LGA Tablelands_(R) (QLD) - Vegetation cover soil protection report Aug 2019

This report provides information about vegetation covering the soil surface for a region during a single month with comparison to previous years. Vegetation cover indicates where soil is likely to be protected from wind and or water (hillslope) erosion. Results are shown for the whole region (polygon) and also separated by land use and tree cover. Different land uses are likely to have different cover patterns and targets. Reporting is most reliable with less than 20% tree cover.

Tablelands (R)

- Context
 - o Map: Land use and forest cover
 - o Chart: Land use and forest cover area
- Total vegetation cover for this month
 - o Map: vegetation cover classified into 4 classes
 - o Chart: vegetation cover area classified into 4 classes
- Areas protected from erosion for the month
 - o Map: wind erosion protection (>50% cover)
 - o Map: water erosion protection (>70% cover)
- Comparison with previous years
 - o Map: anomaly compare this month to the average cover from the same month in previous years
 - o Map: deciles rank this month against the same month in previous years
- Time series
 - o Wind erosion protection time series: percentage of the area of the region with greater than 50% cover for each month in the archive (orange lines)
 - o Water erosion protection time series: percentage of the area of the region with greater than 70% cover for each month of the archive (blue lines).
 - o Rainfall: millimetres rainfall each month (black lines)
- Time series stacked by year
 - o Wind erosion protection time series: percentage of the area of the region with greater than 50% cover for each month in the archive (orange lines) in case of 5th percentile is less than 80i
 - o Water erosion protection time series: percentage of the area of the region with greater than 70% cover for each month of the archive (blue lines). in case of 5th percentile is less than 80
- Water erosion protection on higher slopes. As slope increases, more cover is required to control water erosion. The thresholds reported are:
 - o the percentage area with pixels greater than 80% total clover
 - o the percentage area with pixels greater than 90% total clover
 - o the percentage area with pixels greater than 95% total clover

The following pages repeat the above sequence for each land use and forest cover class. For example

- All agricultural lands, that is grazing, cropping plus Horticulture (depending on what land use is present)
- Grazing lands by forest classes if present
- Cropping lands
- Irrigation lands
- Protected areas by forest classes if present

Explanatory notes:

This report has been generated using MODIS fractional vegetation cover information available in Rangelands and Pasture Productivity (RAPP) map tool. The report is based on an analysis of 500 metre pixels. Pixels with greater than or equal to 50% vegetation cover are generally considered to be protected from or have reduced soil loss by wind erosion, and pixels with greater than or equal to 70% vegetation cover are generally considered to also be protected from or have reduced soil loss from water (hillslope) erosion. Report used baseline from 2001 to 2019 for each month to generate anomalies and deciles. And it used threshold of 1% to create land use forest cover reports. Higher cover thresholds may be required for erosion protection in some regions. This report will be less applicable in areas with sparse forest (20-50% tree cover) or dense forest (> 50% tree cover). Therefore land use classes are divided by tree cover: 1) No forest is when there is less than 20% tree cover 2) Sparse forest, is when there is less than 20 to 50 % tree cover 3) Dense forest is greater than 50% tree cover

Acknowledgment of data:

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

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













Vegetation Cover Aug 2019

Land use and forest cover

Landuse map of area based on 2015

catchment scale

Australia's National

where no forest is <

sparse is 20 to 50%

and dense > 50% tree

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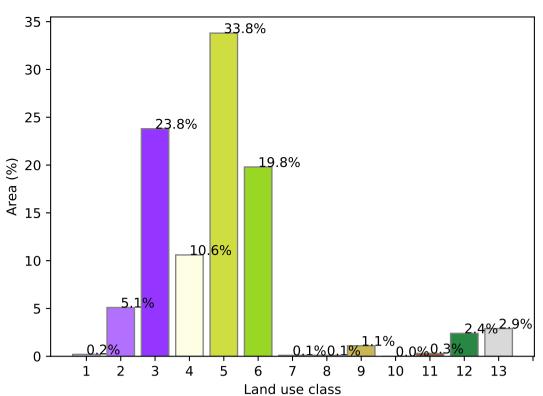
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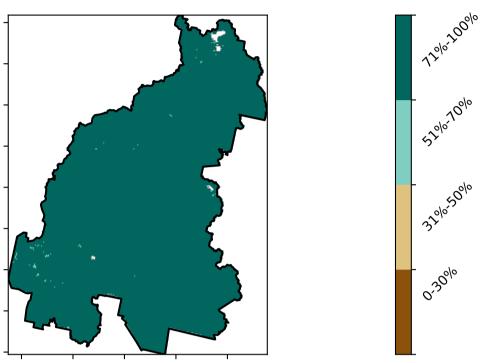
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Legend with land class forest cover and number, i.e. Forests is 12 1 Conservation and natural environments - Non-forest 2 Conservation and natural environments - Woodland forest 3 Conservation and natural environments -Non-Woodland forest 4 Agriculture - Grazing - Non-forest 5 Agriculture - Grazing - Woodland forest 6 Agriculture - Grazing - Non-woodland forest 7 Agriculture - Grazing - Irrigated 8 Agriculture - Cropping - Non-irrigated 9 Agriculture - Cropping - Irrigated 10 Agriculture - Horticulture - Non-irrigated 11 Agriculture - Horticulture - Irrigated 12 Production native forests and plantation forests 13 Other uses

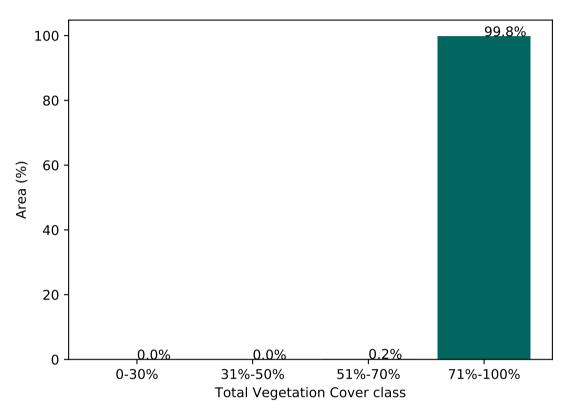
Proportion of each land class in area

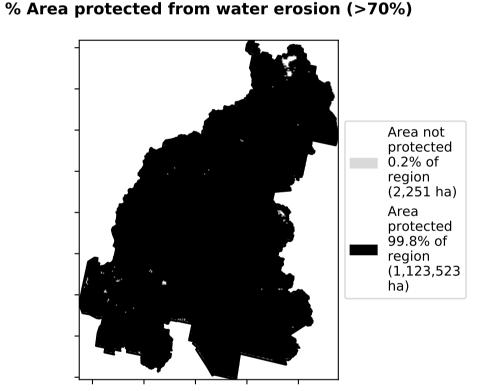


Total Vegetation Cover [%]

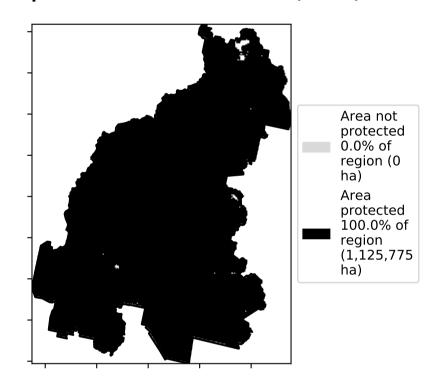


Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

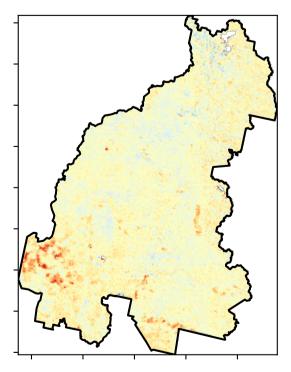


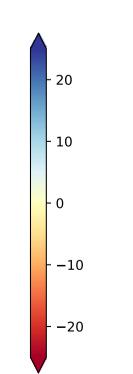


% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



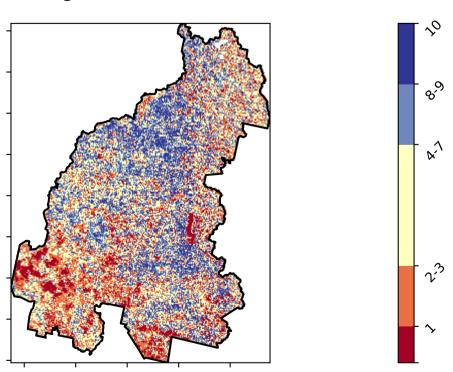
Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]





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Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]



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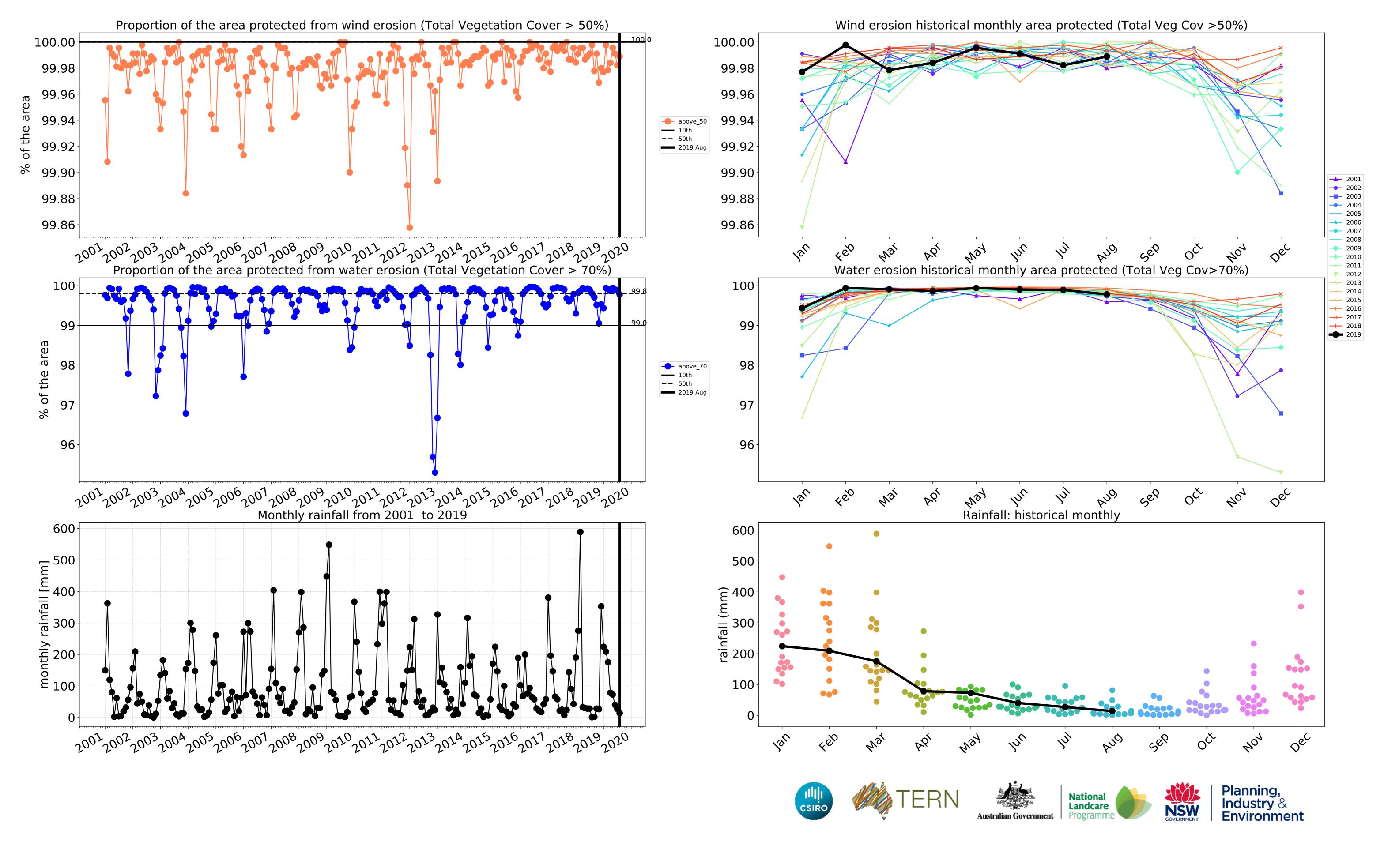


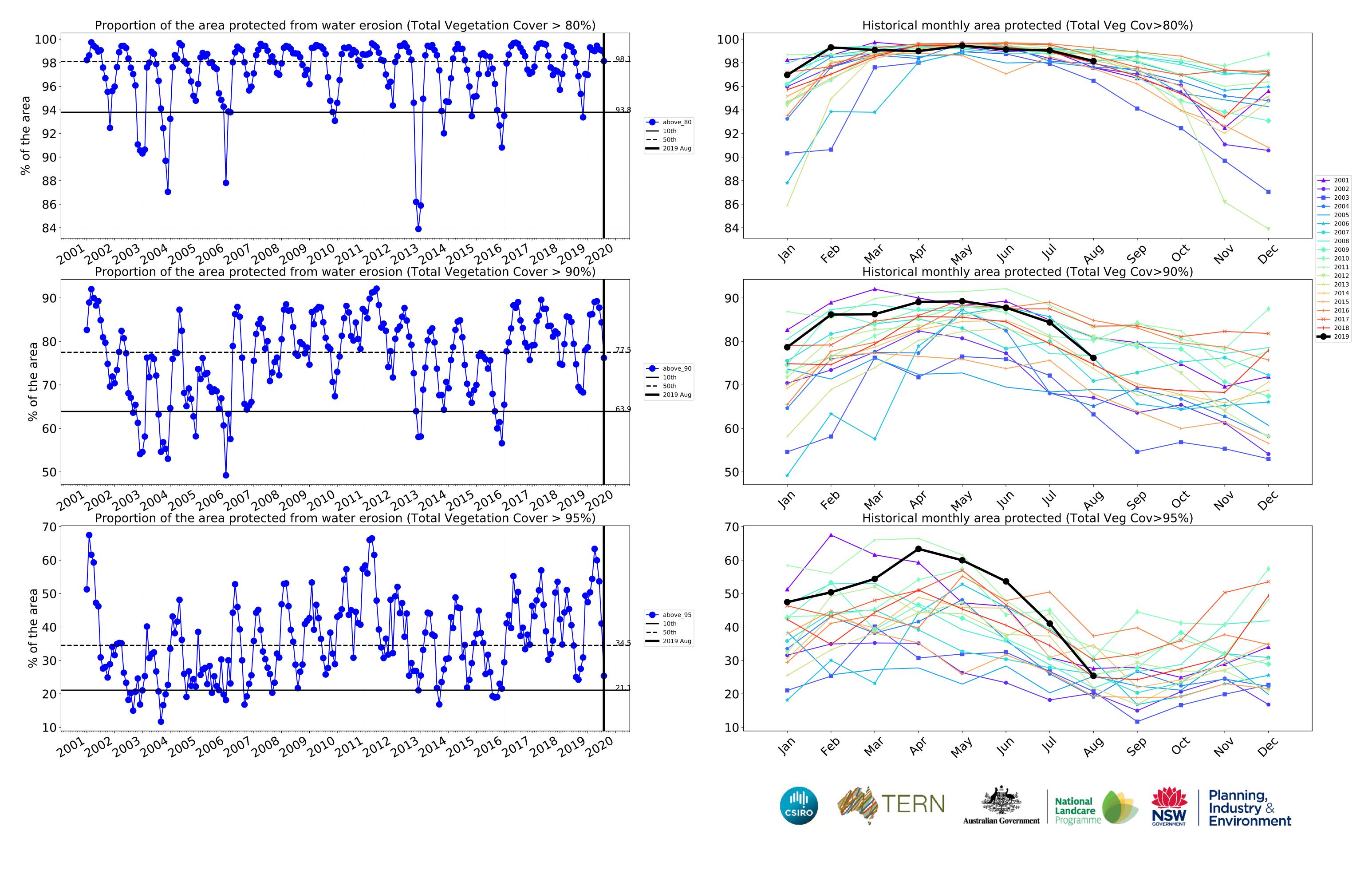












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Conservation and natural environments

Landuse map of area based on 2015 catchment scale landuse and Australia's National Forest Inventory, where no forest is < 20% tree cover,

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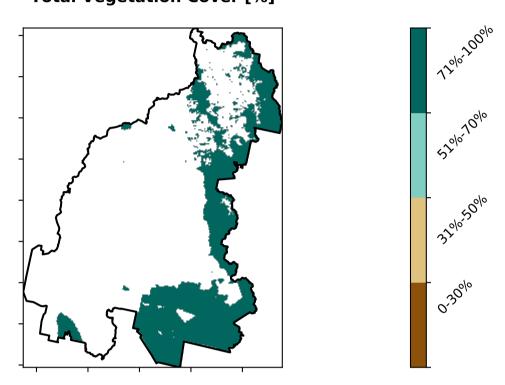
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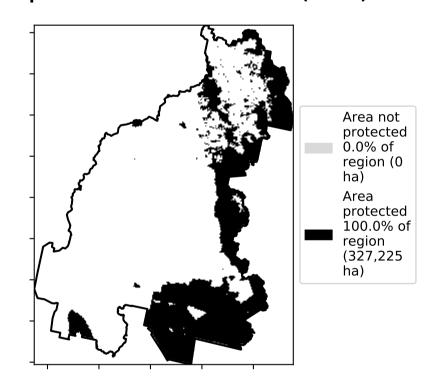
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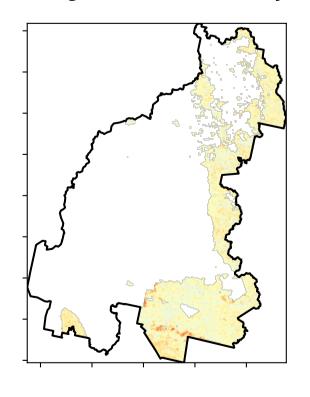
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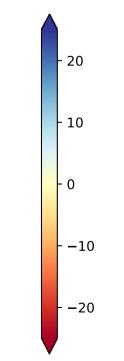


% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



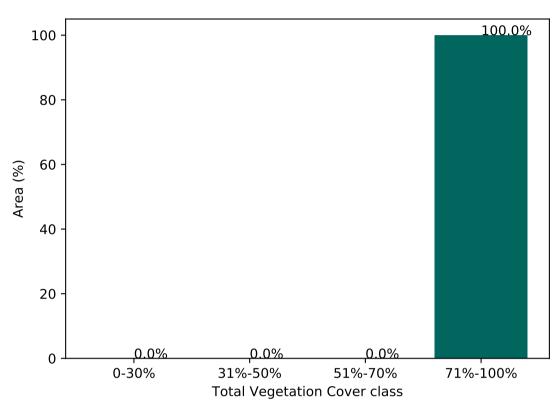
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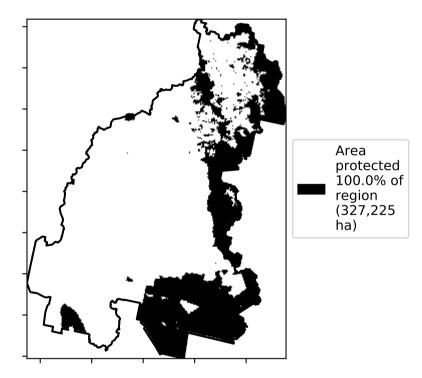


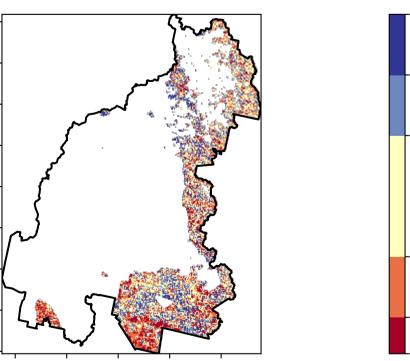
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Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)









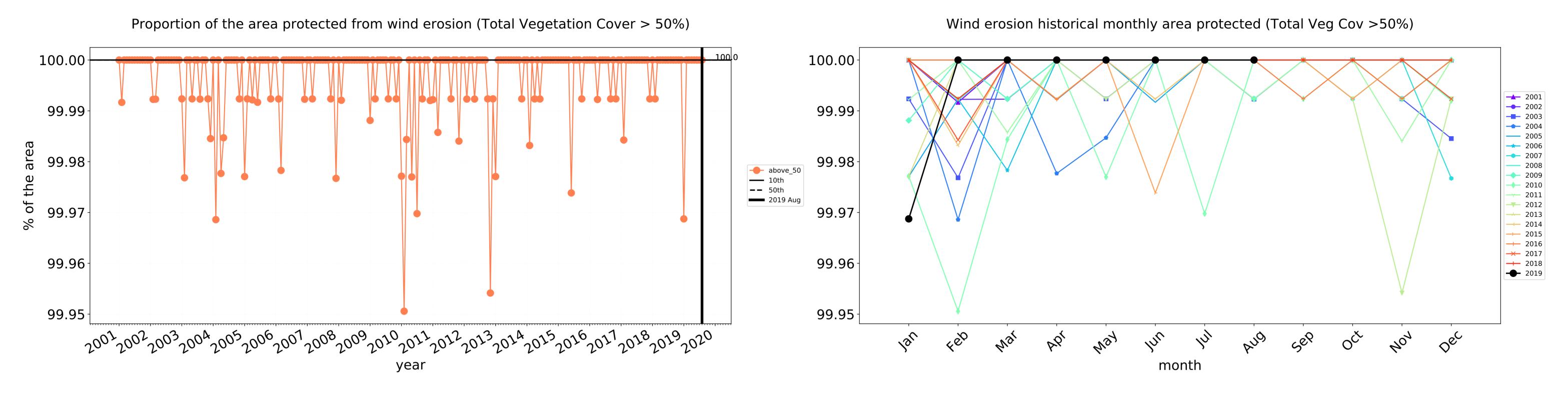


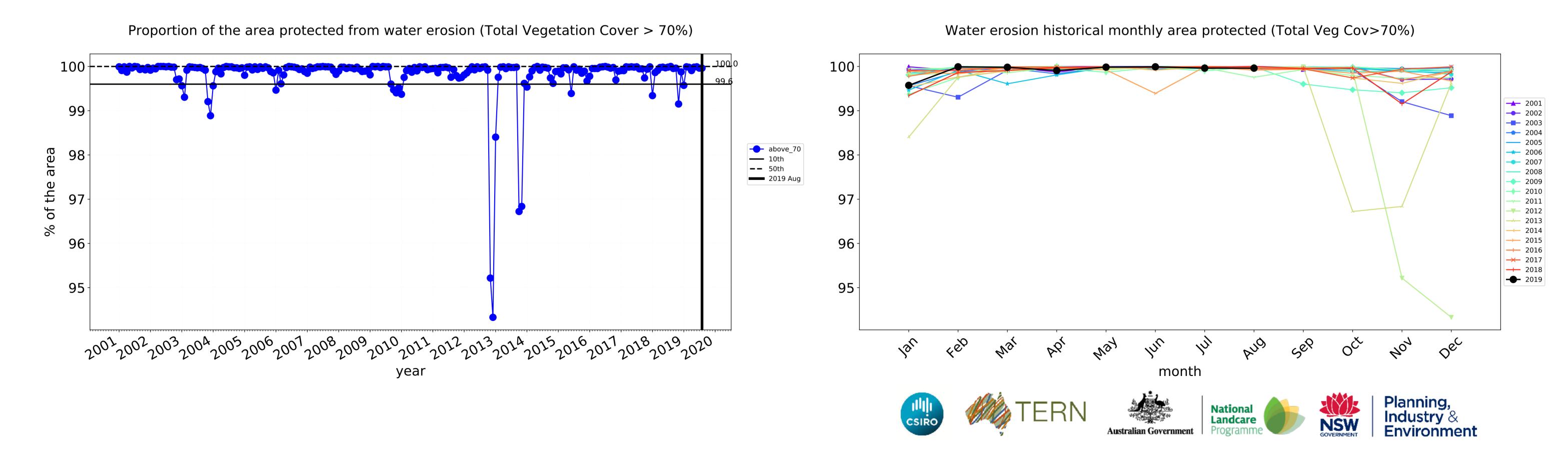


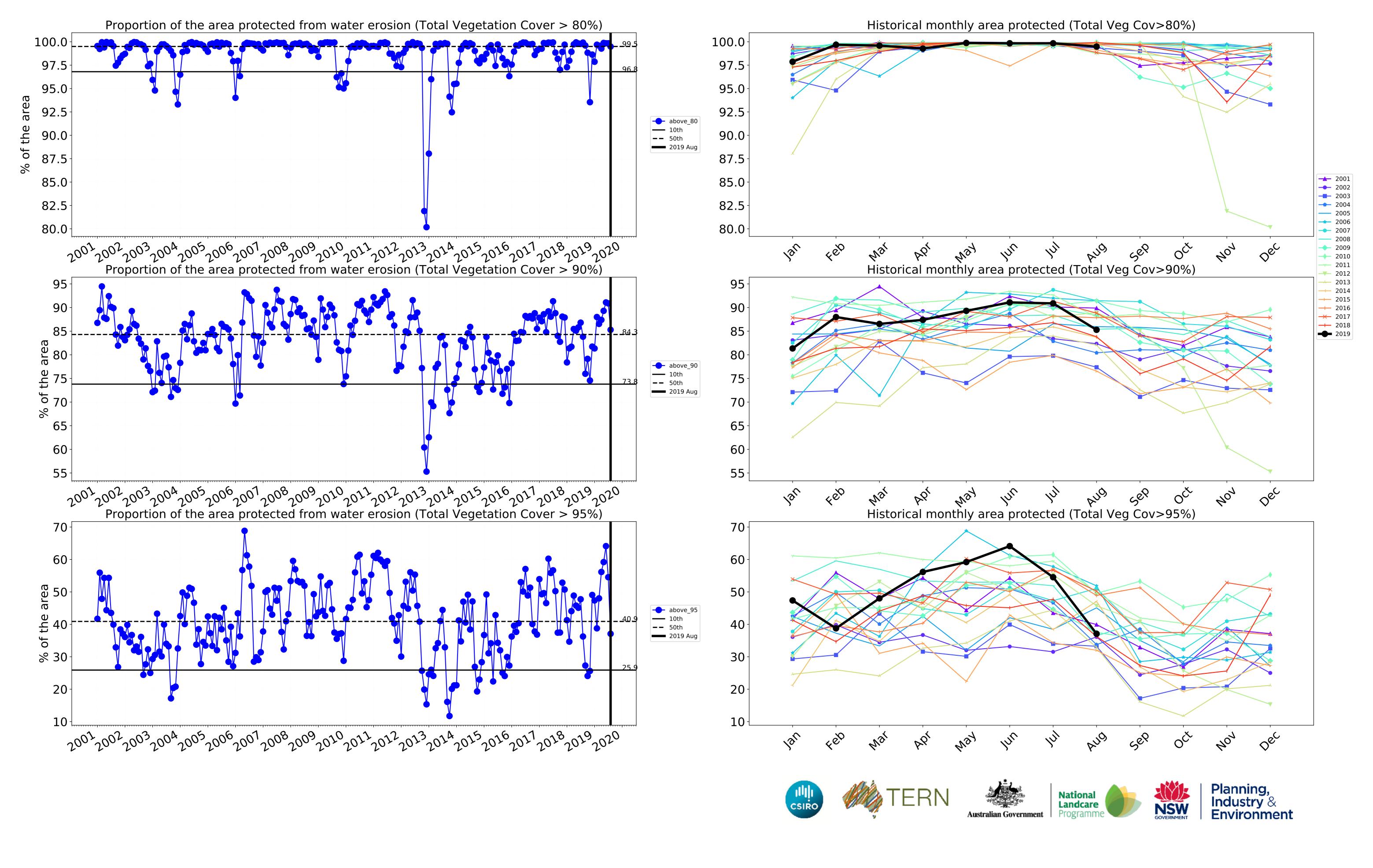




Conservation and natural environments timeseries







Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest

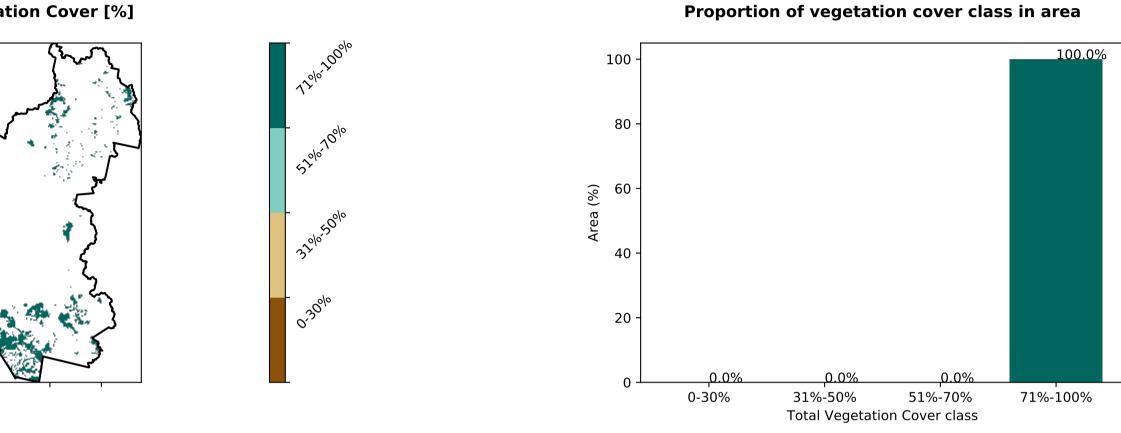
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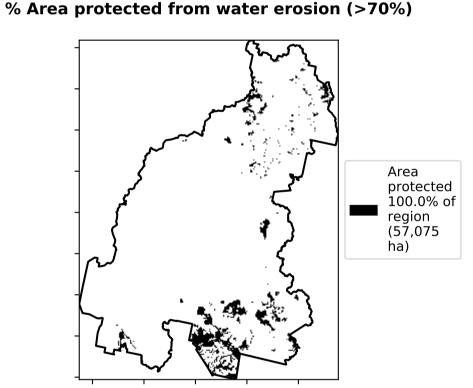
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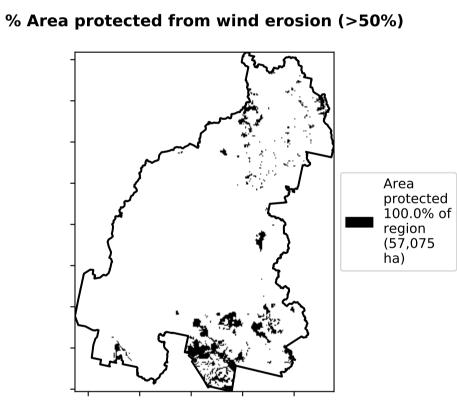
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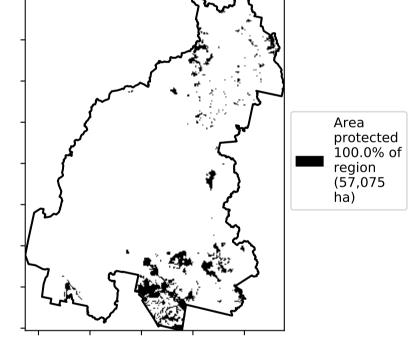
Conservation and natural environments – Woodland forest

Total Vegetation Cover [%]

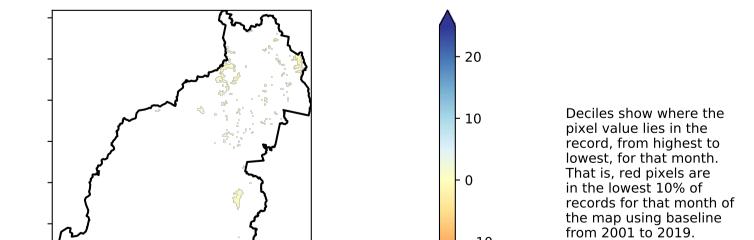






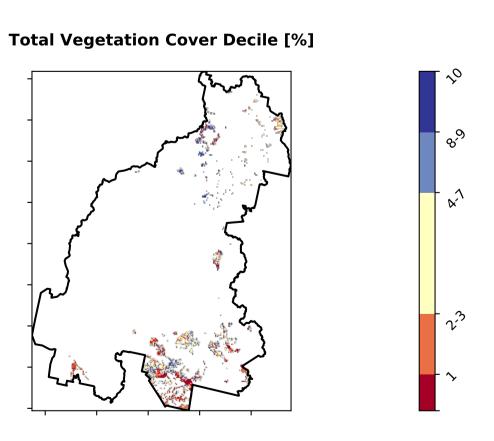


Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]



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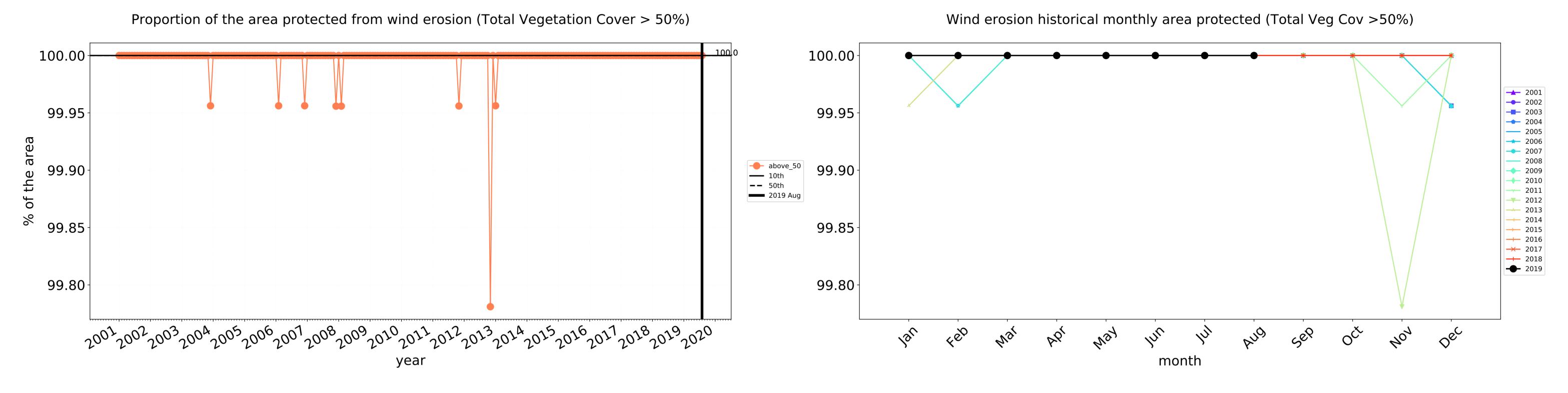


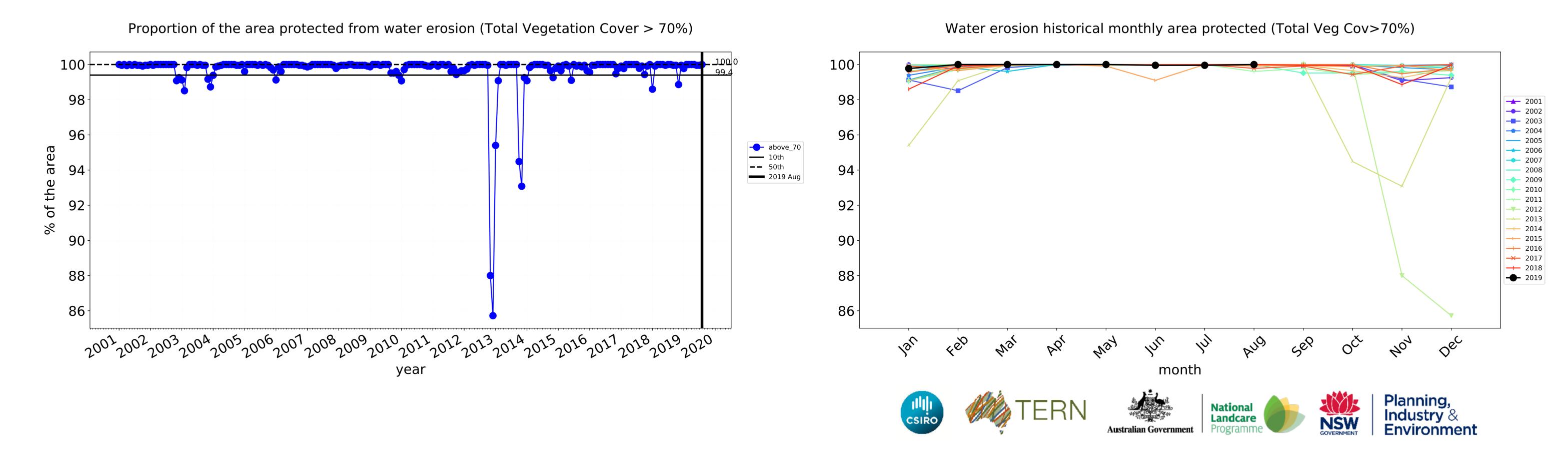


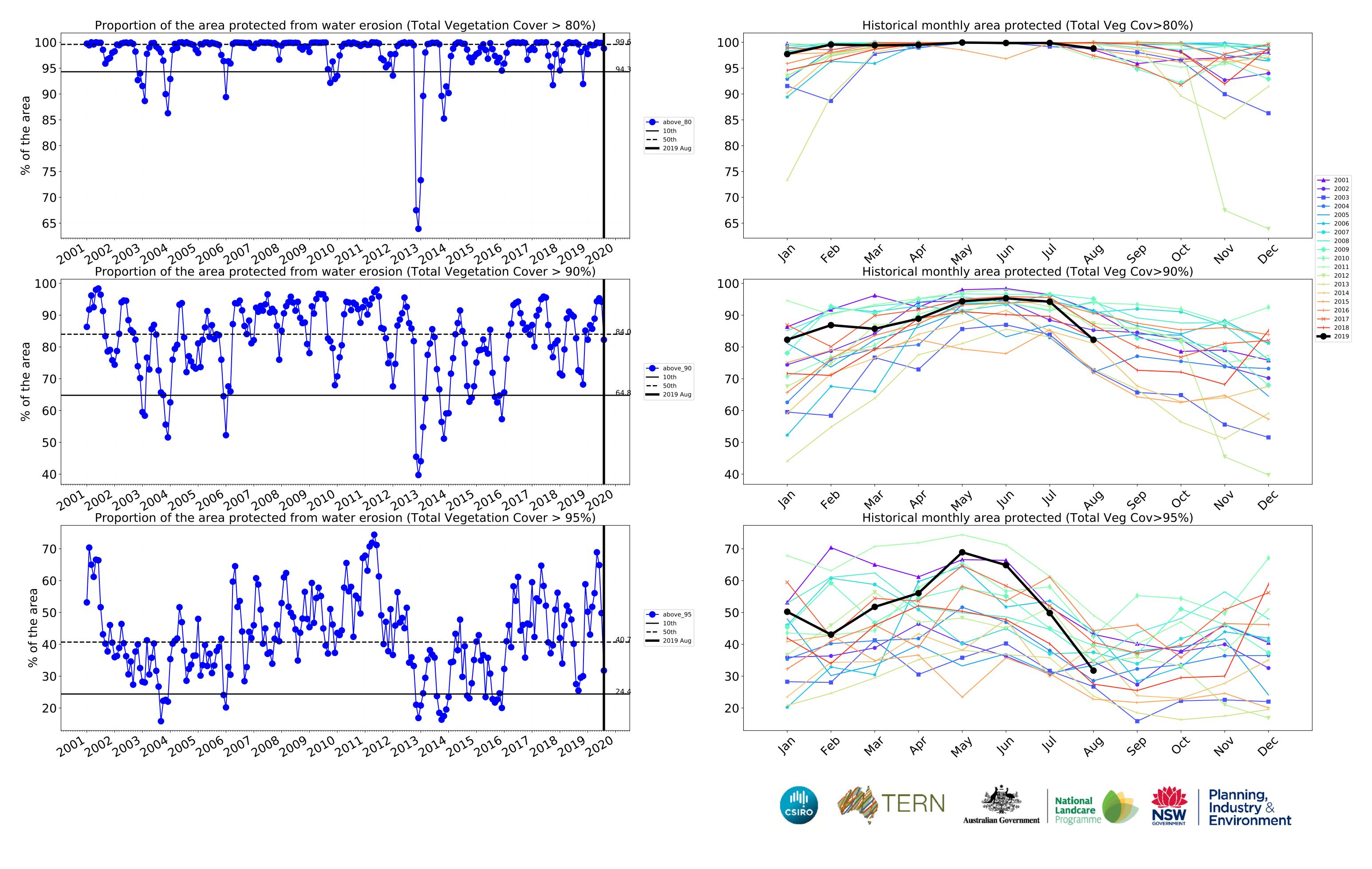






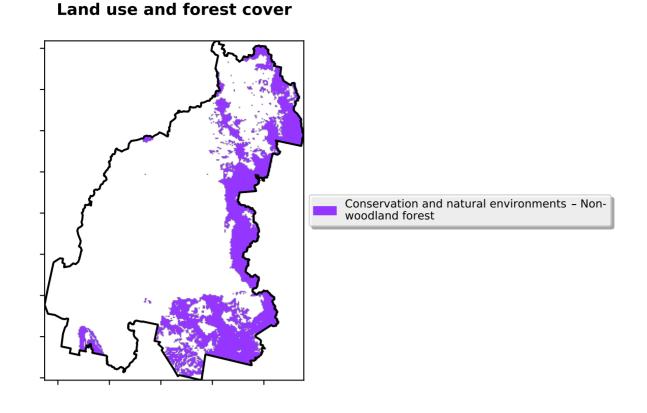






Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)

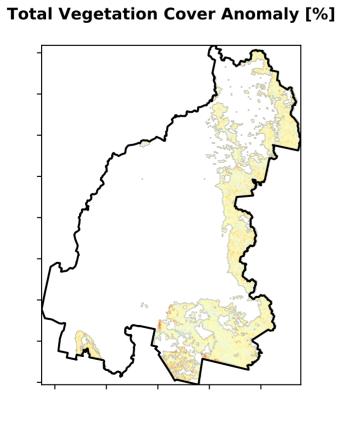
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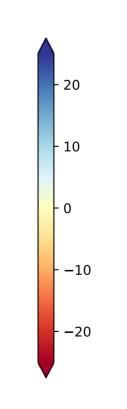


Total Vegetation Cover [%]

% Area protected from water erosion (>70%) Area not protected 0.0% of region (0 Area protected 100.0% of region (268,000 ha)

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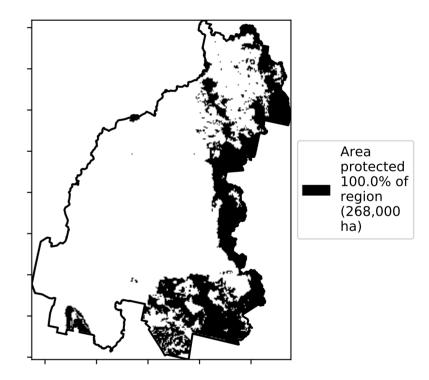


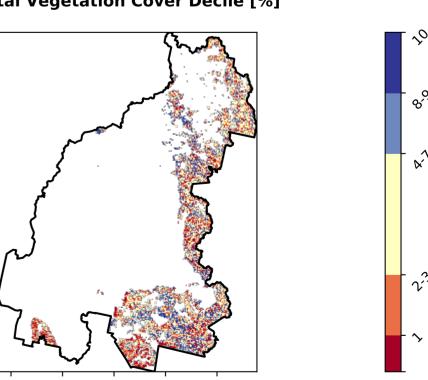


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Proportion of vegetation cover class in area 100.0% 100 80 60 Area (%) 40 -20 0.0% 0.0% 0.0% 0-30% 31%-50% 51%-70% 71%-100% **Total Vegetation Cover class**

% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)







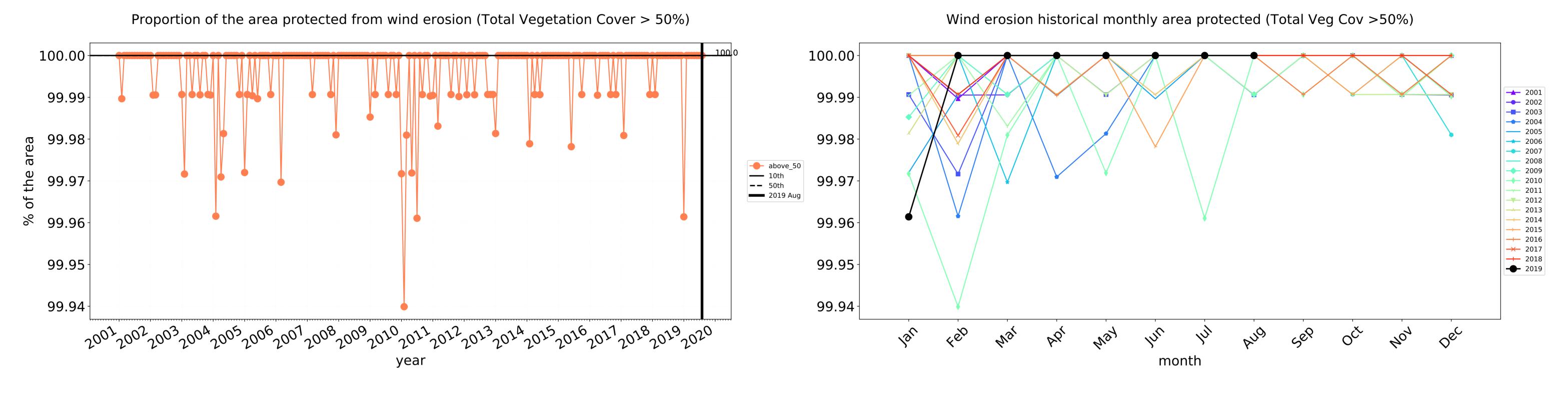


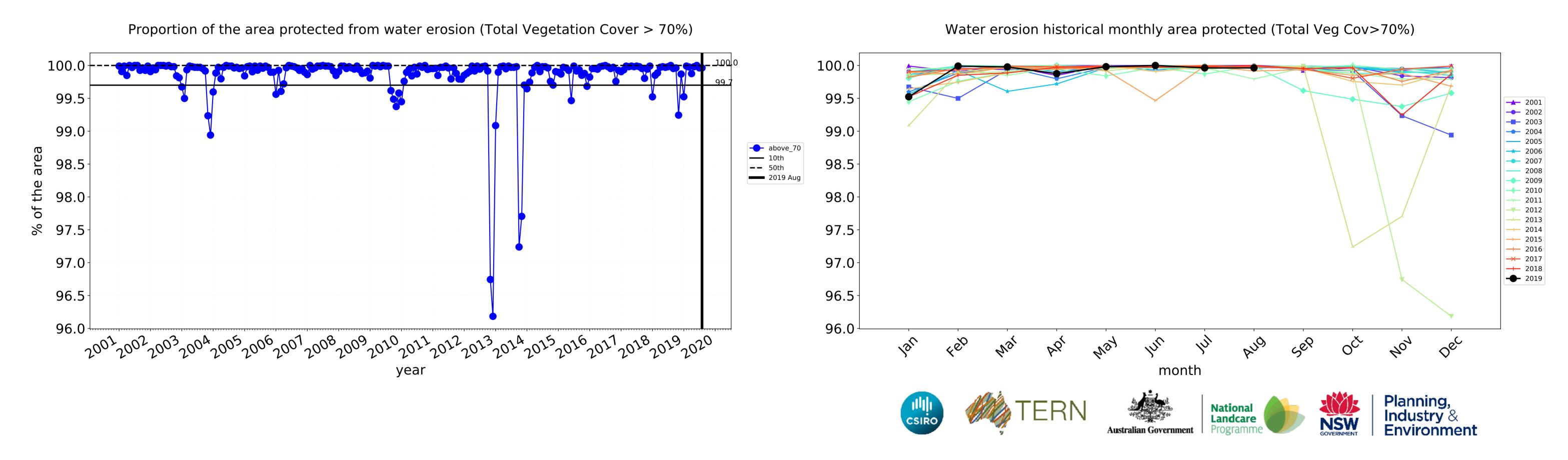


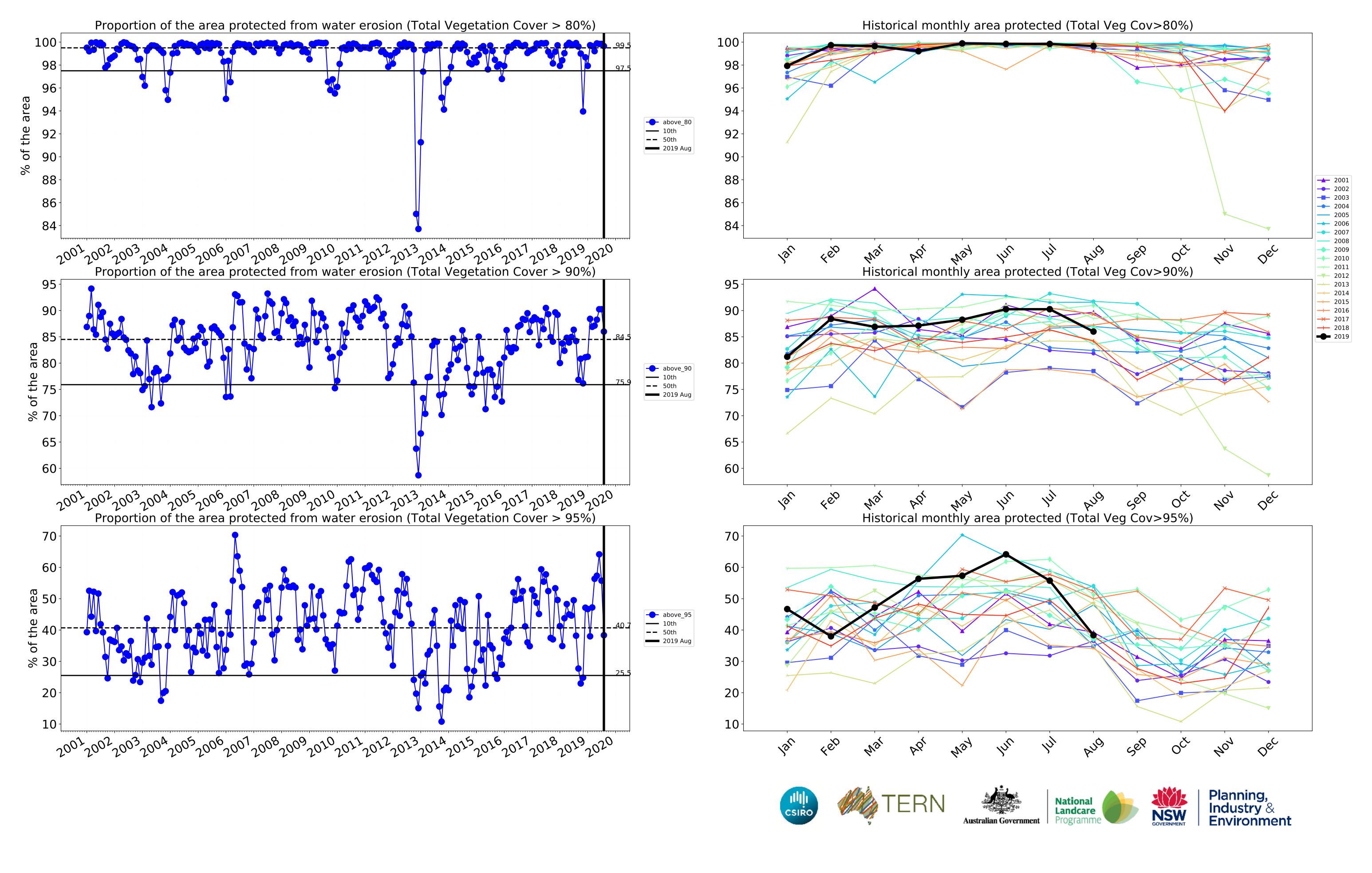












Agriculture

Land use and forest cover

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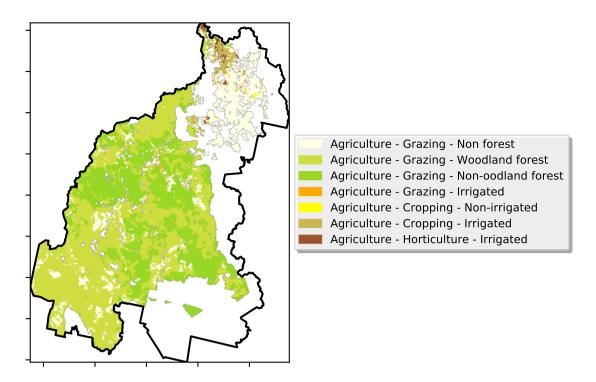
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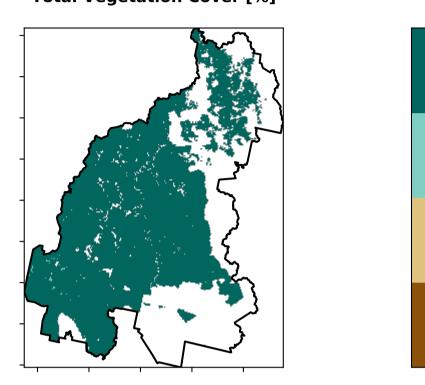
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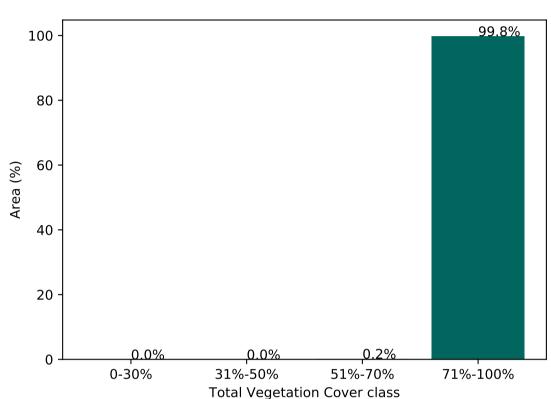
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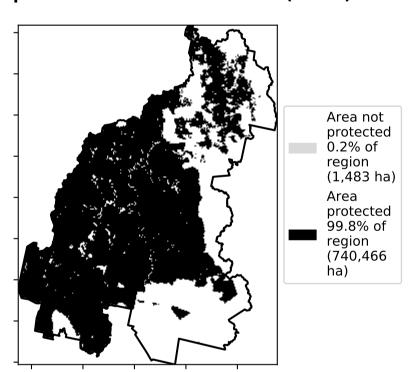
Total Vegetation Cover [%]



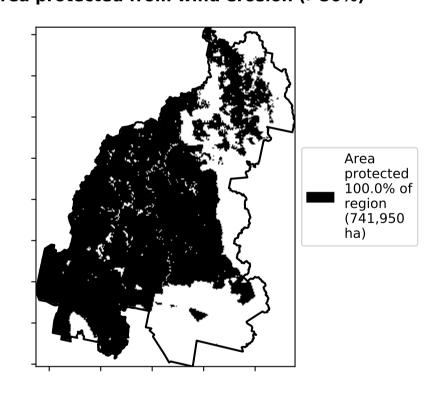


Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

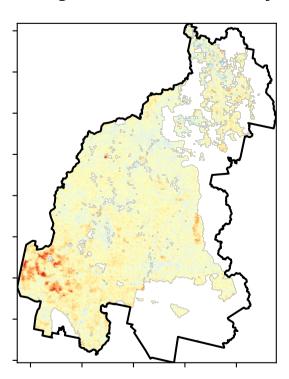
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)

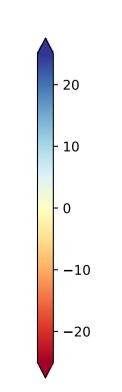


% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

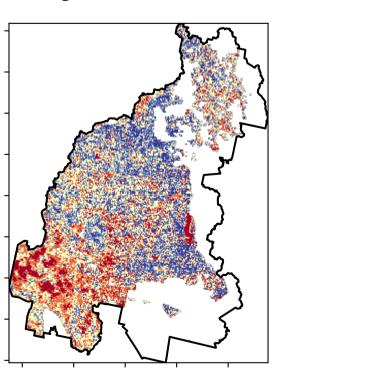


Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]





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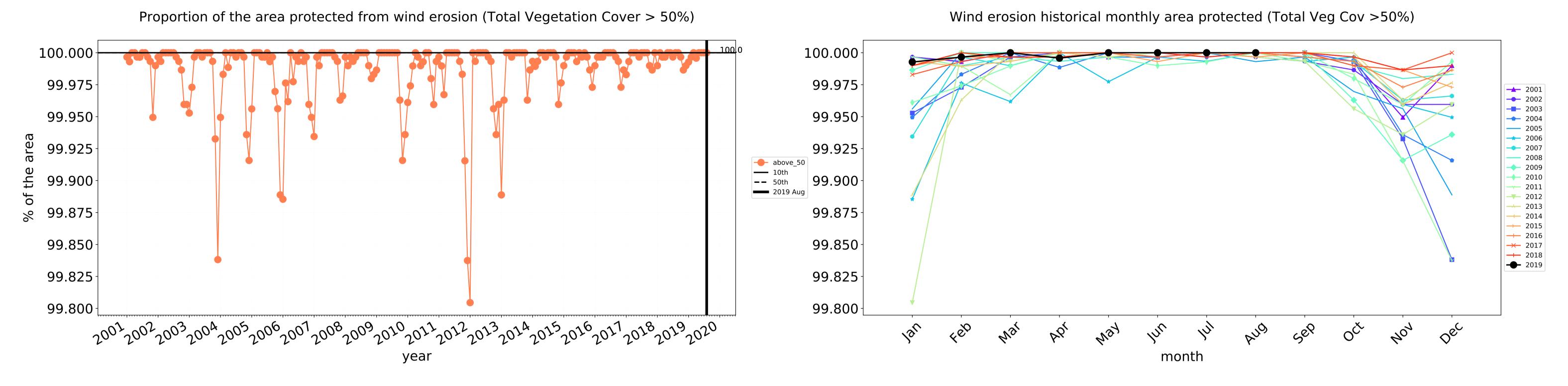


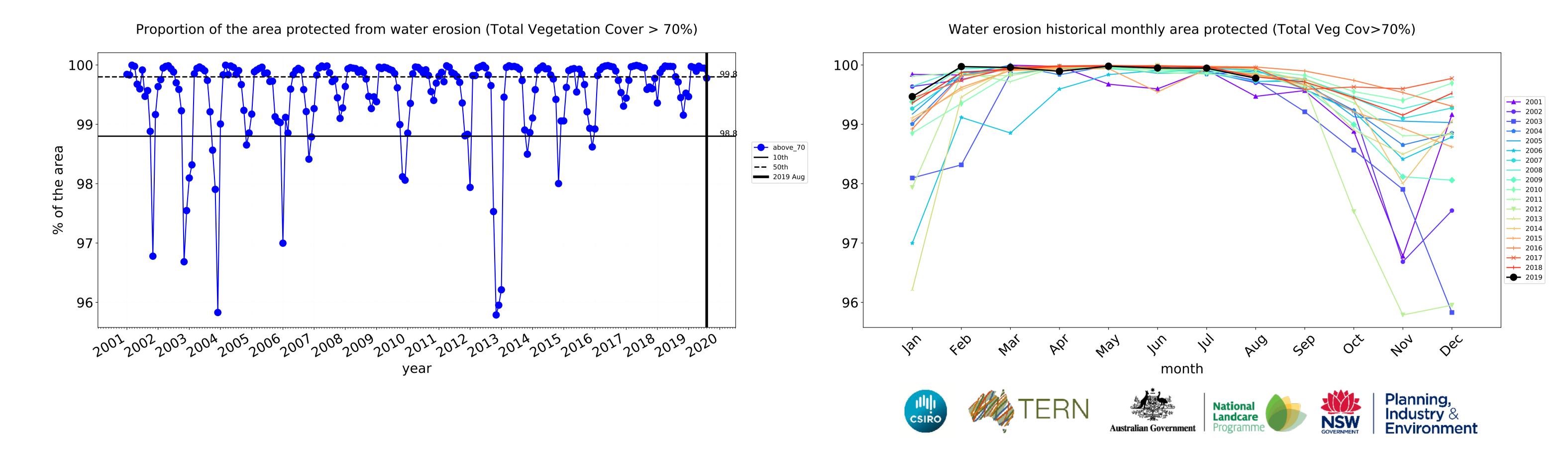


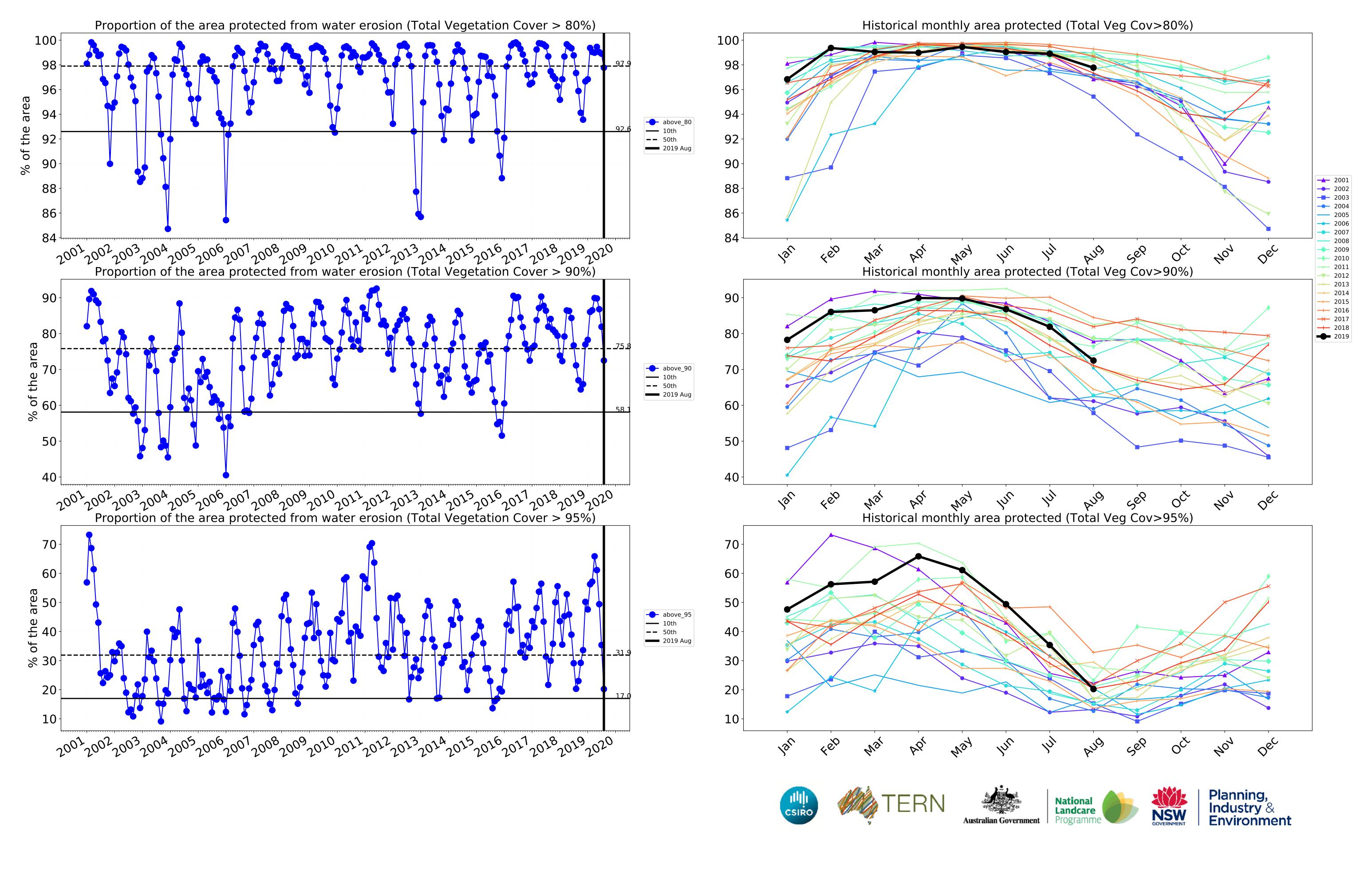




Agriculture timeseries



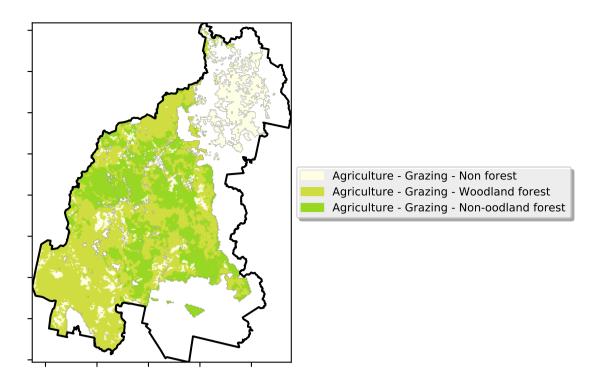




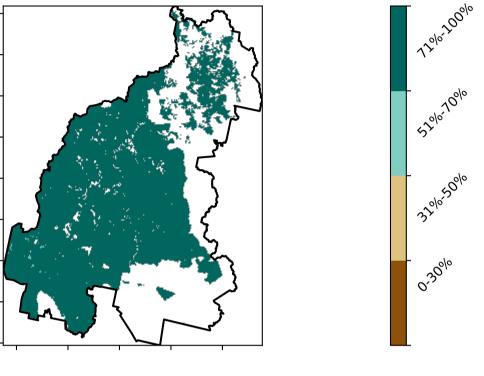
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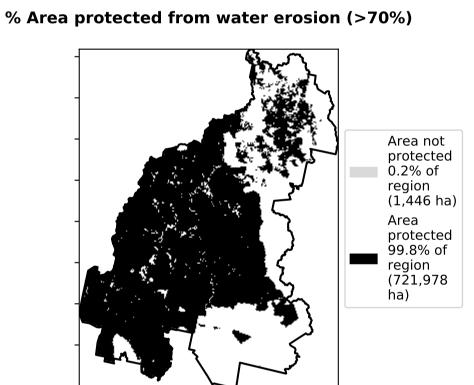
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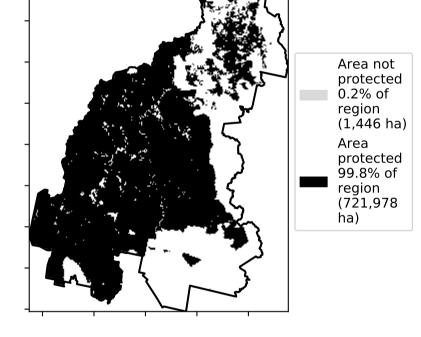
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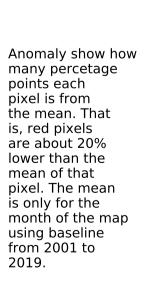


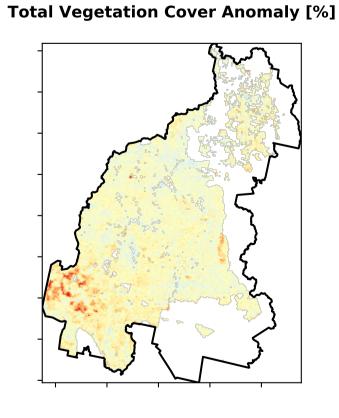
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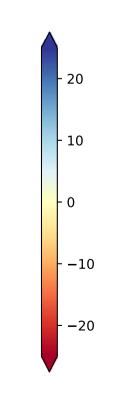












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Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

100

80

60

40

20

0.0%

0-30%

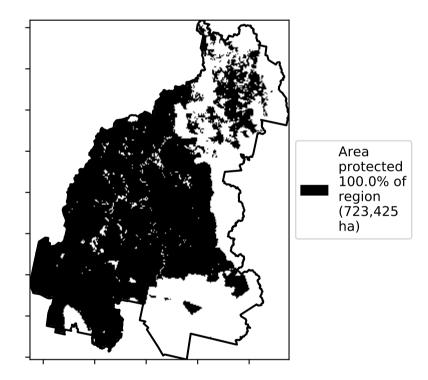
Area (%)

% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

Total Vegetation Cover class

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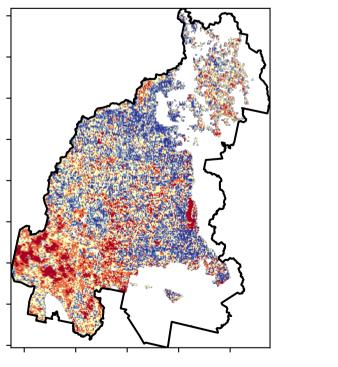
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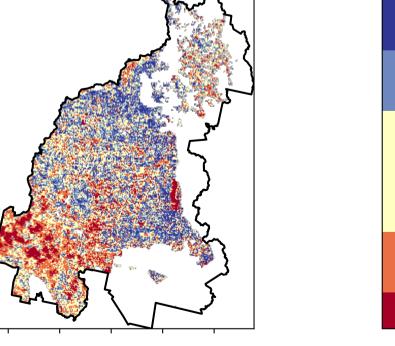


0.2%

71%-100%

51%-70%









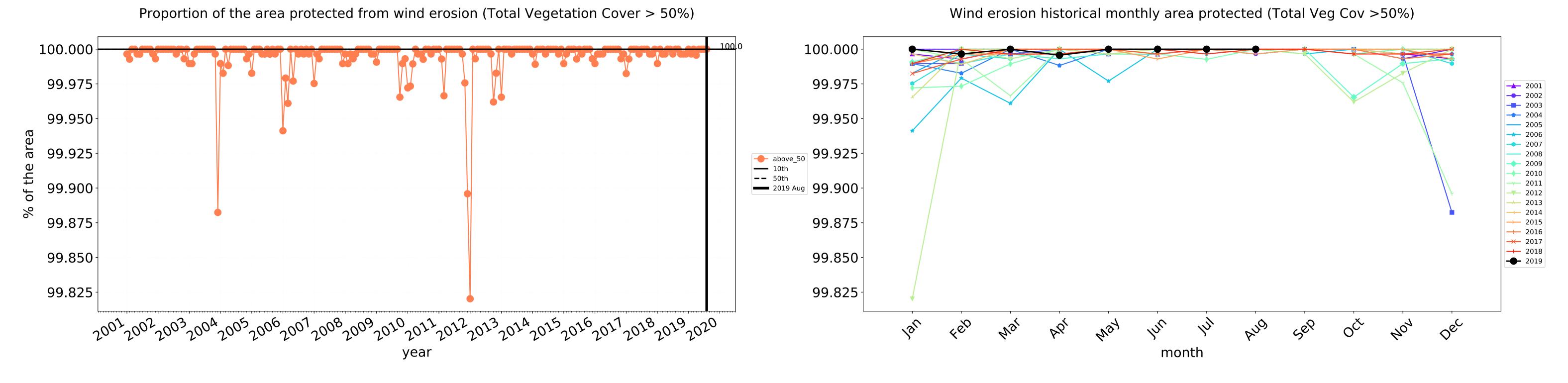


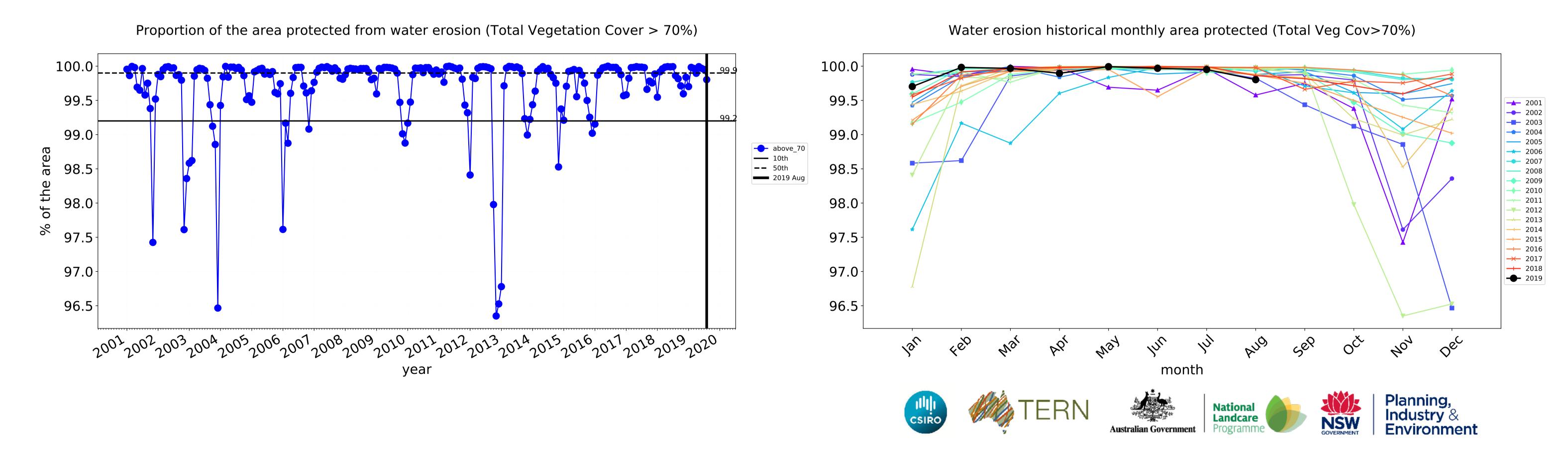


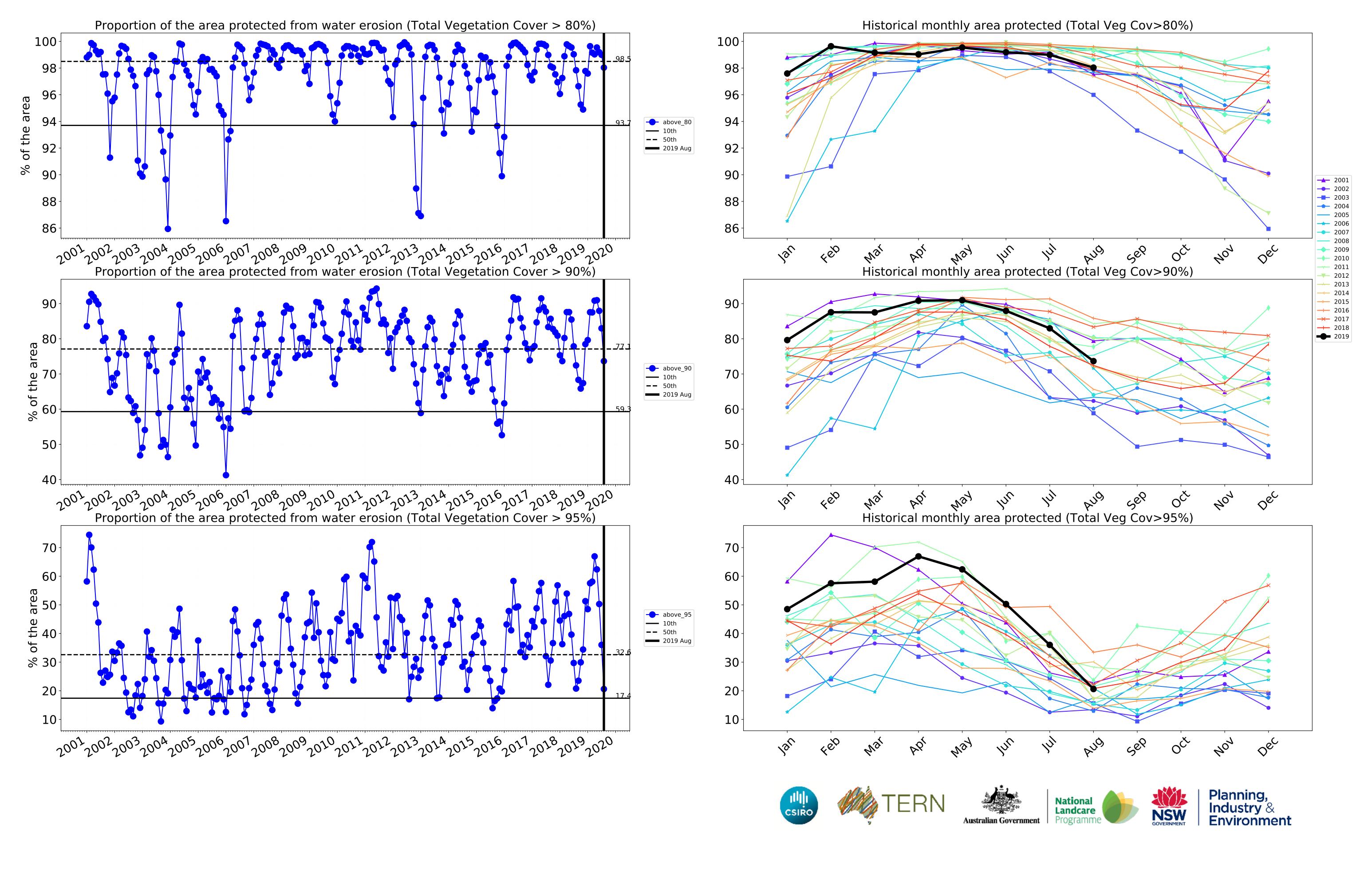




Grazing timeseries







Grazing non forest

Land use and forest cover

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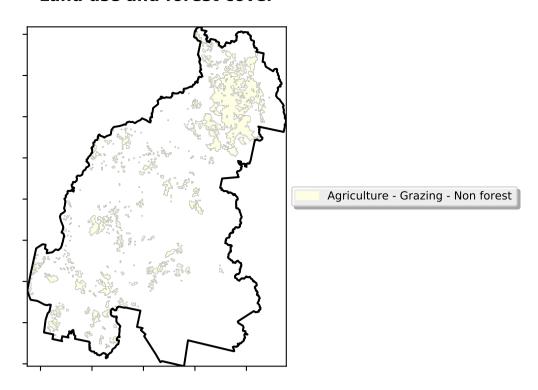
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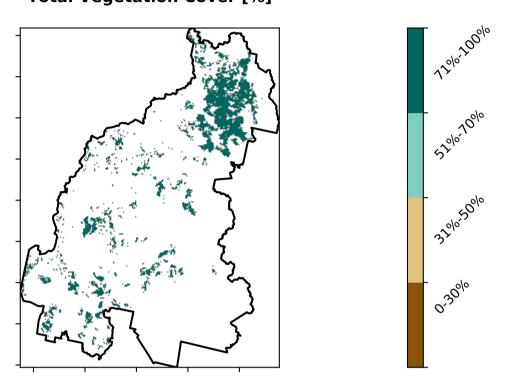
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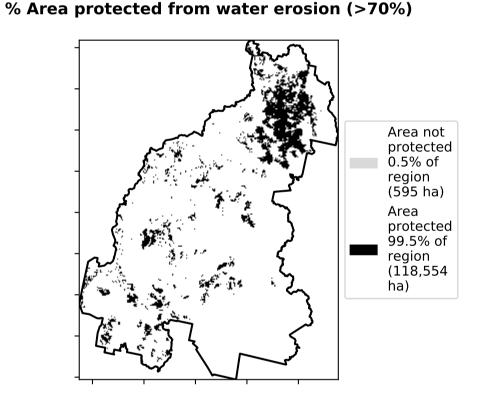
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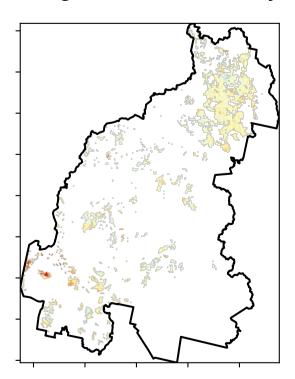


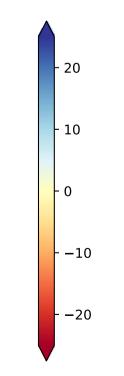
Total Vegetation Cover [%]





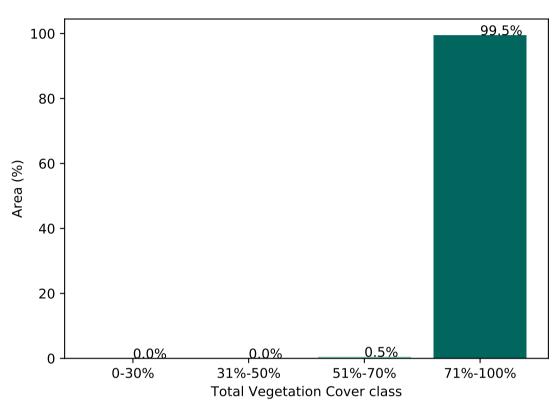
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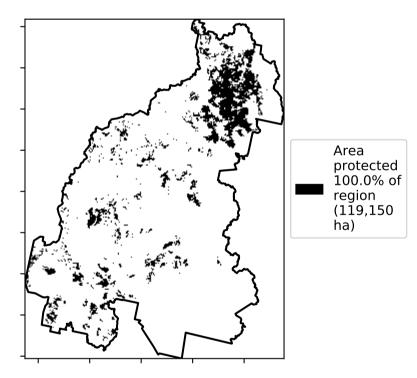


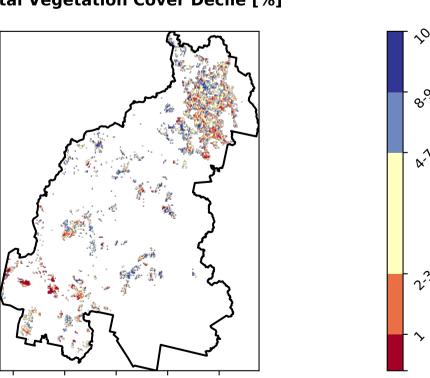
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Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)









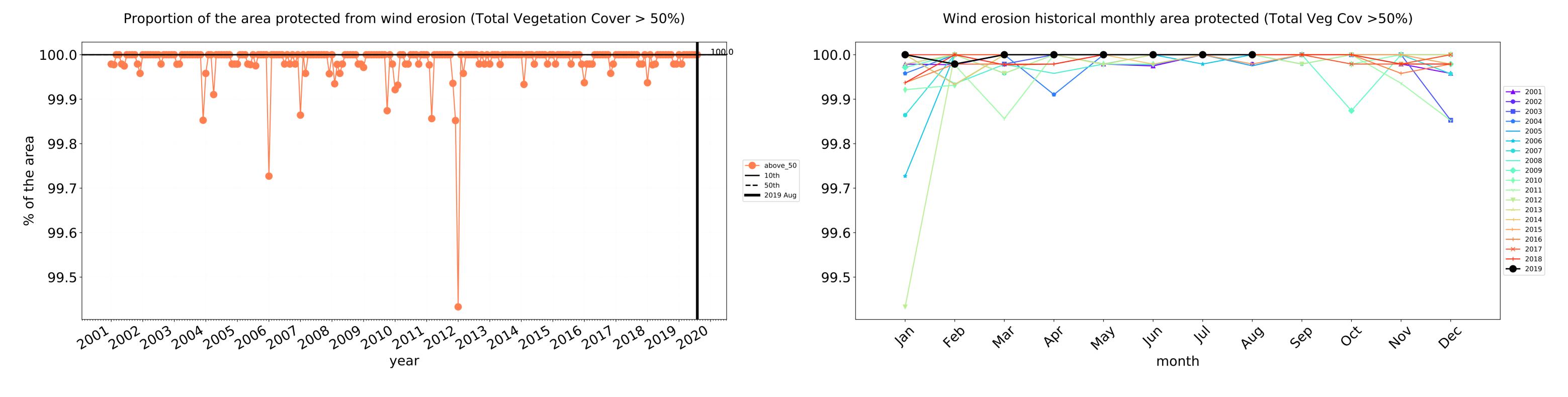


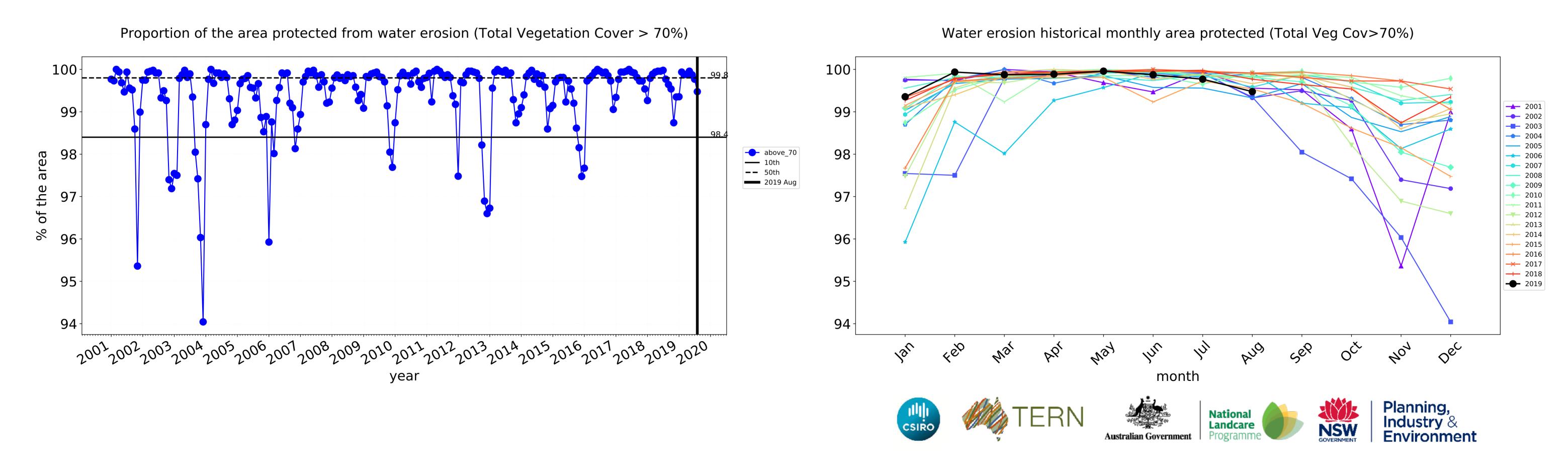


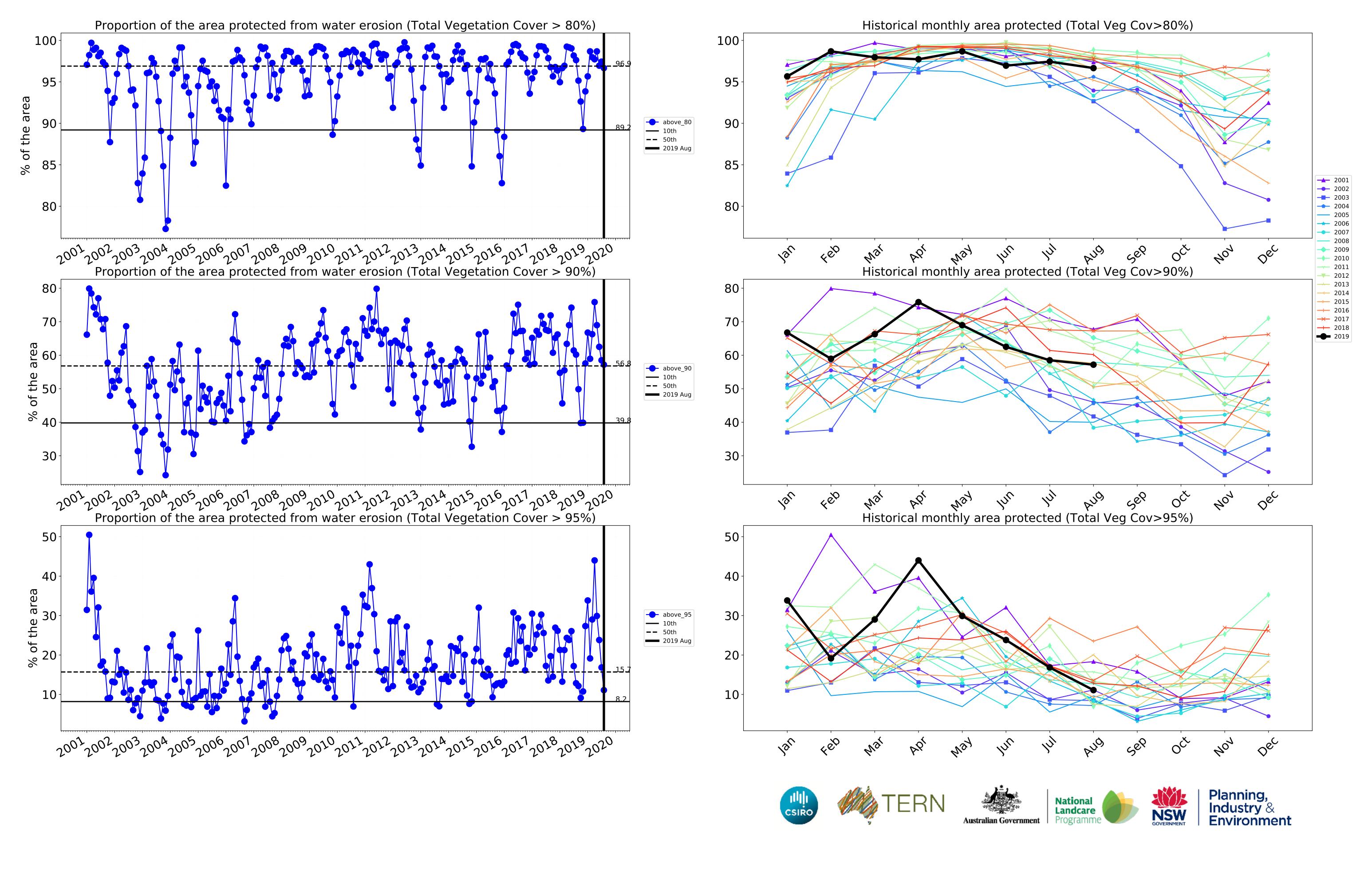




Grazing non forest timeseries



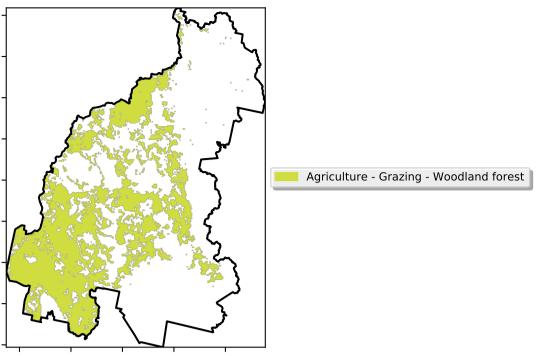




Grazing Woodland forest

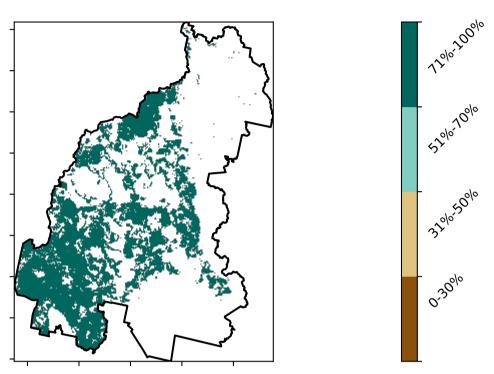
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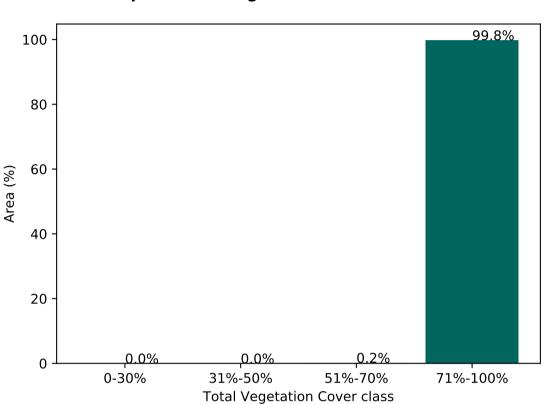


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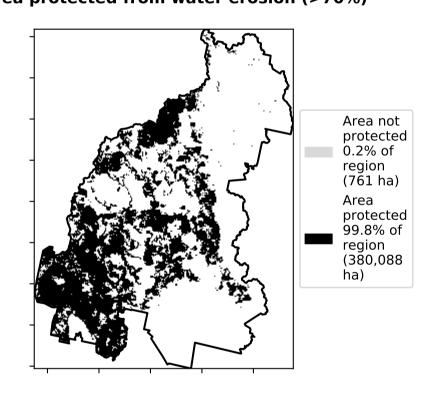
Land use and forest cover



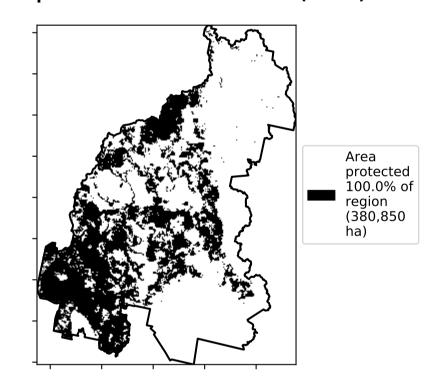
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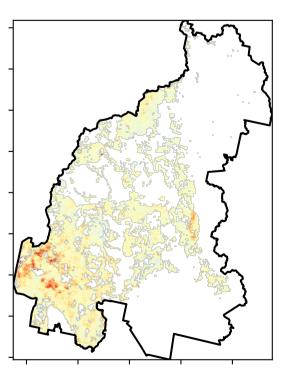
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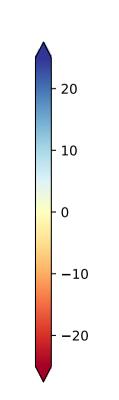


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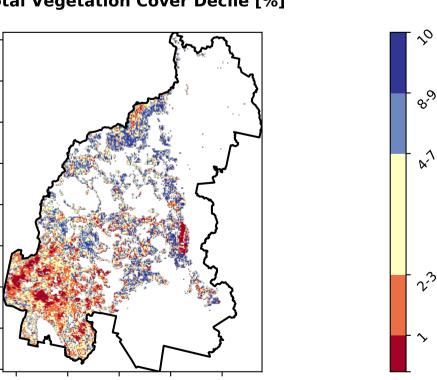
Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]





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Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]



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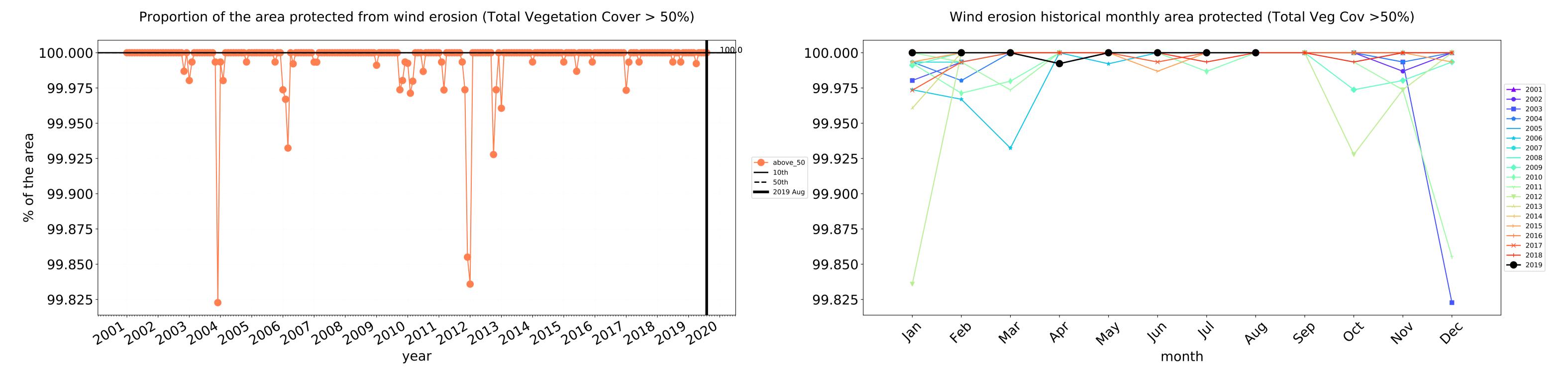


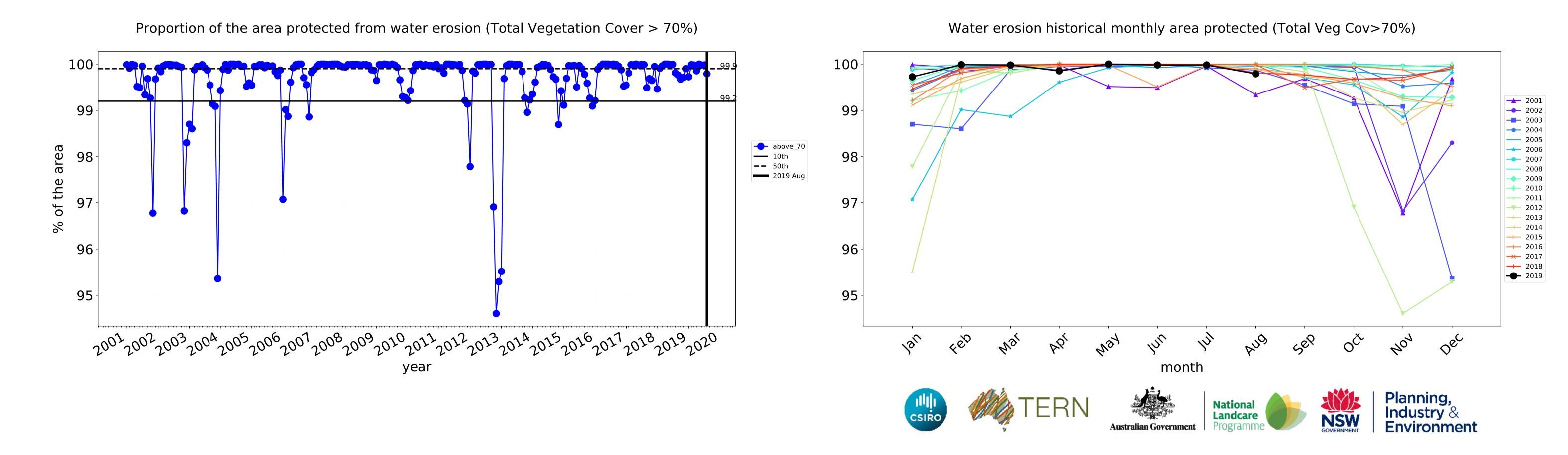


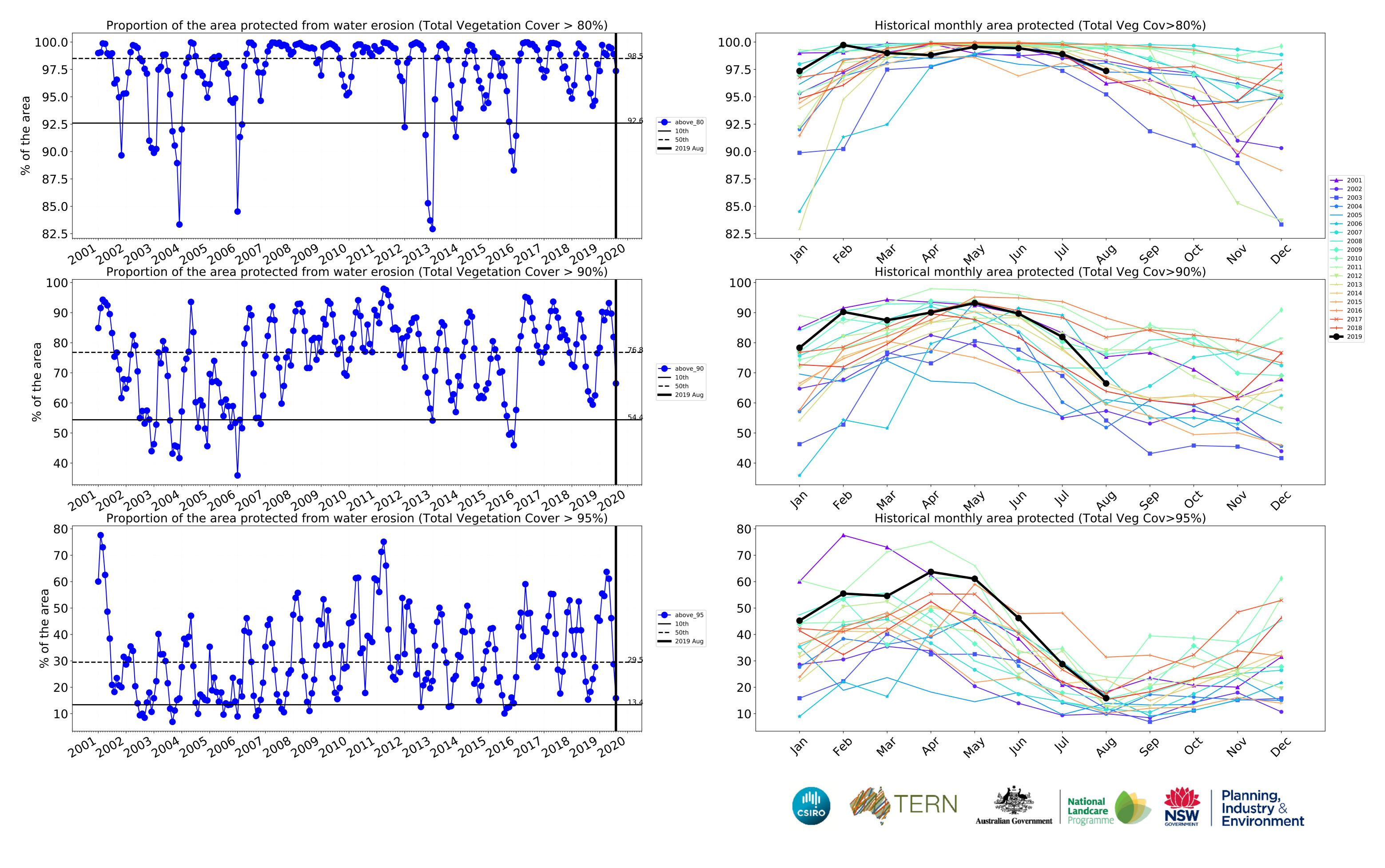




Grazing Woodland forest timeseries







Grazing - Forest (non woodland)

Land use and forest cover

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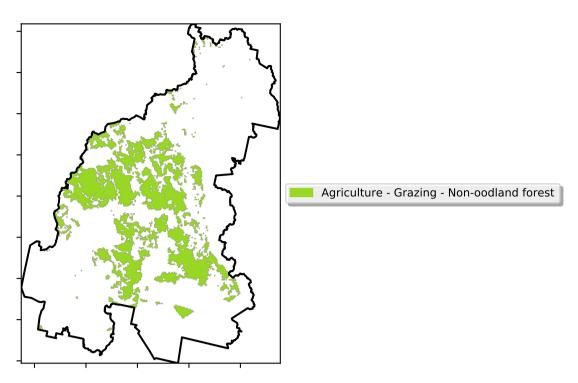
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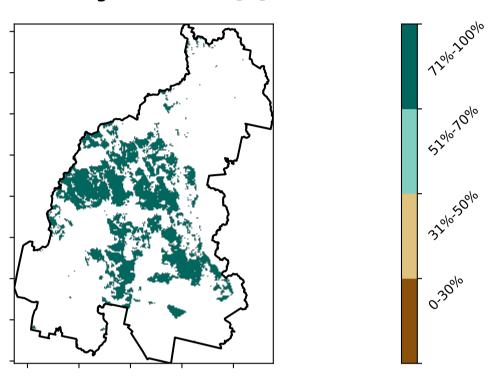
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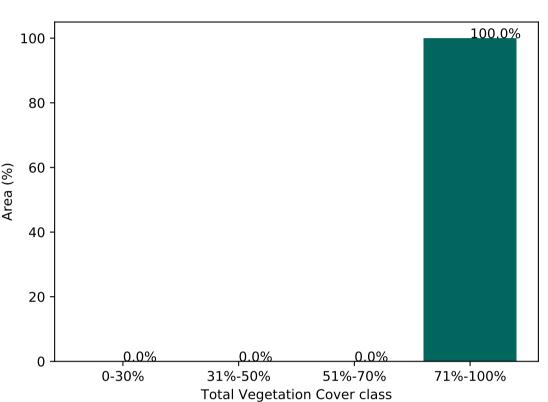
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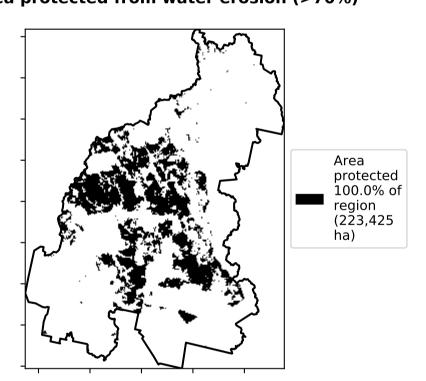
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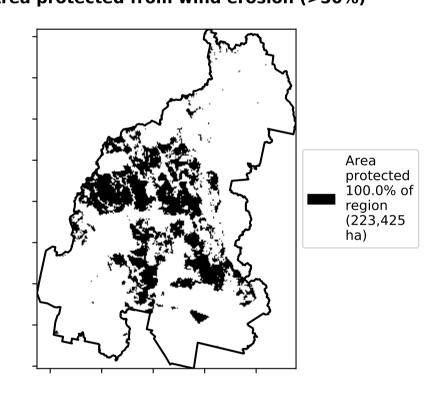
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



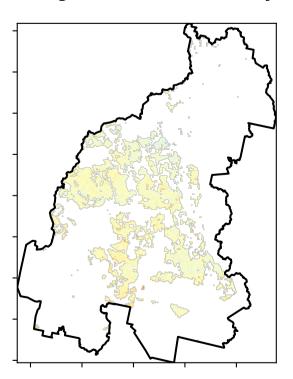
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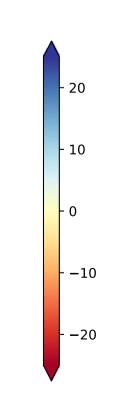


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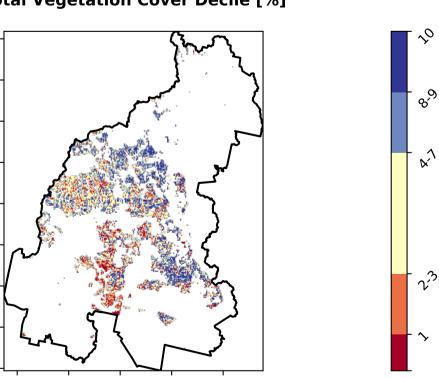


Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]





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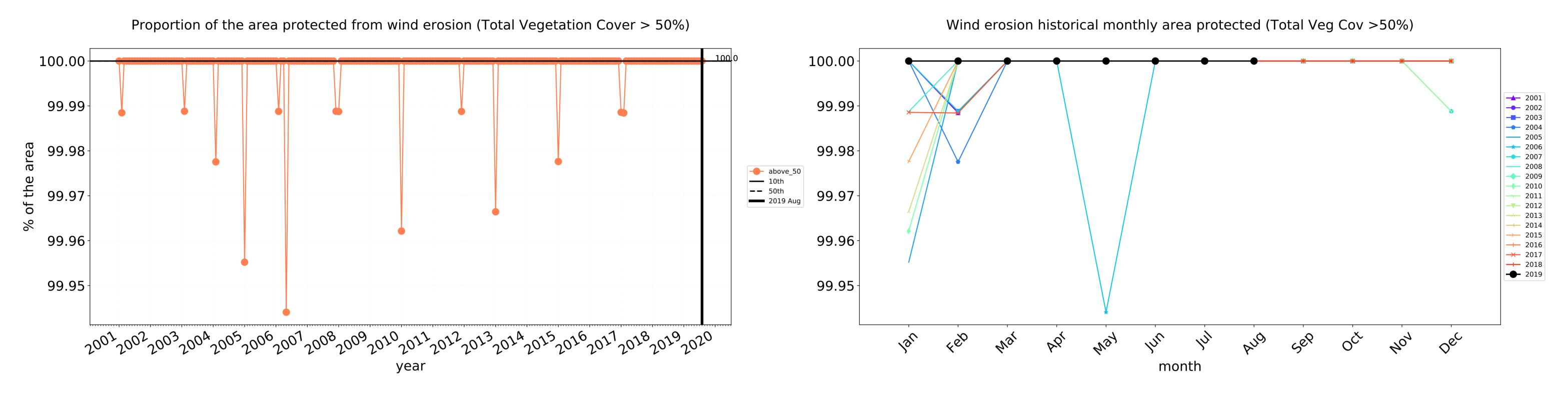


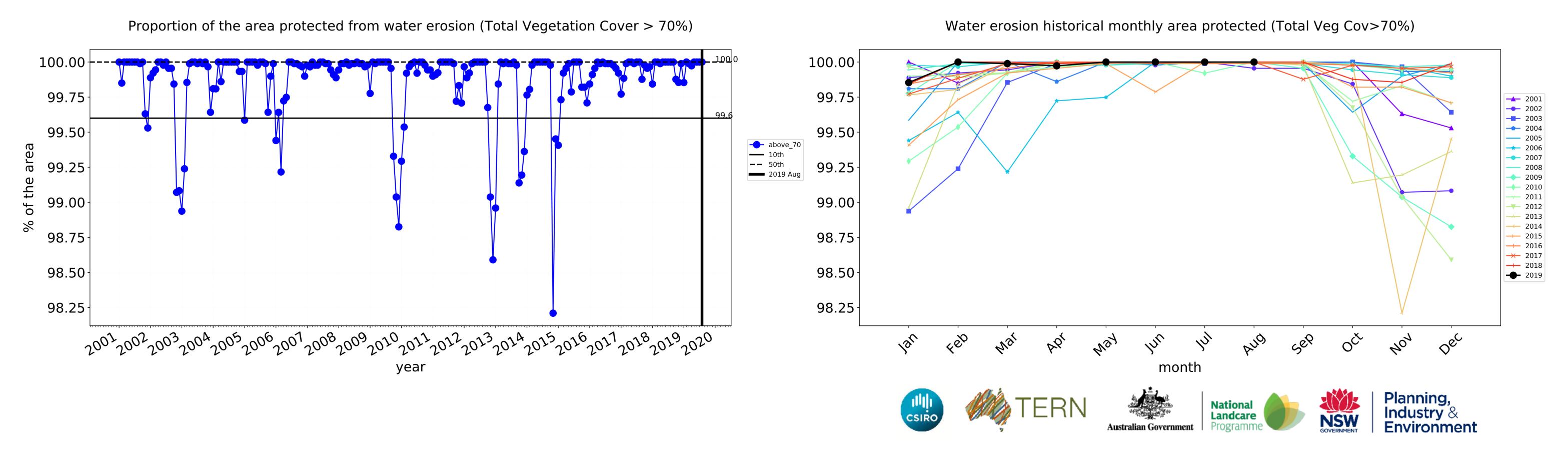


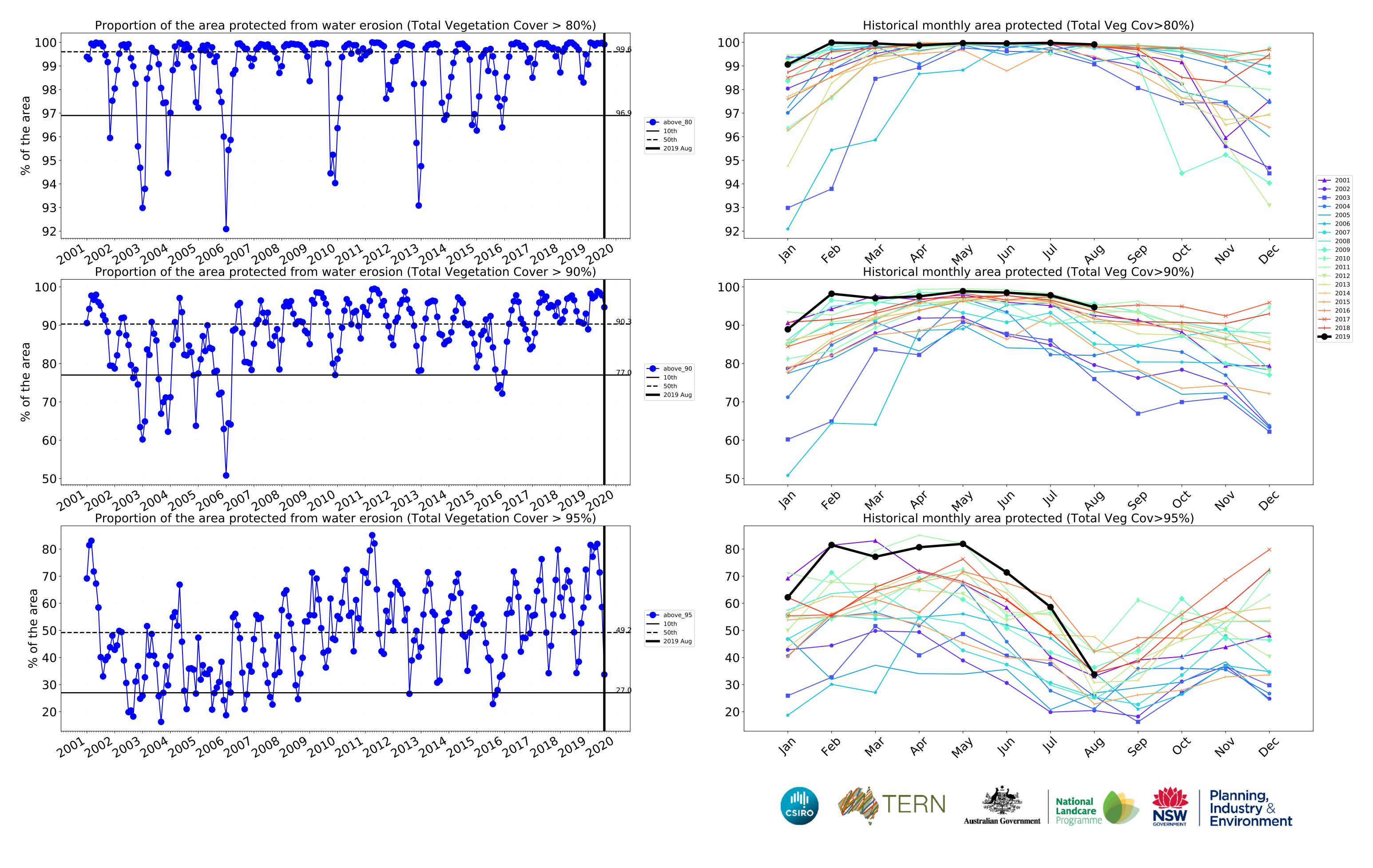












Irrigation

Land use and forest cover

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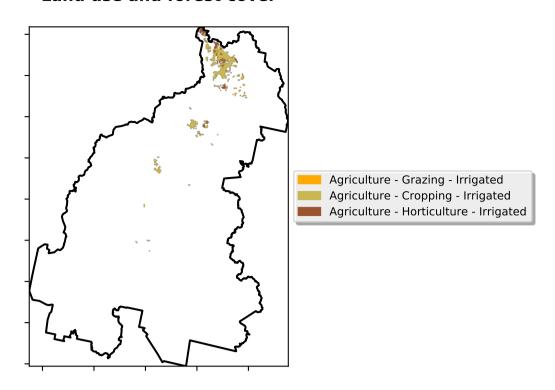
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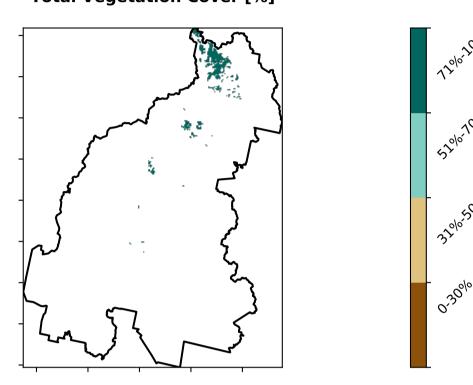
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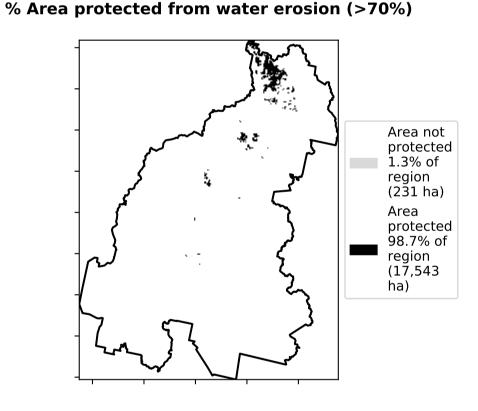
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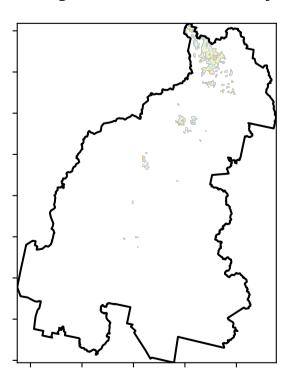


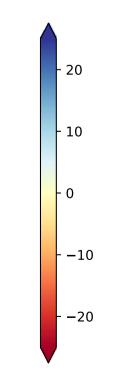
Total Vegetation Cover [%]





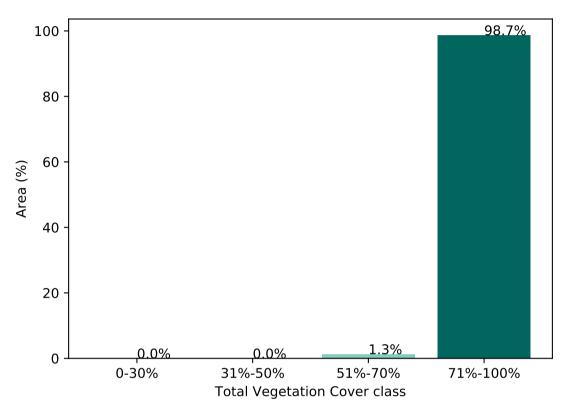
Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]



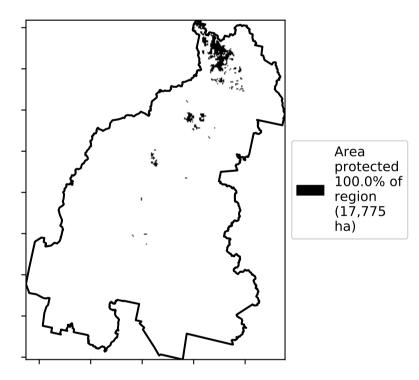


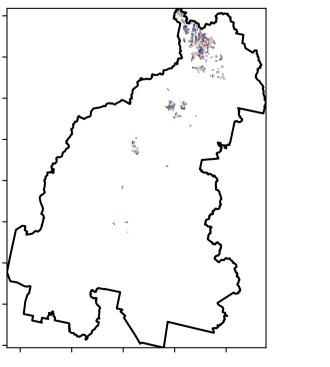
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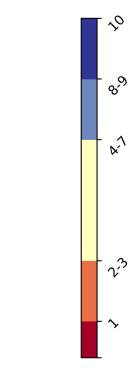
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)









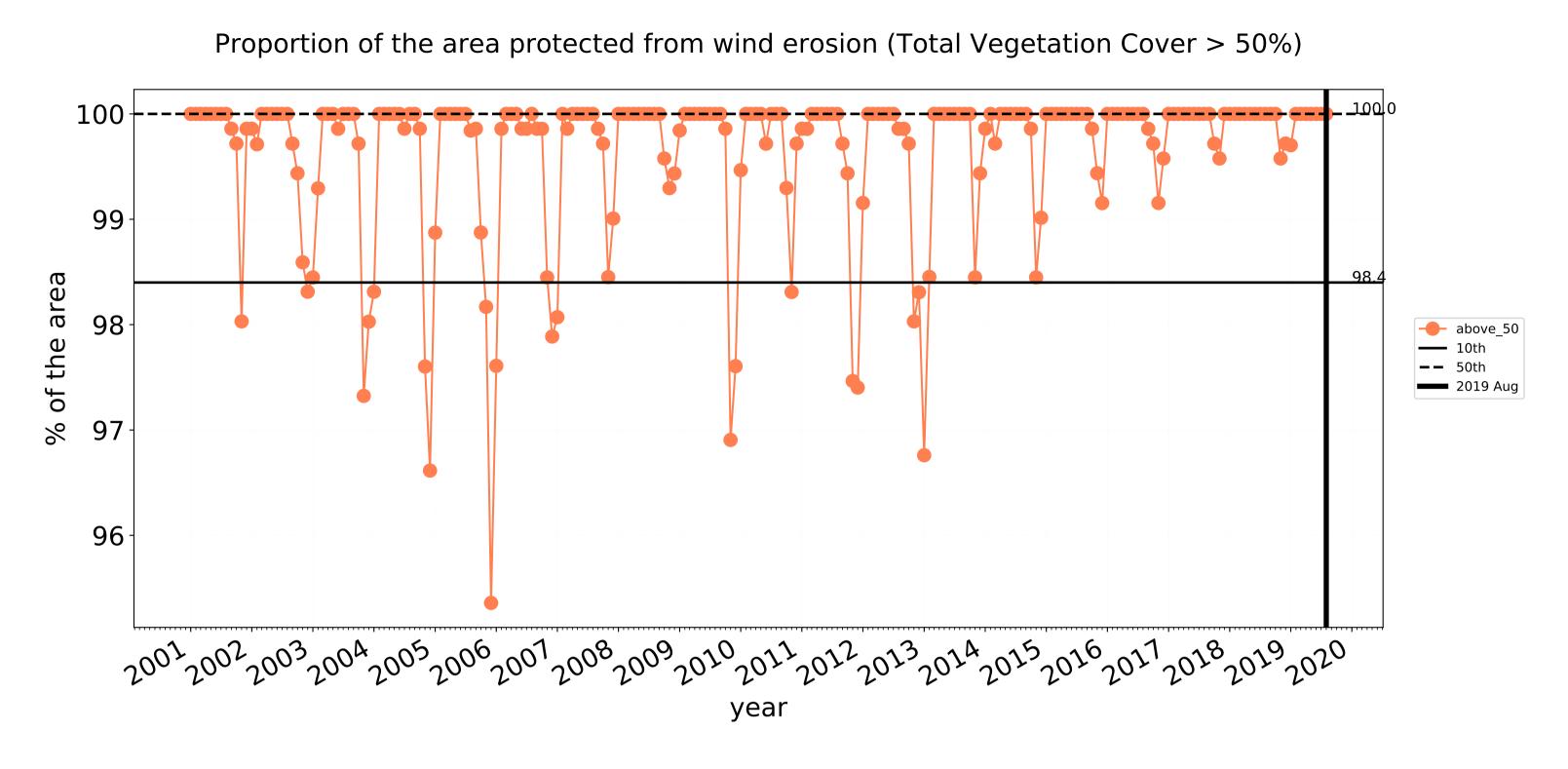


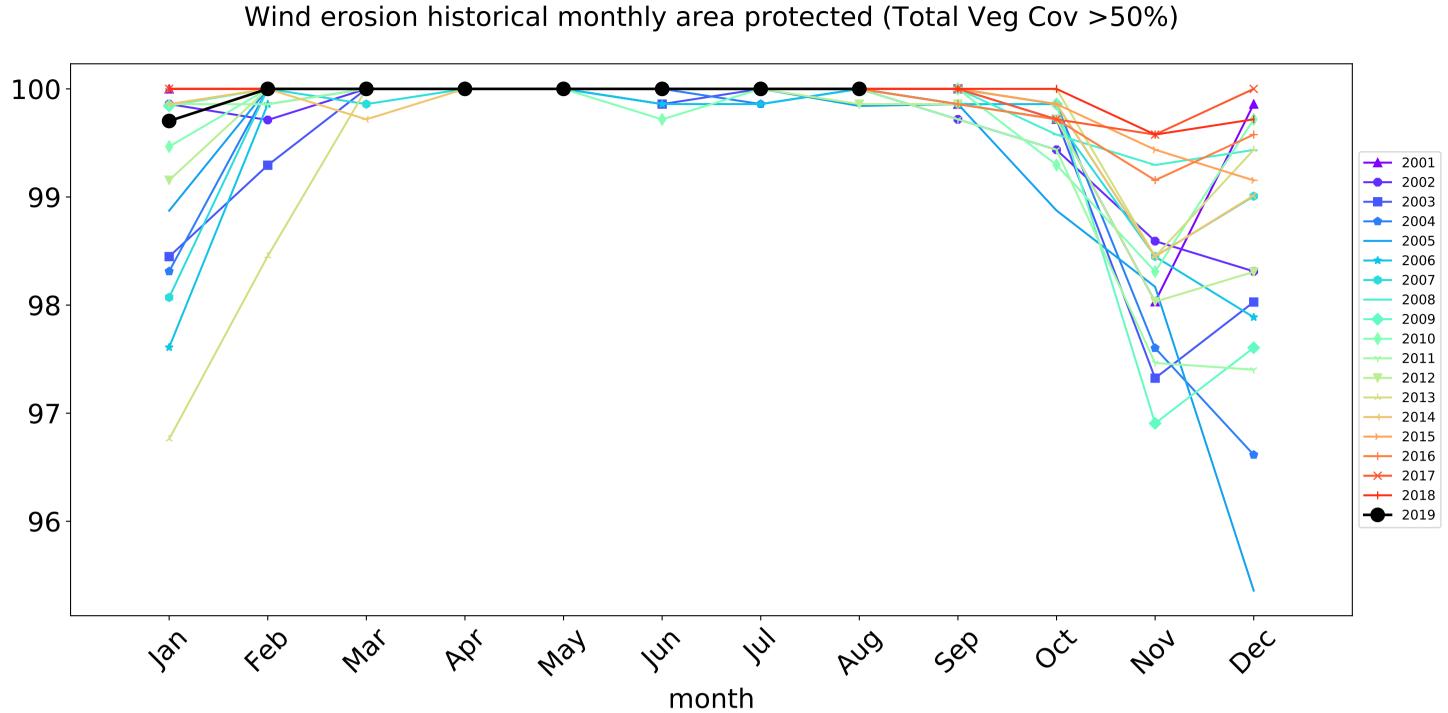


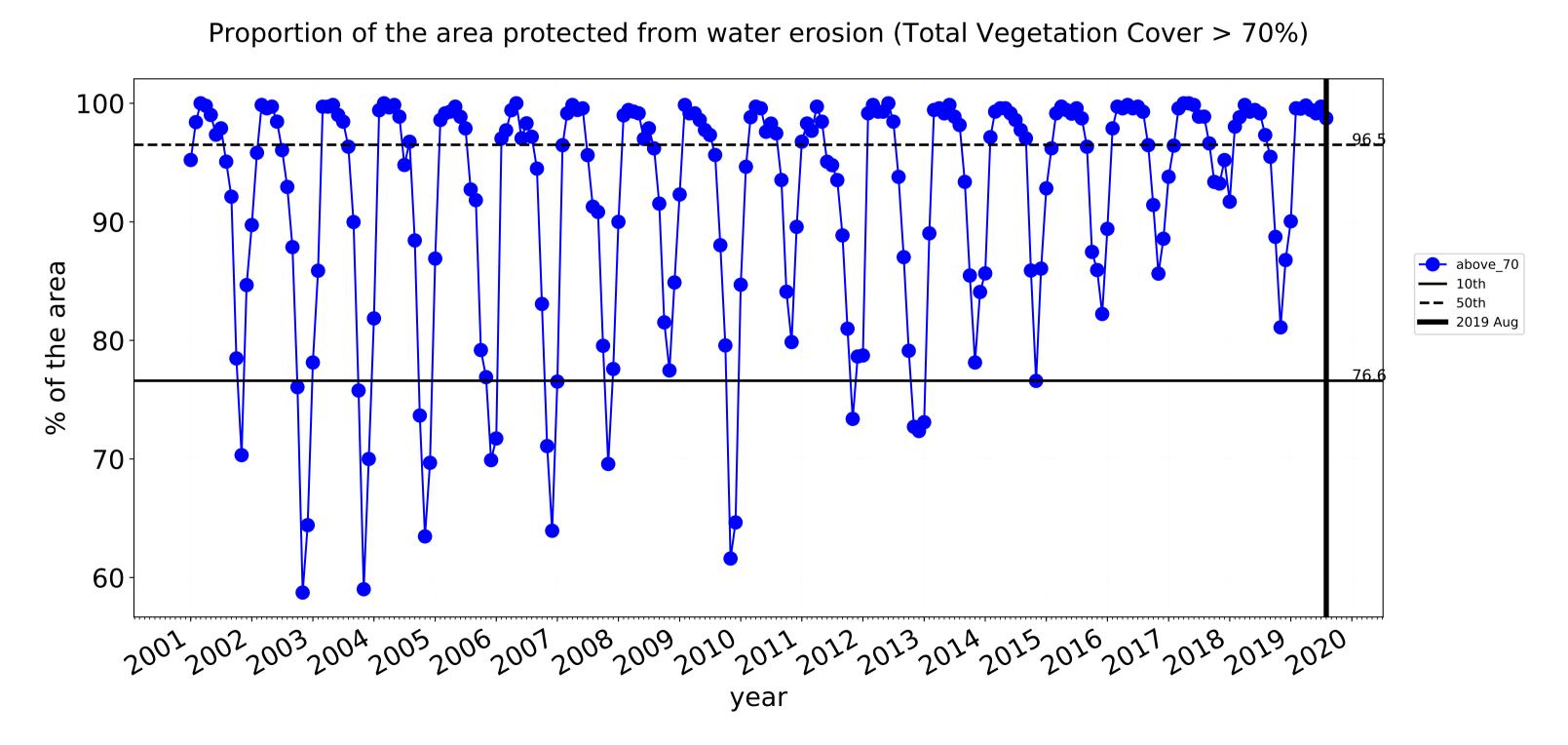


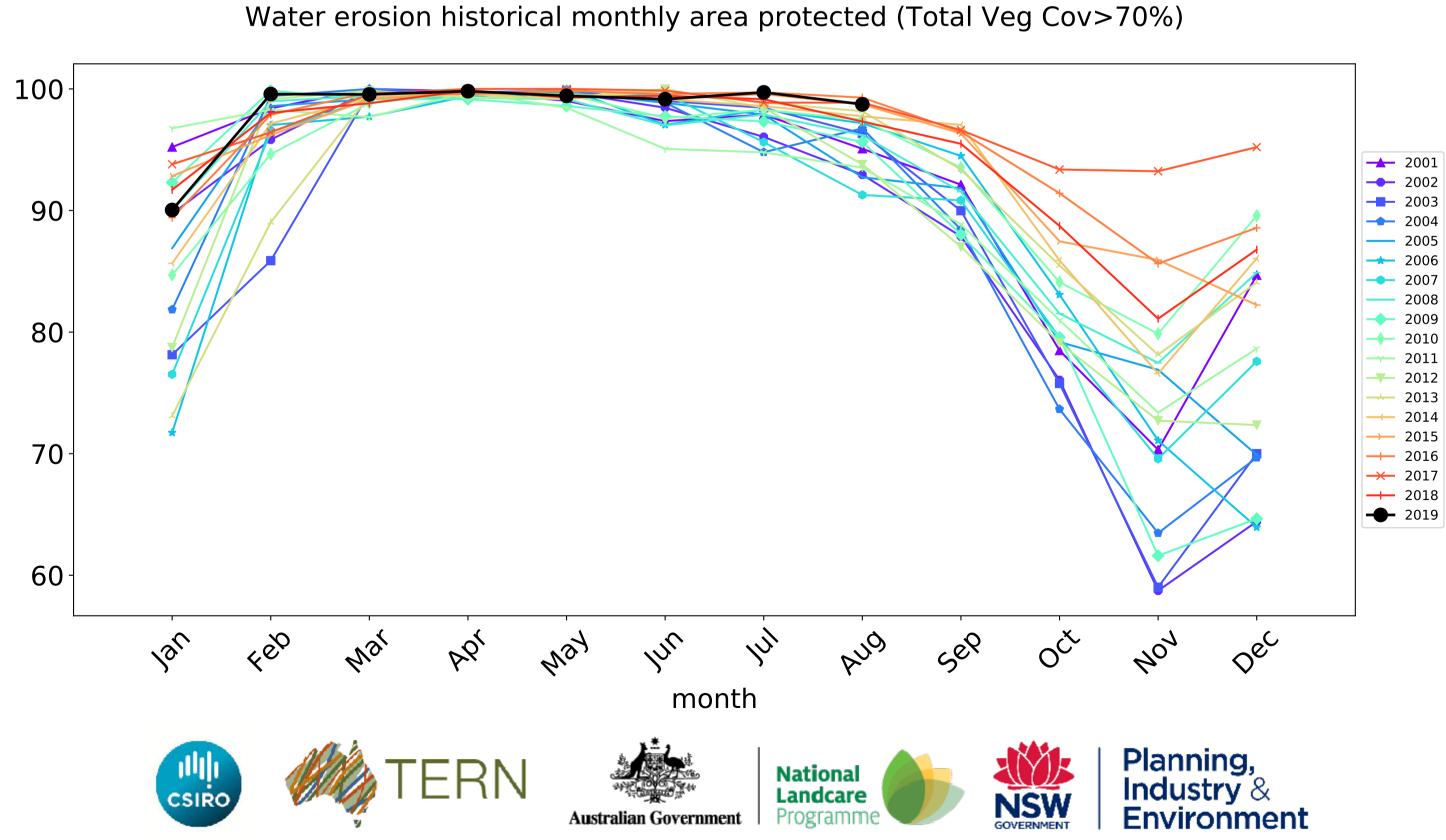


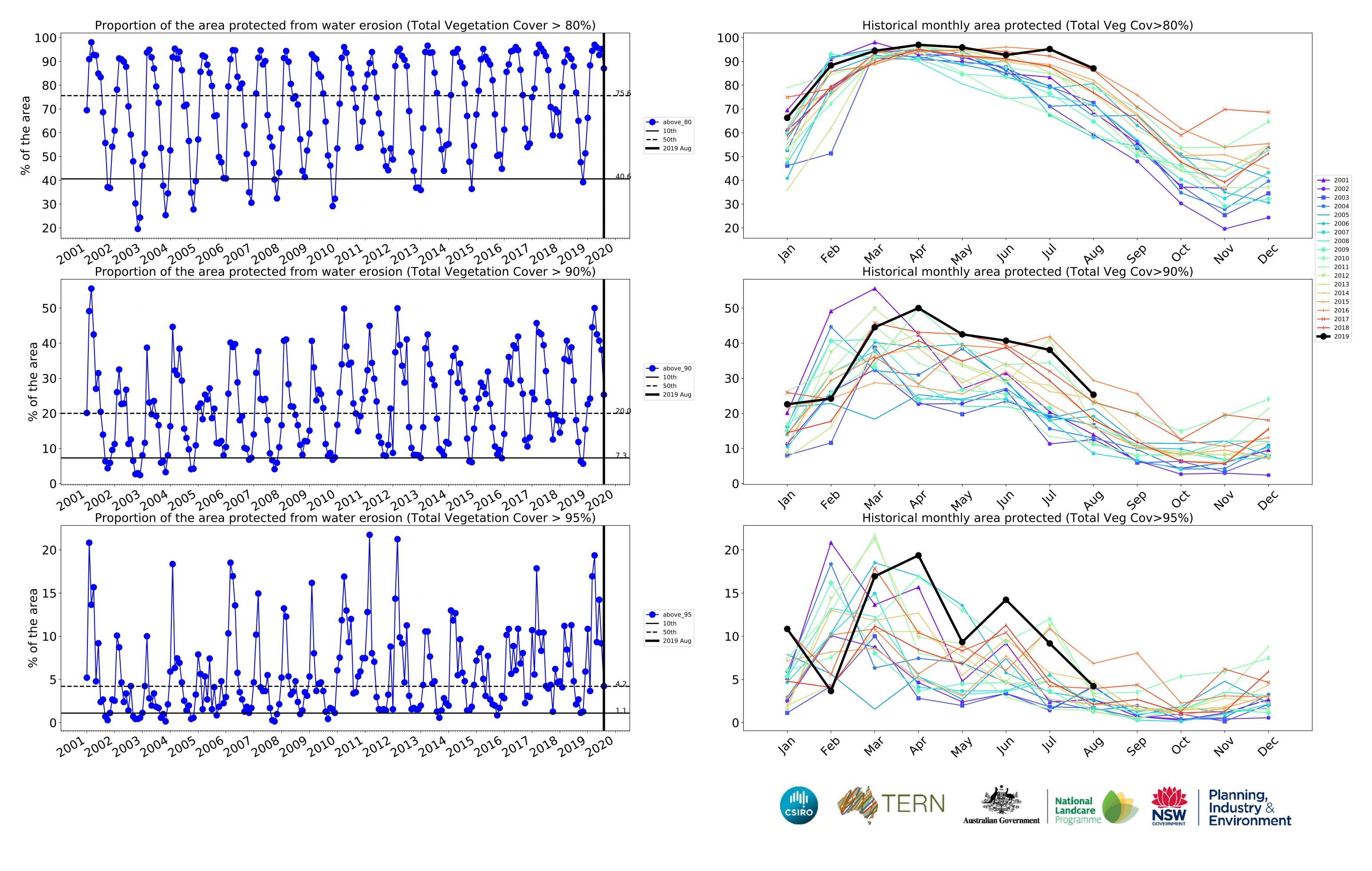












Production native forests and plantation forests

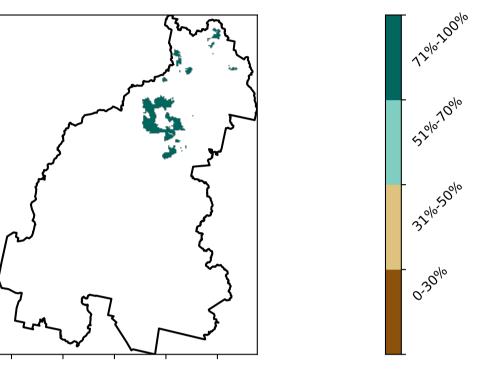
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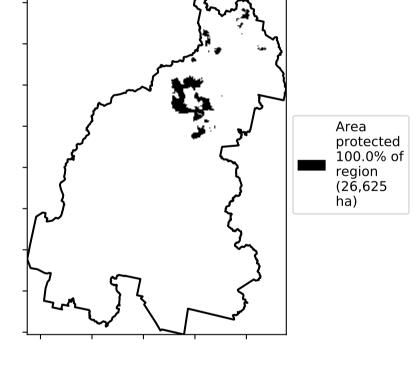
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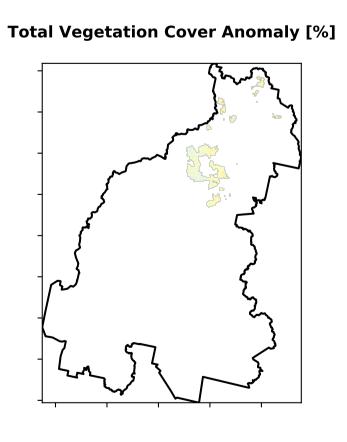
Production native forests and plantation forests

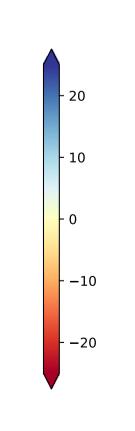
Total Vegetation Cover [%]



% Area protected from water erosion (>70%) Area protected 100.0% of region (26,625 ha)

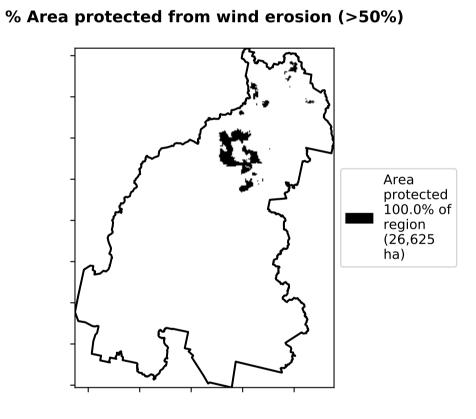


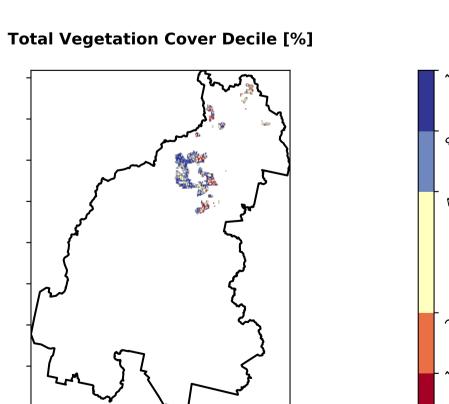




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Proportion of vegetation cover class in area 100.0% 100 80 60 40 20 0.0% 0.0% 0.0% 0-30% 31%-50% 51%-70% 71%-100% **Total Vegetation Cover class**





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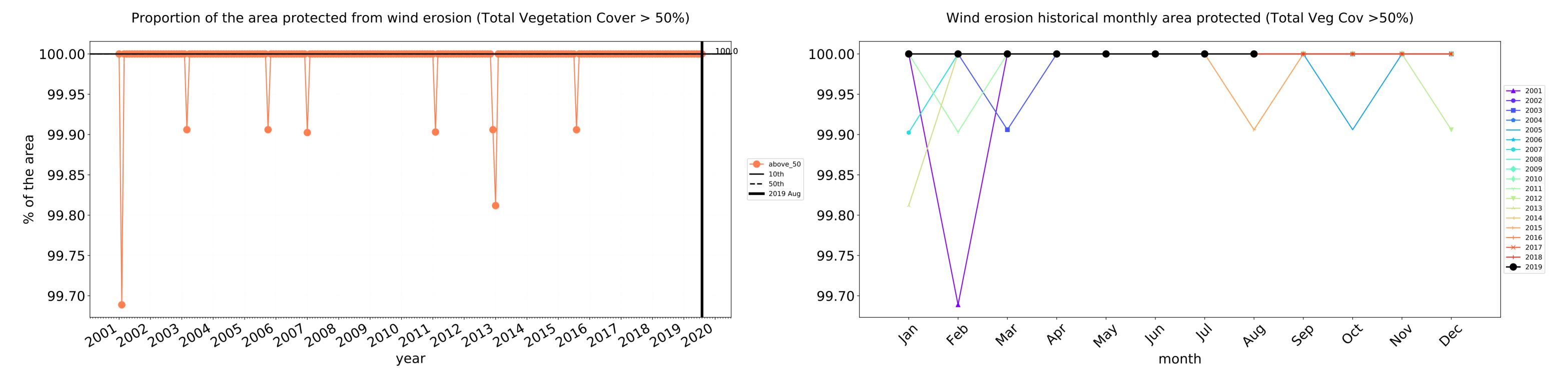


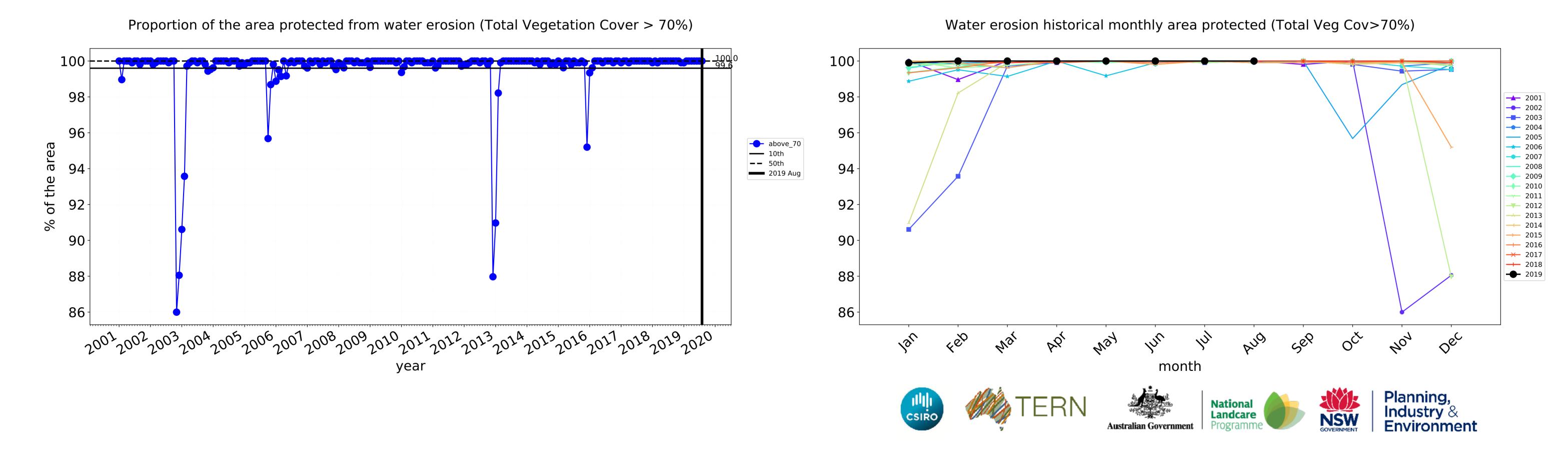


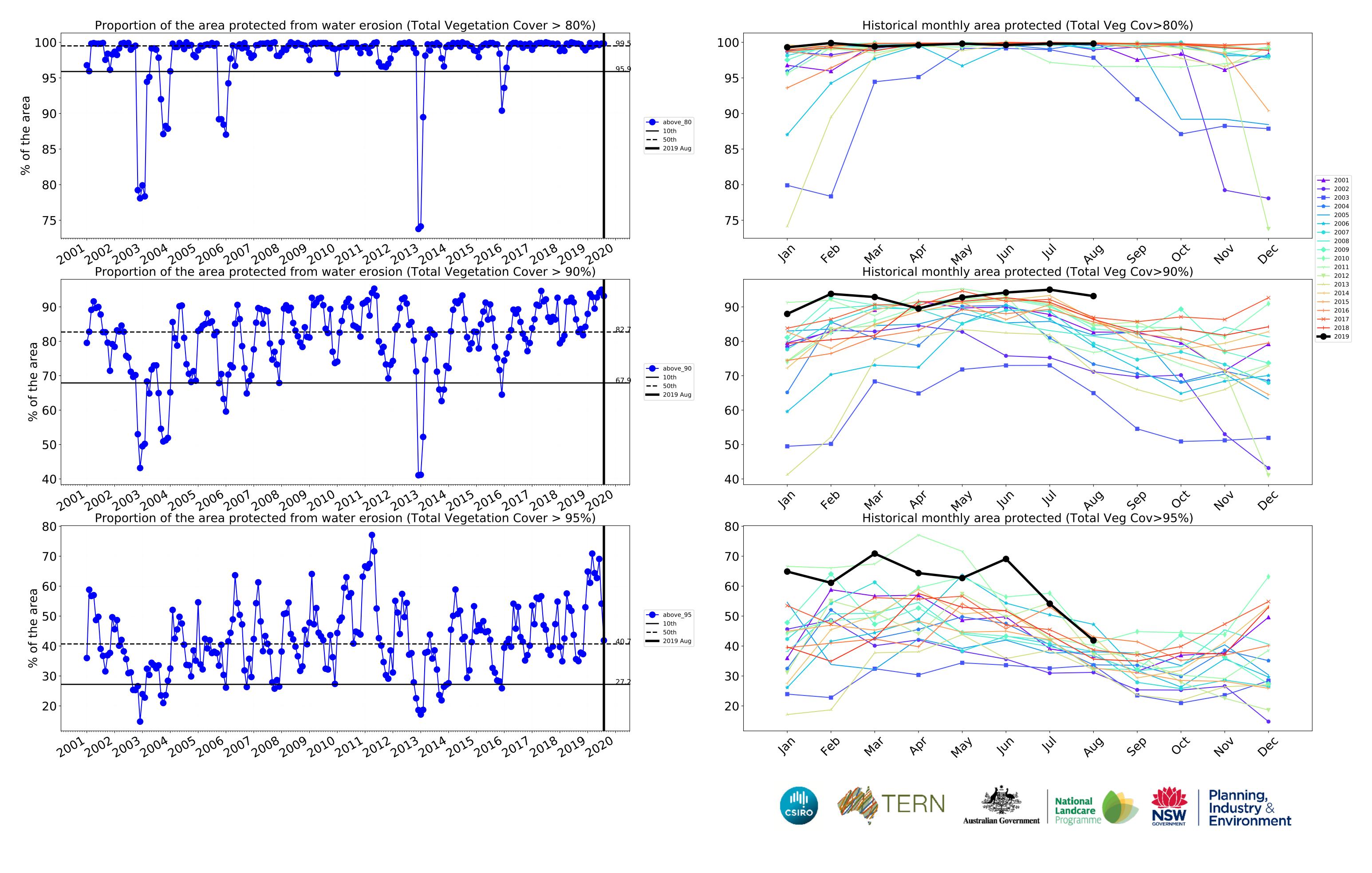




Production native forests and plantation forests timeseries







Tablelands_(R) (1,125,775 ha and no data 2,511 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	1,125,775	100.0% 1,125,775	100.0% 1,125,650	99.8% 1,123,300	98.1% 1,104,850	76.2% 858,025	25.4% 285,825
Conservation and natural environments	327,600	100.0% 327,600	100.0% 327,600	100.0% 327,475	99.5% 325,923	85.3% 279,420	37.1% 121,514
Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest	57,414	100.0% 57,414	100.0% 57,414	100.0% 57,414	98.8% 56,735	82.3% 47,229	31.8% 18,232
Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)	267,934	100.0% 267,934	100.0% 267,934	100.0% 267,834	99.7% 267,009	86.0% 230,418	38.3% 102,749
Agriculture	744,137	100.0% 744,137	100.0% 744,137	99.8% 742,482	97.8% 727,563	72.5% 539,385	20.2% 150,467
Grazing	722,747	100.0% 722,747	100.0% 722,747	99.8% 721,323	98.0% 708,535	73.7% 532,326	20.6% 148,935
Grazing non forest	119,332	100.0% 119,332	100.0% 119,332	99.5% 118,706	96.7% 115,351	57.2% 68,229	11.1% 13,245
Grazing Woodland forest	380,511	100.0% 380,511	100.0% 380,511	99.8% 379,712	97.4% 370,470	66.5% 252,925	15.9% 60,446
Grazing - Forest (non woodland)	222,903	100.0% 222,903	100.0% 222,903	100.0% 222,903	99.9% 222,703	94.7% 211,056	33.7% 75,174
Irrigation	16,886	100.0% 16,886	100.0% 16,886	98.7% 16,672	87.1% 14,701	25.3% 4,275	4.2% 712
Production native forests and plantation forests	27,018	100.0% 27,018	100.0% 27,018	100.0% 27,018	99.8% 26,967	93.1% 25,166	41.9% 11,314











