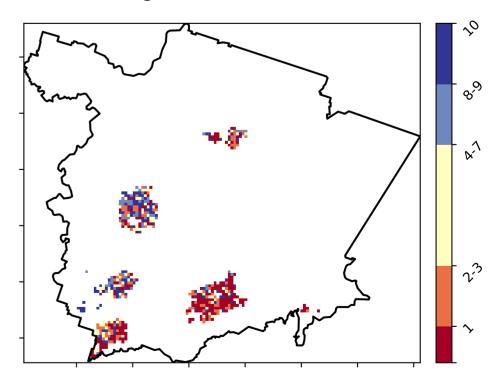
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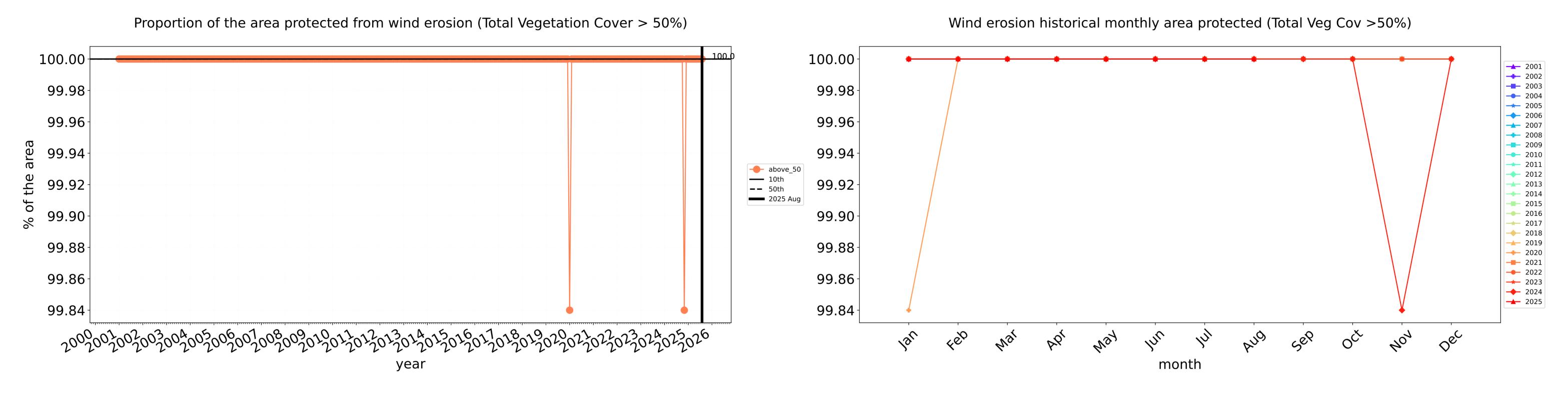


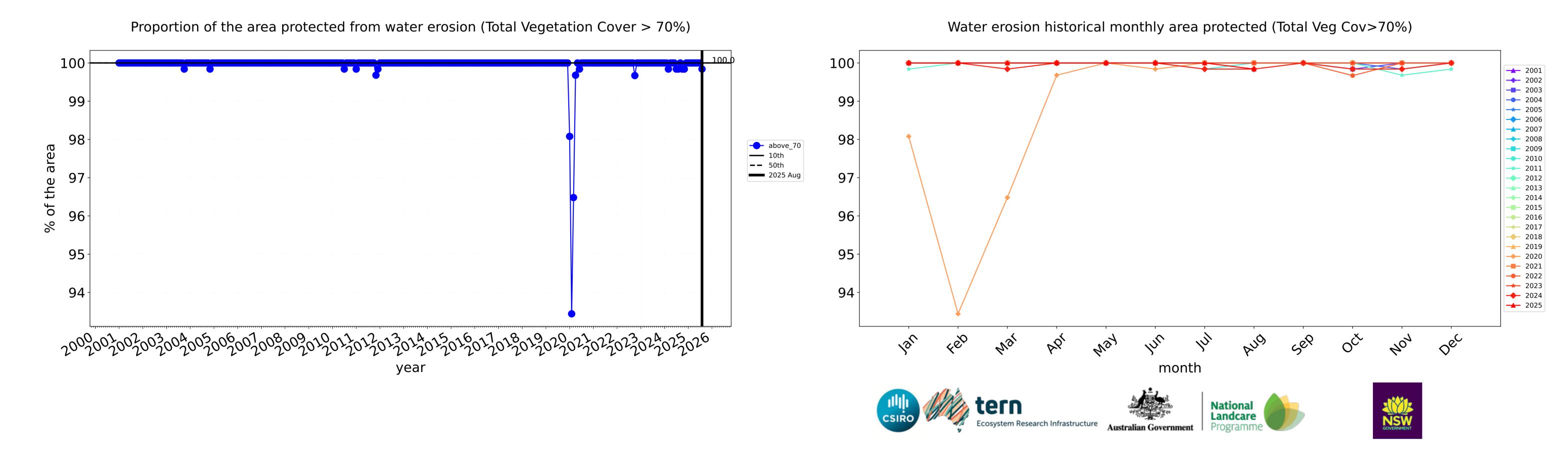


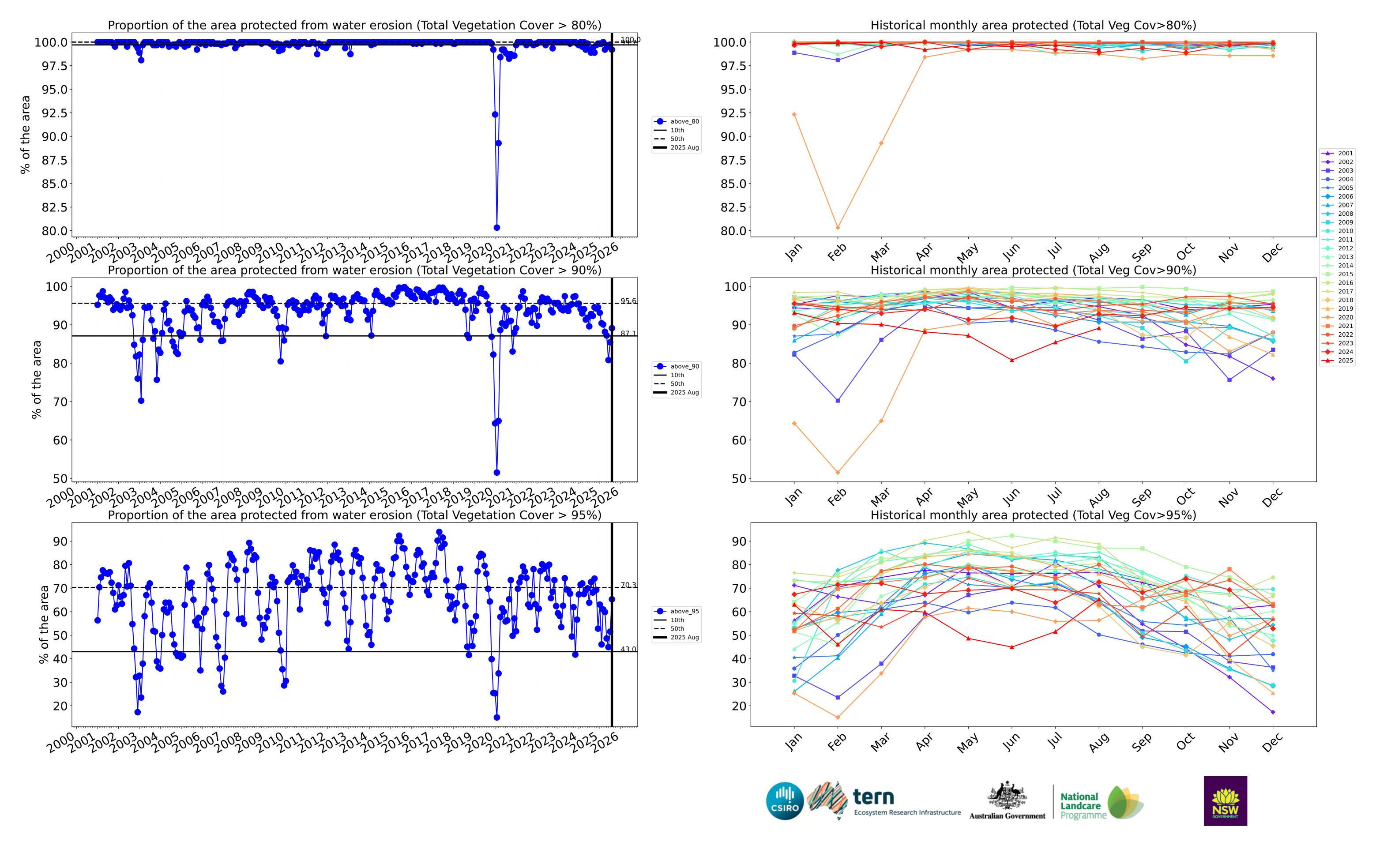




Production native forests and plantation forests timeseries







Wingecarribee_(A) (268,575 ha and no data 326 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	268,575	100.0% 268,475	99.9% 268,275	99.2% 266,550	96.5% 259,125	79.6% 213,700	51.7% 138,775
Conservation and natural environments	127,700	100.0% 127,700	100.0% 127,650	99.7% 127,350	98.2% 125,400	85.1% 108,700	54.8% 69,950
Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest	102,950	100.0% 102,950	100.0% 102,900	99.8% 102,700	98.3% 101,150	86.0% 88,575	56.2% 57,900
Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)	24,025	100.0% 24,025	100.0% 24,025	99.6% 23,925	97.9% 23,525	81.3% 19,525	48.8% 11,725
Agriculture	101,375	100.0% 101,375	100.0% 101,325	99.6% 100,925	96.9% 98,225	76.6% 77,650	49.9% 50,550
Grazing	92,250	100.0% 92,250	99.9% 92,200	99.6% 91,875	96.9% 89,375	76.8% 70,825	49.8% 45,975
Grazing non forest	65,850	100.0% 65,850	100.0% 65,825	99.5% 65,525	96.2% 63,325	73.8% 48,625	47.8% 31,450
Grazing Woodland forest	19,625	100.0% 19,625	99.9% 19,600	99.9% 19,600	98.7% 19,375	82.8% 16,250	53.2% 10,450
Grazing - Forest (non woodland)	6,775	100.0% 6,775	100.0% 6,775	99.6% 6,750	98.5% 6,675	87.8% 5,950	60.1% 4,075
Cropping	8,750	100.0% 8,750	100.0% 8,750	99.1% 8,675	97.1% 8,500	74.9% 6,550	51.1% 4,475
Production native forests and plantation forests	15,625	100.0% 15,625	100.0% 15,625	99.8% 15,600	99.2% 15,500	89.1% 13,925	65.3% 10,200







