Total vegetation cover soil protection Region:LGA Hinchinbrook (S) QLD

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:

Date: May 2025

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.

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:

Total vegetation Cover:

- 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:

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









Vegetation Cover May 2025

Land use and forest cover

Catchment Scale

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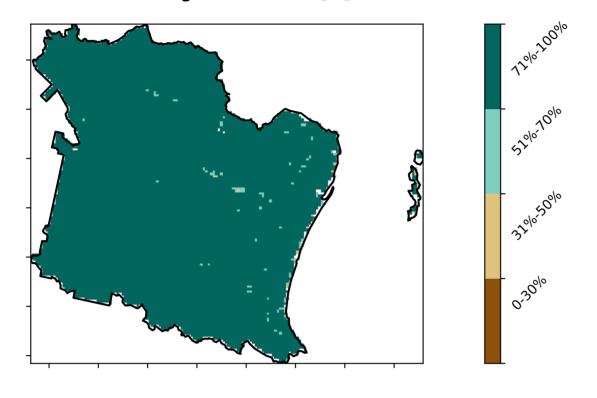
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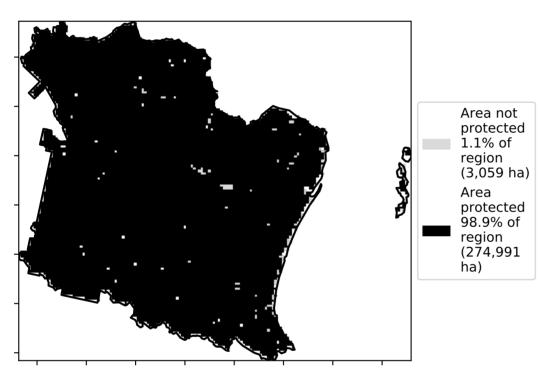
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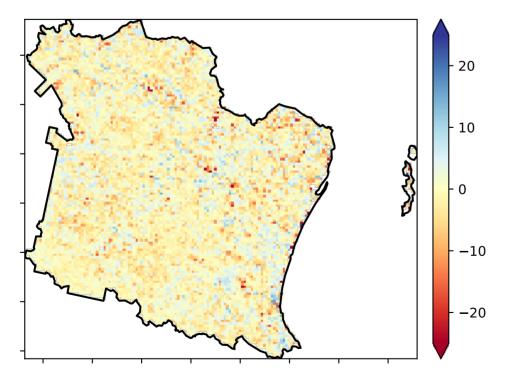
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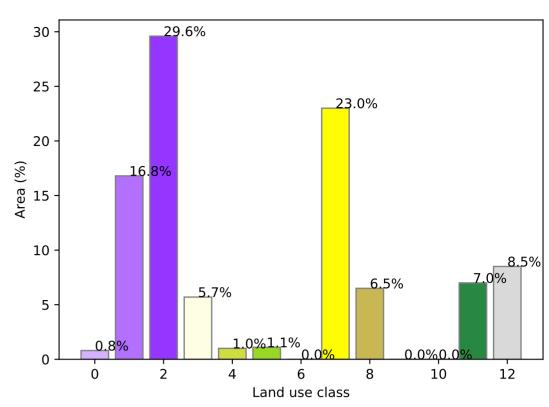


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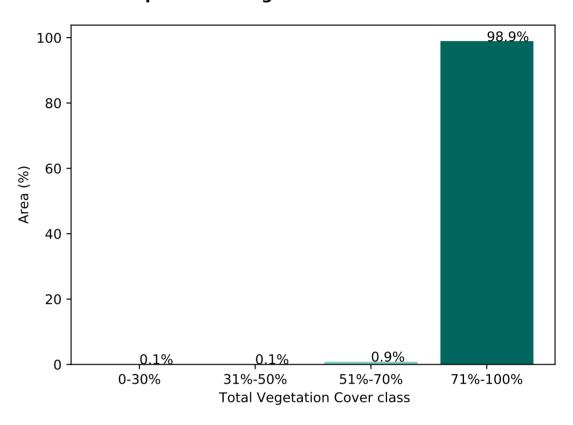


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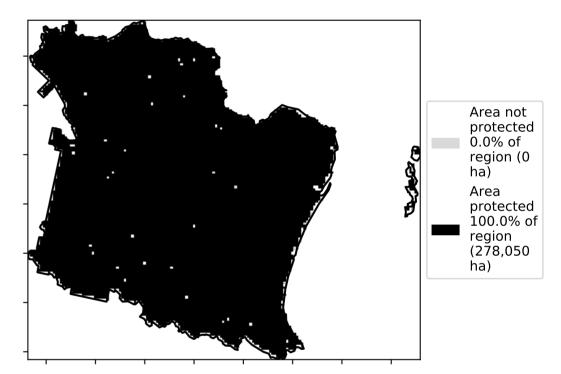
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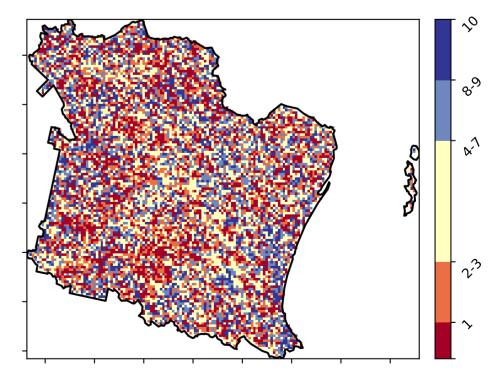


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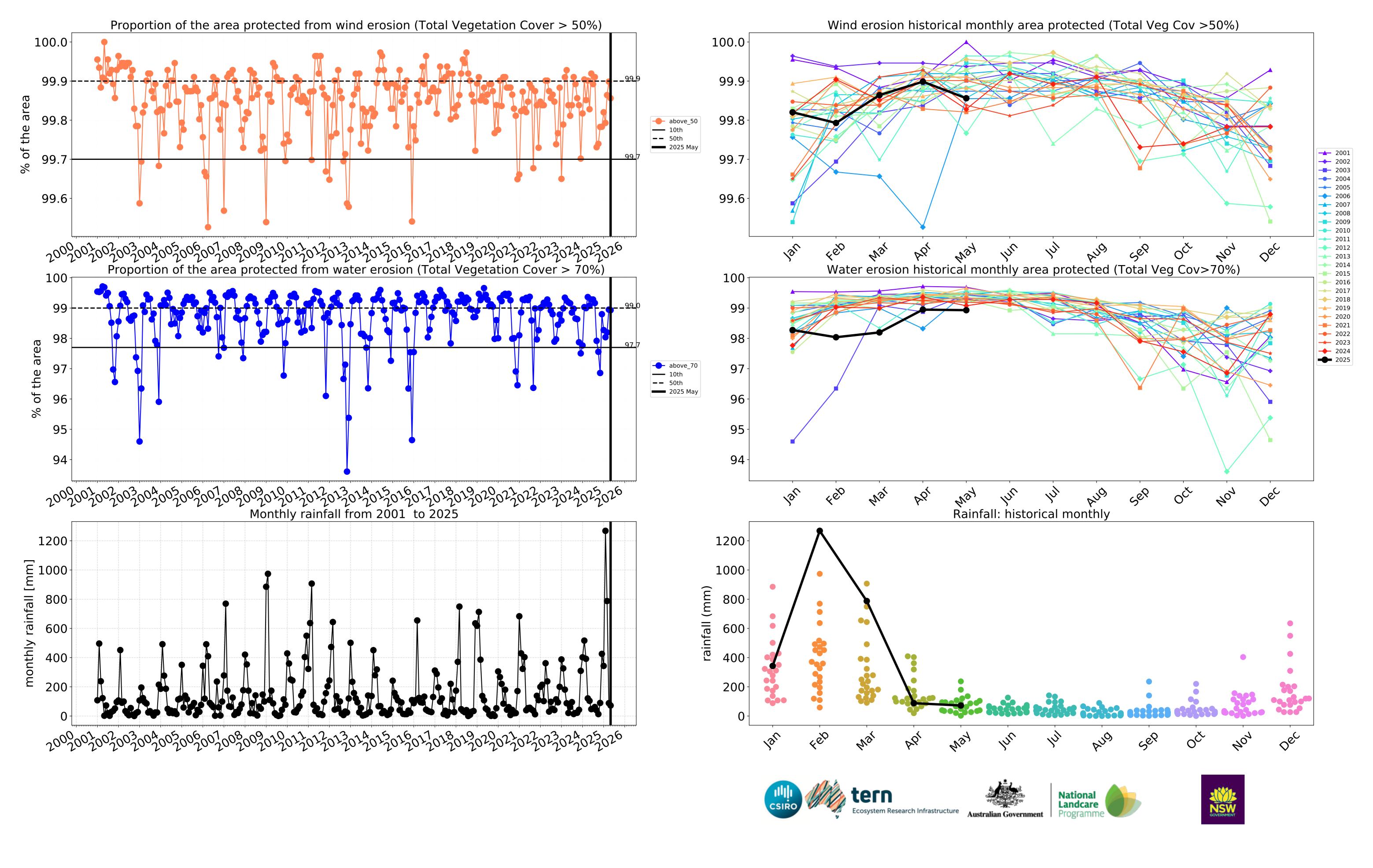


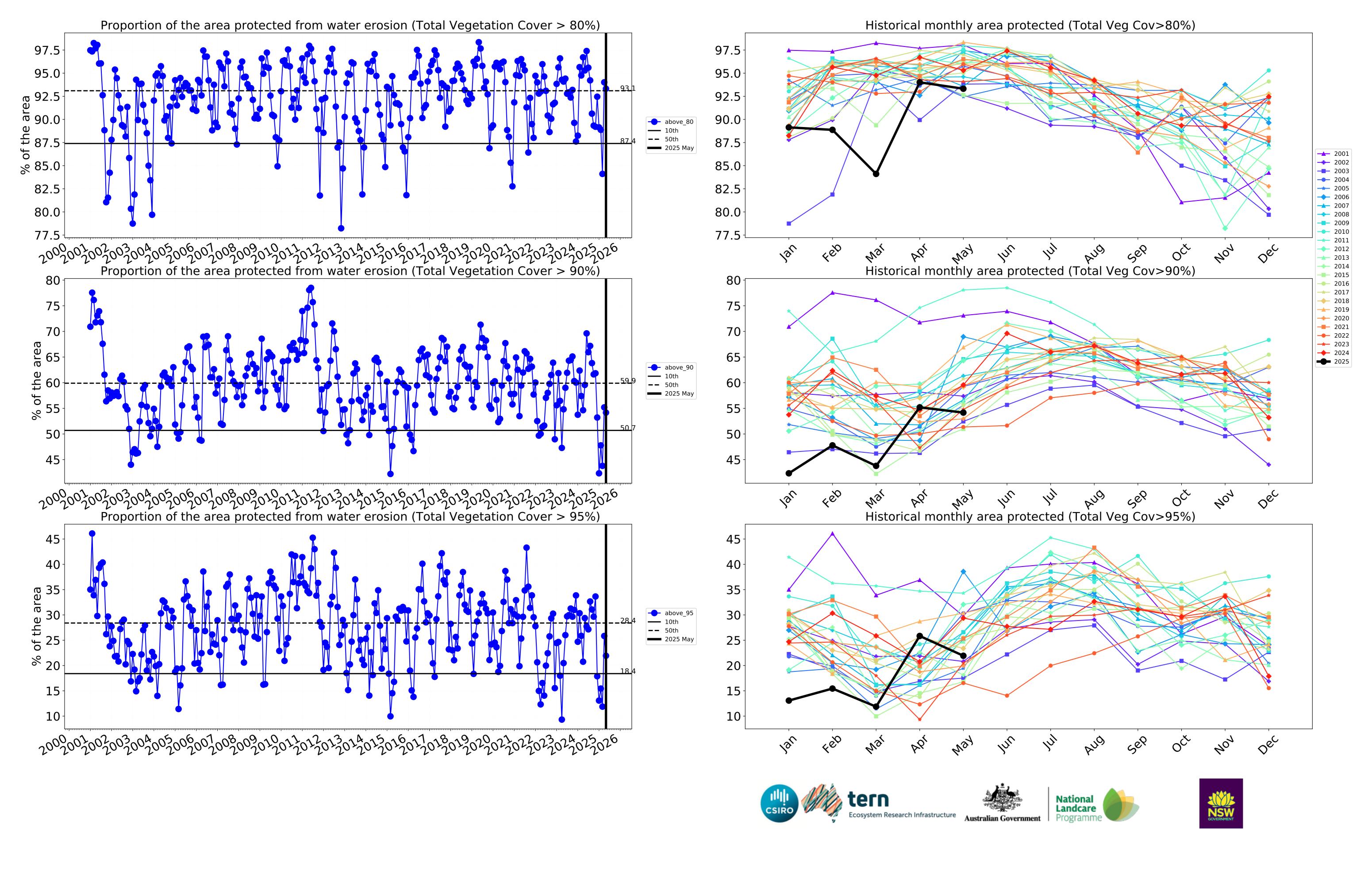








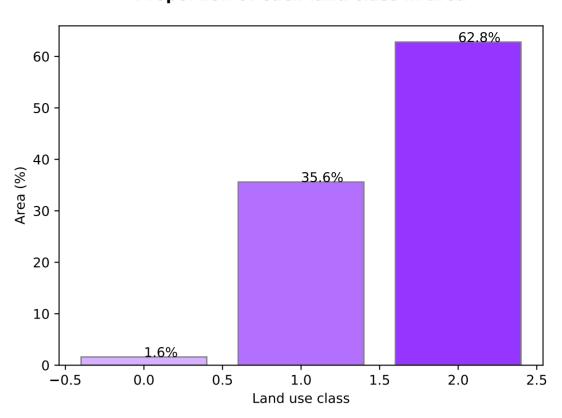




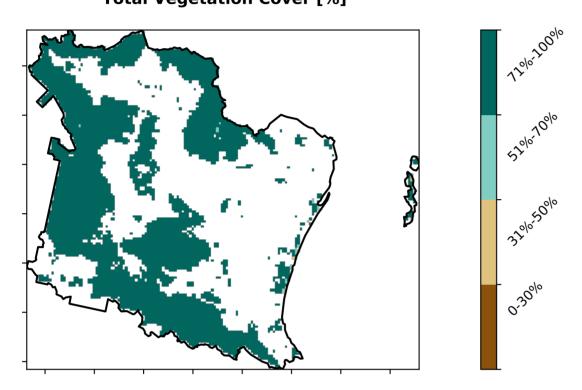
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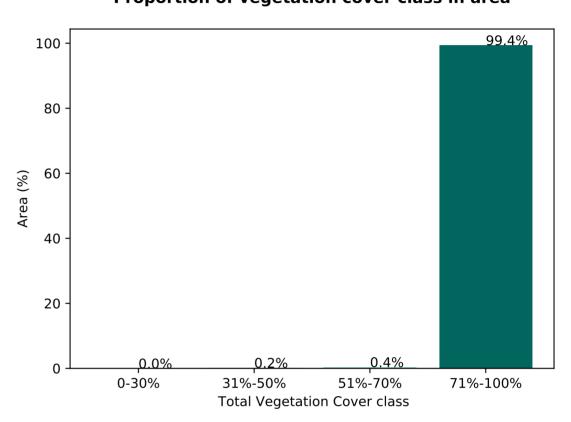
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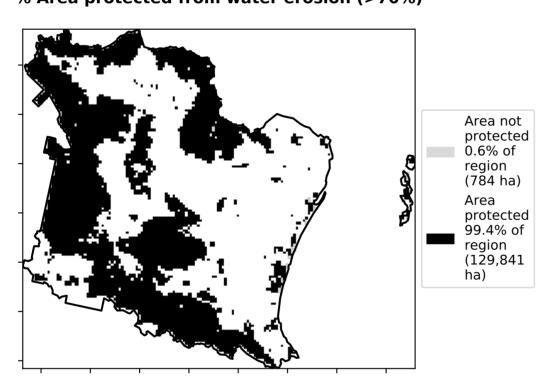
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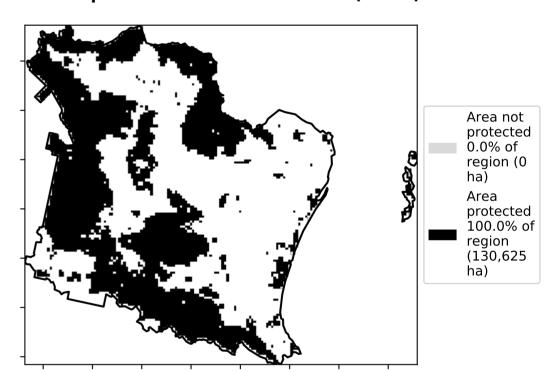
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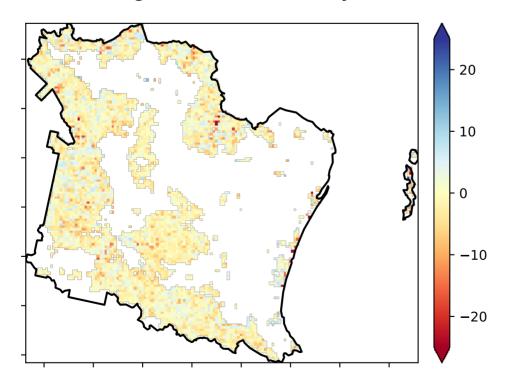
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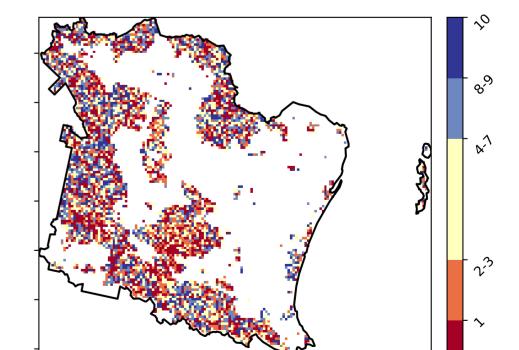
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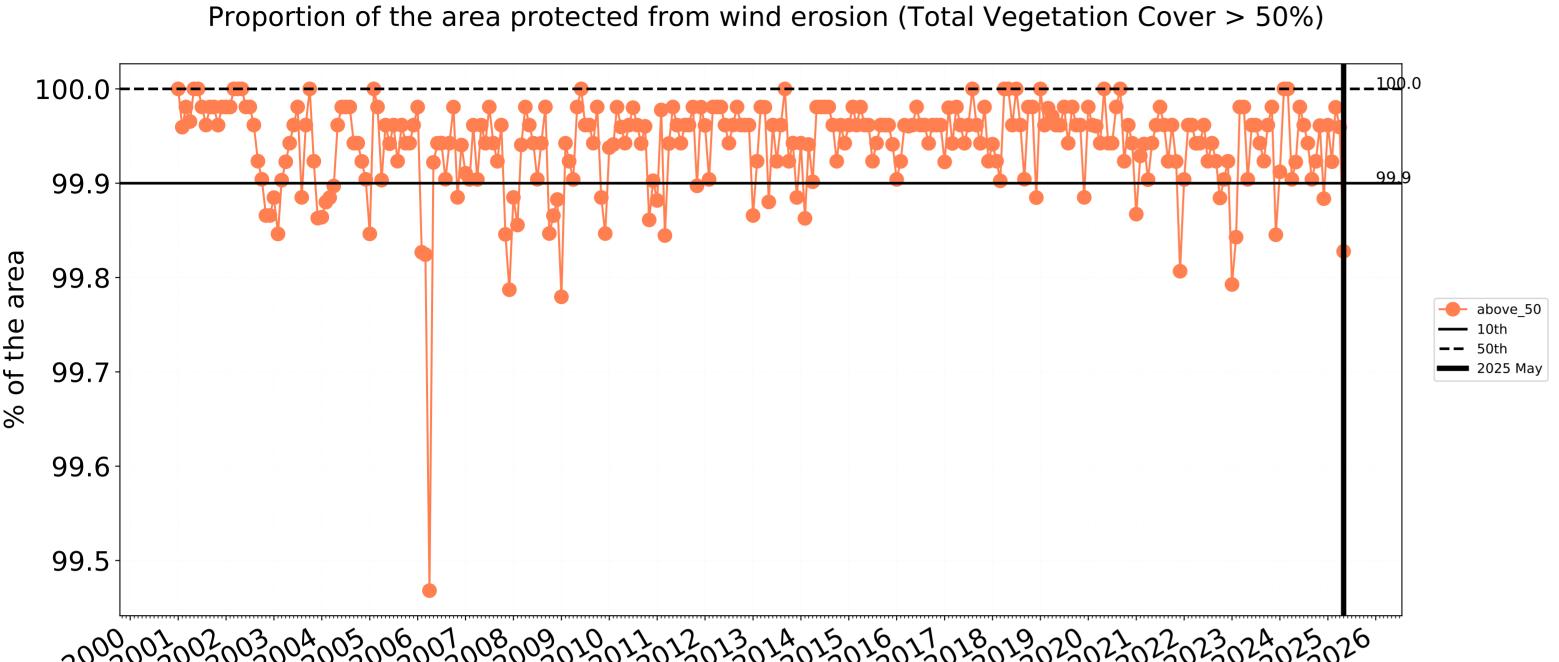
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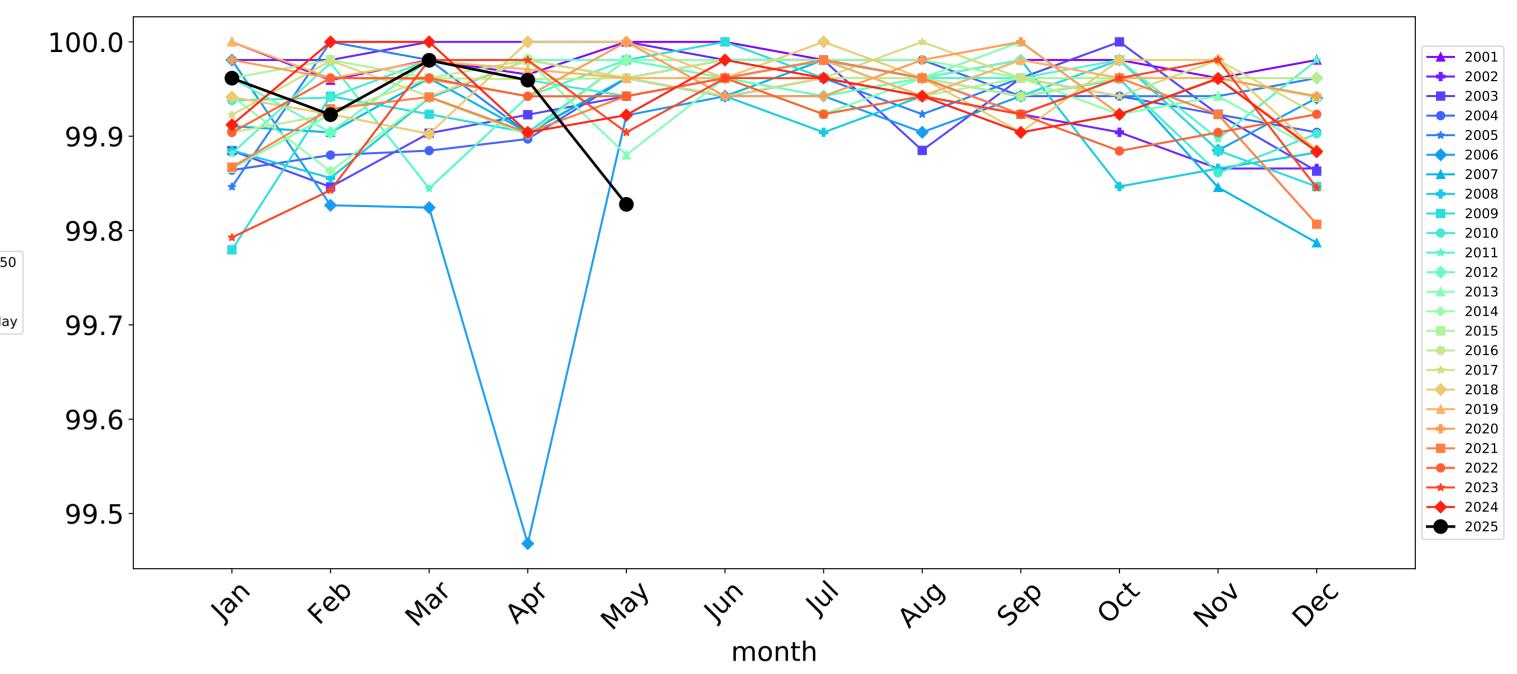


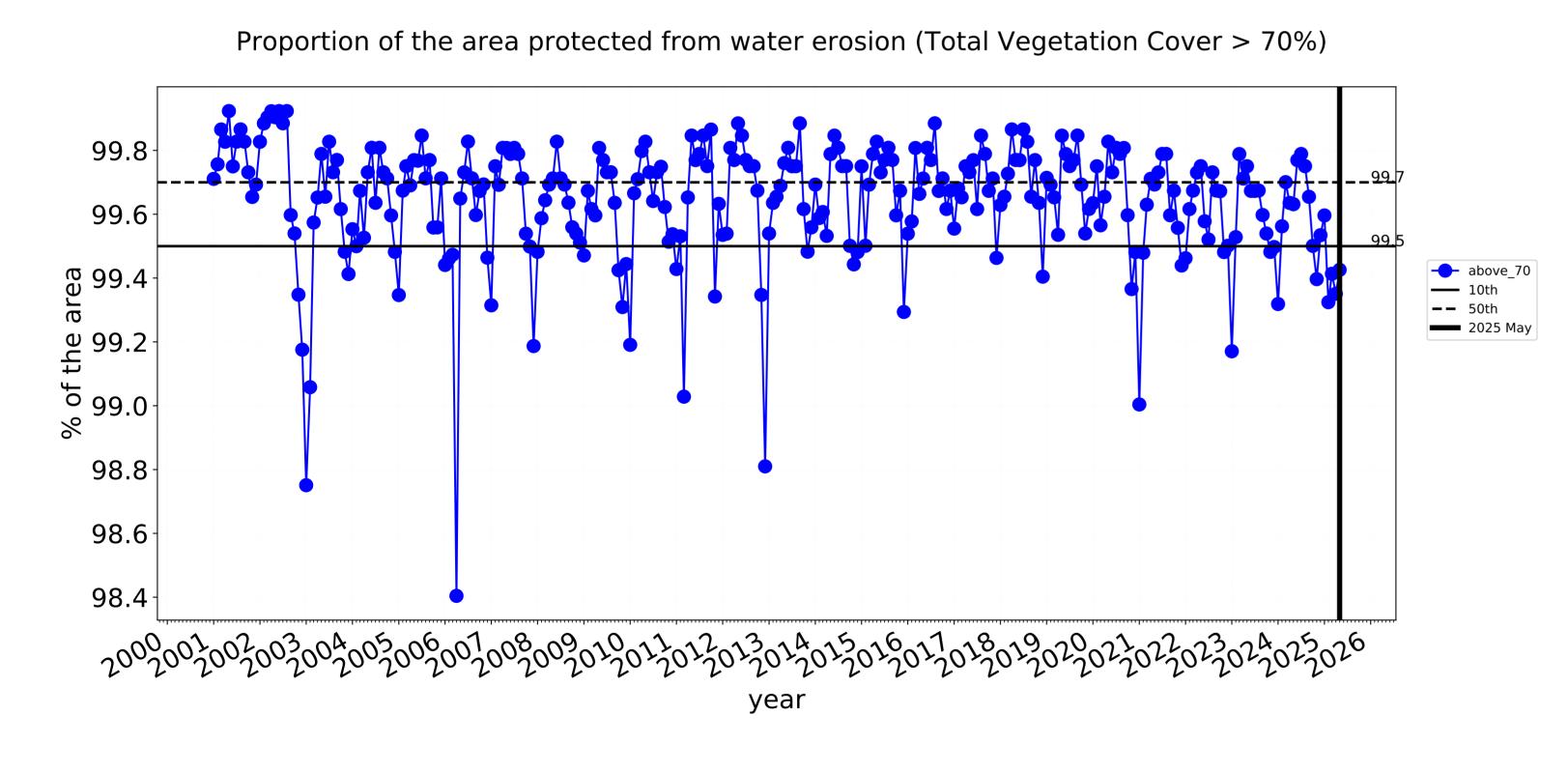


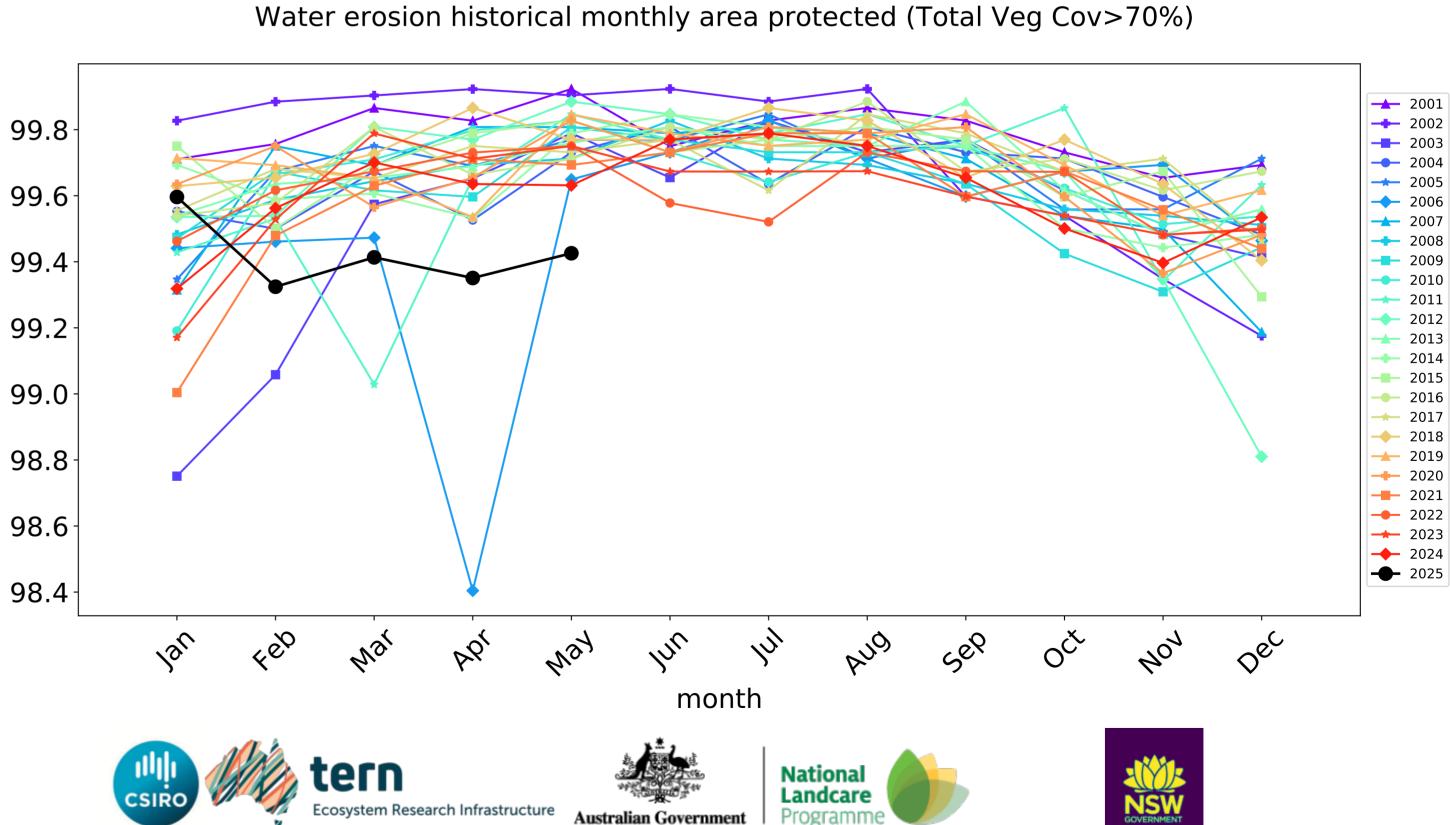
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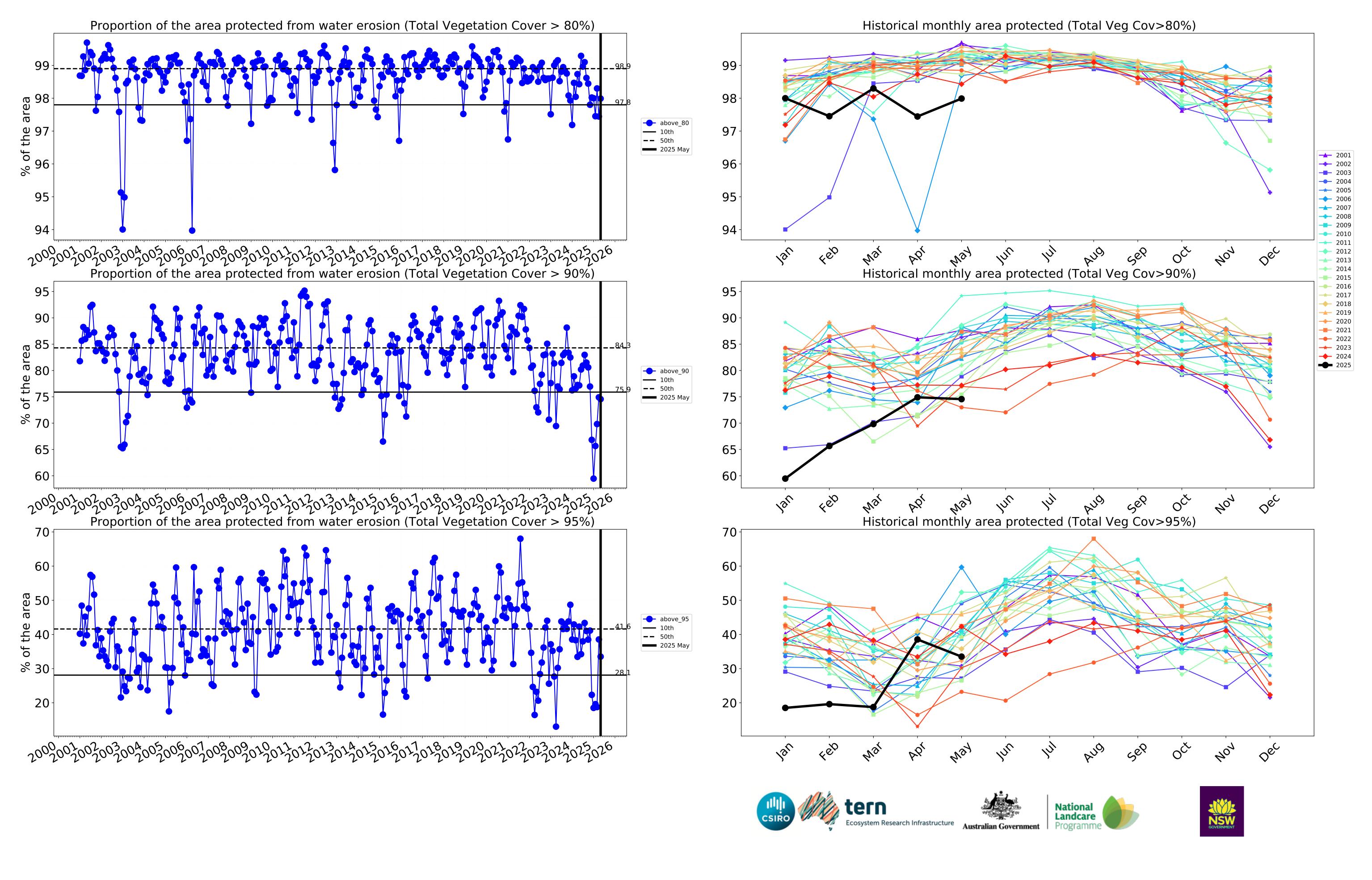












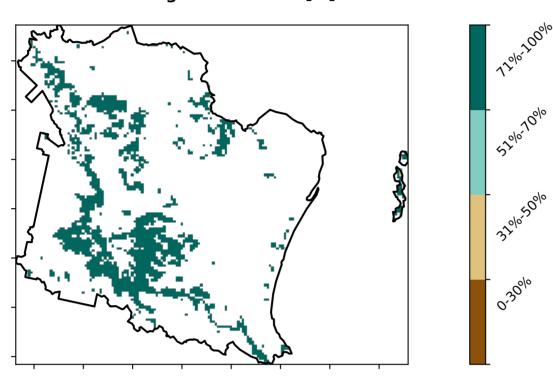
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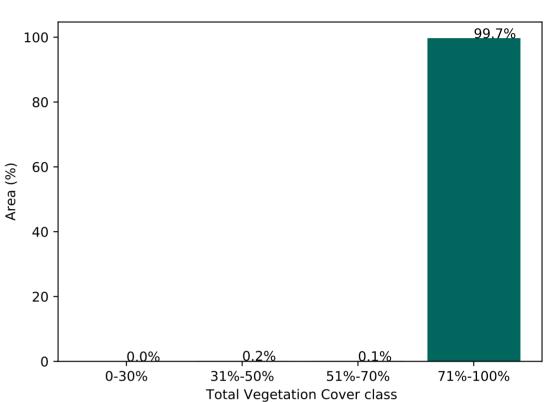
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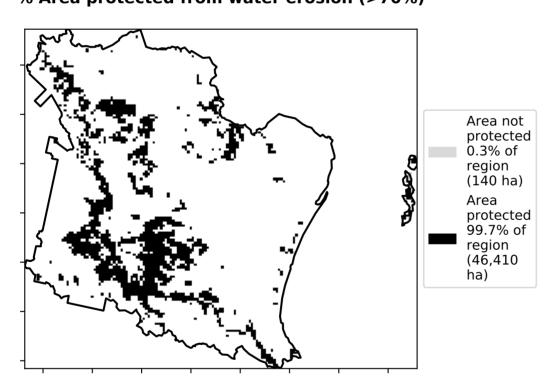
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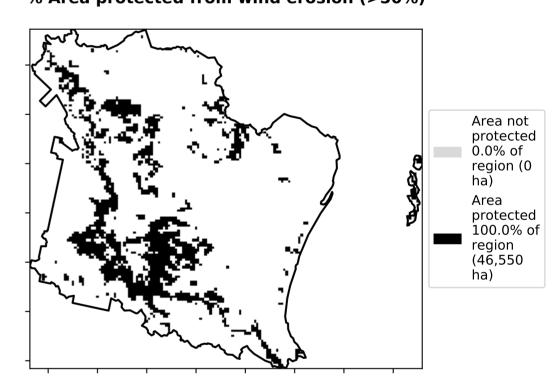
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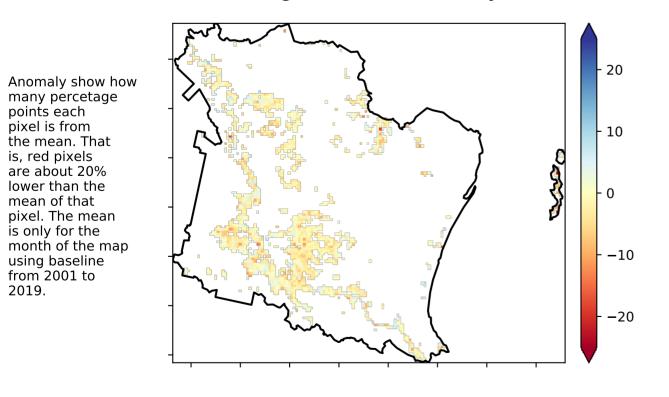
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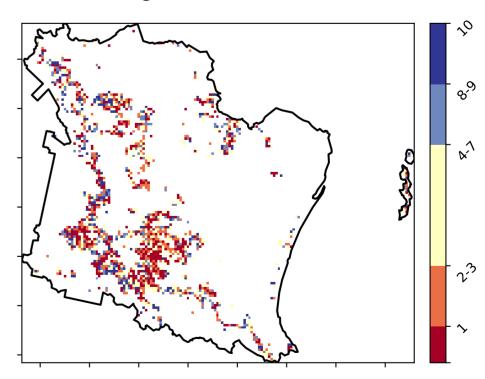


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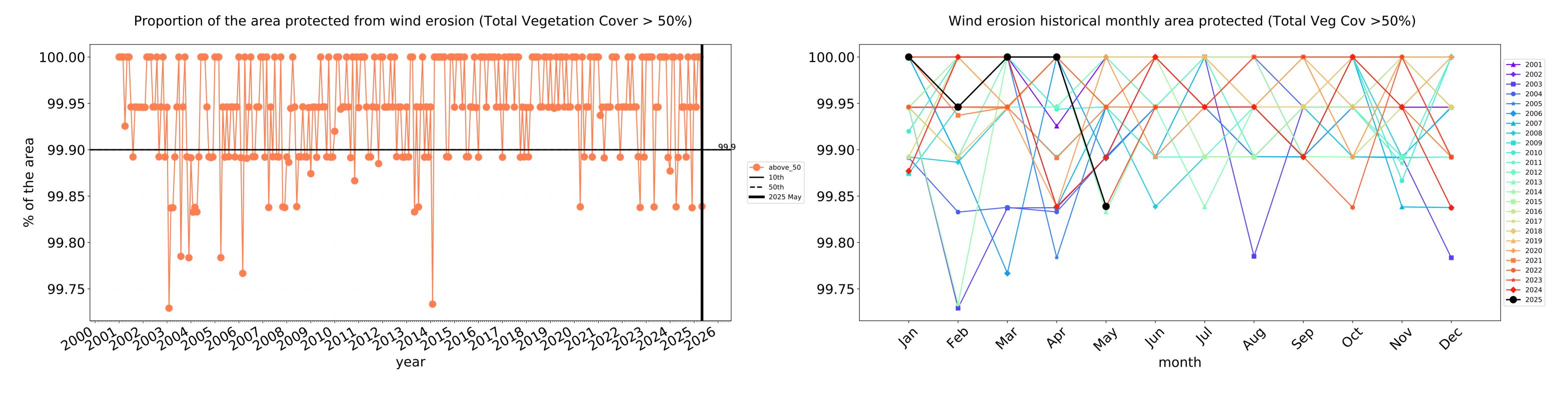


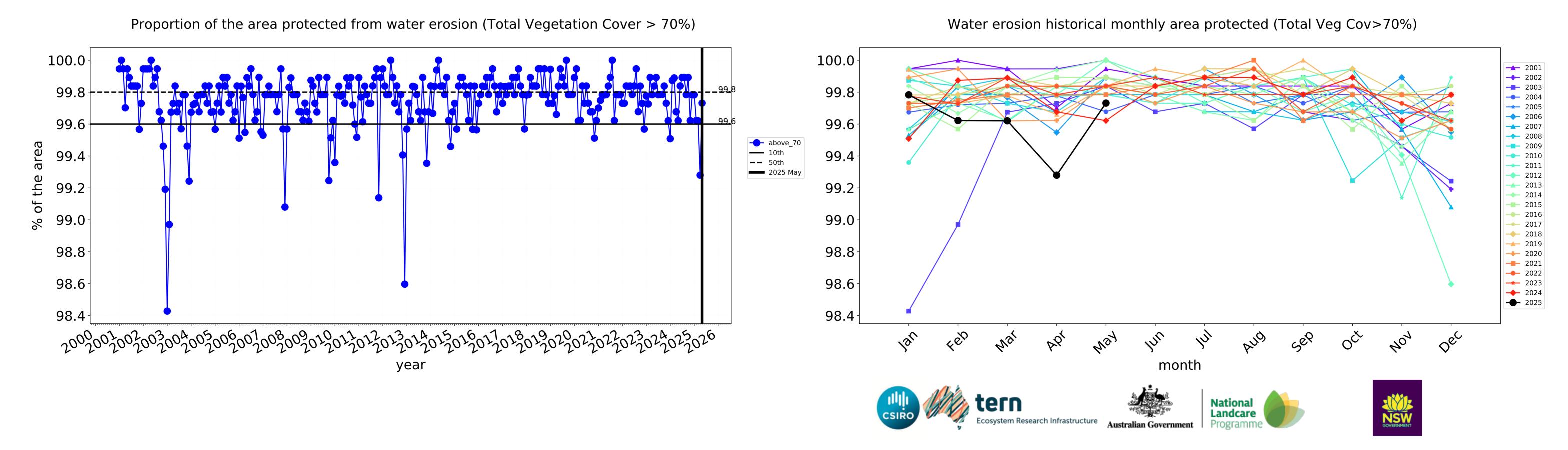


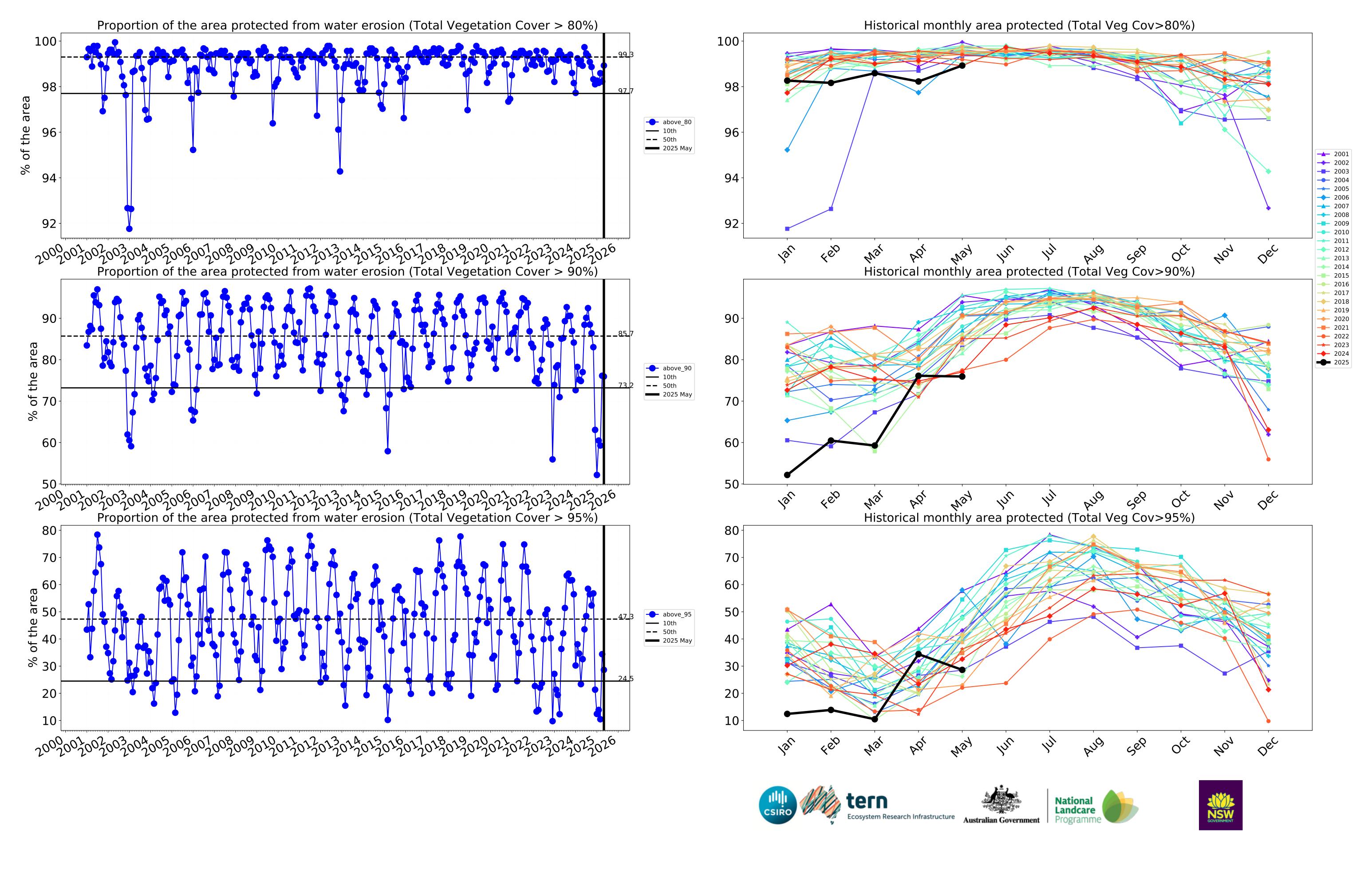




Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest timeseries



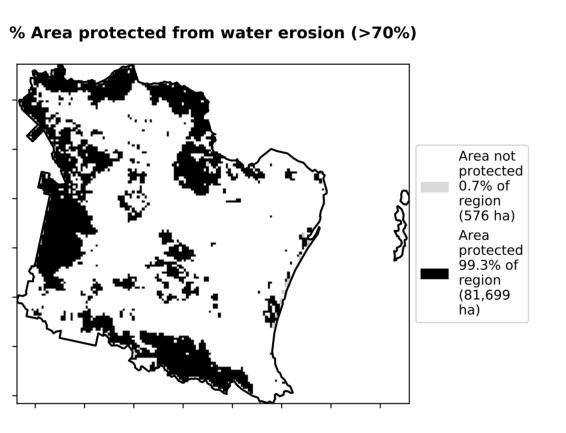


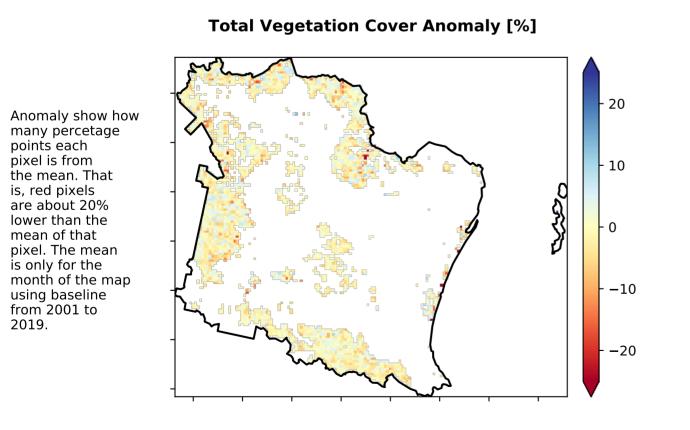


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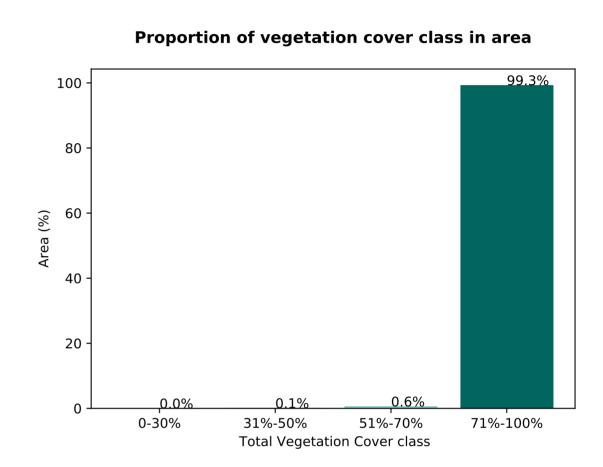
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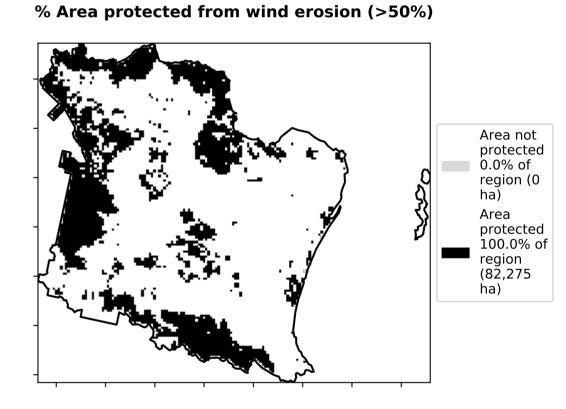
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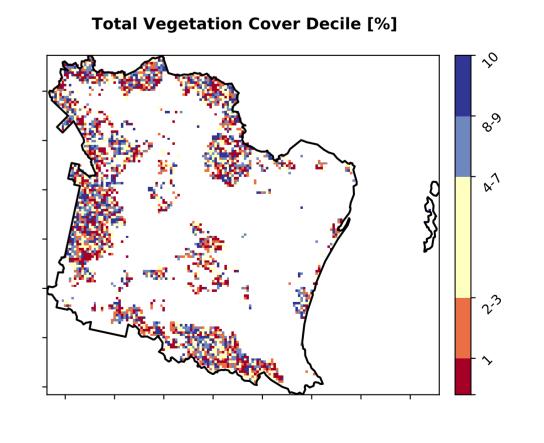




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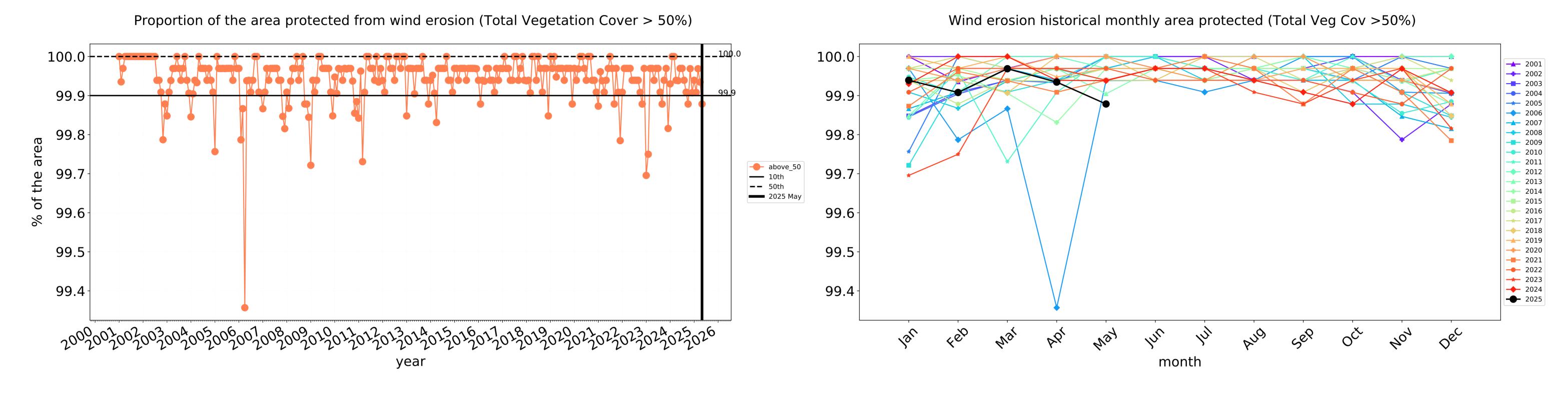


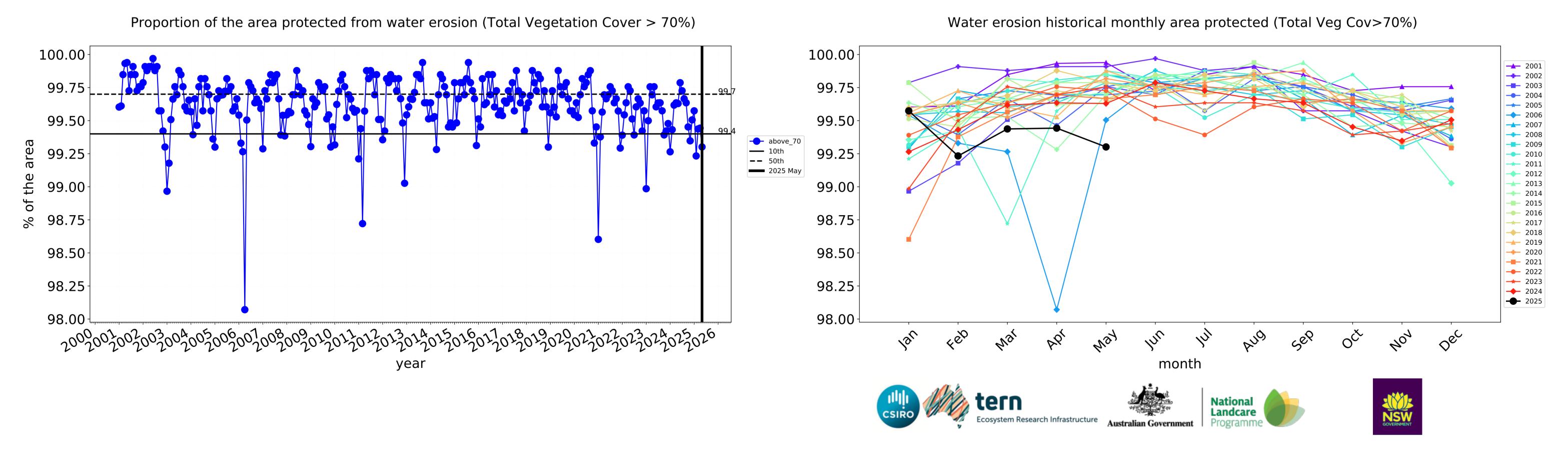


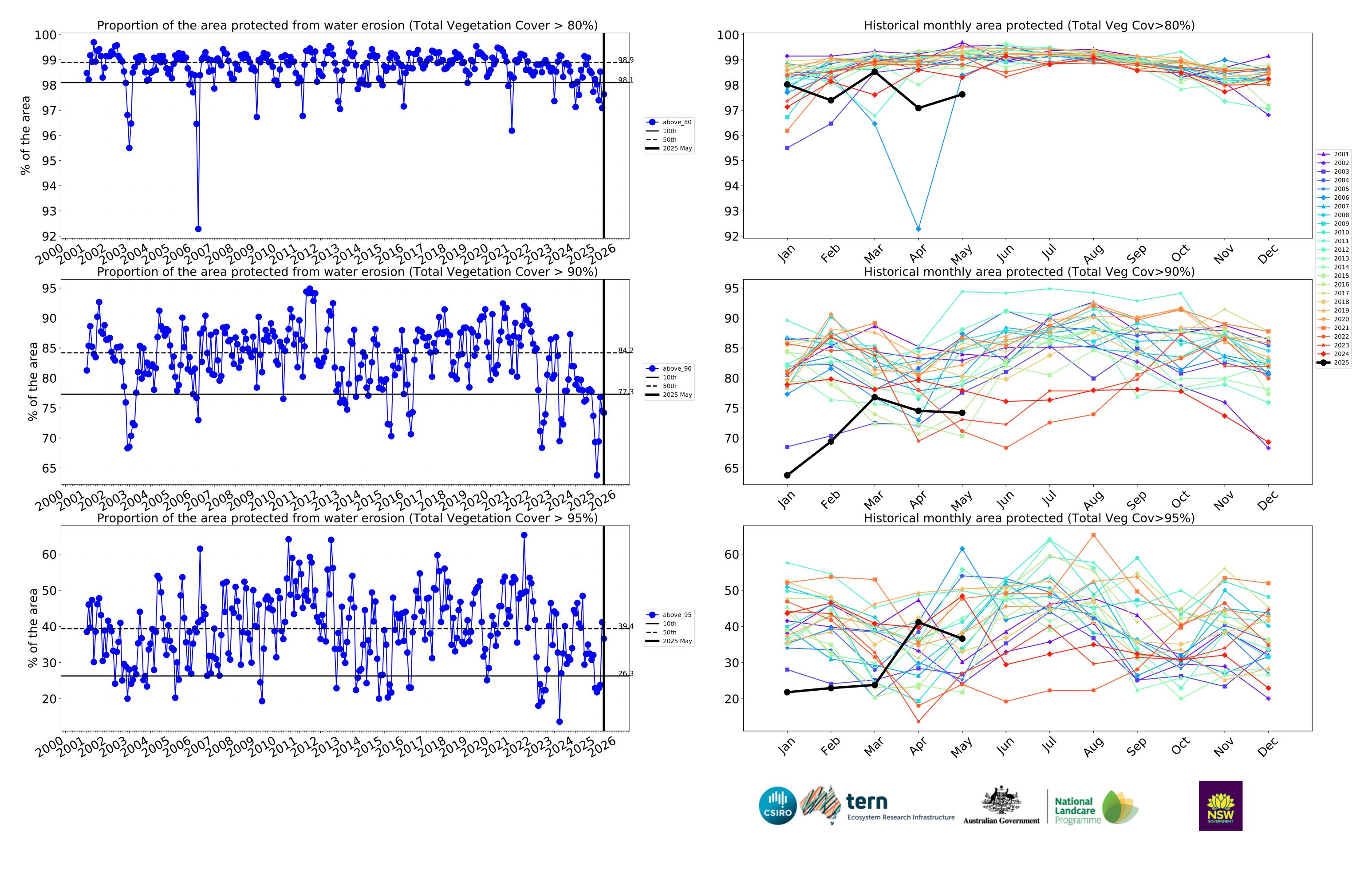












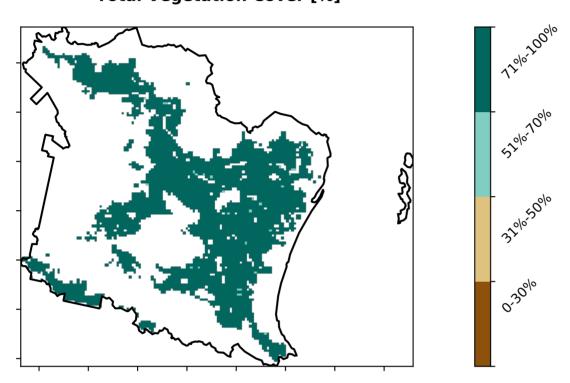
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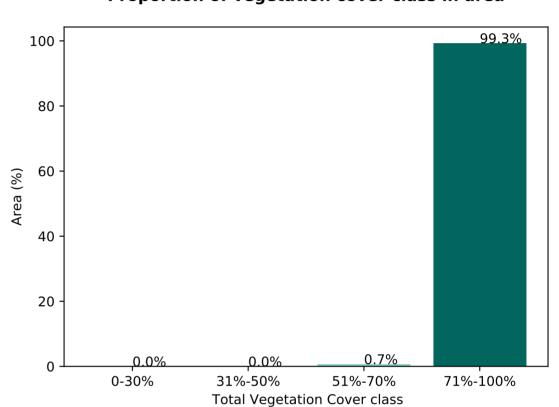
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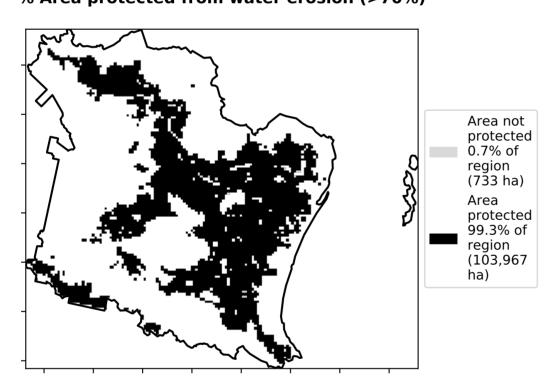


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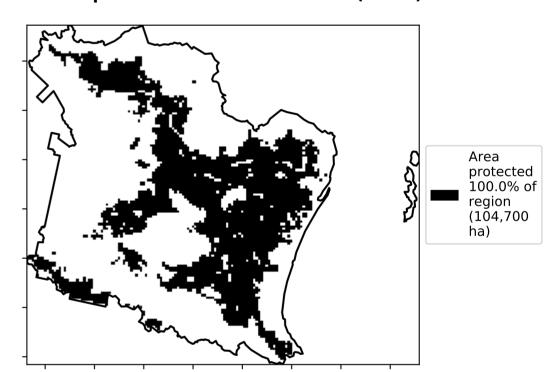
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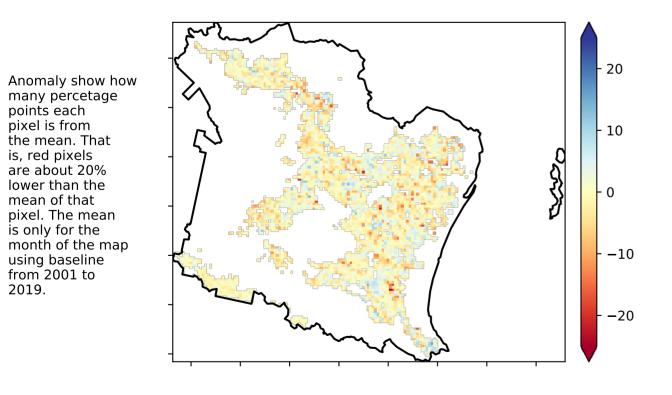
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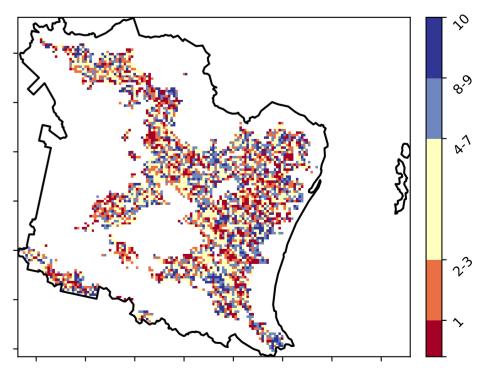
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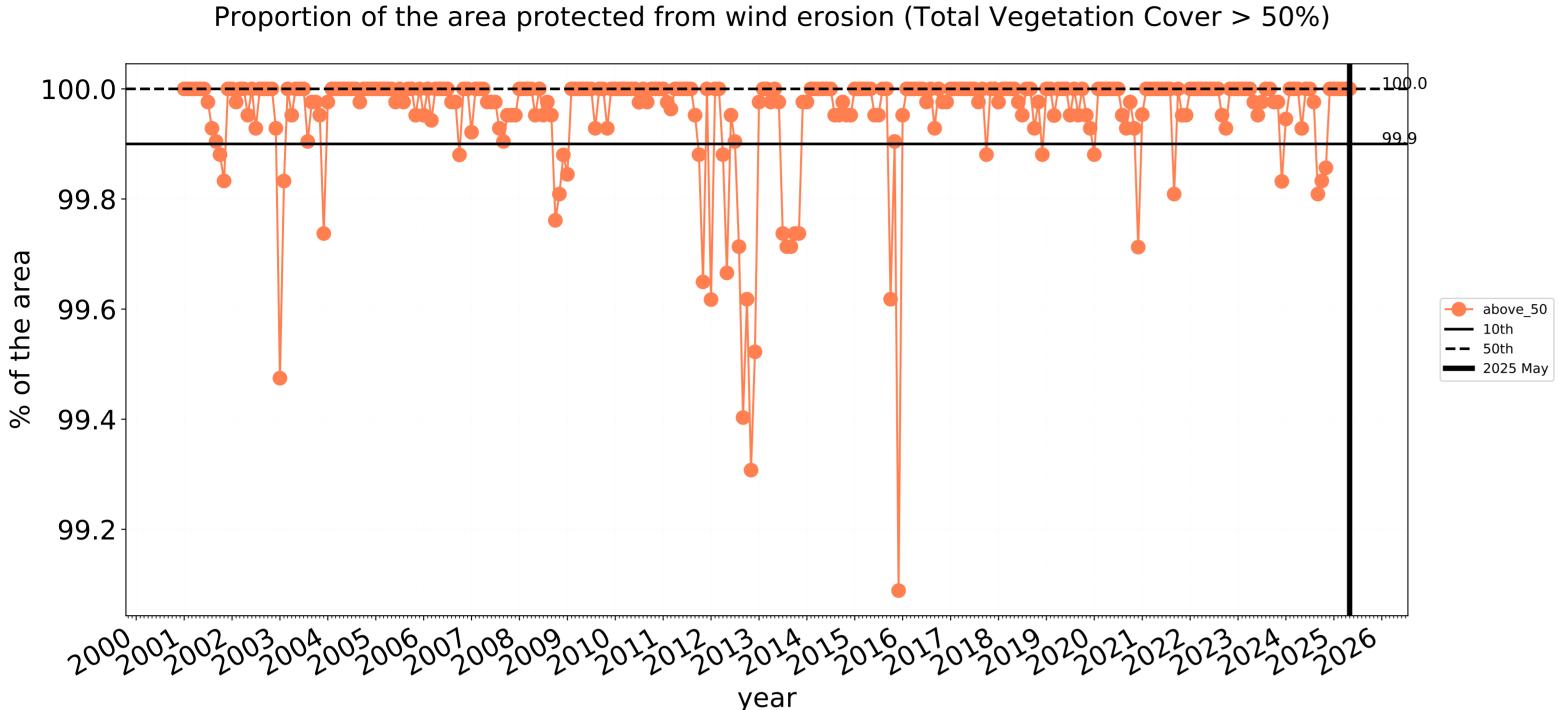


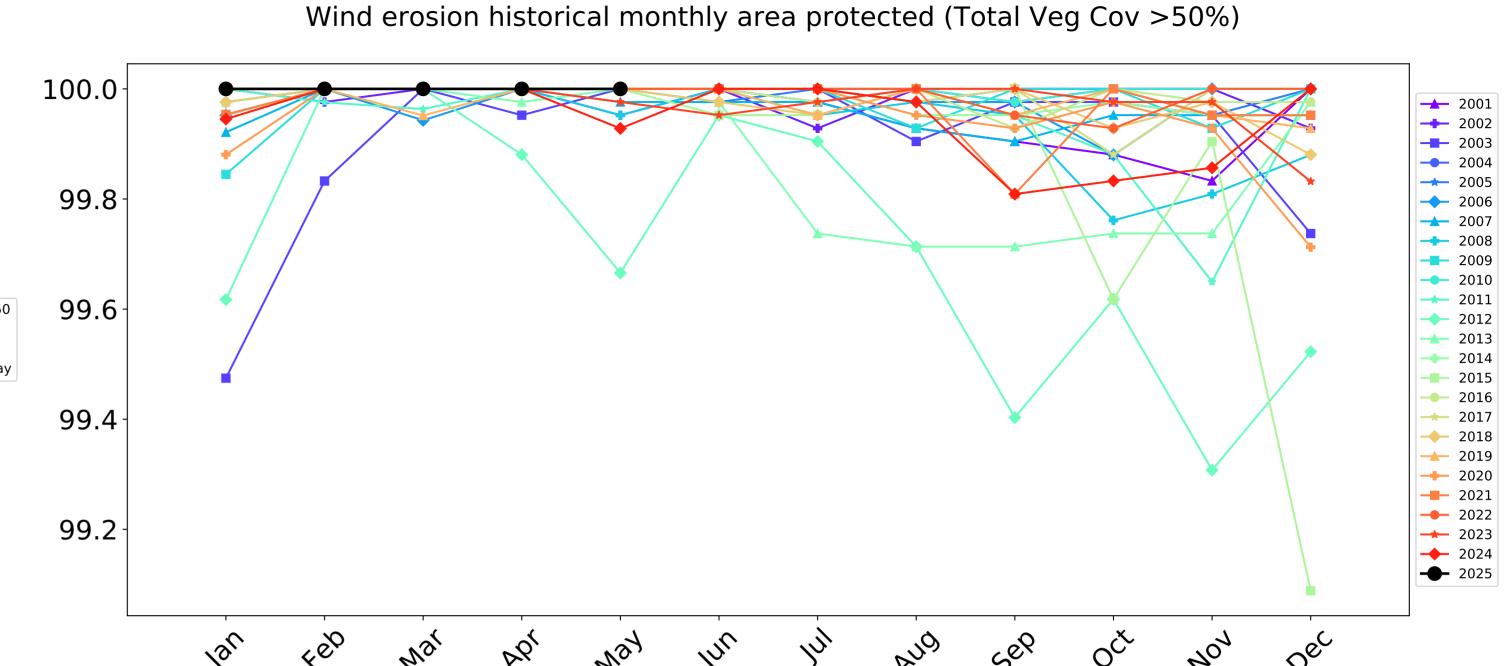






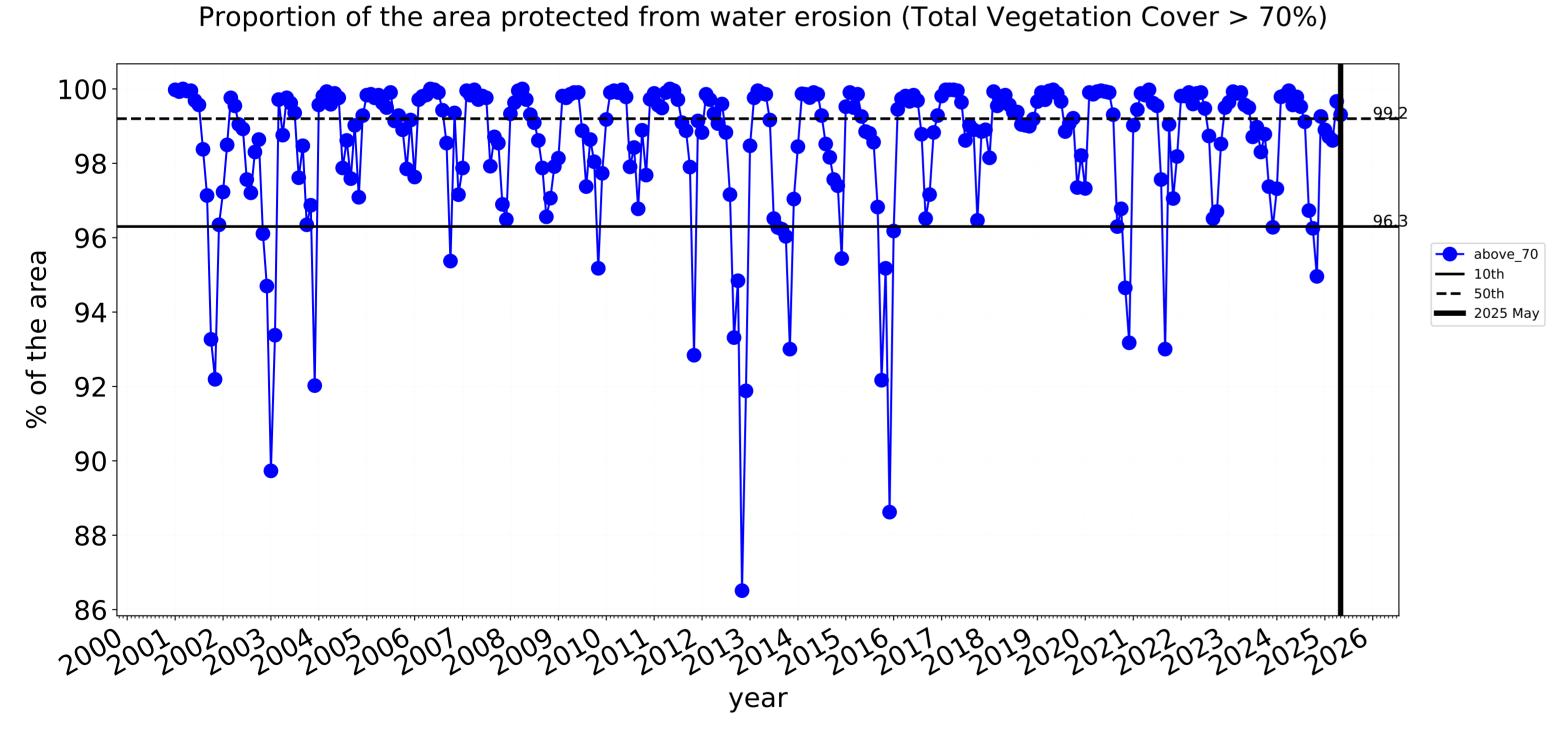
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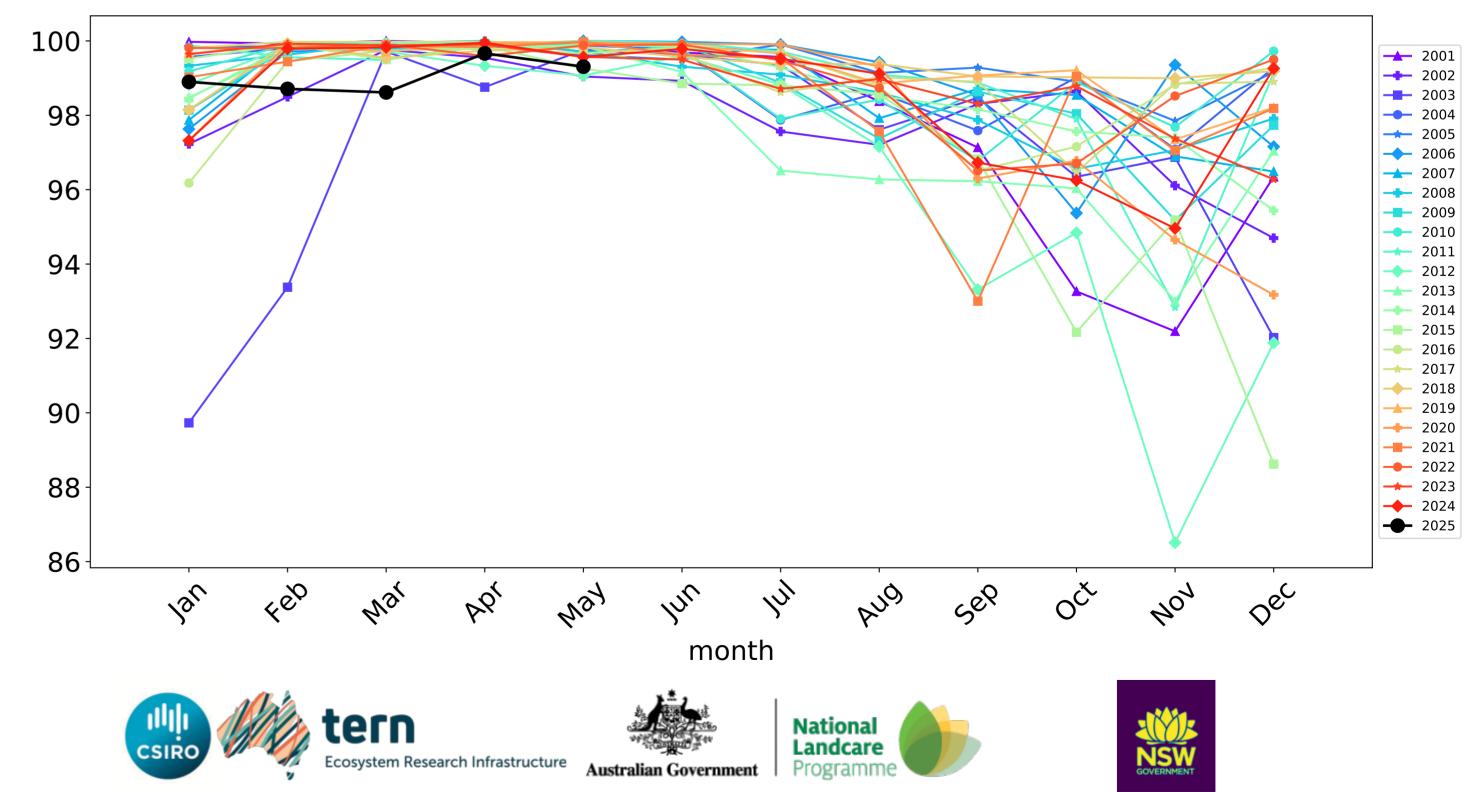


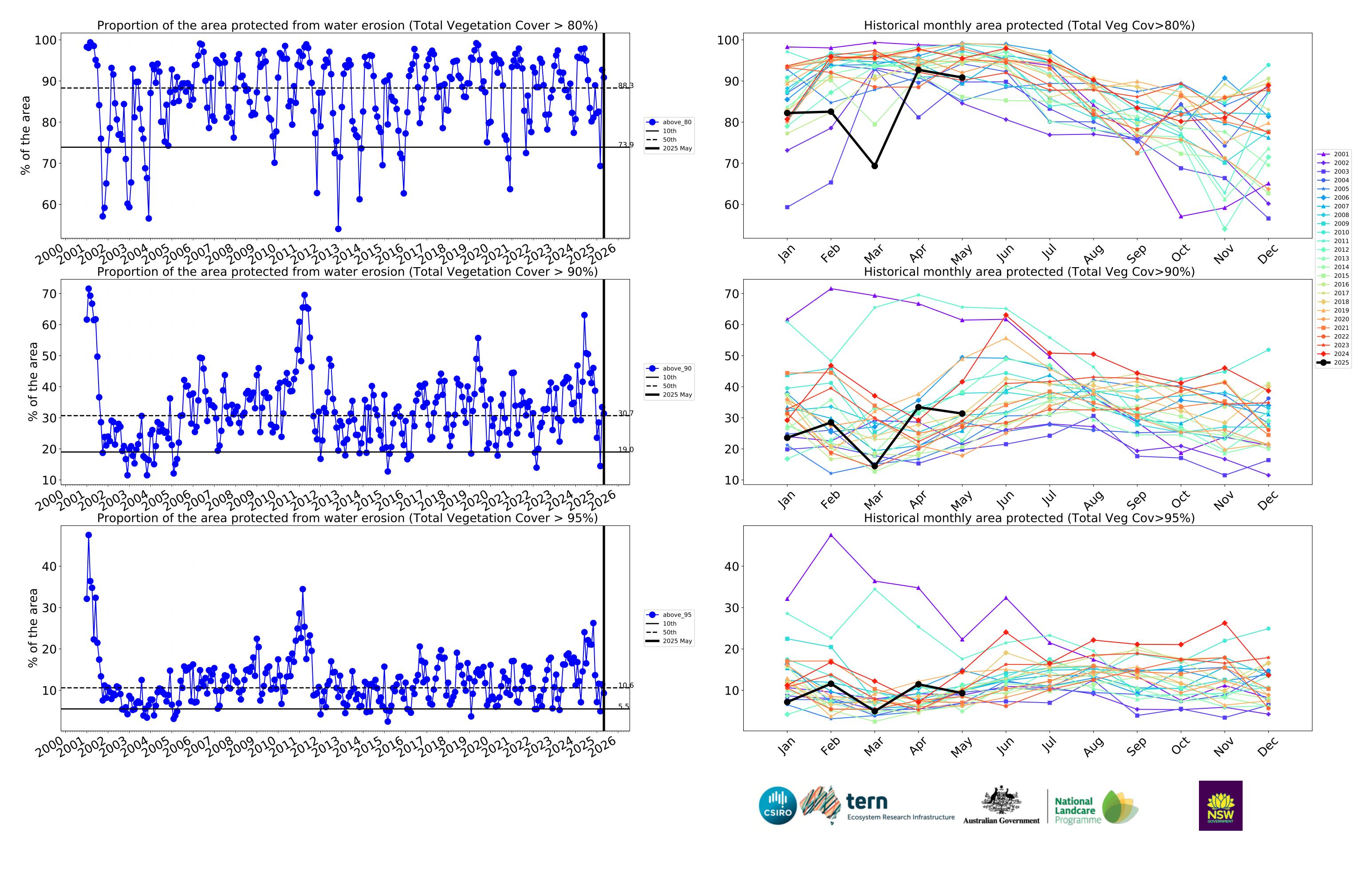


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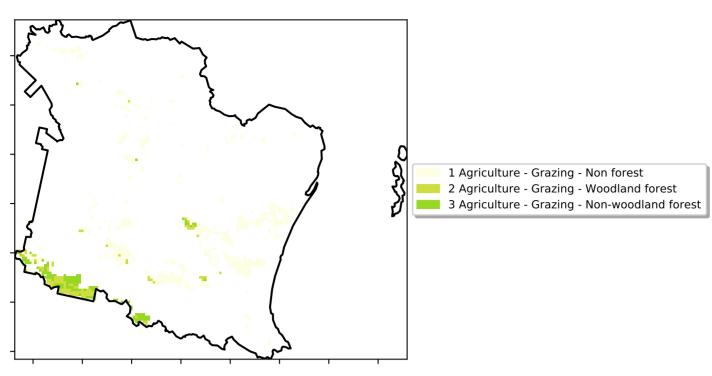


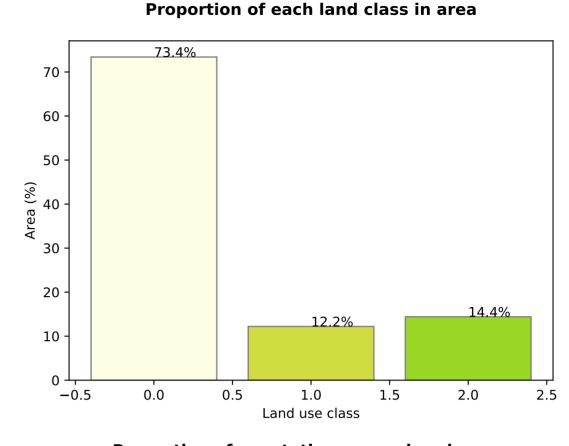


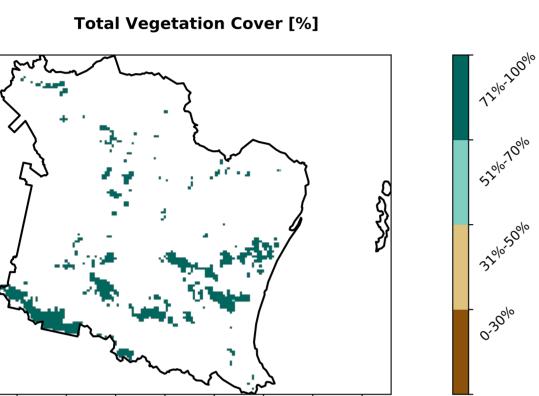
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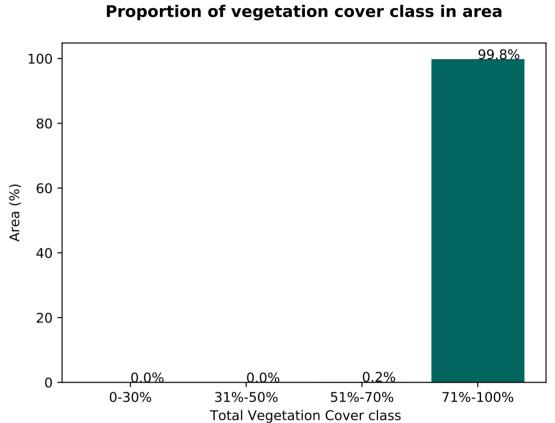
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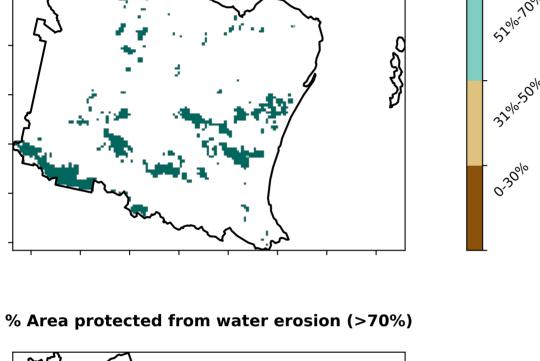
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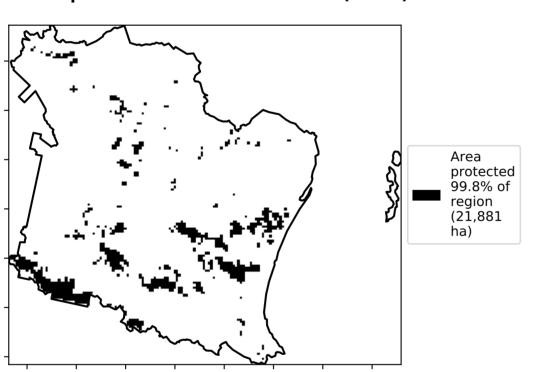


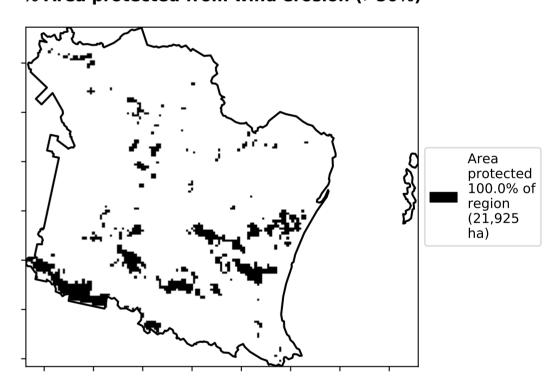












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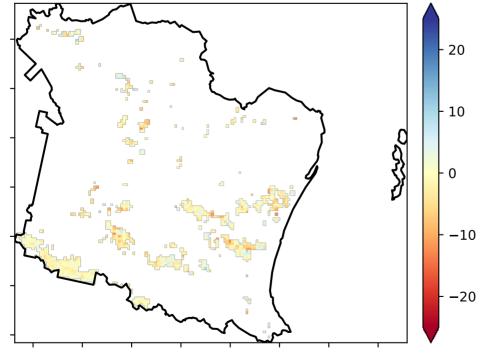
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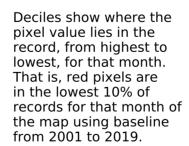
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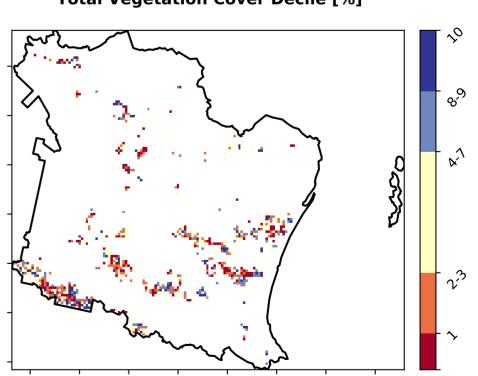
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Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]







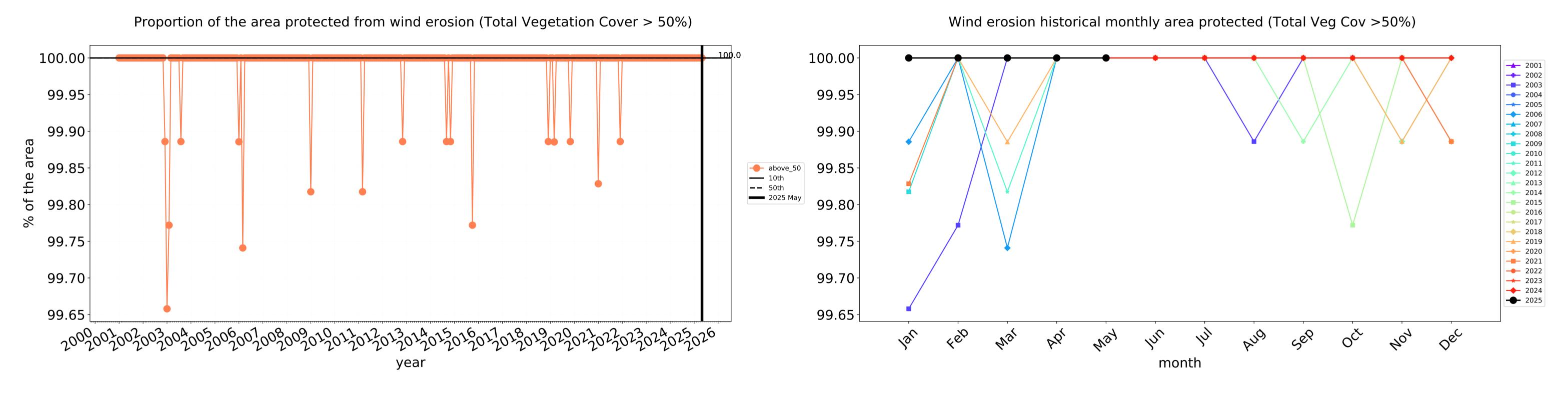


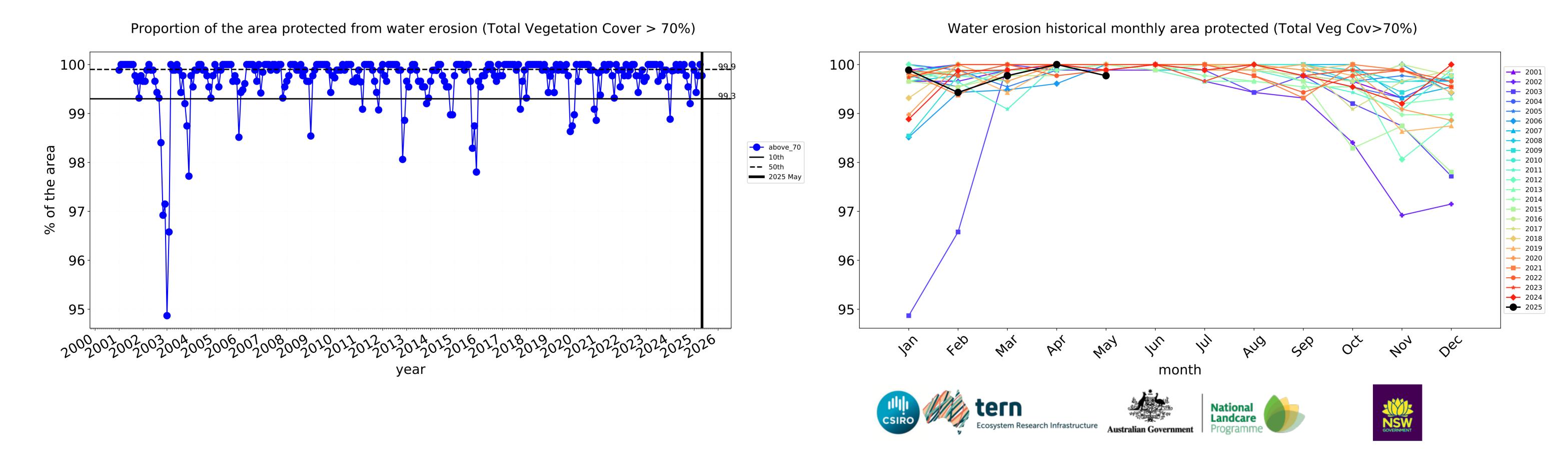


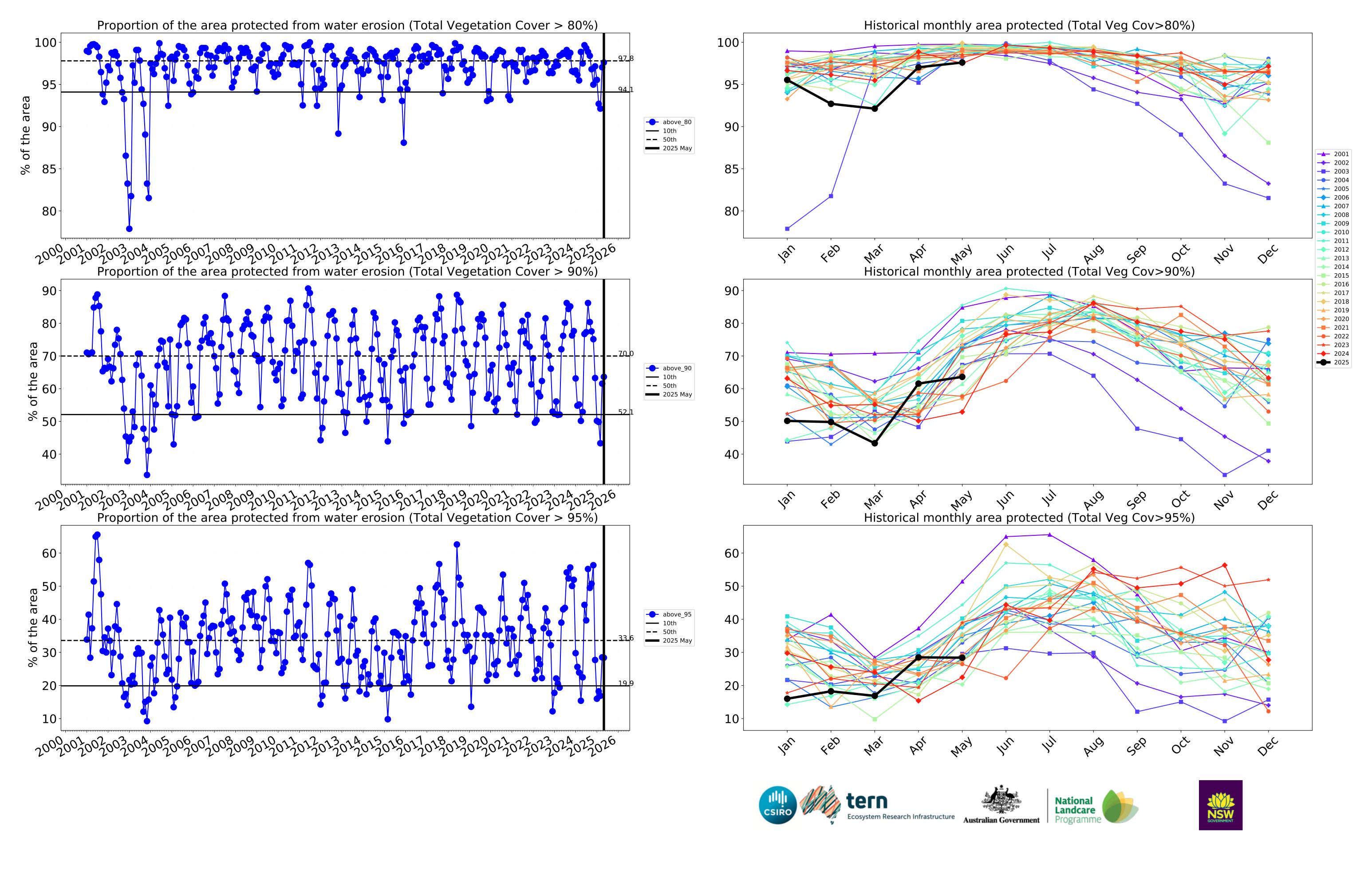




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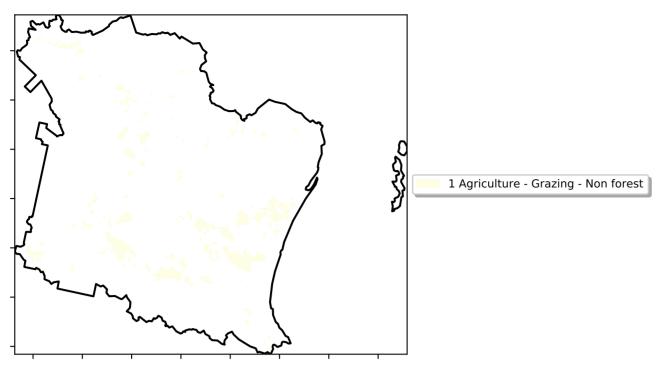




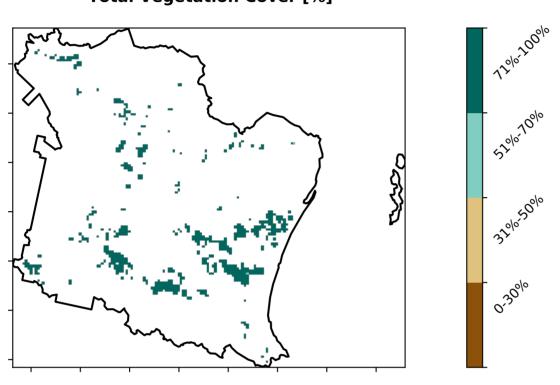
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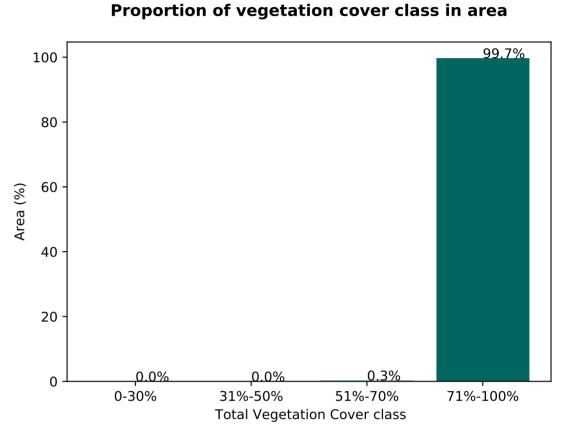
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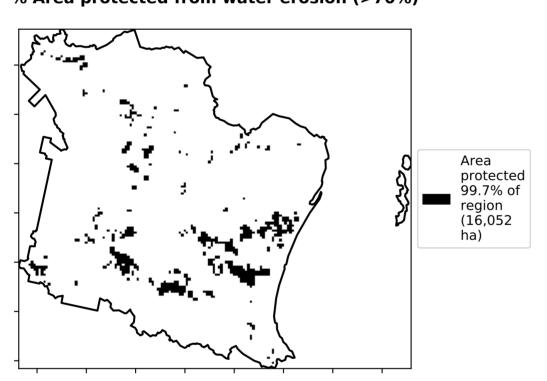


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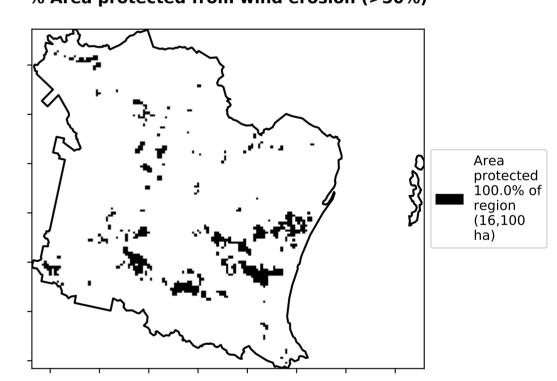




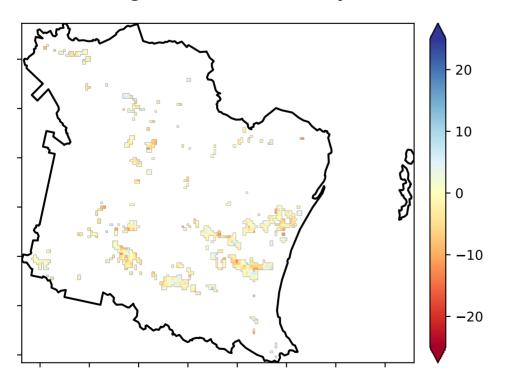
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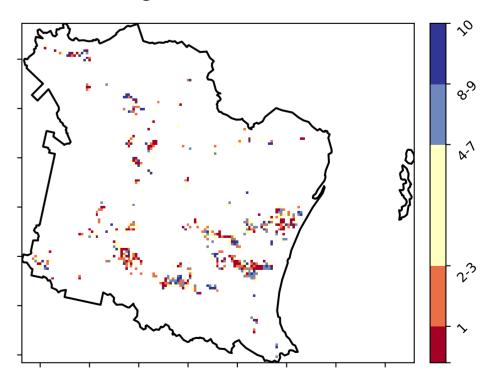


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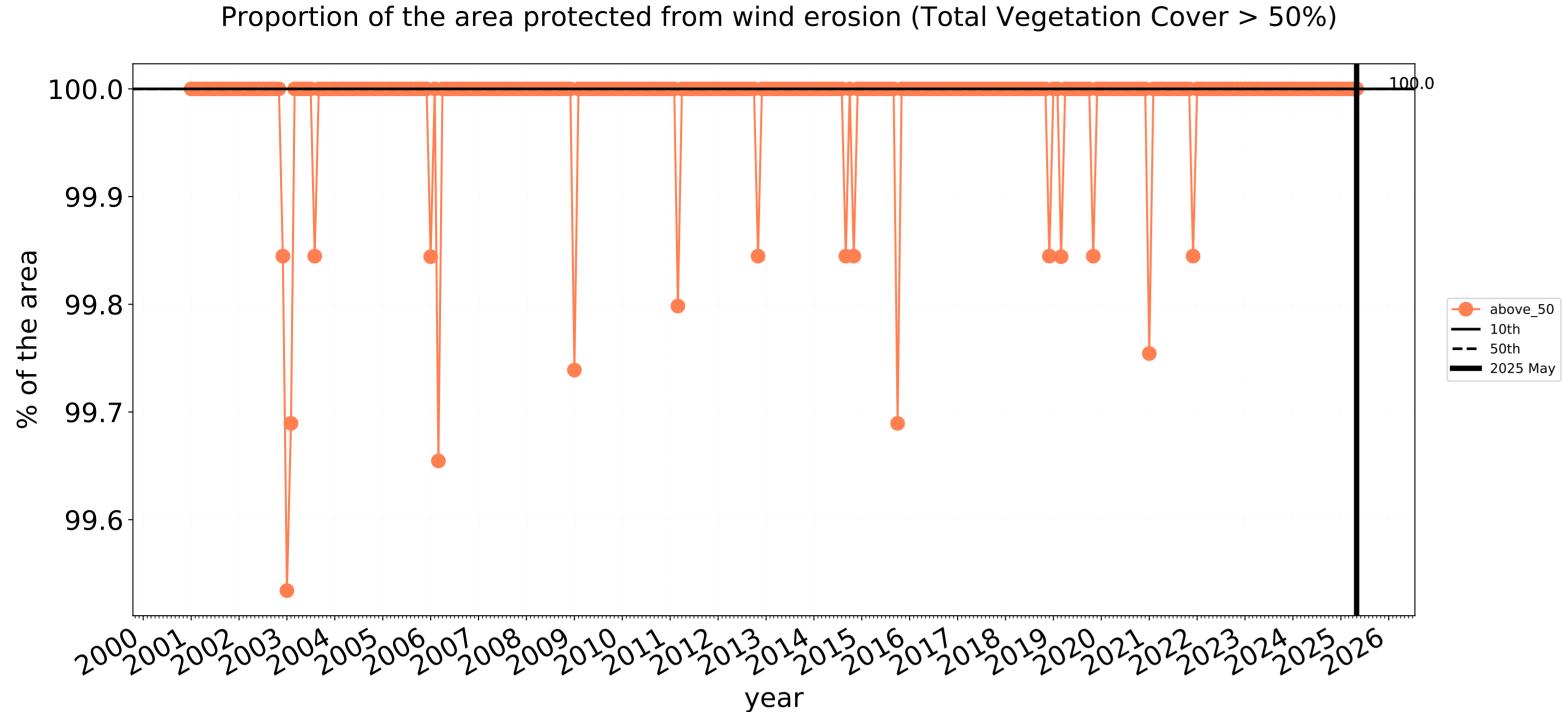


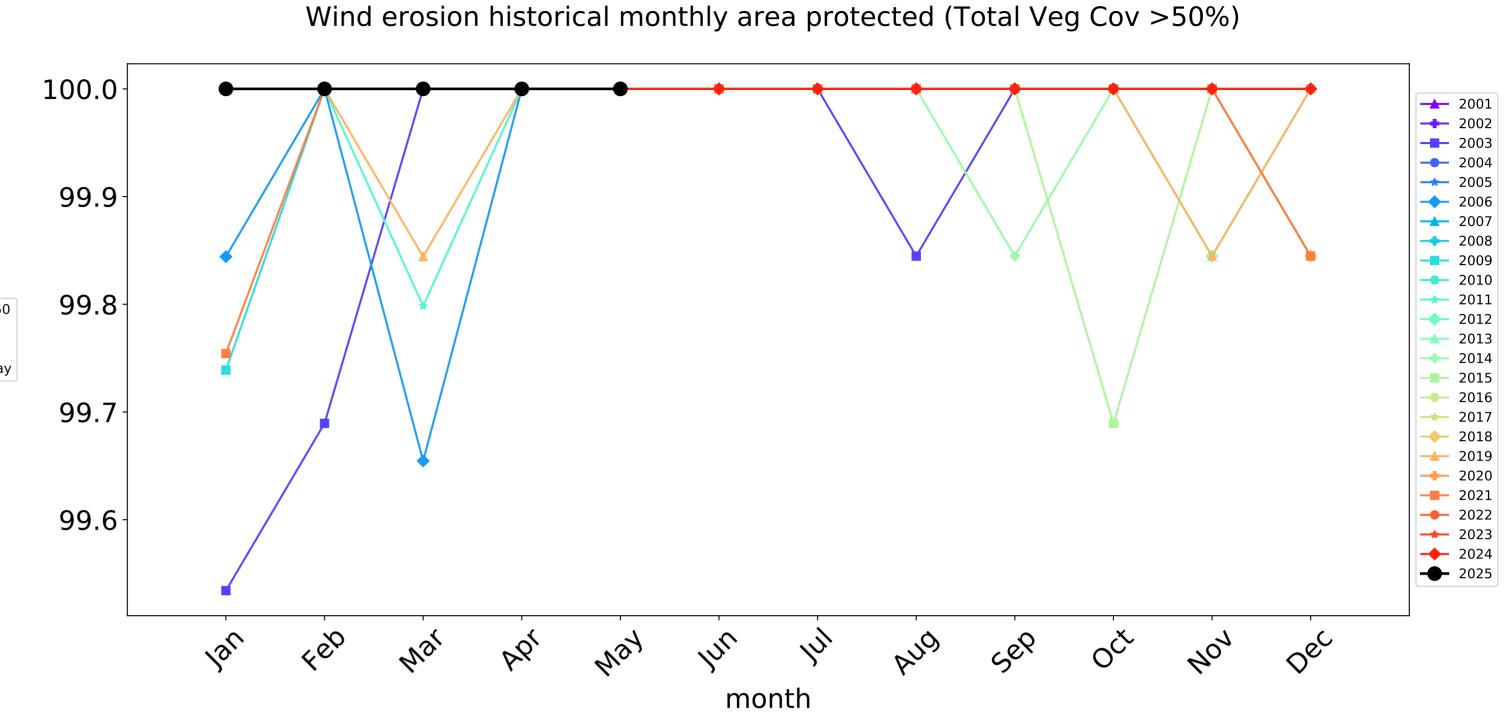


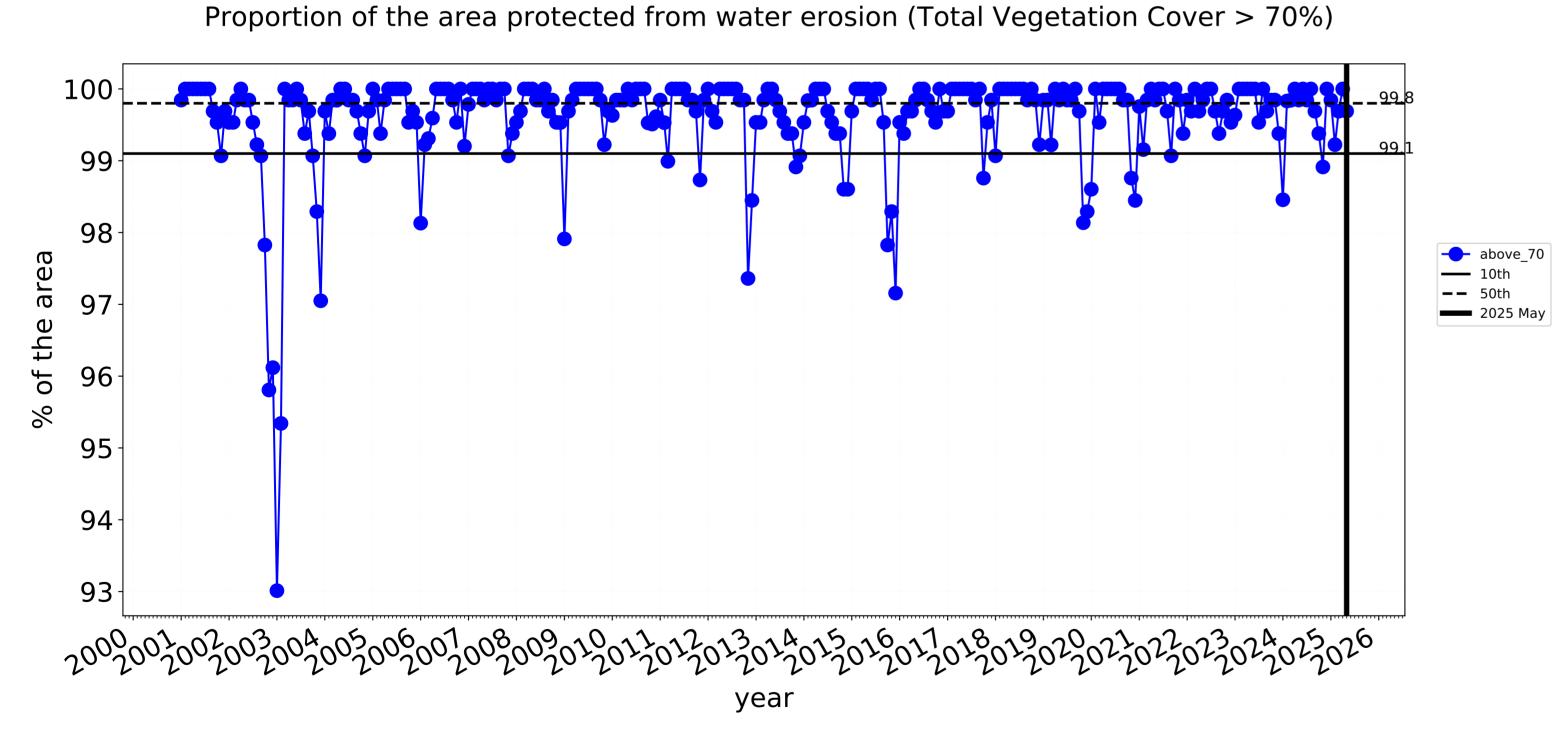


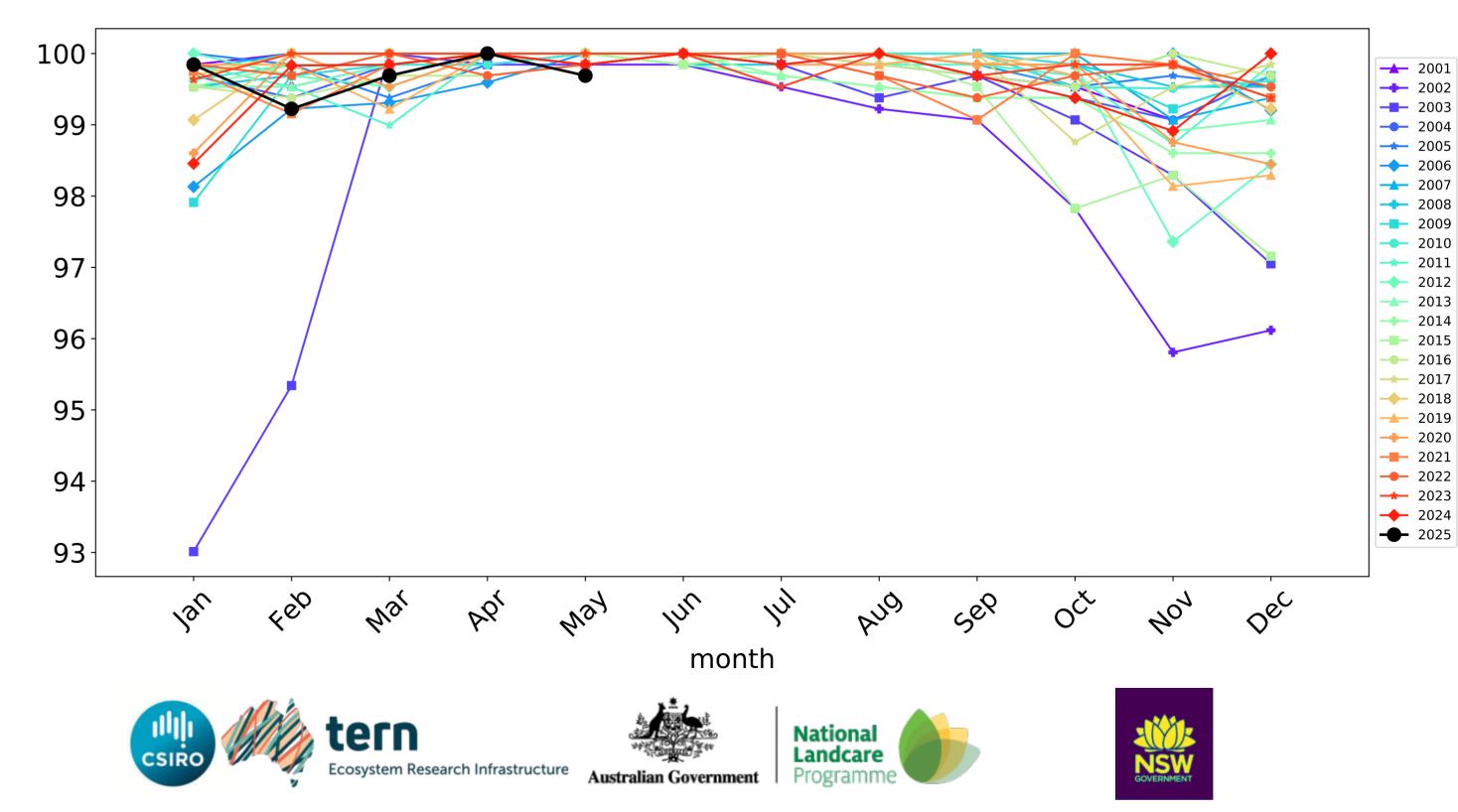


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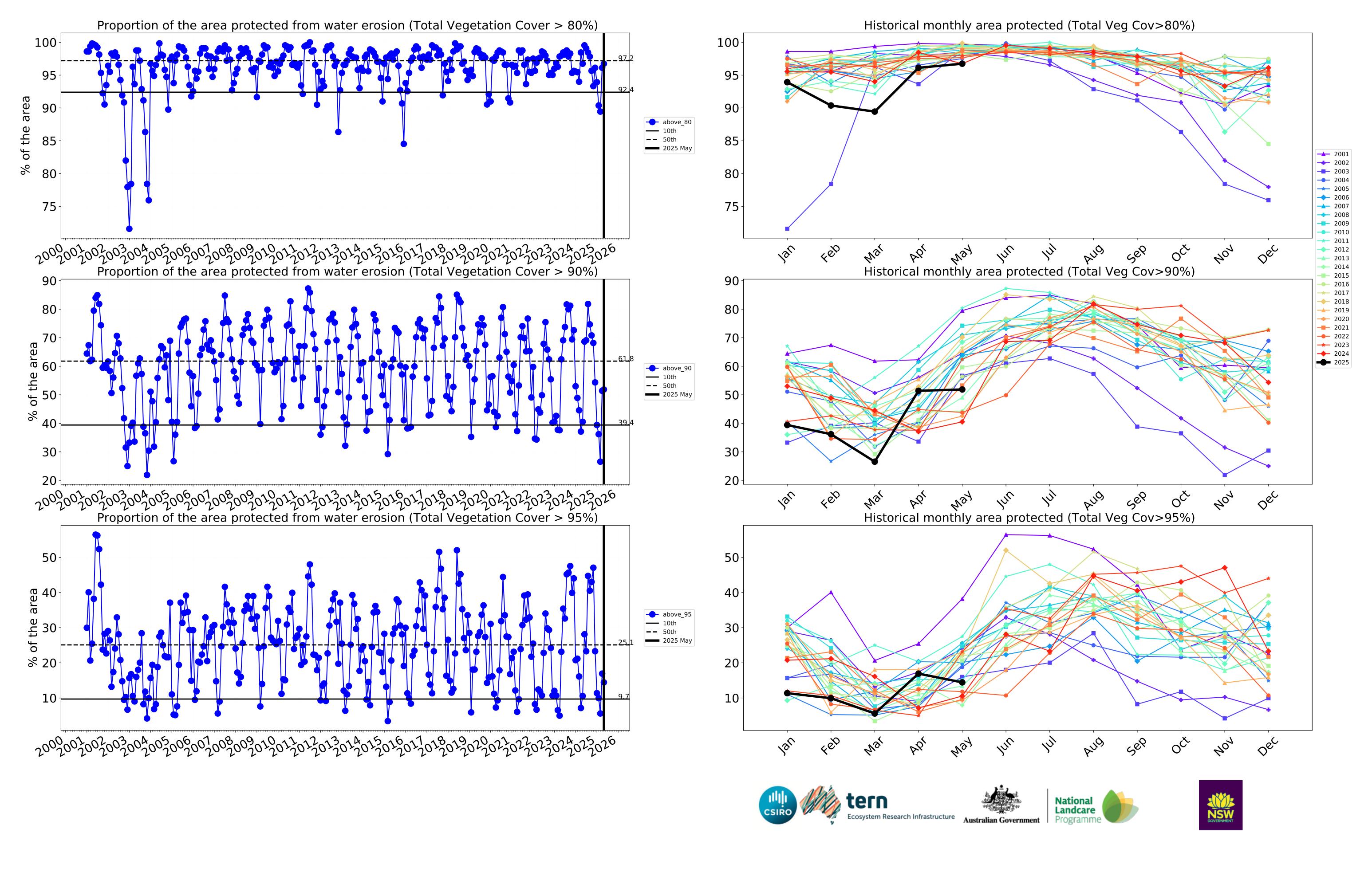








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Grazing Woodland forest

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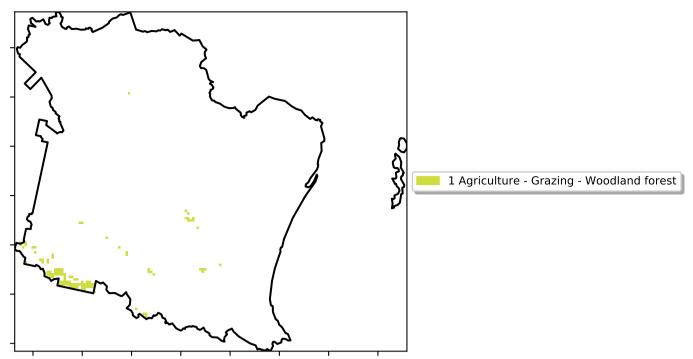
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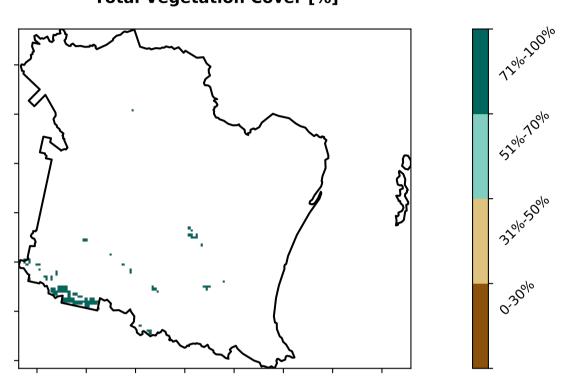
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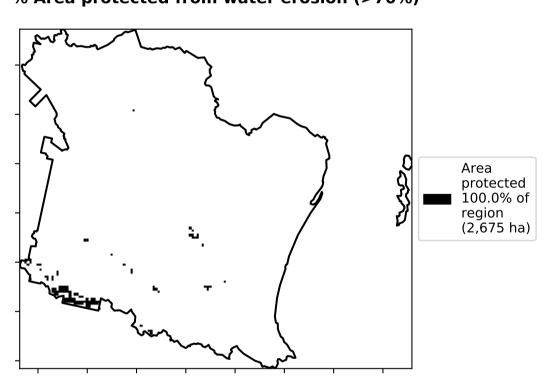
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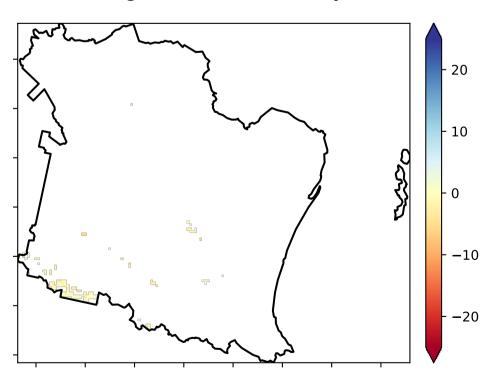
Total Vegetation Cover [%]



% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)

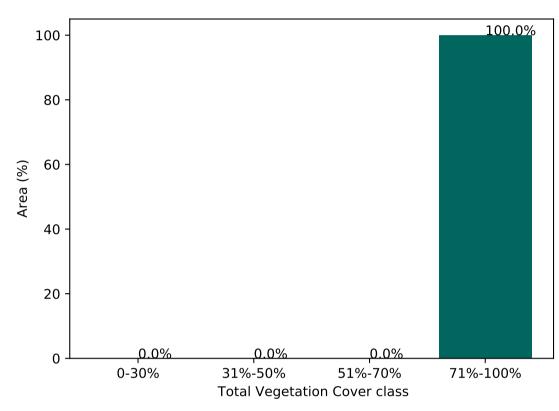


Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

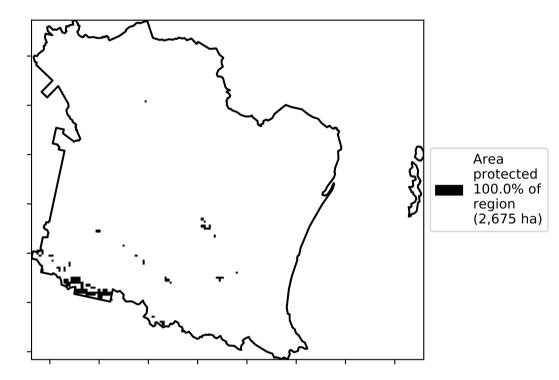


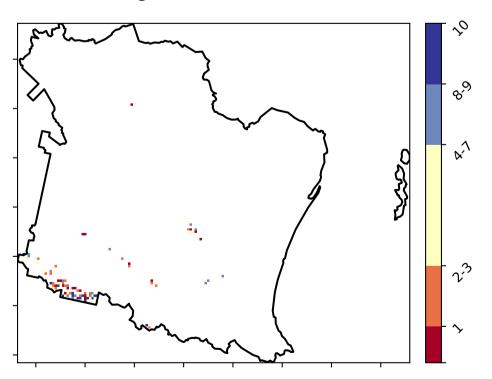
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Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)





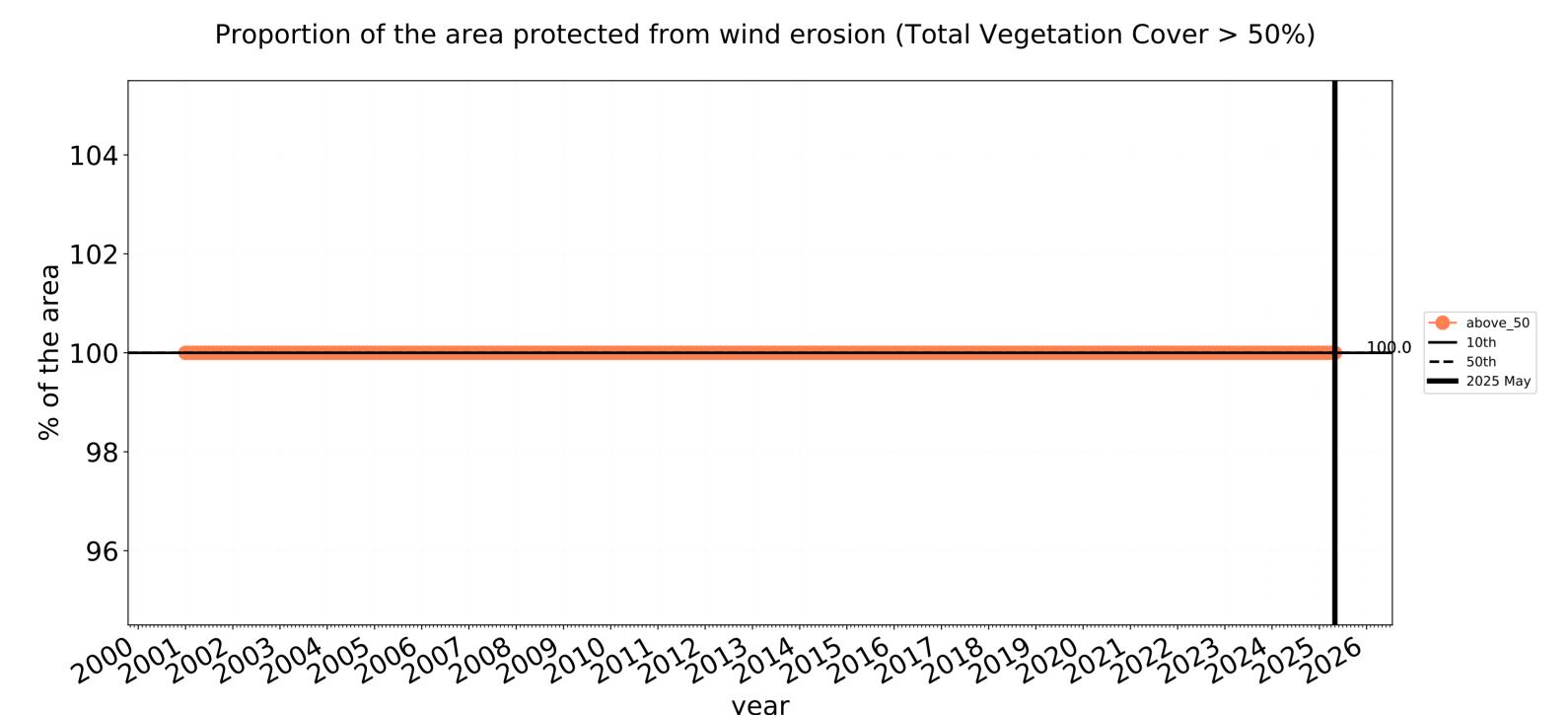


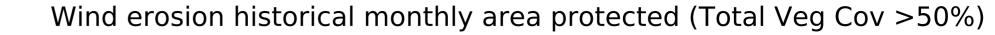


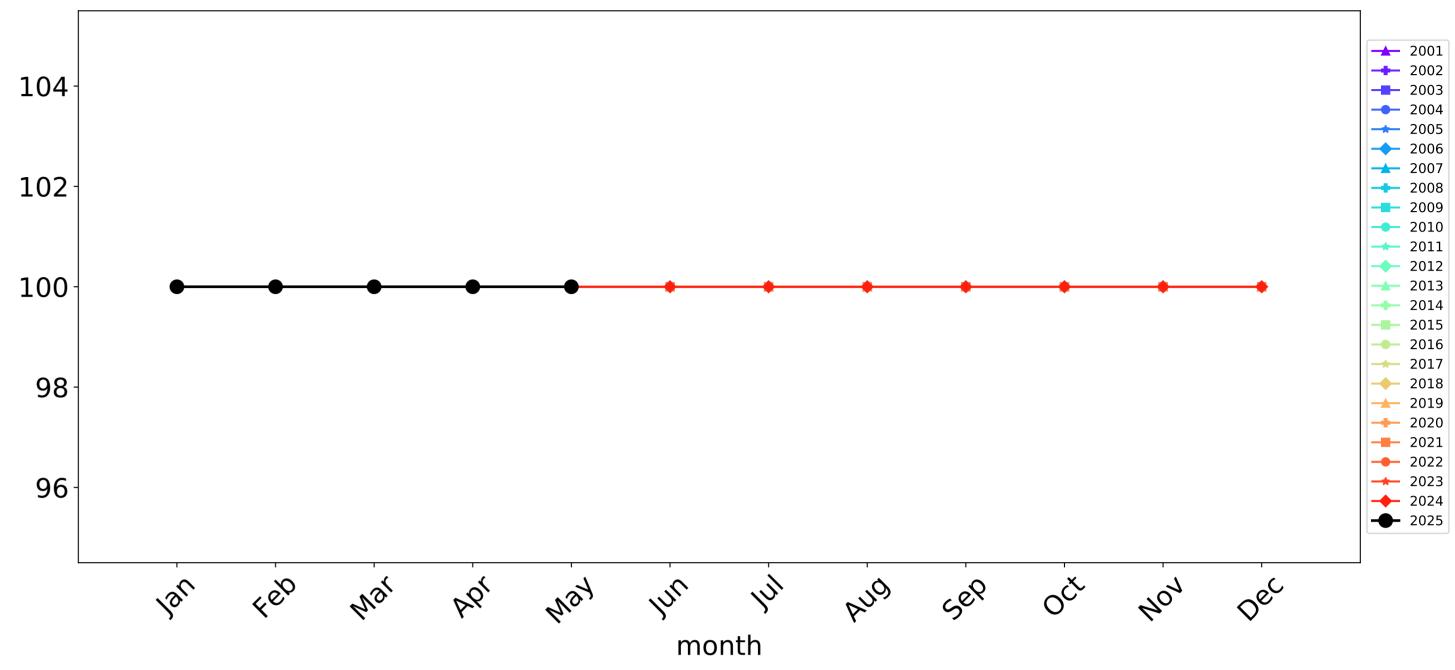


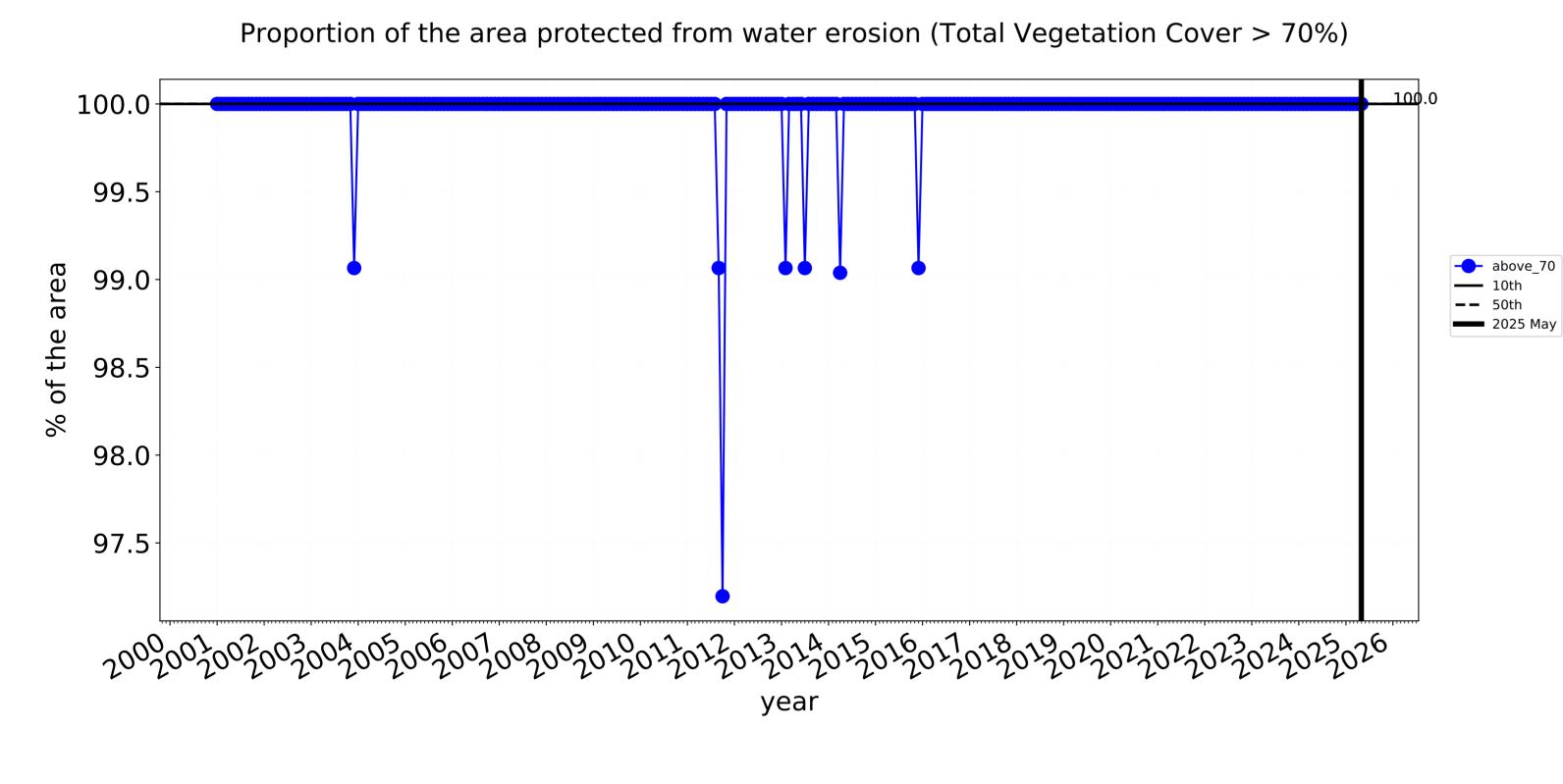


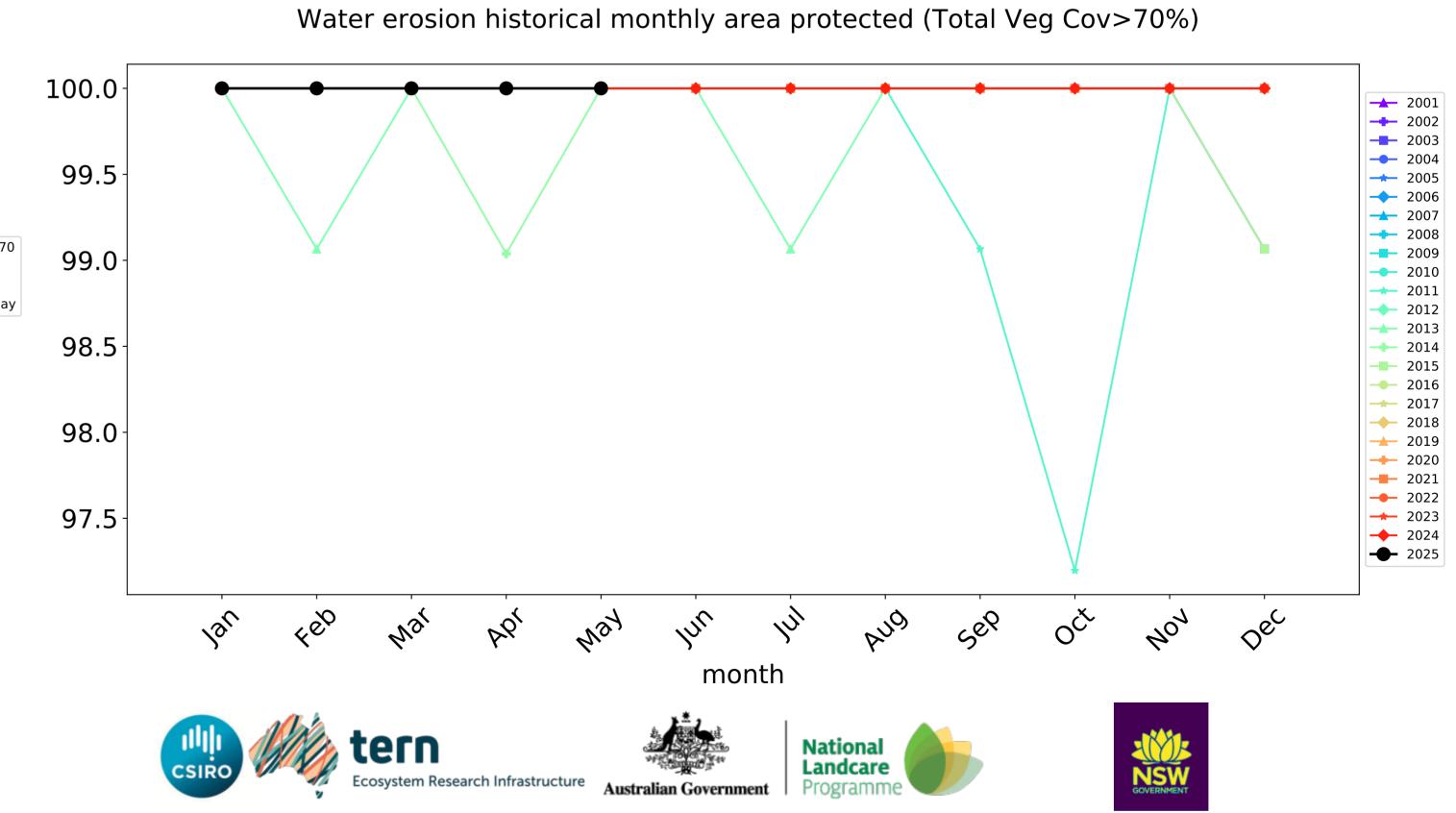
Grazing Woodland forest timeseries

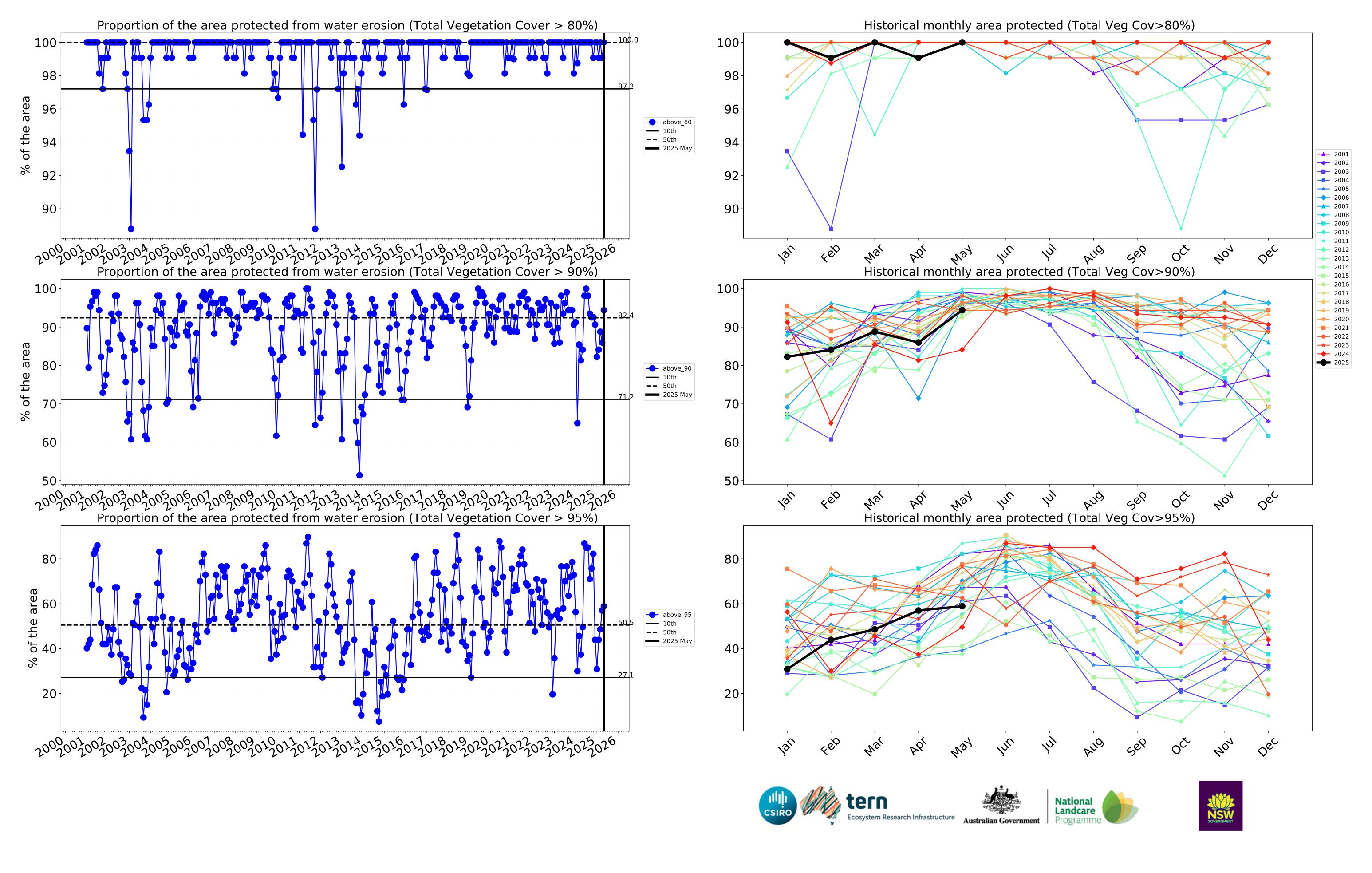












Grazing - Forest (non woodland)

Land use and forest cover

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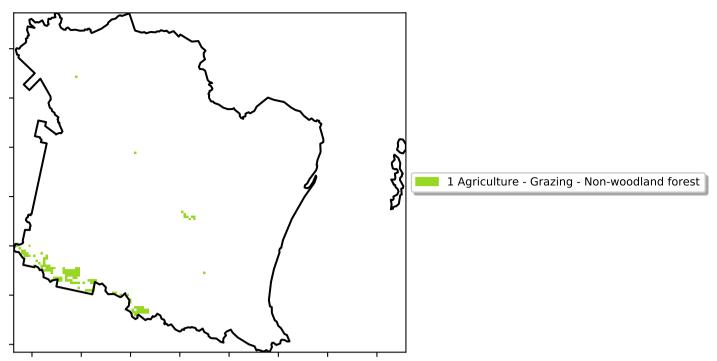
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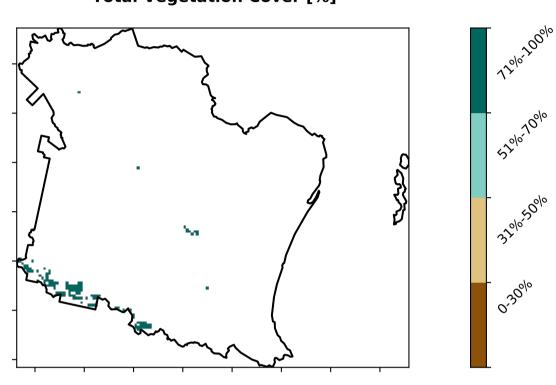
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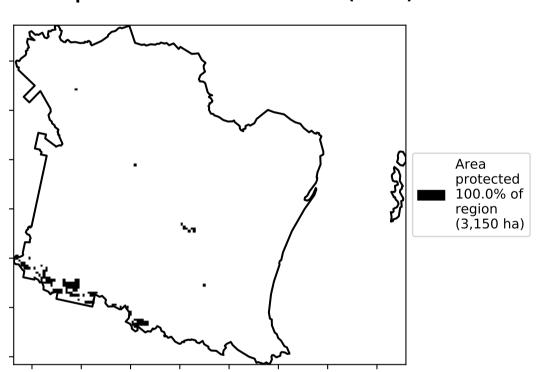
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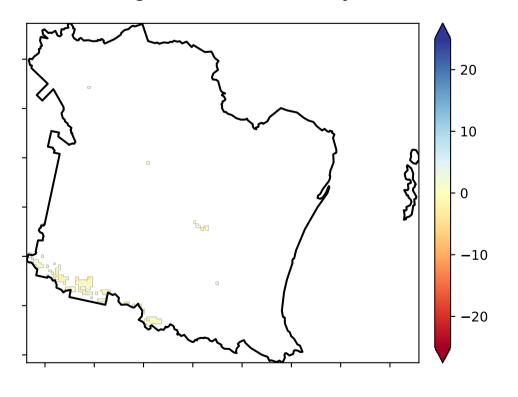
Total Vegetation Cover [%]



% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)

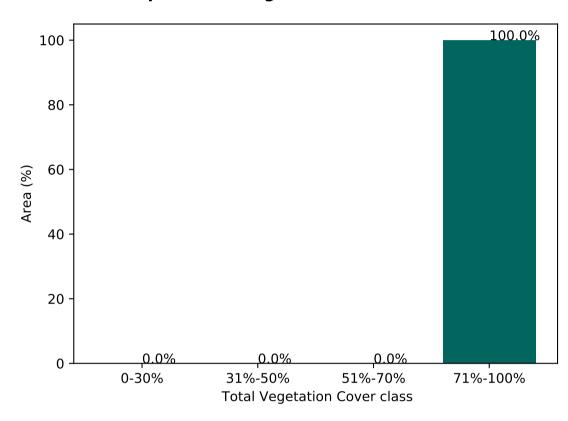


Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

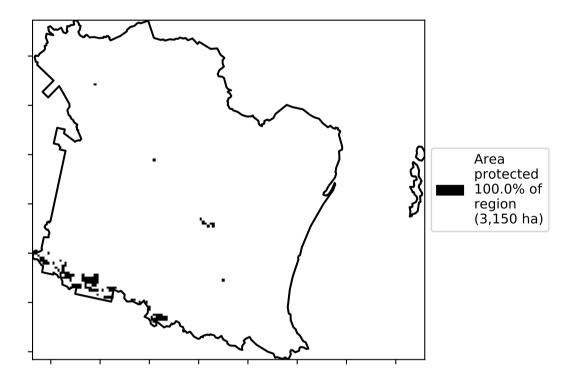


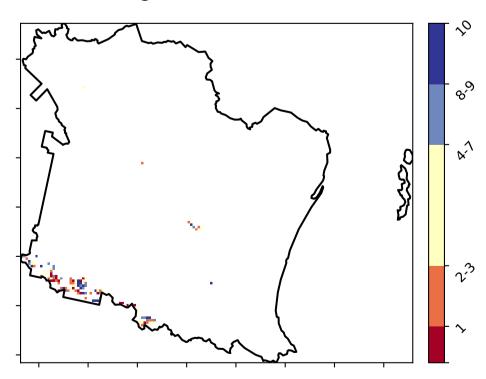
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Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



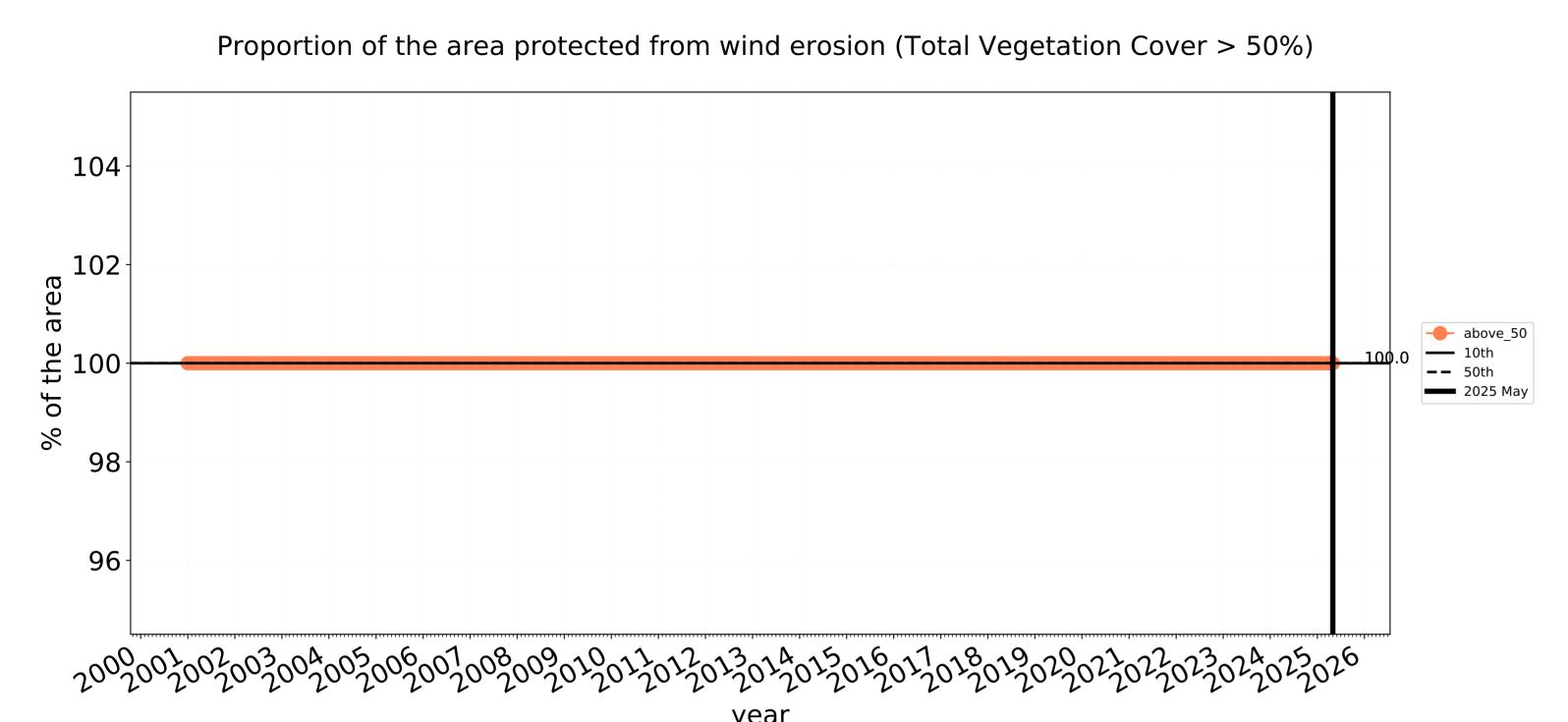




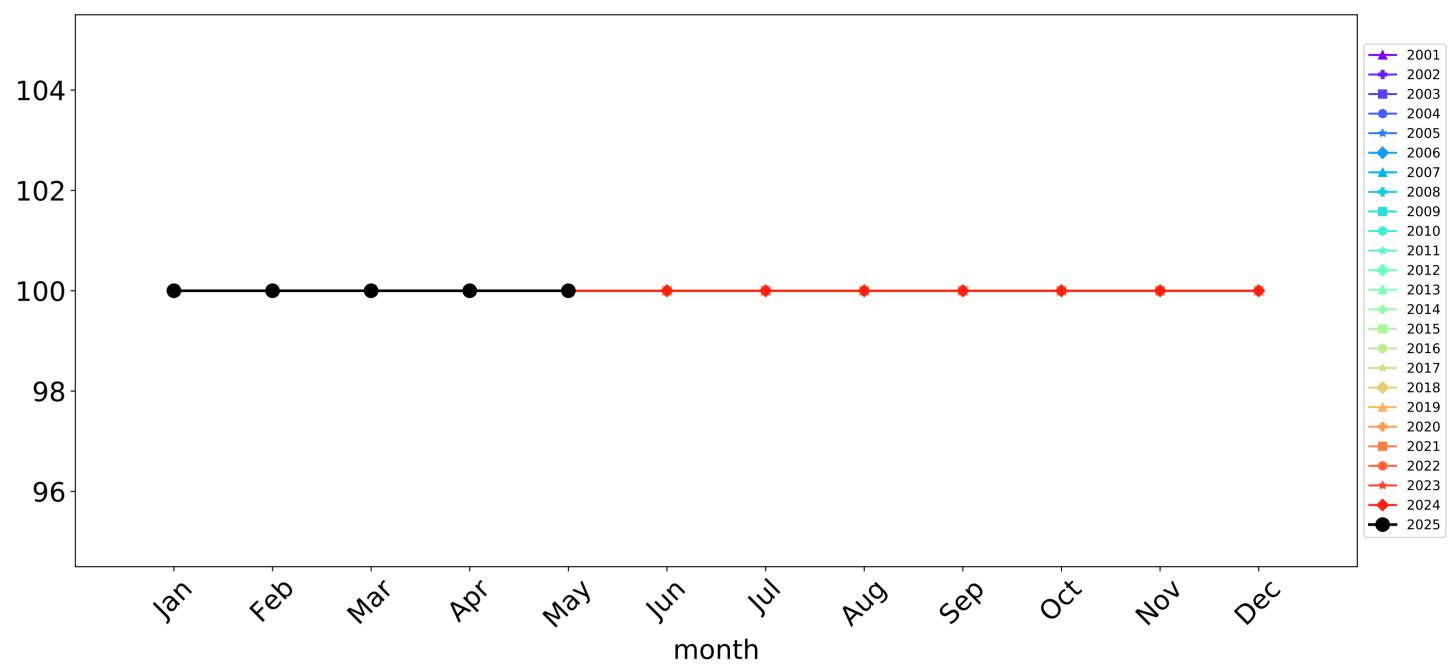


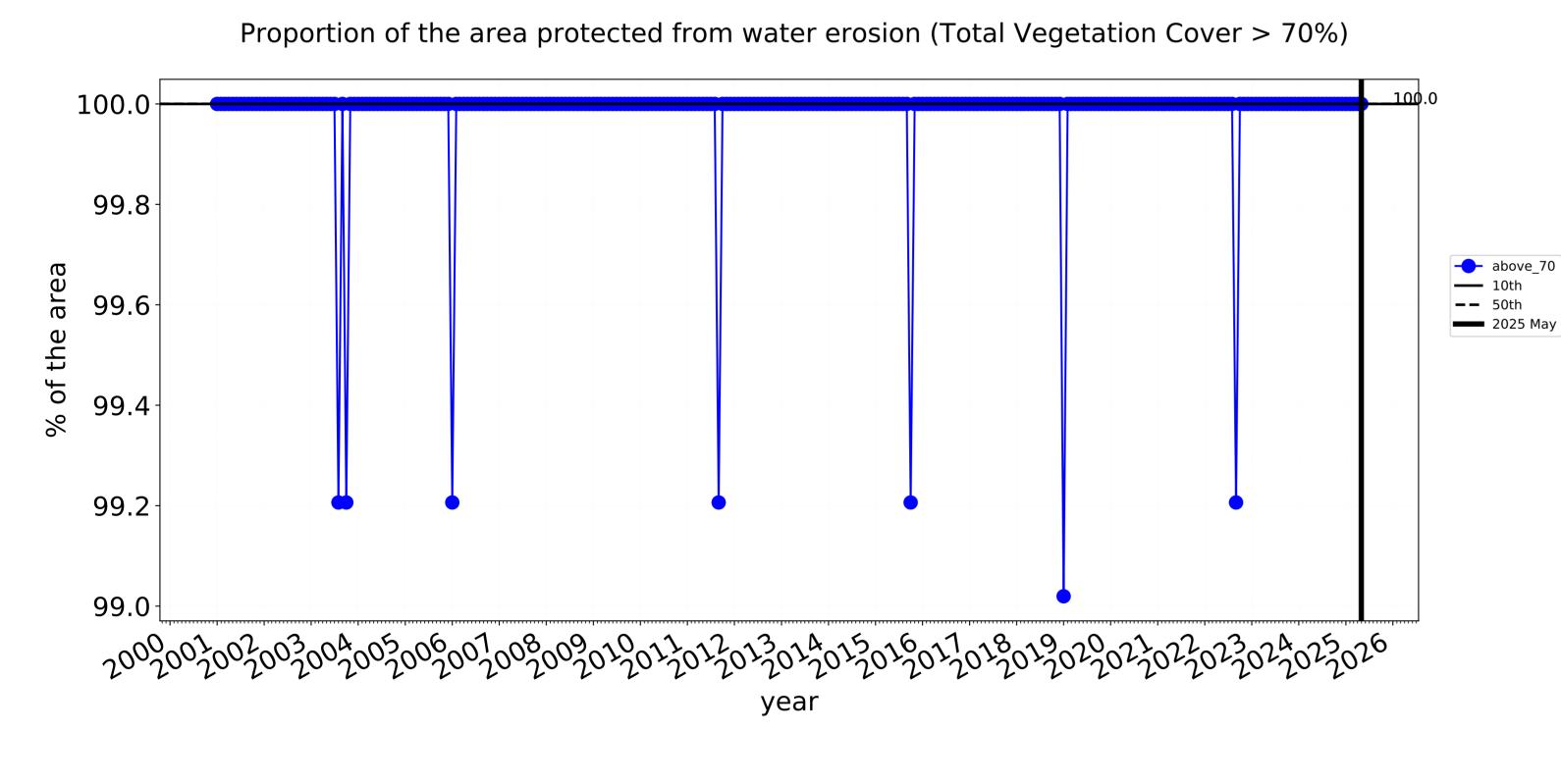


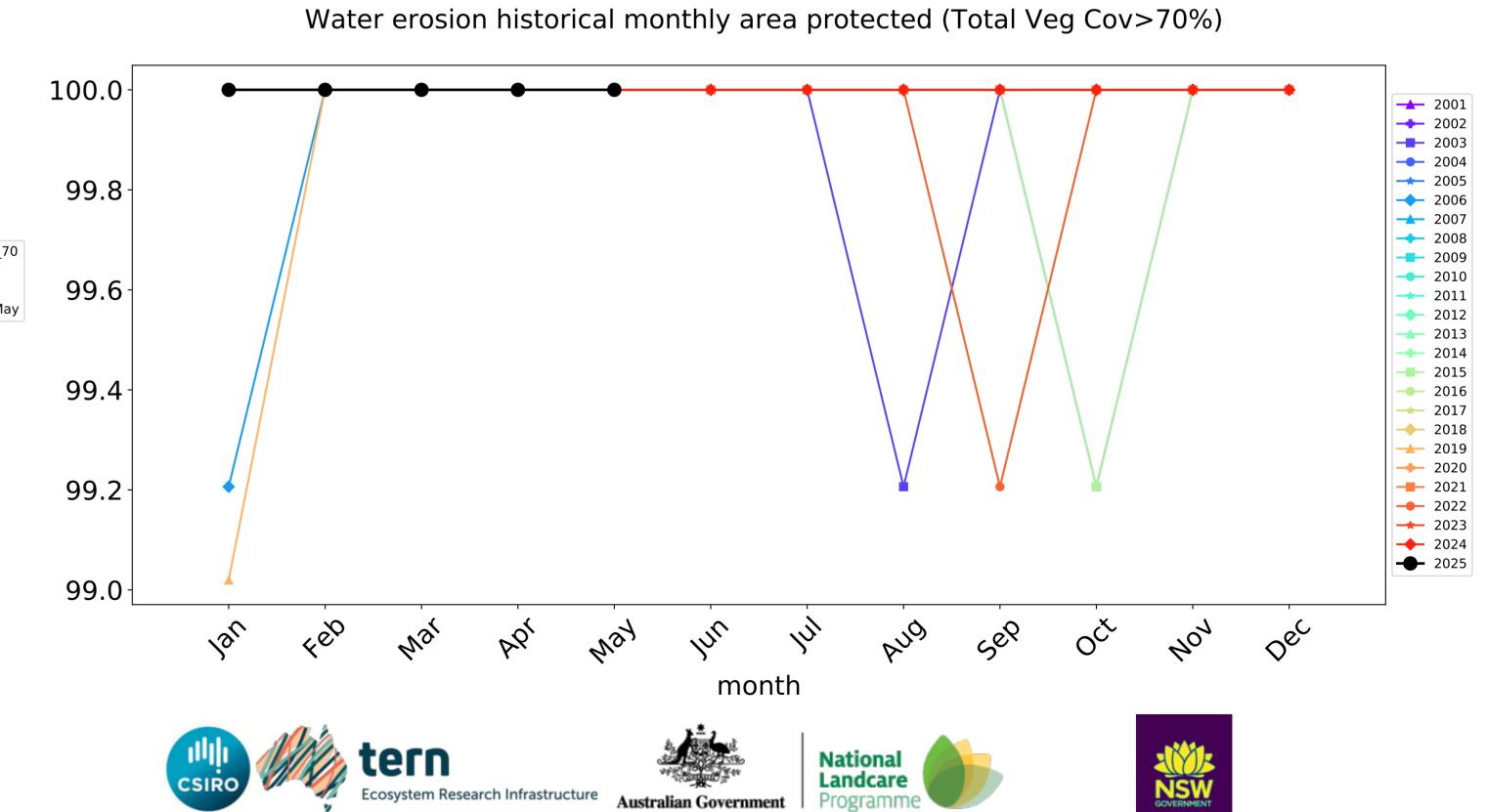


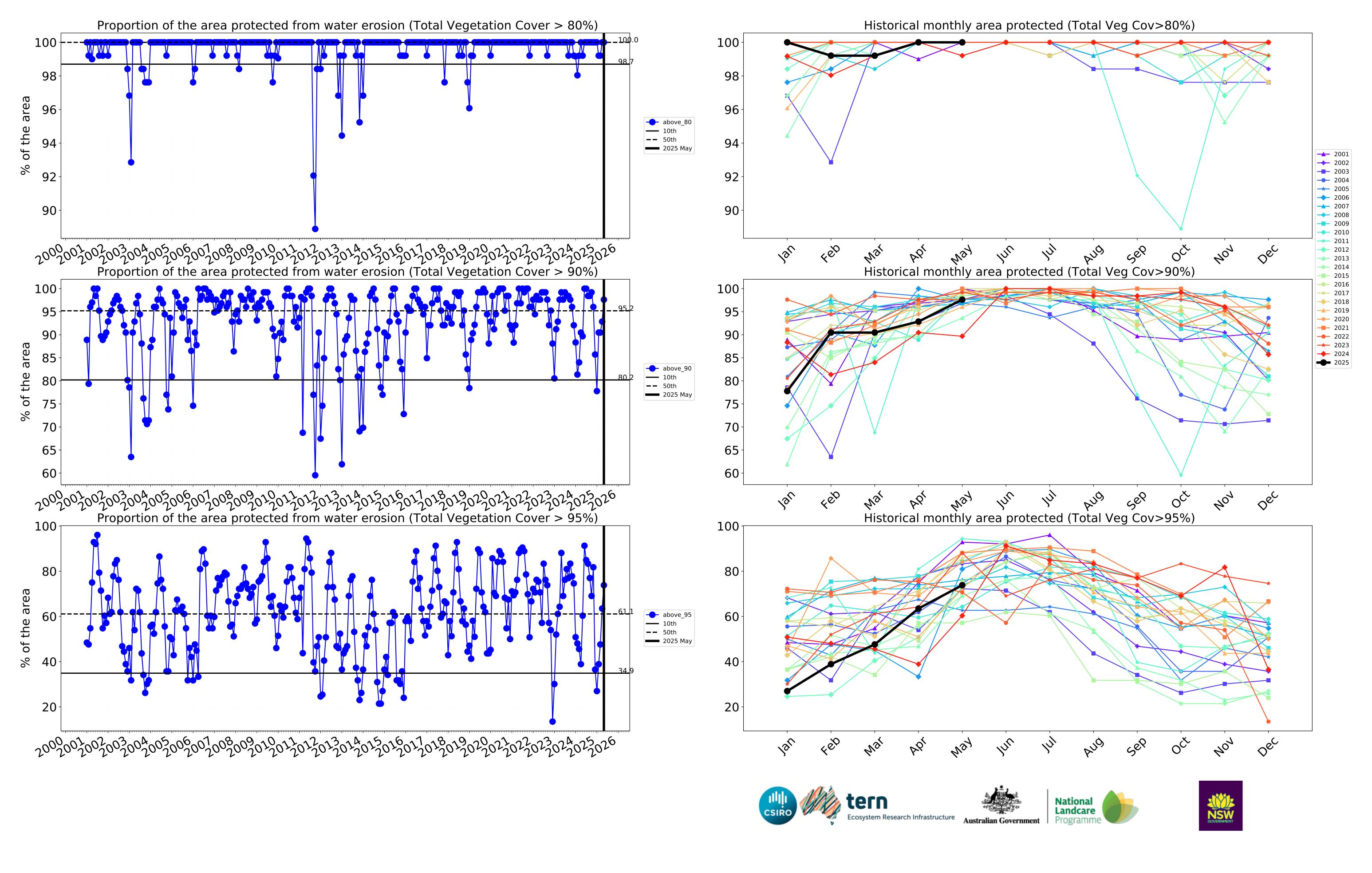


Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)



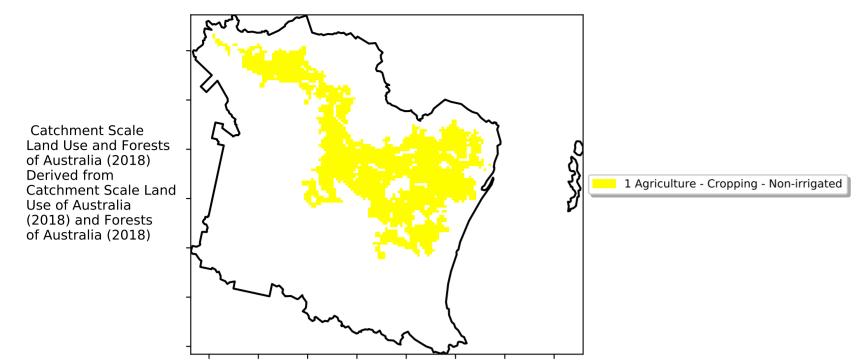




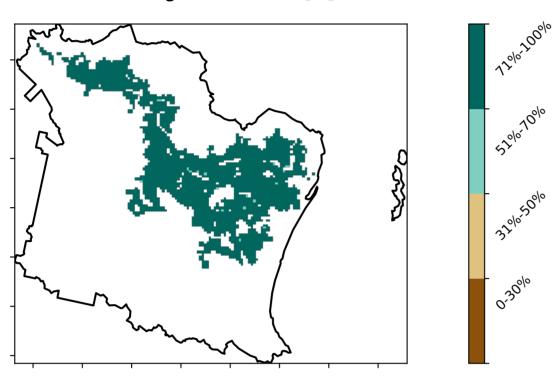


Cropping

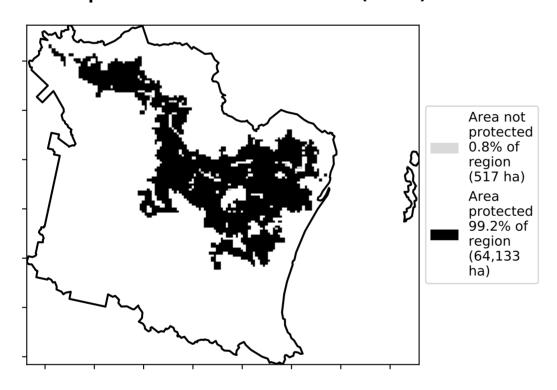
Land use and forest cover



Total Vegetation Cover [%]



% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

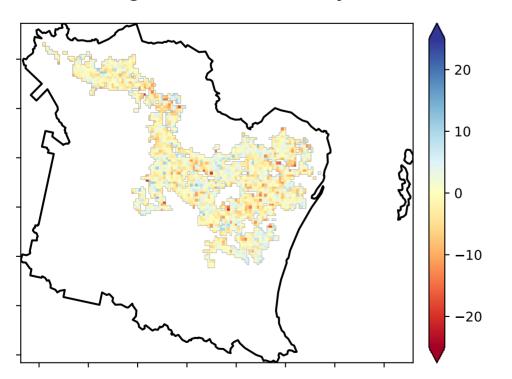
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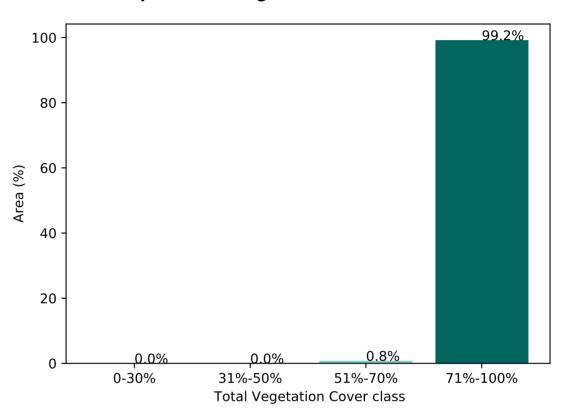
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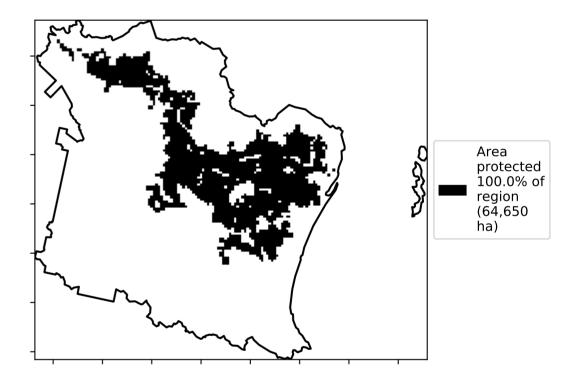


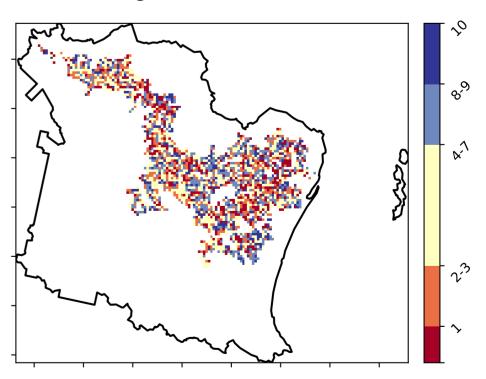
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Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)





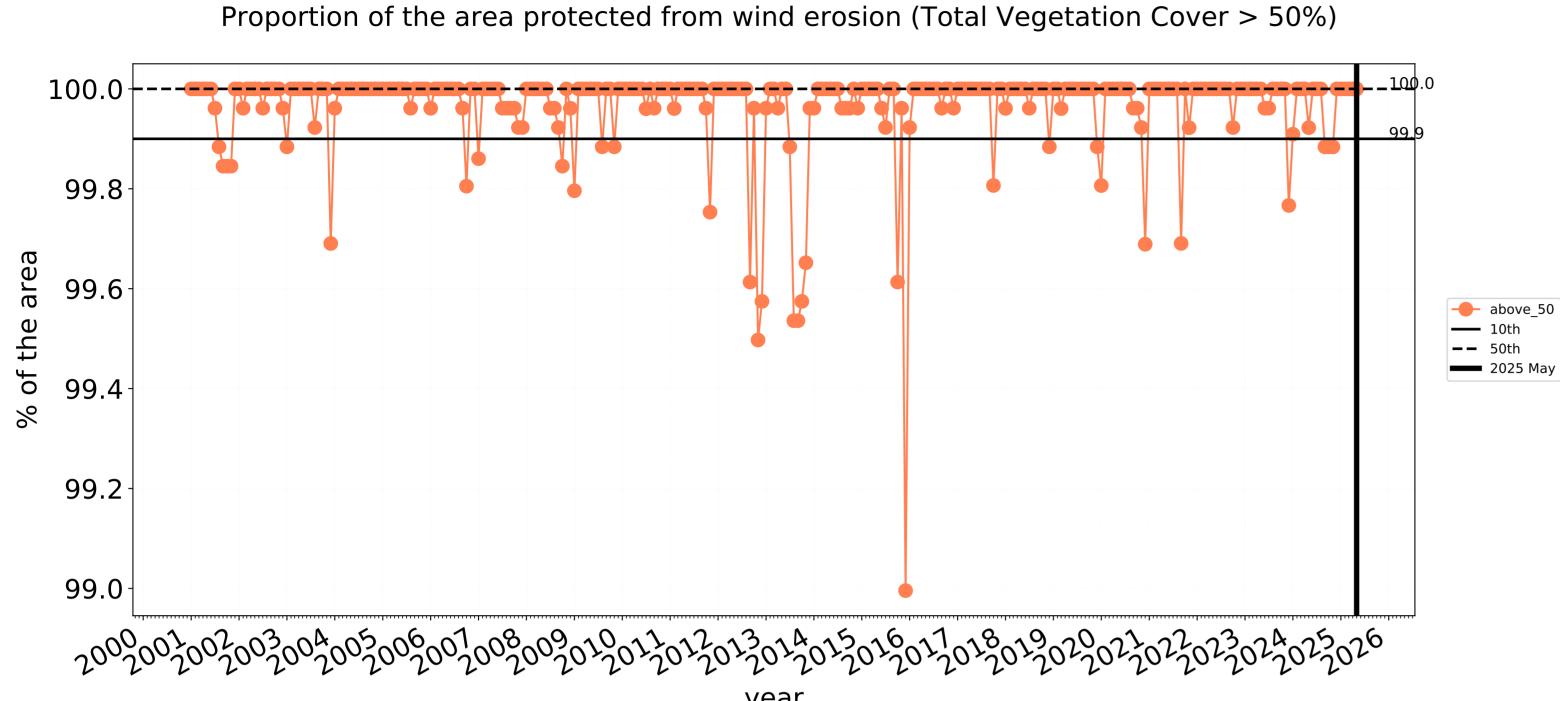


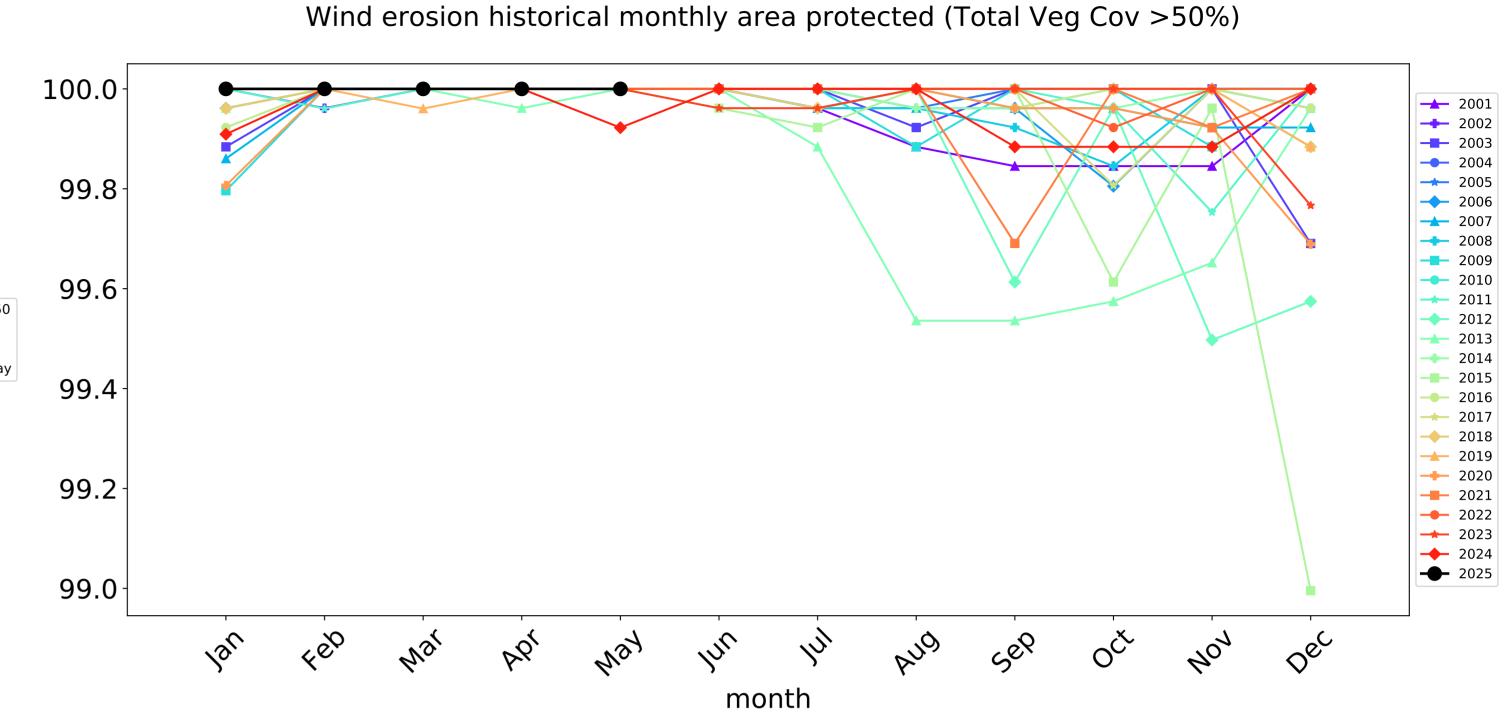


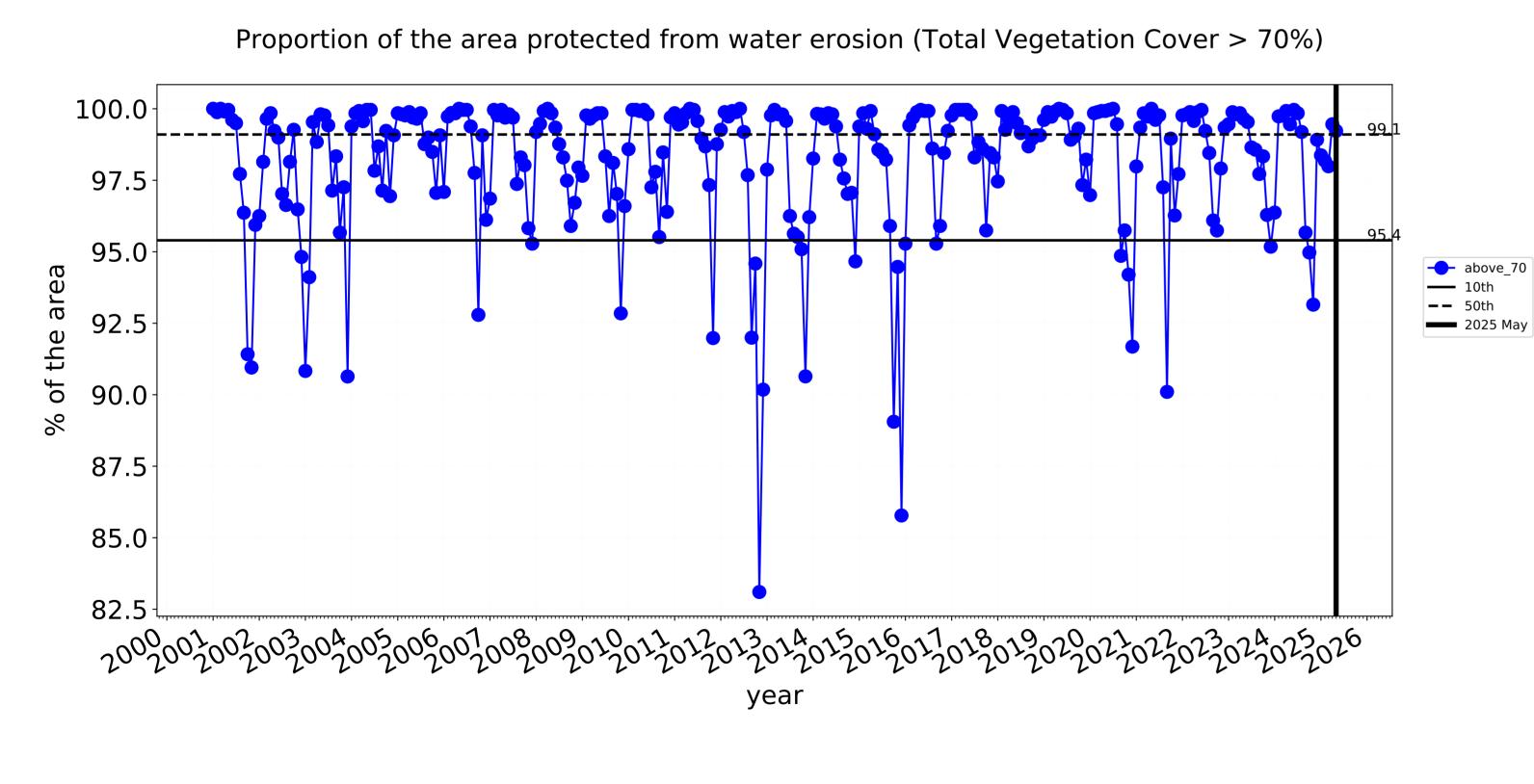


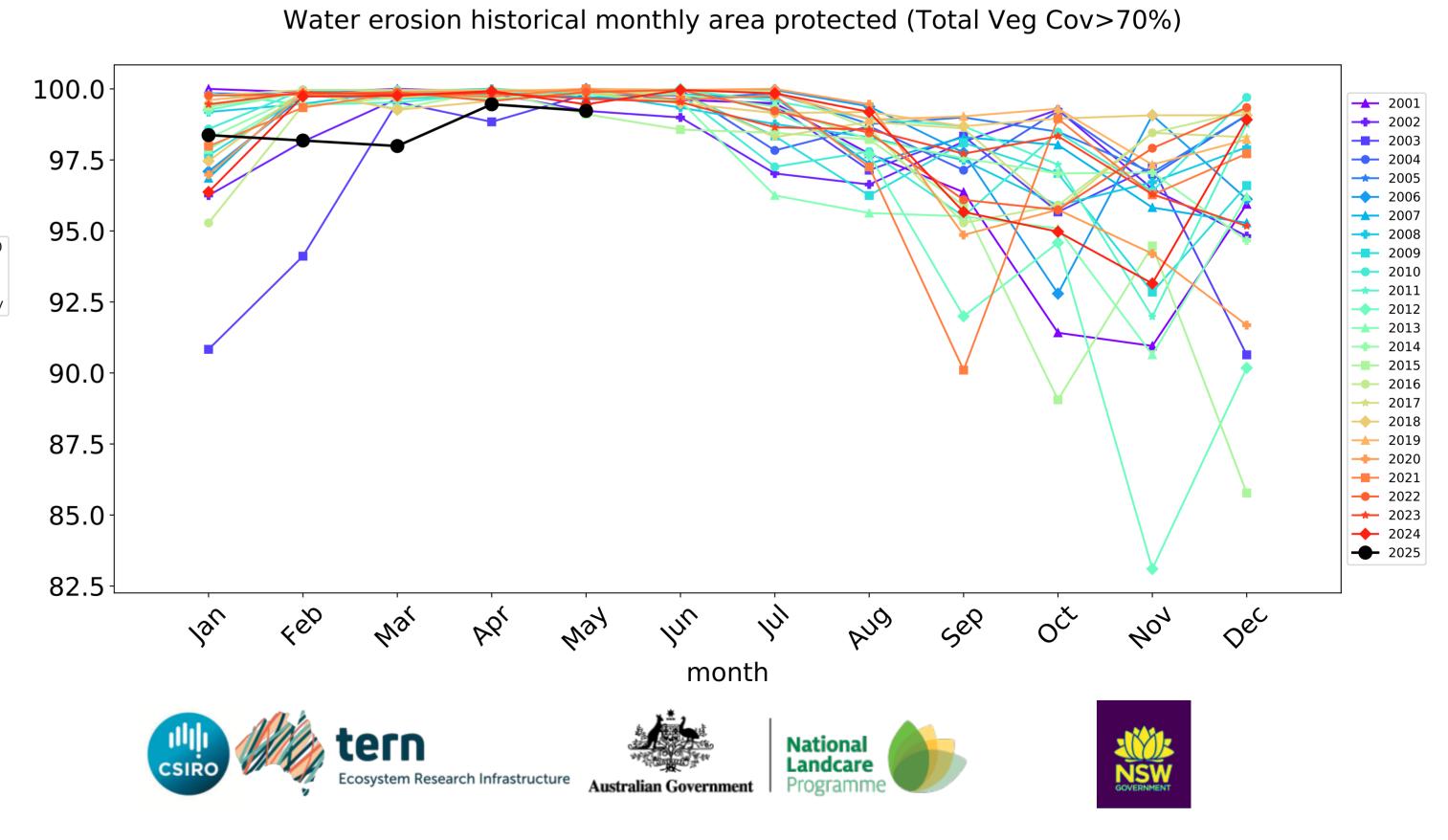


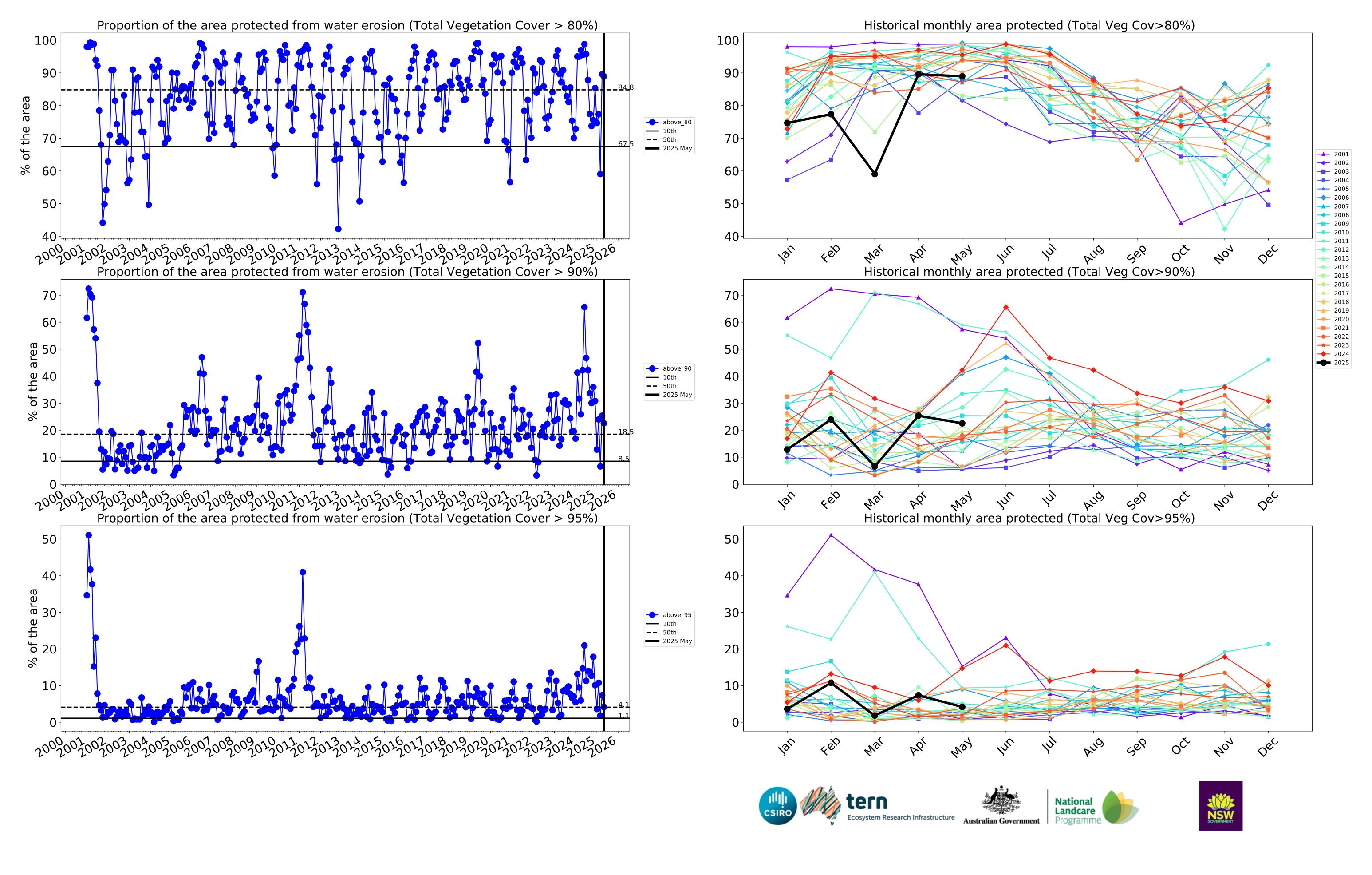
Cropping timeseries









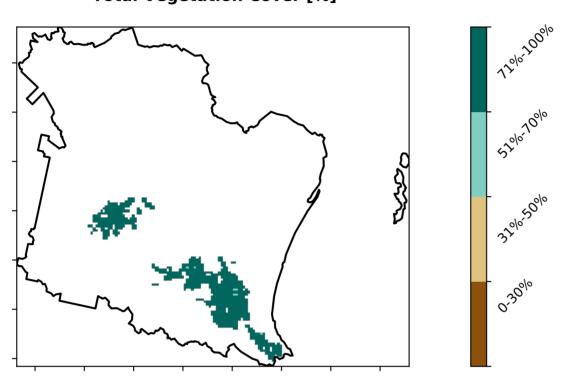


Irrigation

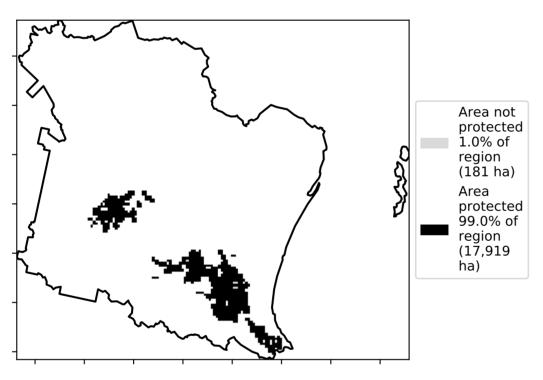
Land use and forest cover

Catchment Scale Land Use and Forests of Australia (2018) Derived from Catchment Scale Land Use of Australia (2018) and Forests of Australia (2018) 1 Agriculture - Cropping - Irrigated

Total Vegetation Cover [%]



% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

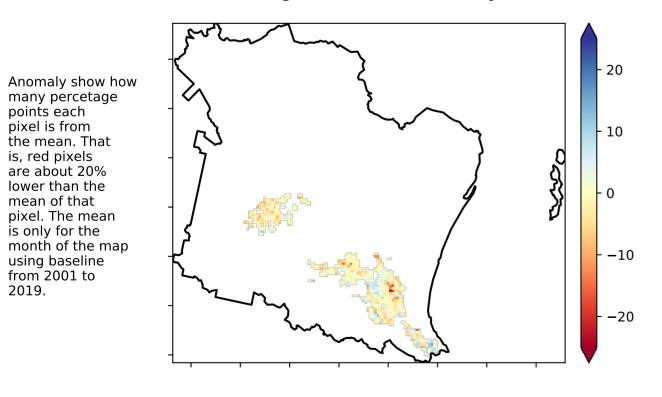
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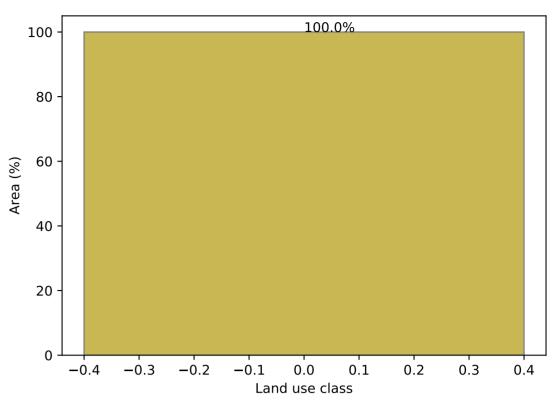
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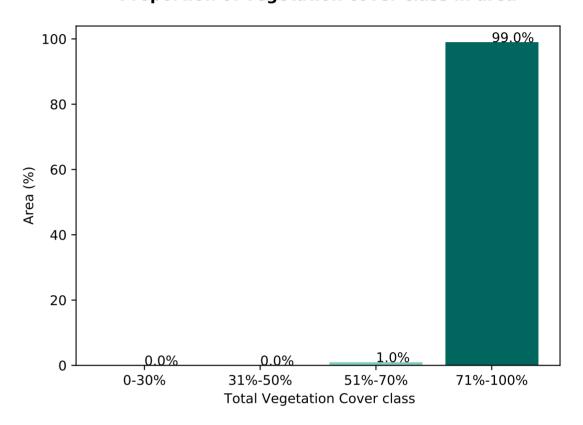


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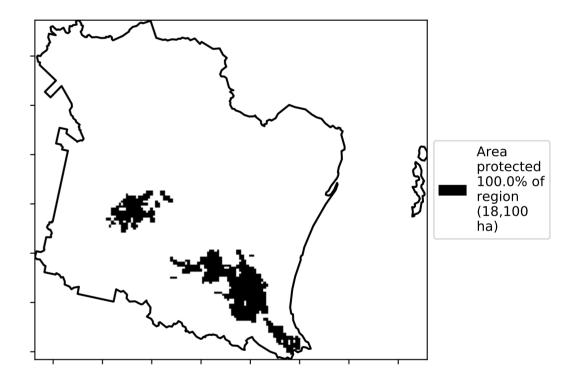
Proportion of each land class in area

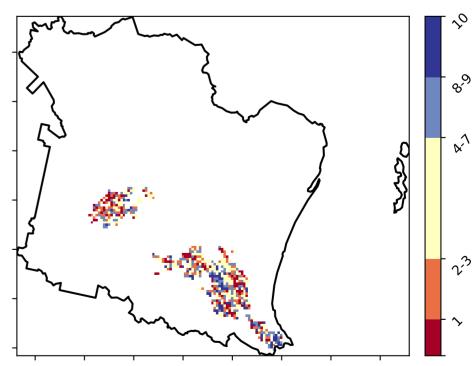


Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)





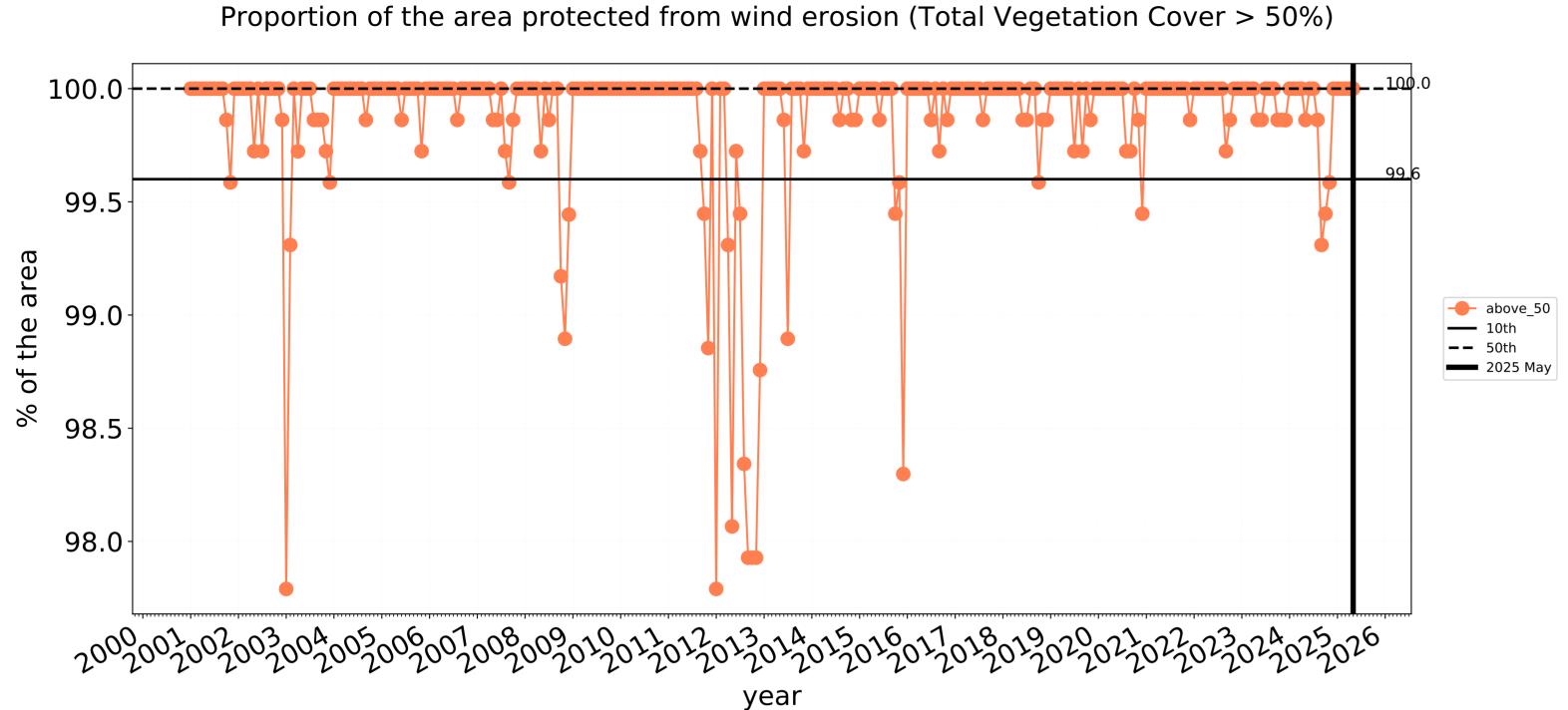


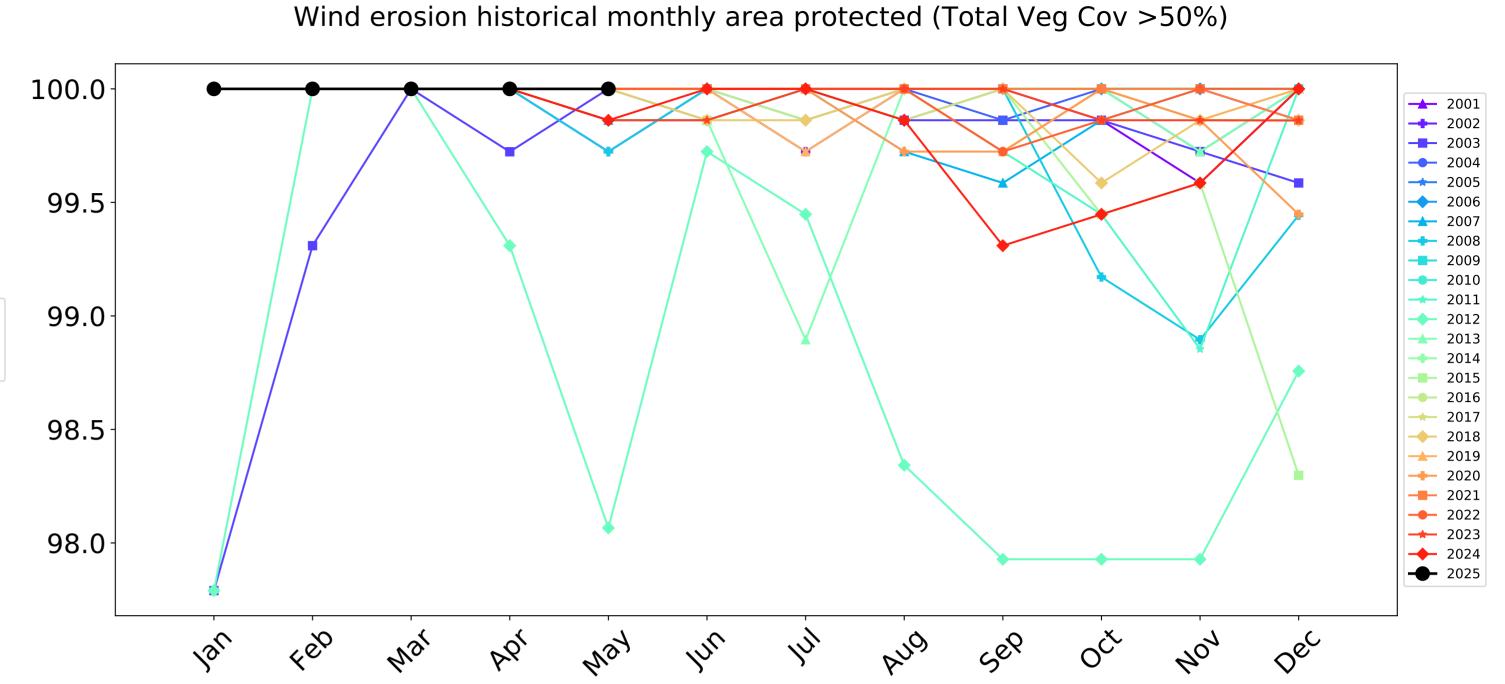




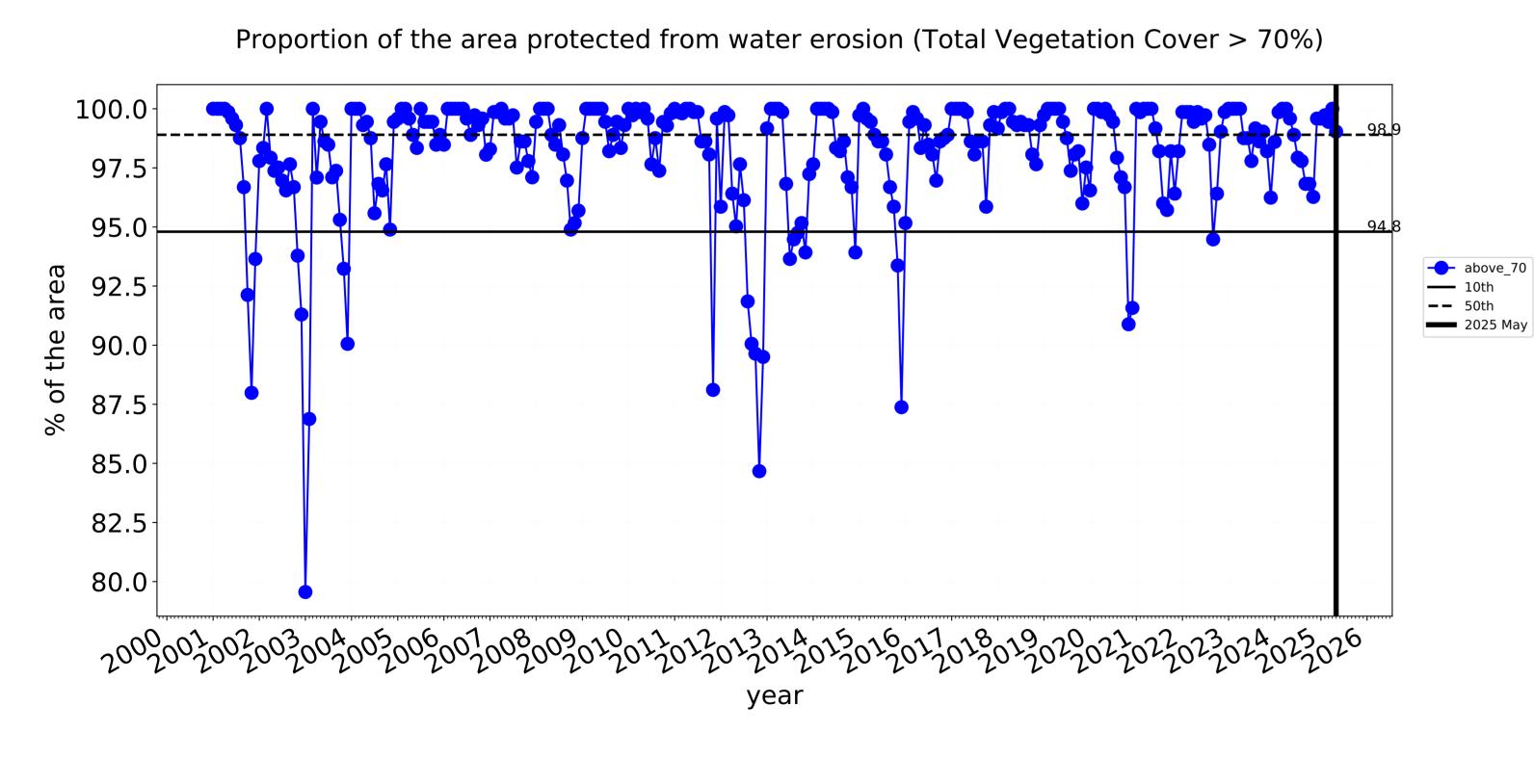


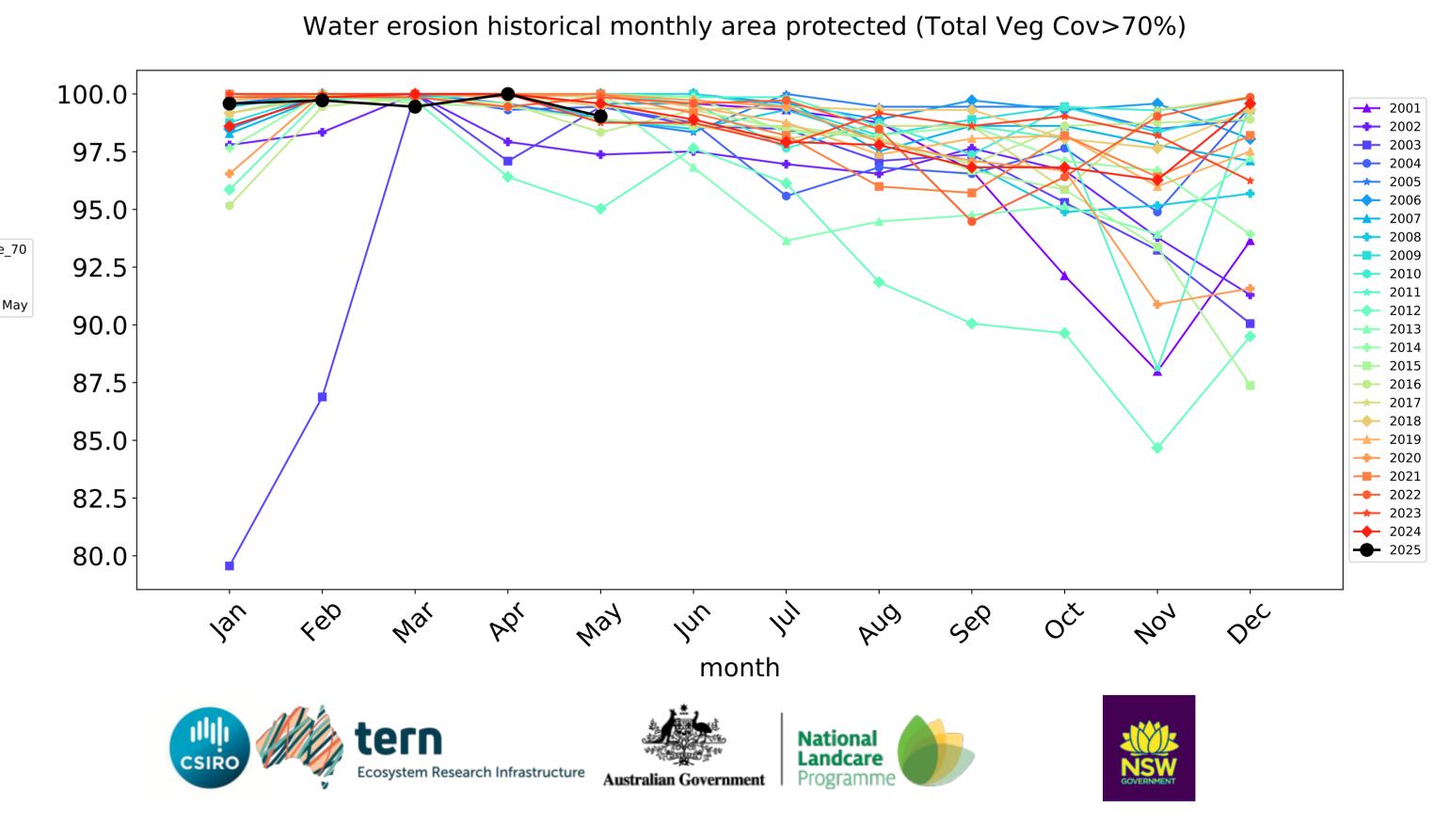
Irrigation timeseries

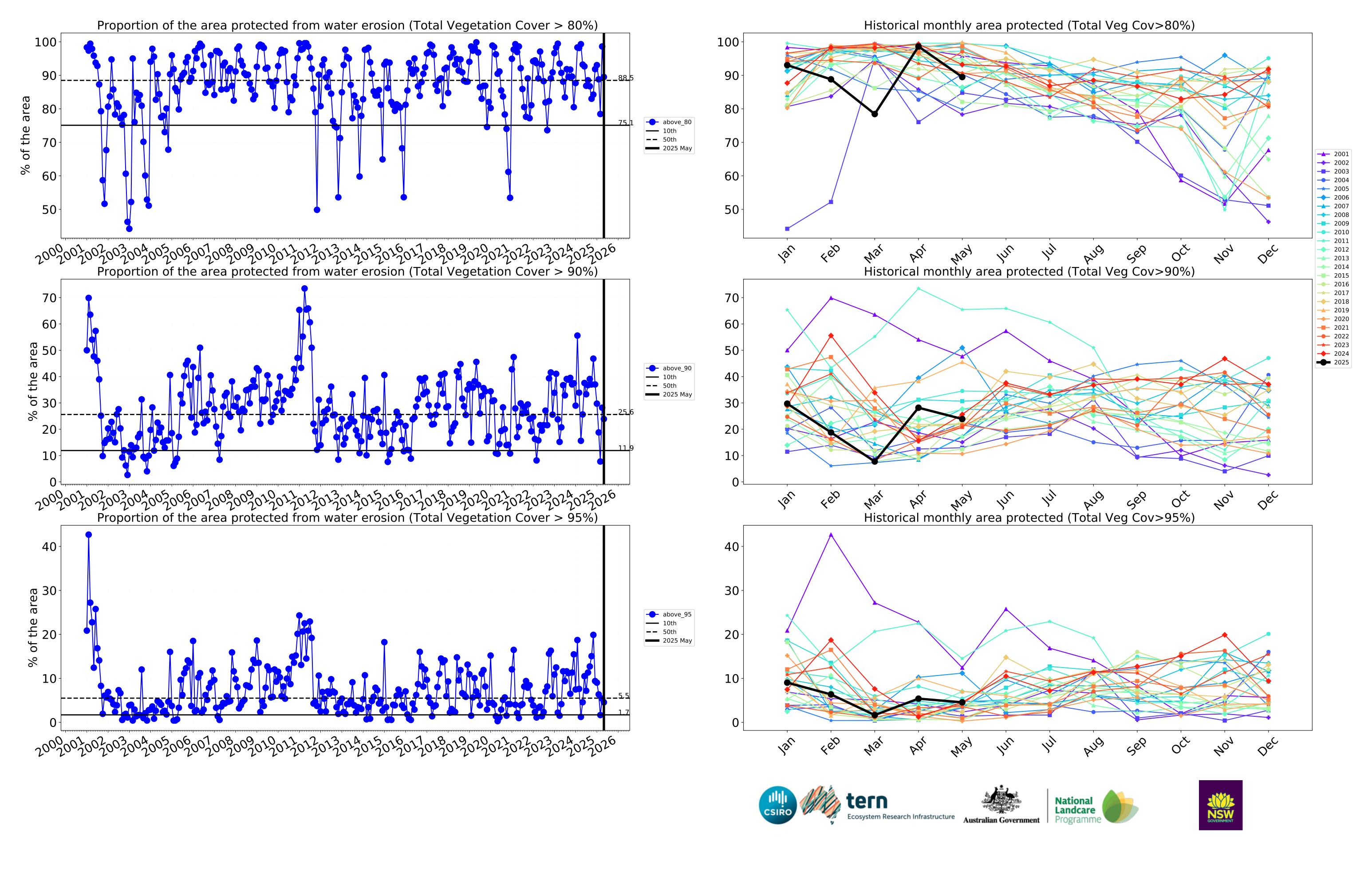




month







Production native forests and plantation forests

Land use and forest cover

Catchment Scale Land Use and Forests of Australia (2018) Derived from 1 Production native forests and plantation forests

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

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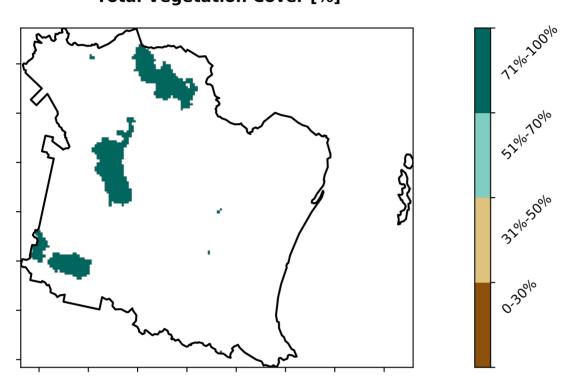
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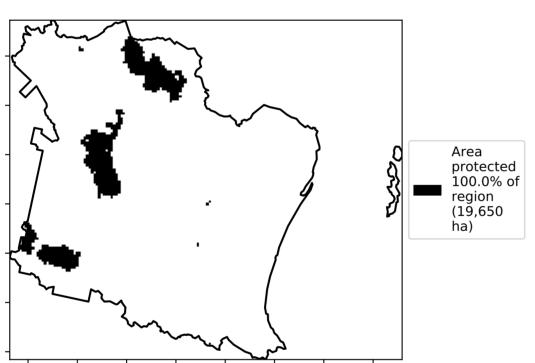
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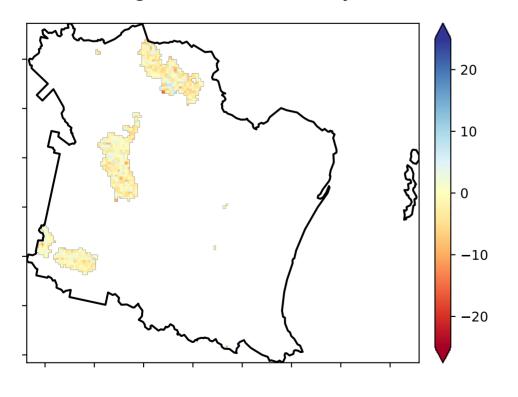
Total Vegetation Cover [%]



% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)

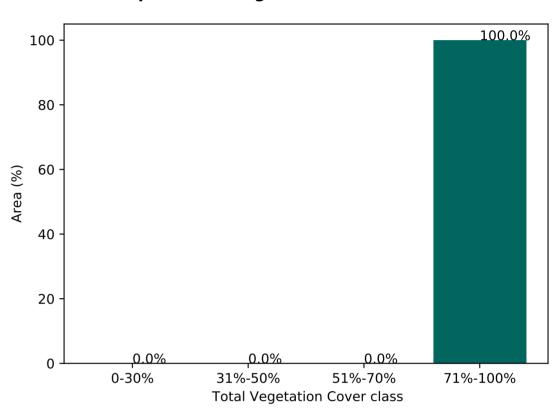


Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

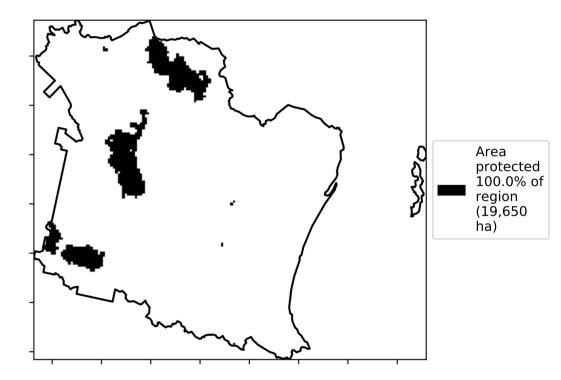


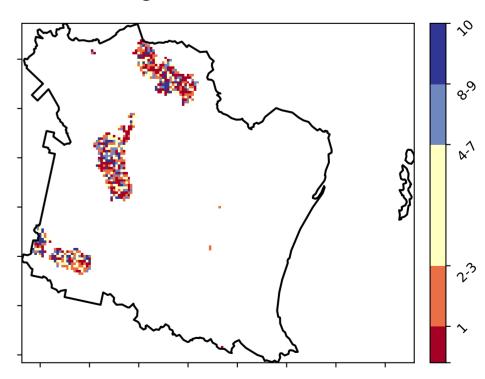
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Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)





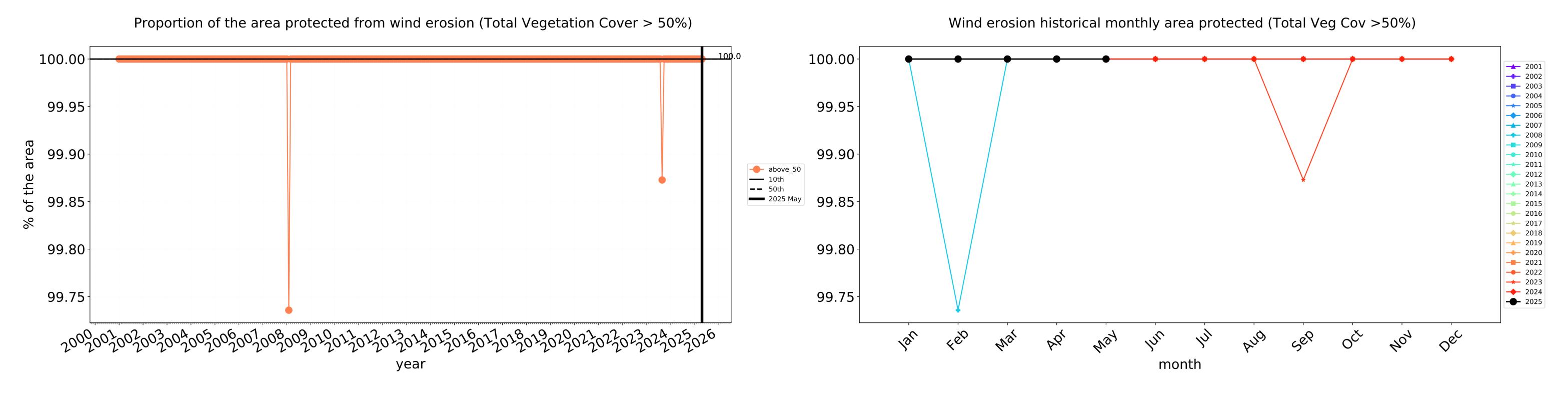


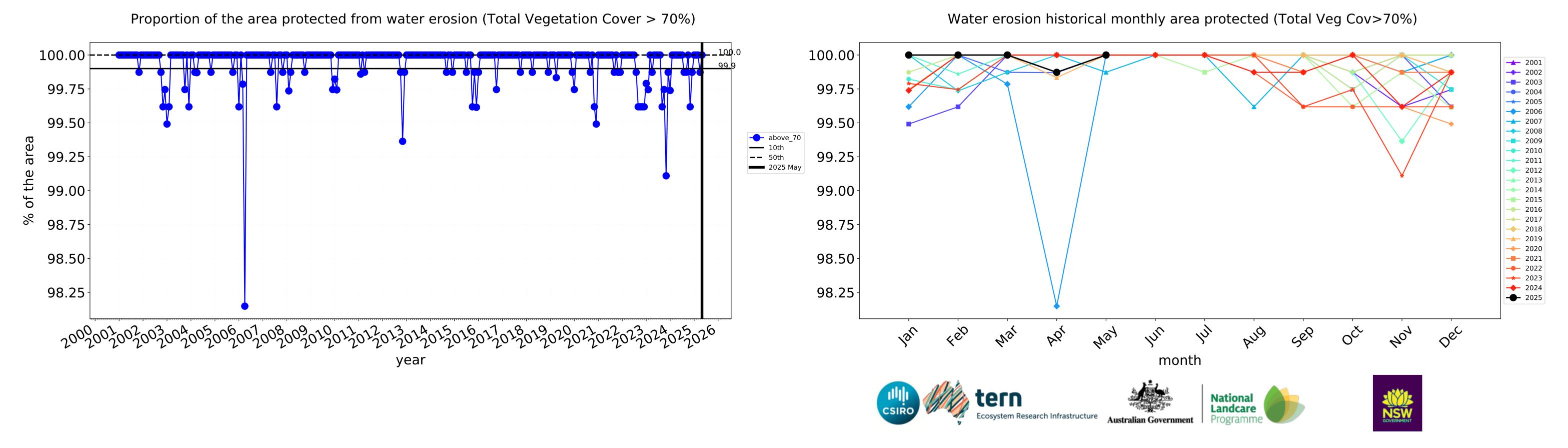


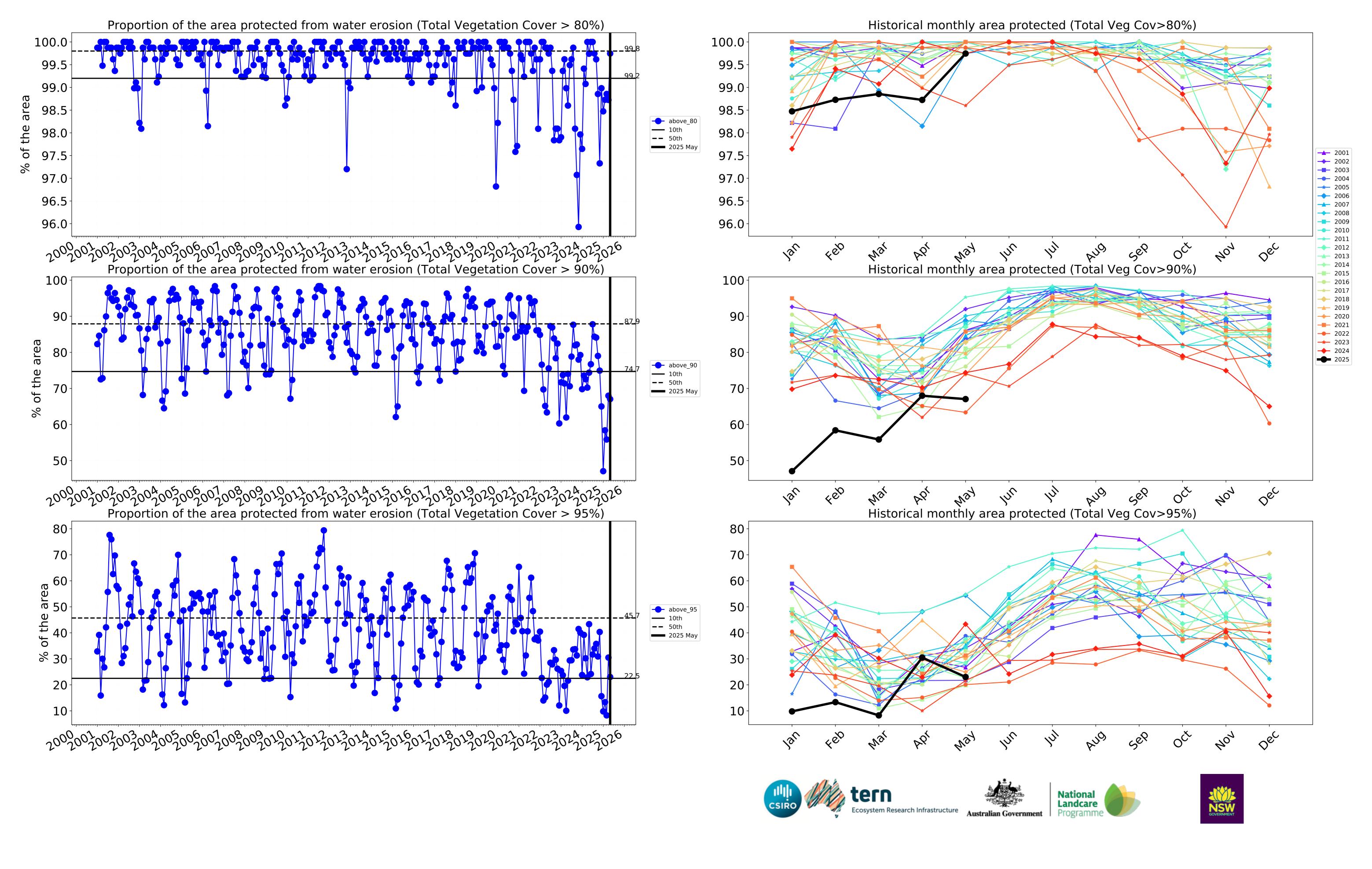




Production native forests and plantation forests timeseries







Hinchinbrook_(S) (278,050 ha and no data 2,612 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	278,050	100.0% 277,950	99.9% 277,650	98.9% 275,075	93.3% 259,475	54.2% 150,625	21.9% 60,975
Conservation and natural environments	130,625	100.0% 130,600	99.8% 130,400	99.4% 129,875	98.0% 128,000	74.6% 97,400	33.5% 43,775
Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest	46,550	100.0% 46,550	99.8% 46,475	99.7% 46,425	98.9% 46,050	75.9% 35,350	28.6% 13,325
Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)	82,275	100.0% 82,250	99.9% 82,175	99.3% 81,700	97.6% 80,325	74.2% 61,050	36.6% 30,125
Agriculture	104,700	100.0% 104,700	100.0% 104,700	99.3% 103,975	90.9% 95,125	31.4% 32,850	9.3% 9,750
Grazing	21,925	100.0% 21,925	100.0% 21,925	99.8% 21,875	97.6% 21,400	63.6% 13,950	28.4% 6,225
Grazing non forest	16,100	100.0% 16,100	100.0% 16,100	99.7% 16,050	96.7% 15,575	51.9% 8,350	14.4% 2,325
Grazing Woodland forest	2,675	100.0% 2,675	100.0% 2,675	100.0% 2,675	100.0% 2,675	94.4% 2,525	58.9% 1,575
Grazing - Forest (non woodland)	3,150	100.0% 3,150	100.0% 3,150	100.0% 3,150	100.0% 3,150	97.6% 3,075	73.8% 2,325
Cropping	64,650	100.0% 64,650	100.0% 64,650	99.2% 64,150	88.9% 57,500	22.5% 14,575	4.2% 2,700
Irrigation	18,100	100.0% 18,100	100.0% 18,100	99.0% 17,925	89.5% 16,200	23.9% 4,325	4.6% 825
Production native forests and plantation forests	19,650	100.0% 19,650	100.0% 19,650	100.0% 19,650	99.7% 19,600	67.0% 13,175	23.0% 4,525







