# Total vegetation cover soil protection Region:LGA Glenelg (S) VIC

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: January 2023** 

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:

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









# **Vegetation Cover Jan 2023**

# Land use and forest cover

Catchment Scale

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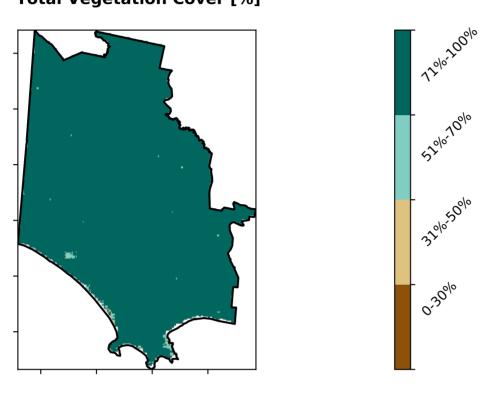
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Land Use and Forests

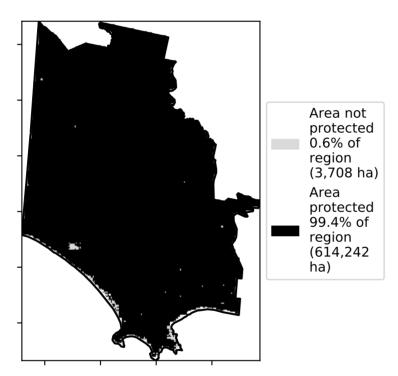
Catchment Scale Land

# 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

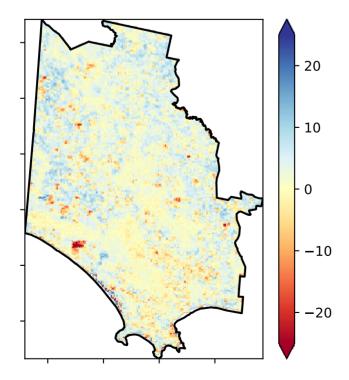
# Total Vegetation Cover [%]



# % Area protected from water erosion (>70%)

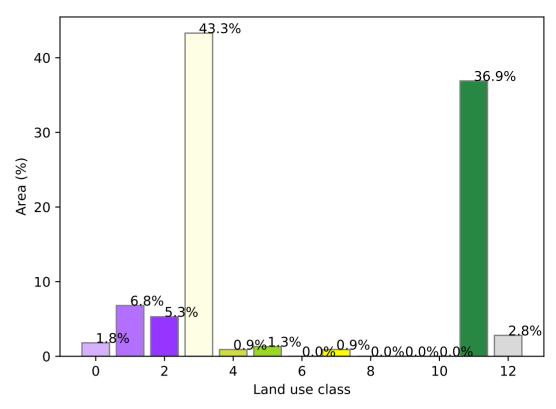


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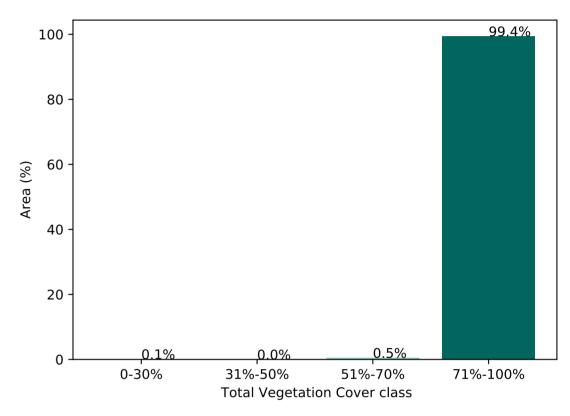


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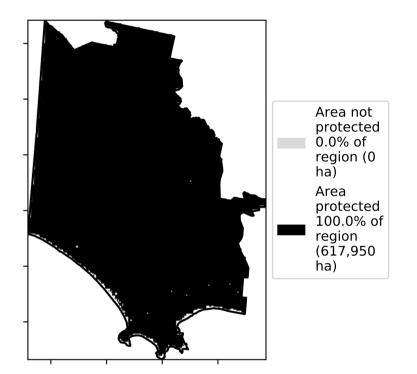
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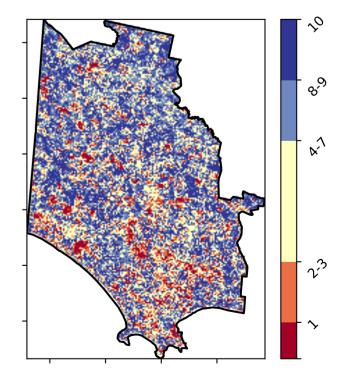


# Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



# % Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)







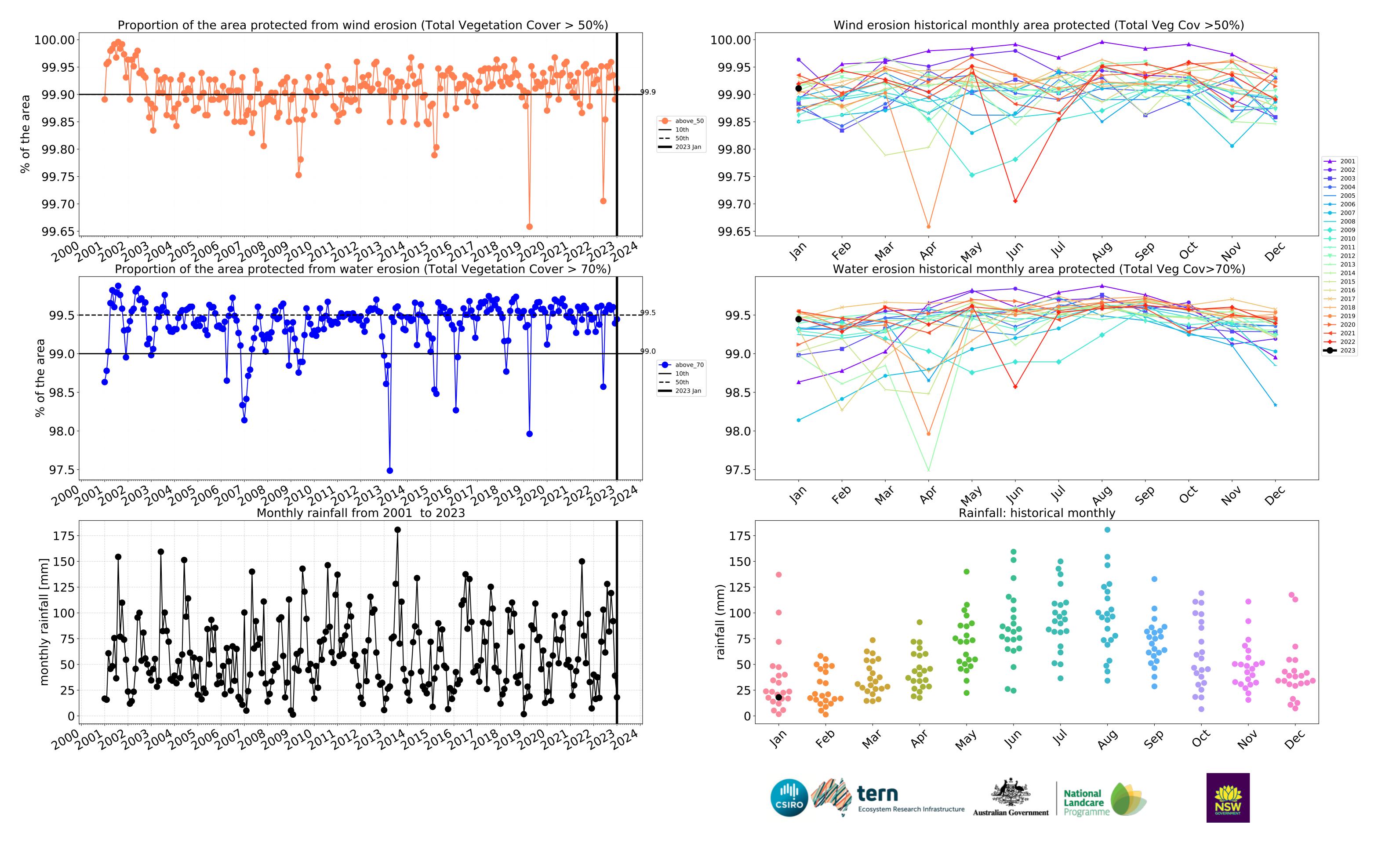


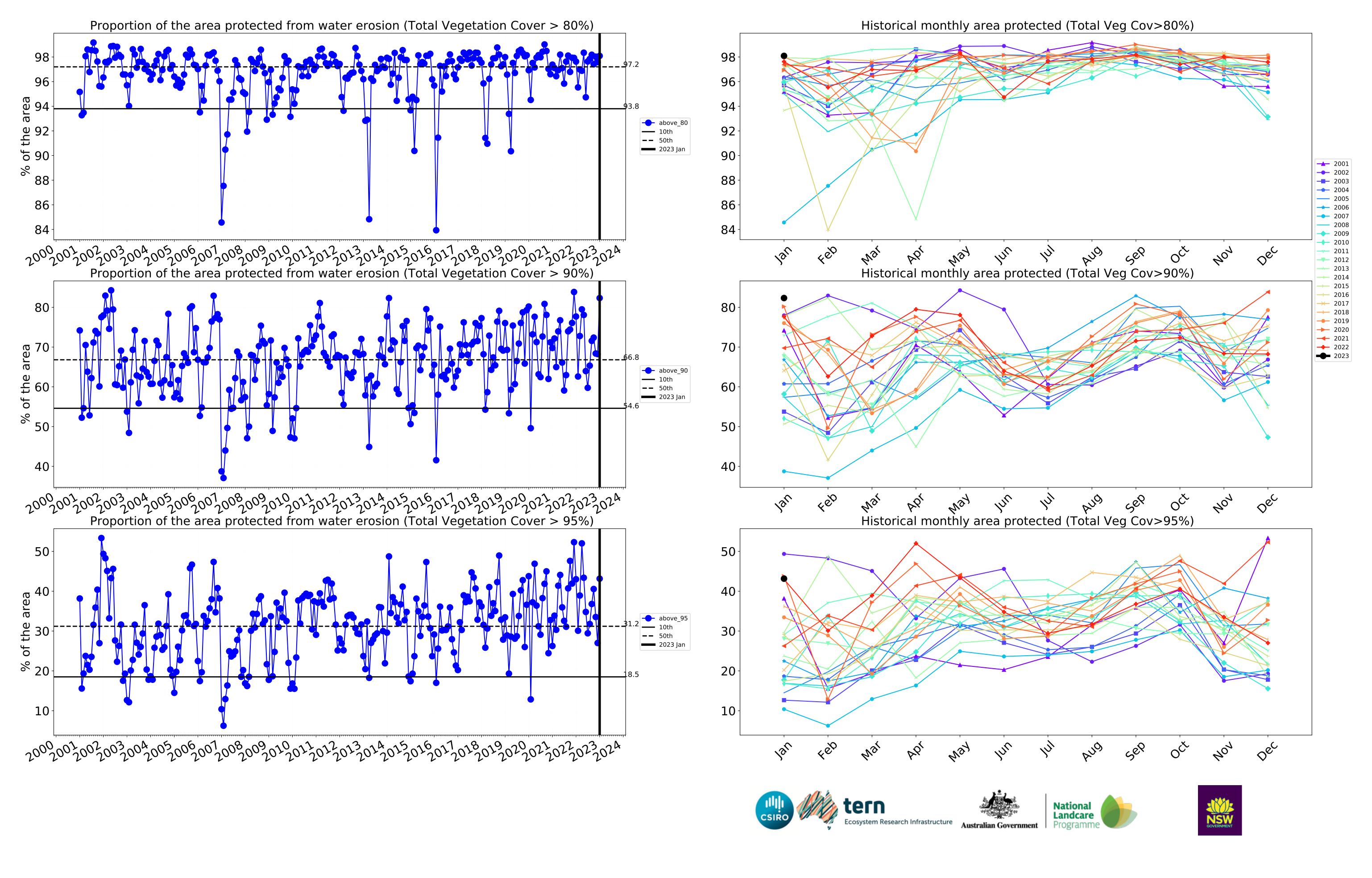












# **Conservation and natural environments**

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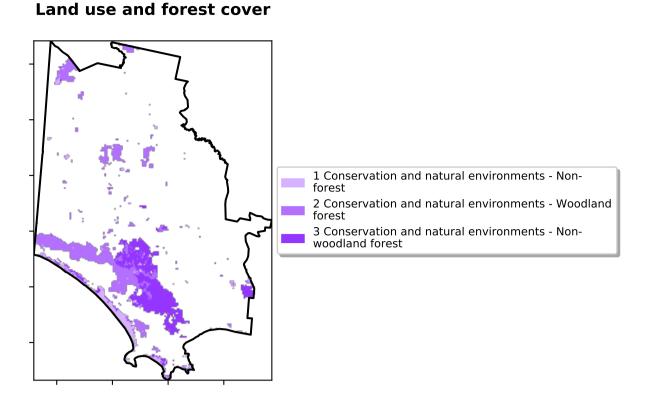
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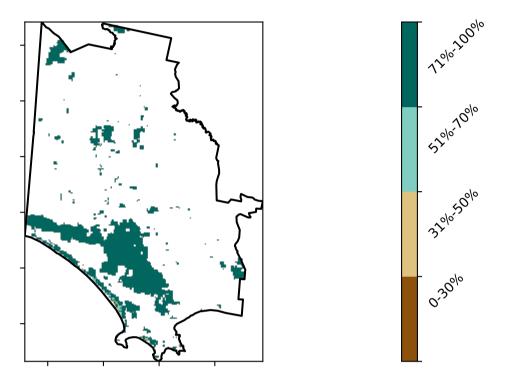
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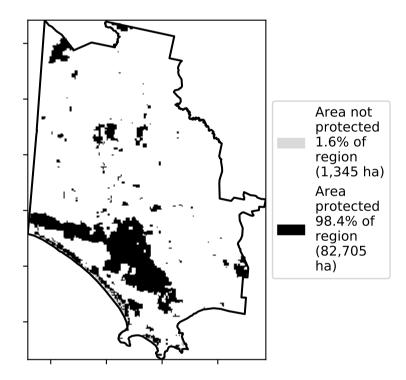
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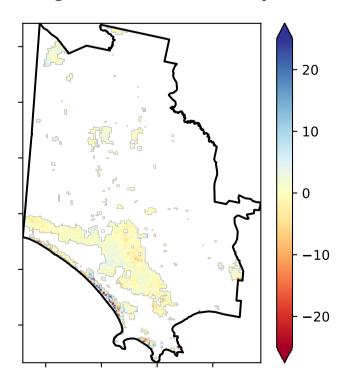
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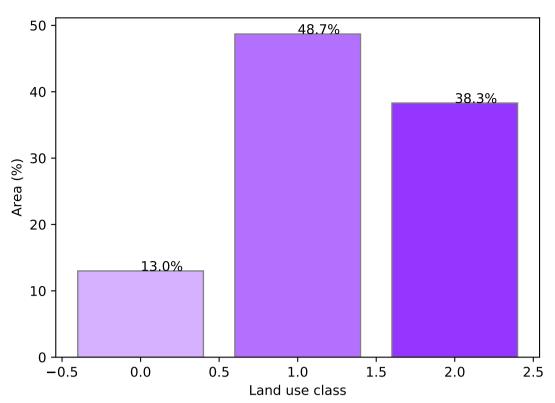


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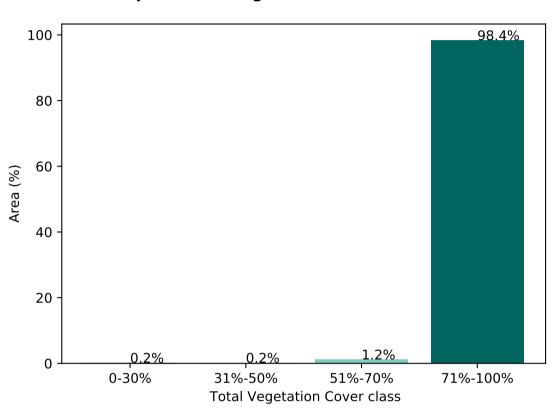


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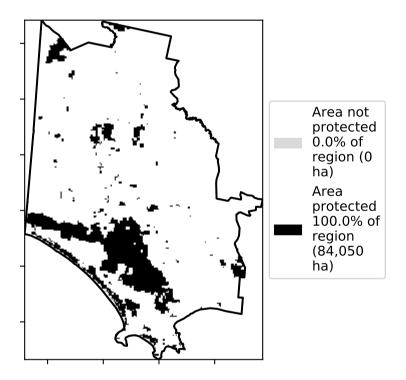
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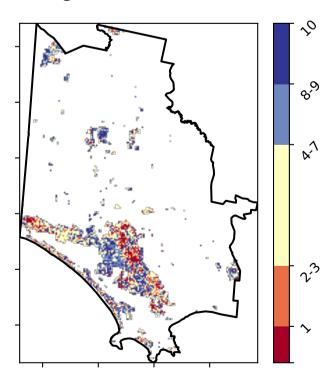


# Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



# % Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)









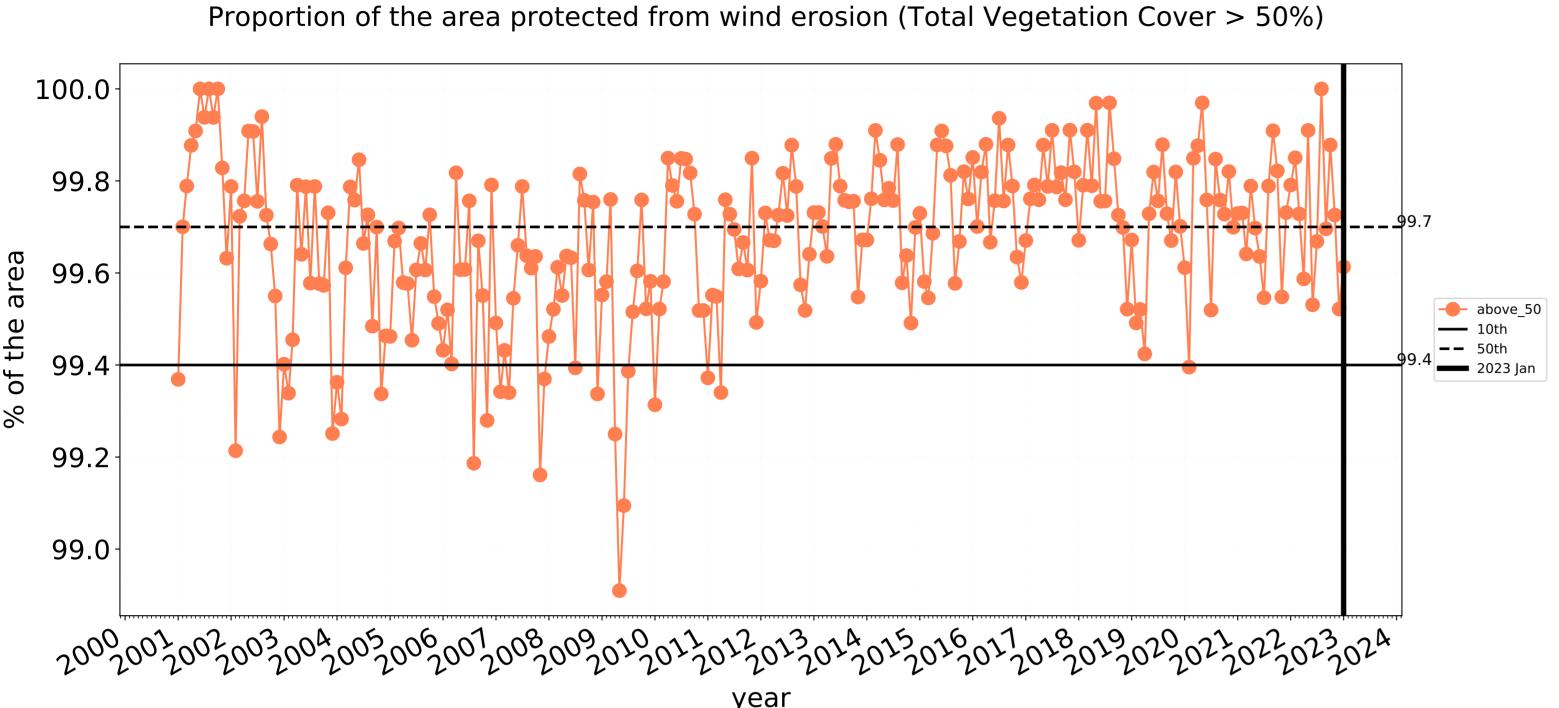


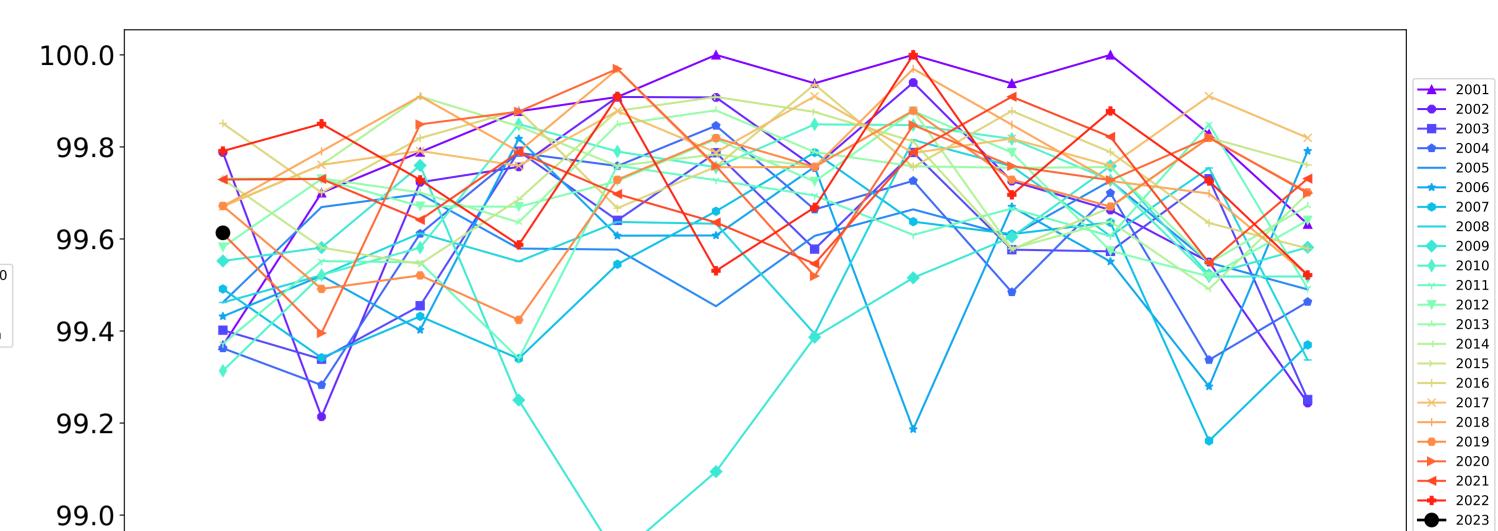






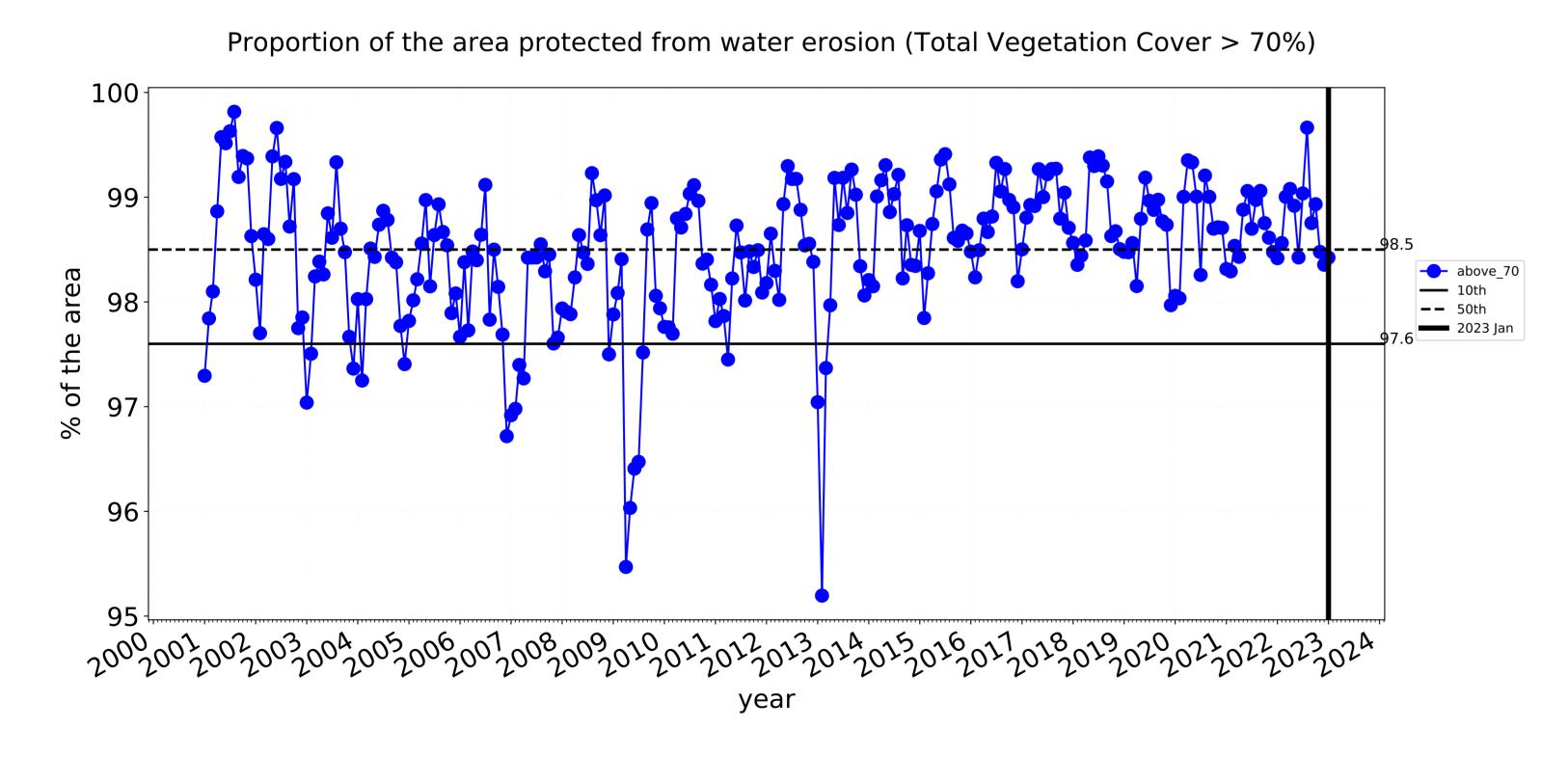
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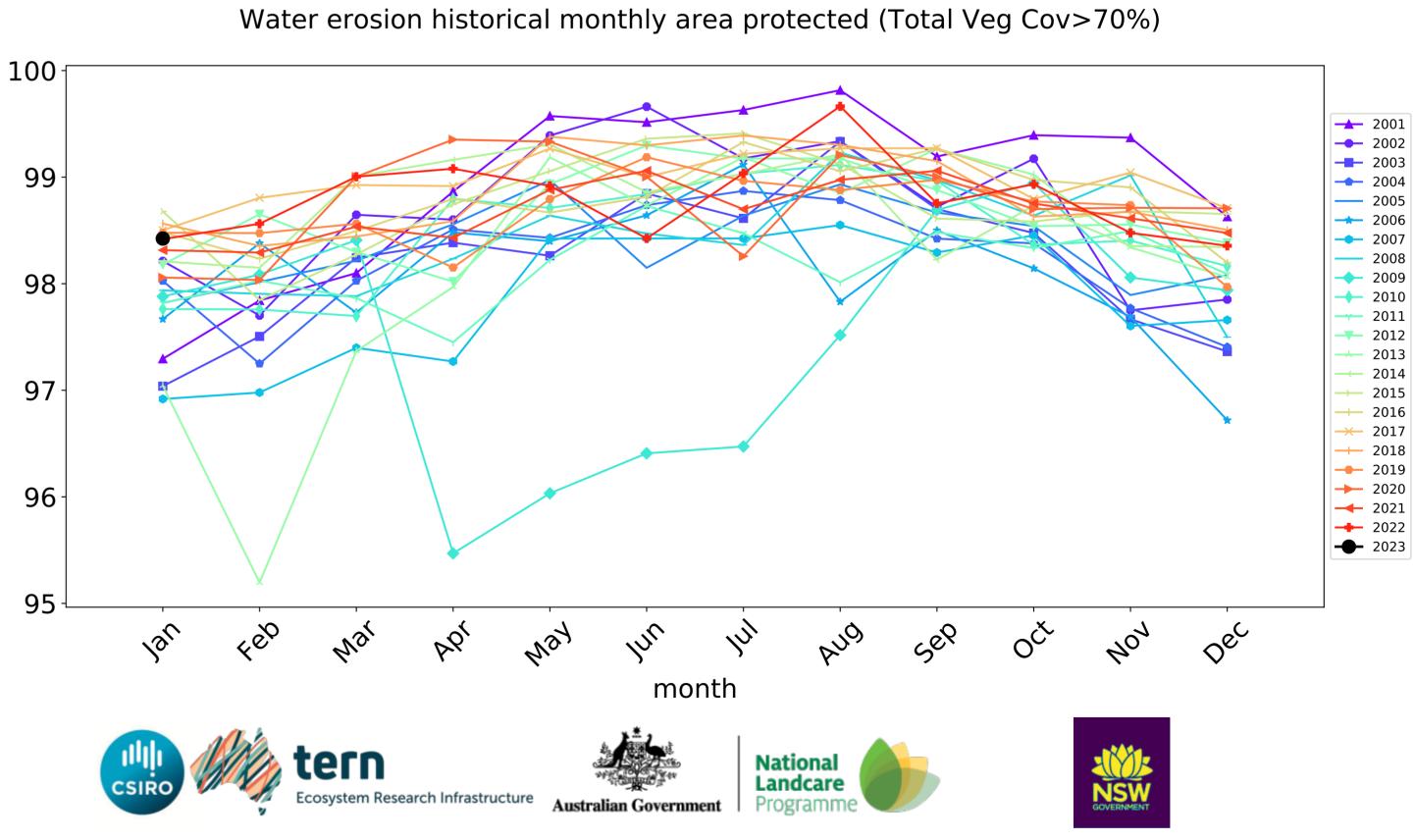


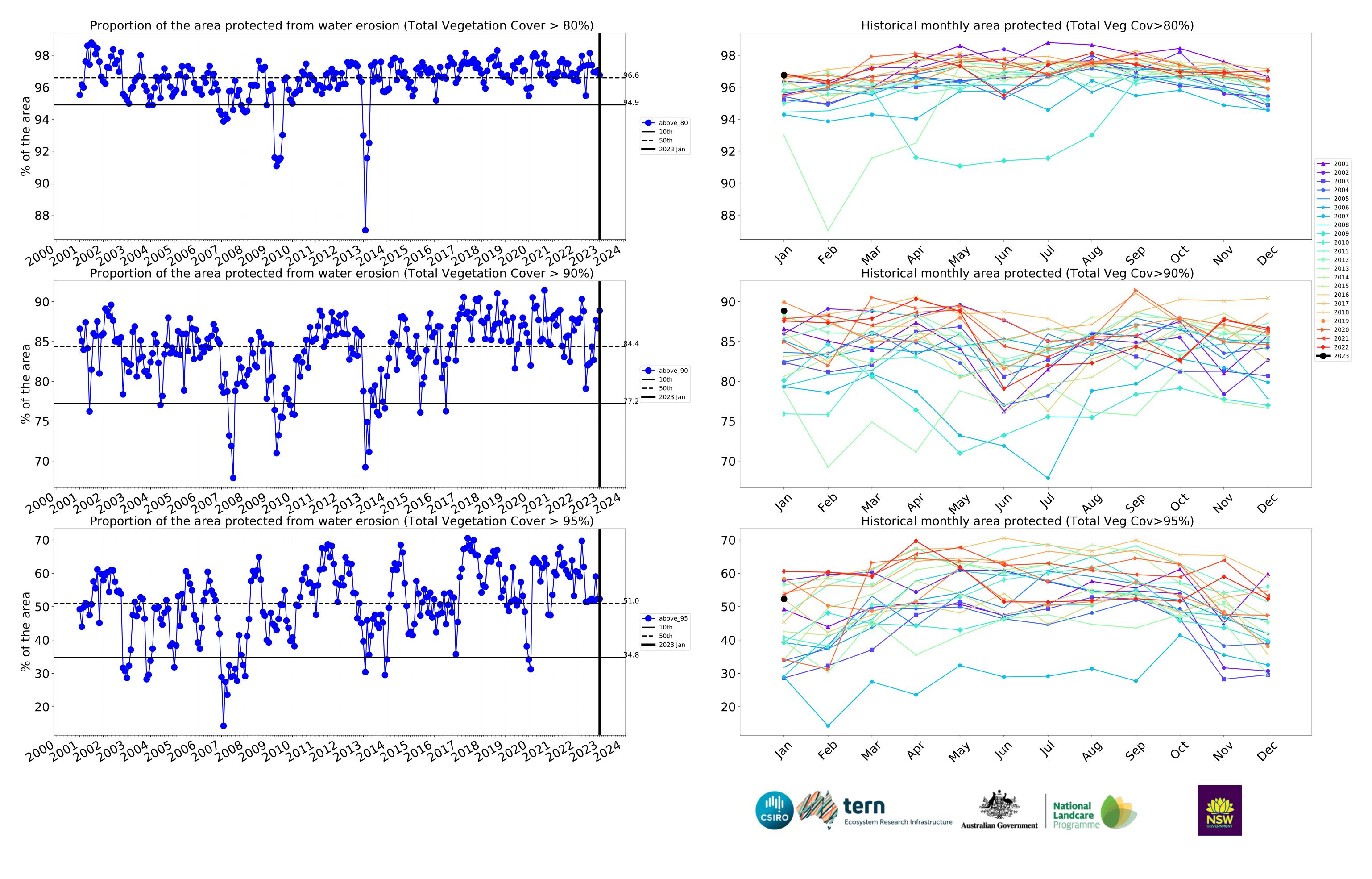


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Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)







# **Conservation and natural environments non forest**

# **Land use and forest cover**

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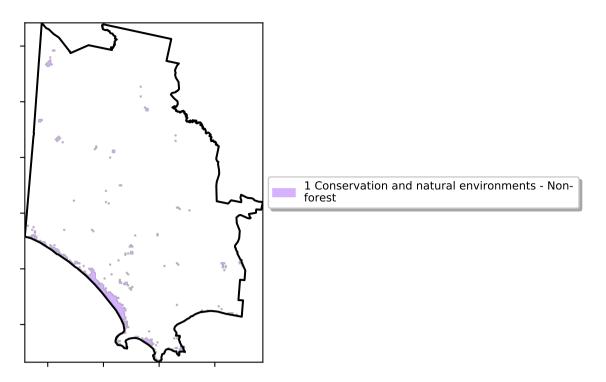
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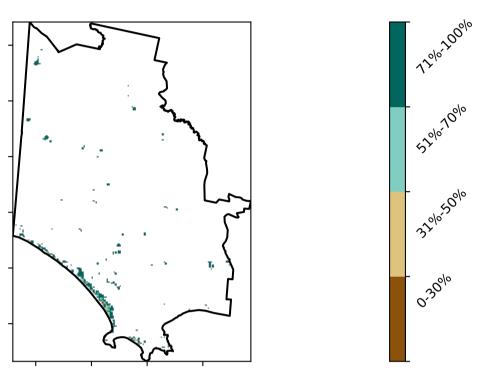
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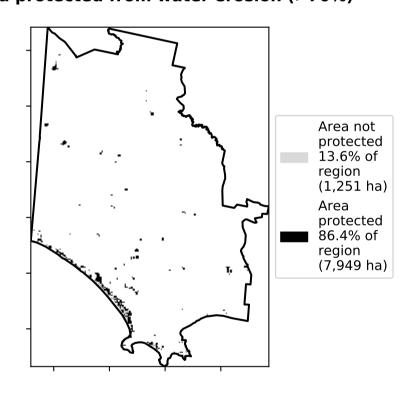
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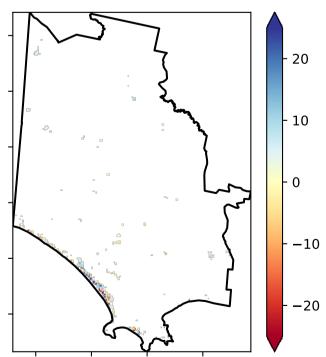
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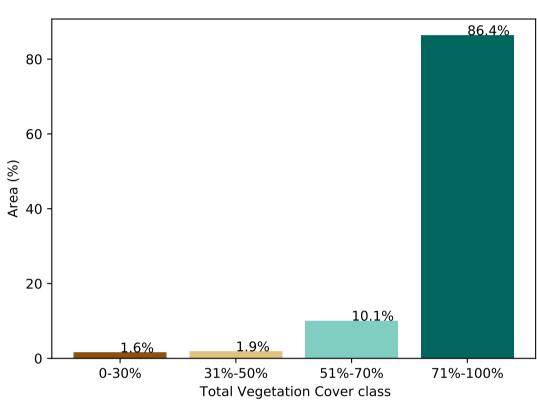


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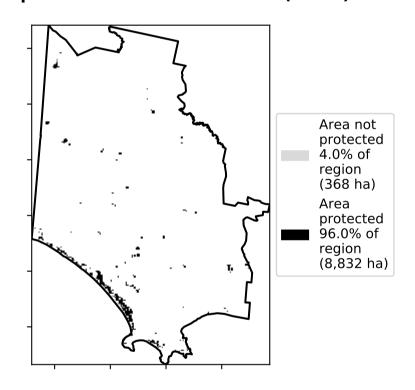


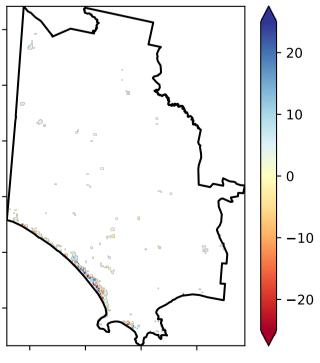
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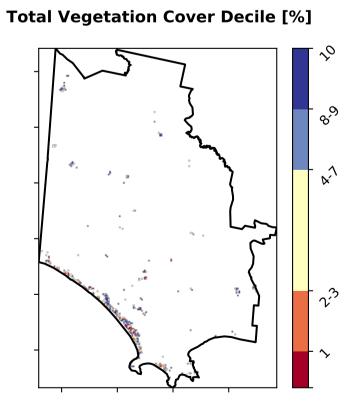


# % Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)





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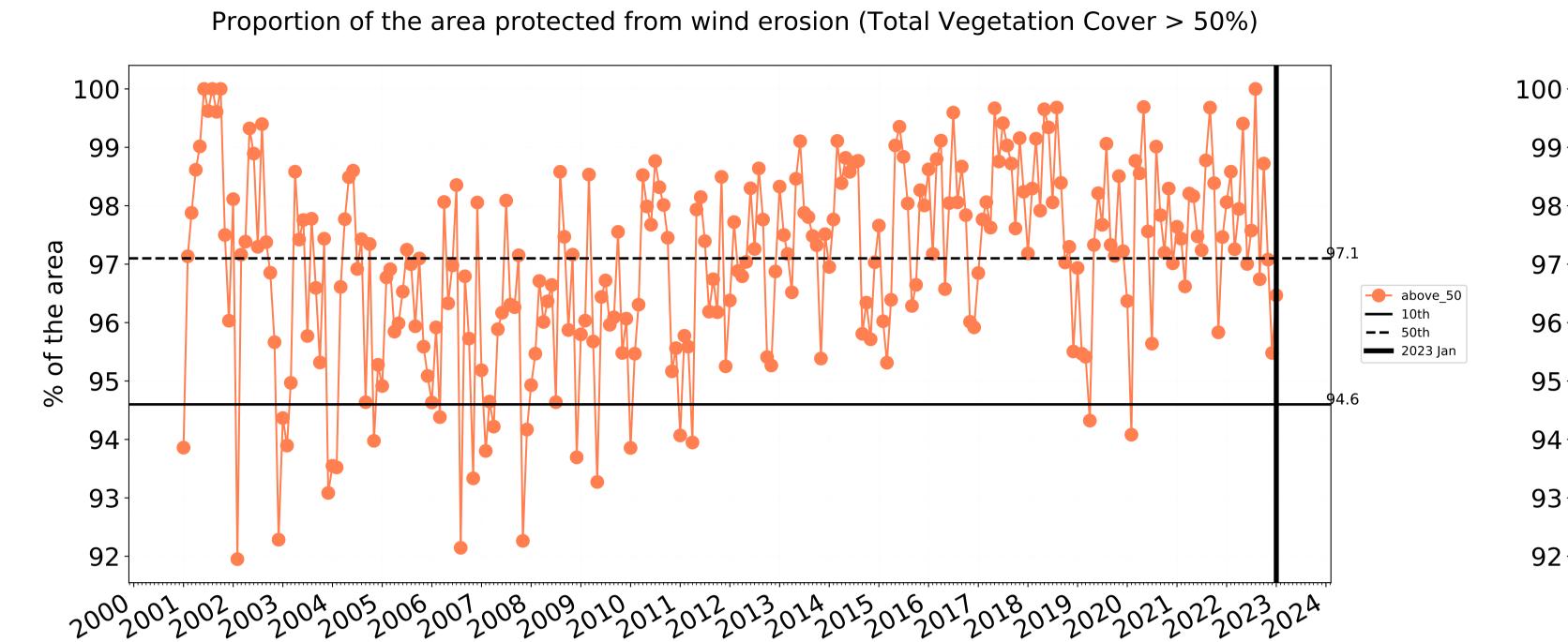








# **Conservation and natural environments non forest timeseries**



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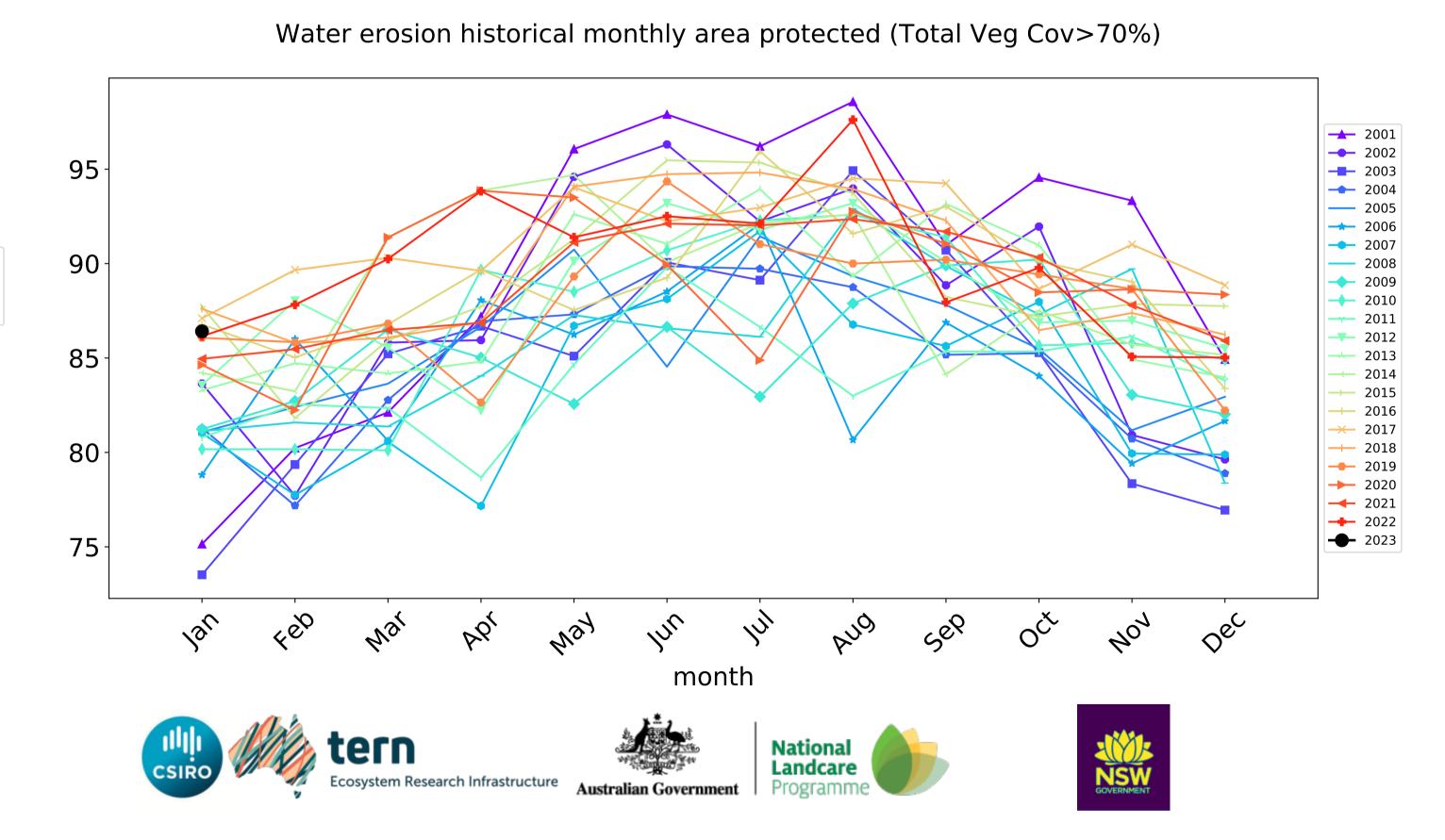
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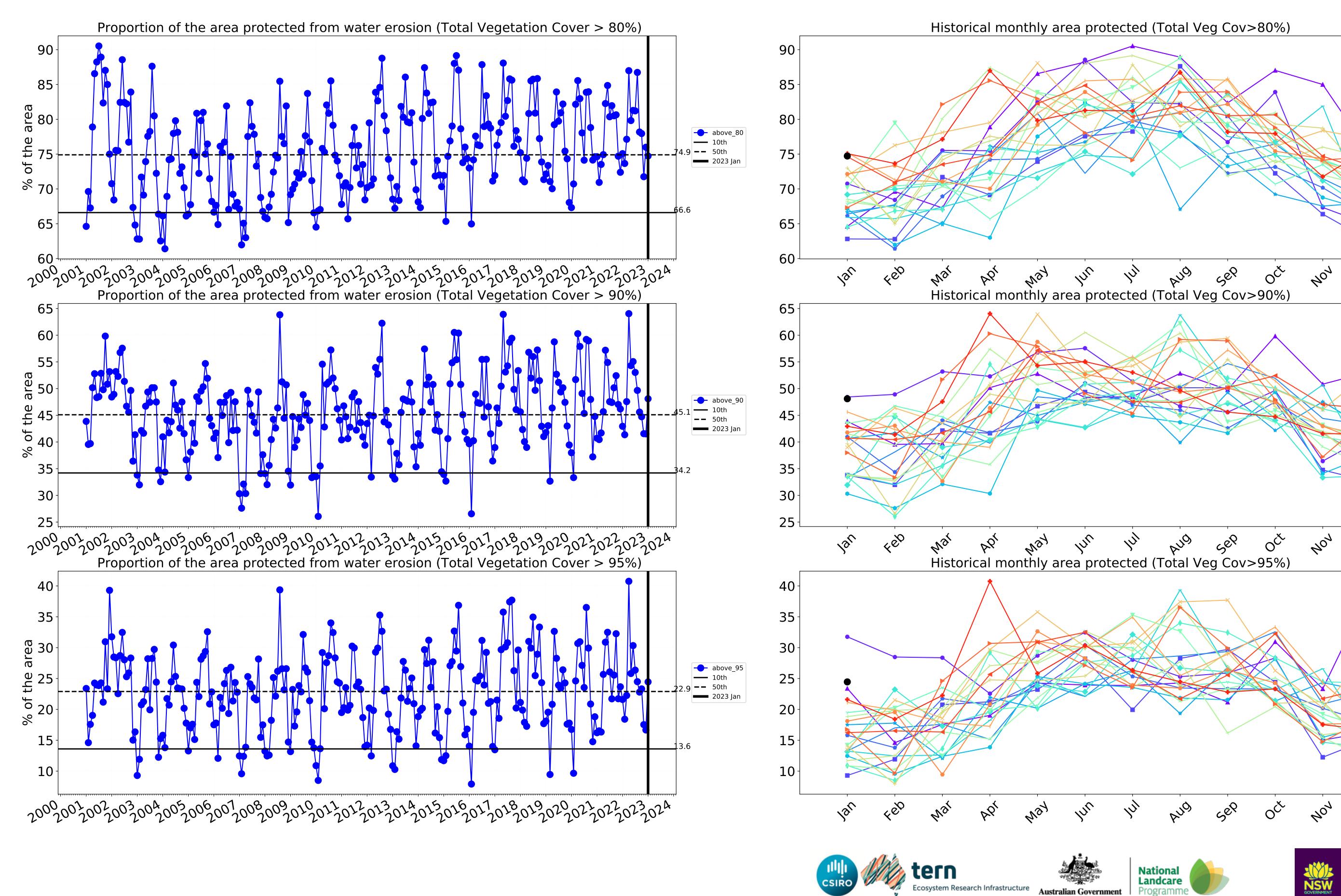
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Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)





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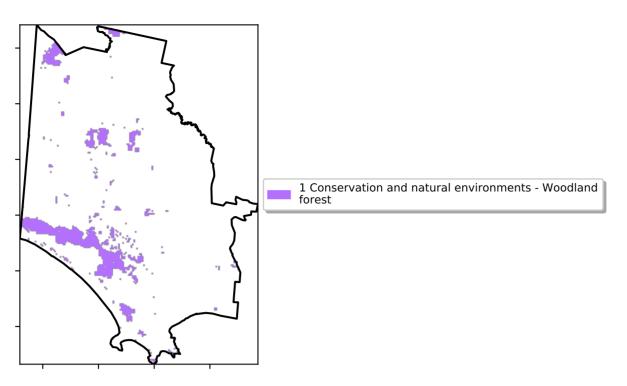
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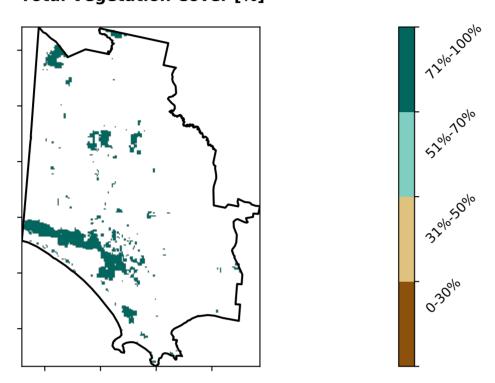
# **Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest**

# Land use and forest cover

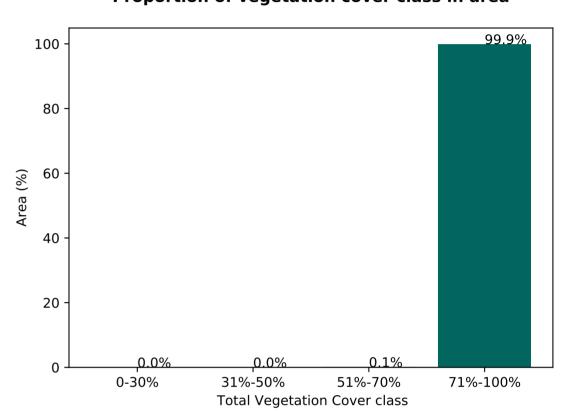
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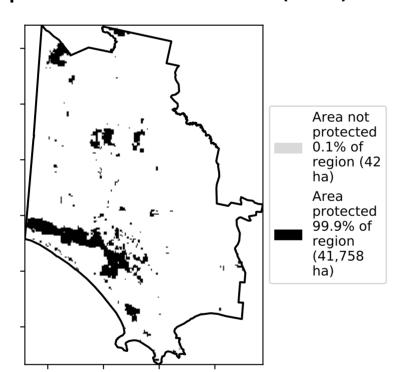
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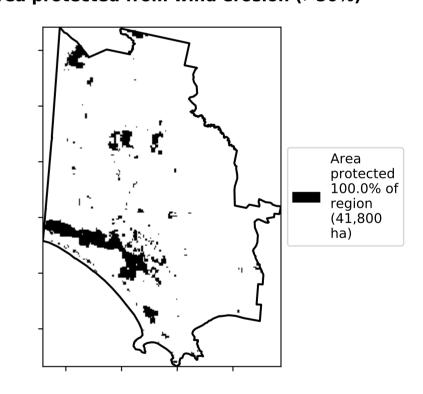
# Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



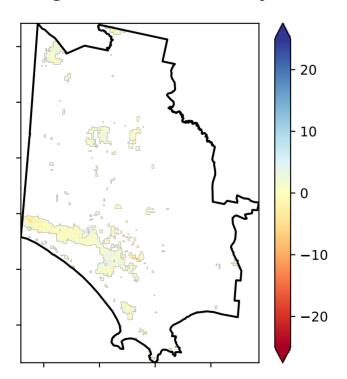
# % Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

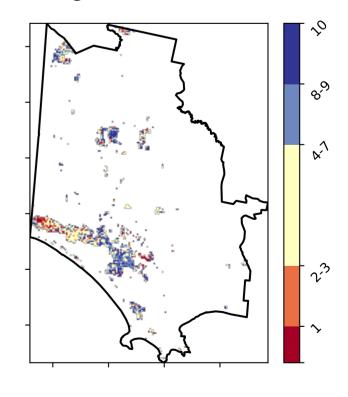


# Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]



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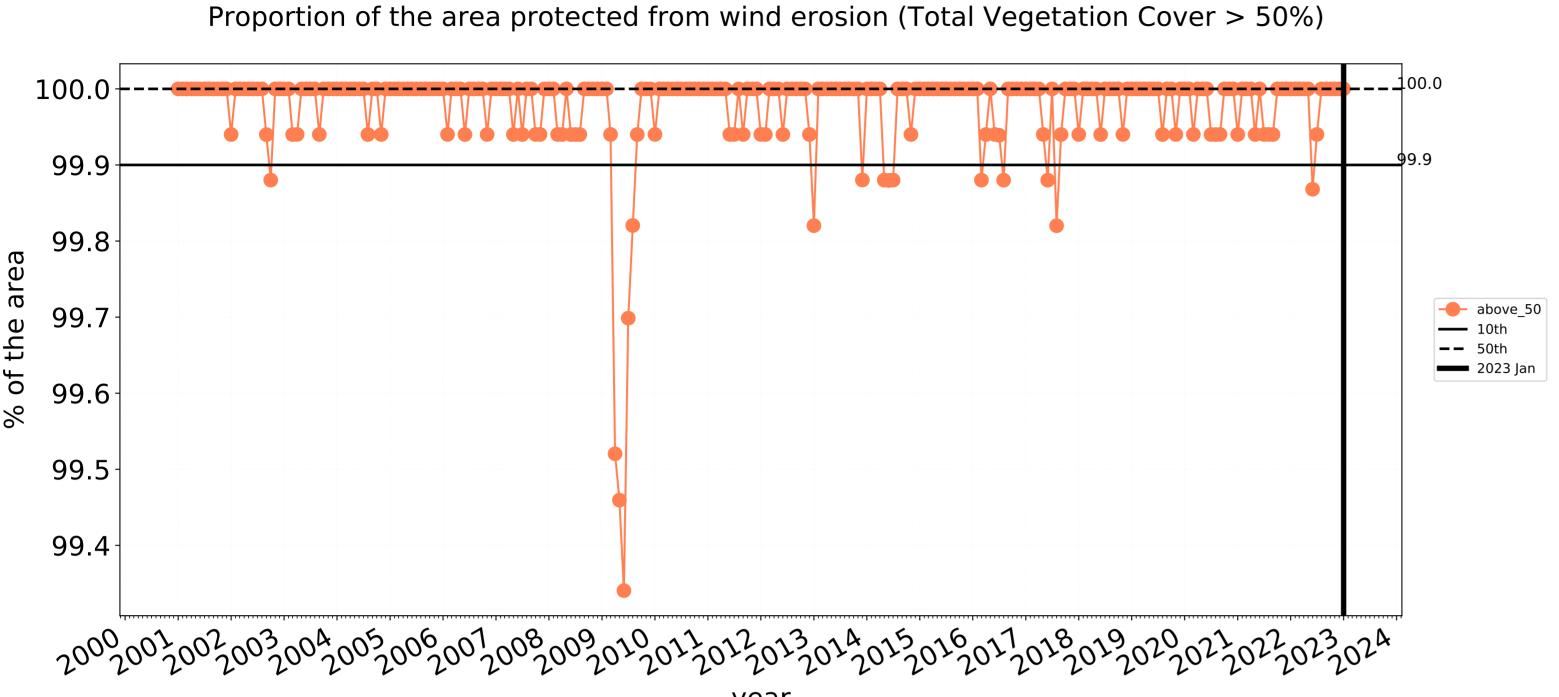
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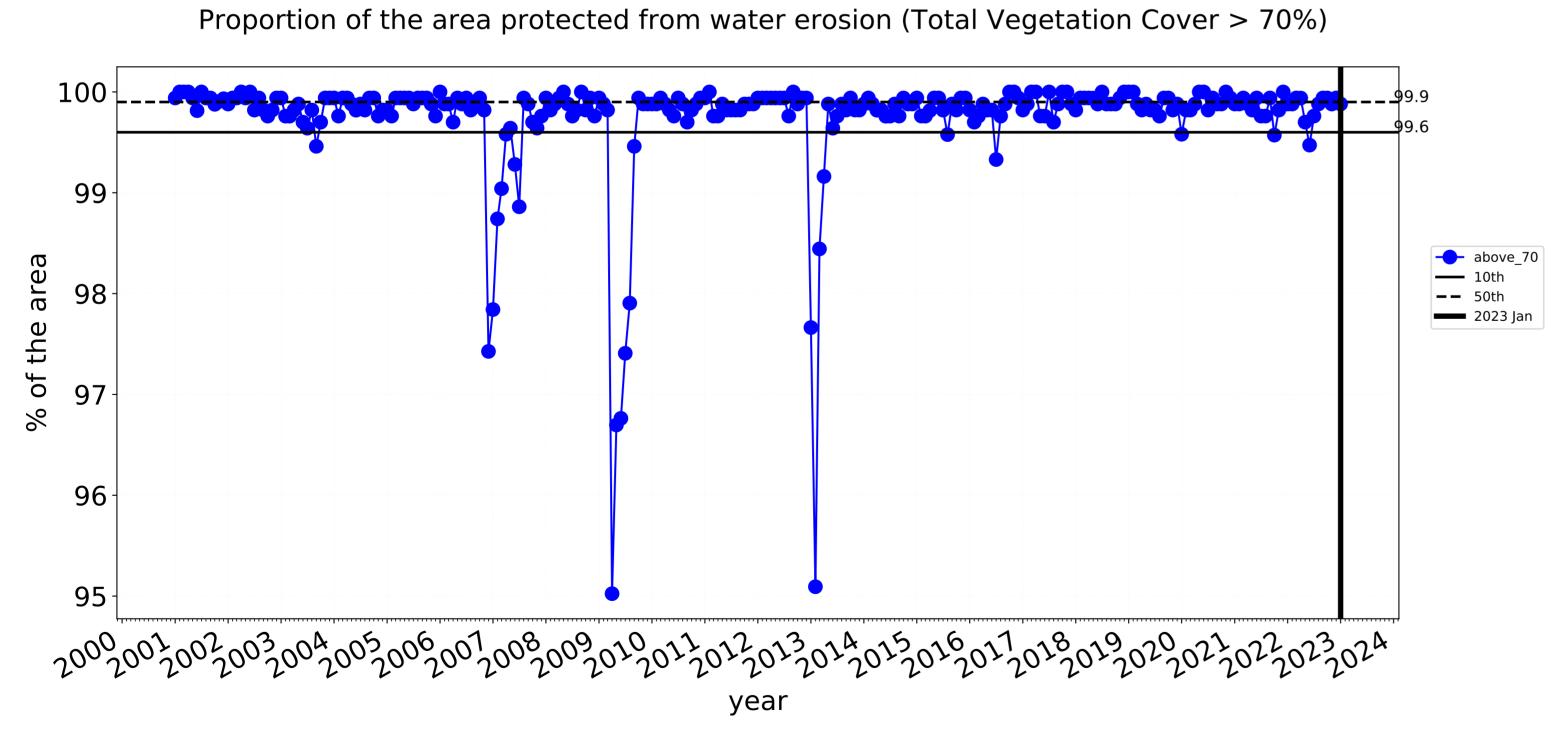


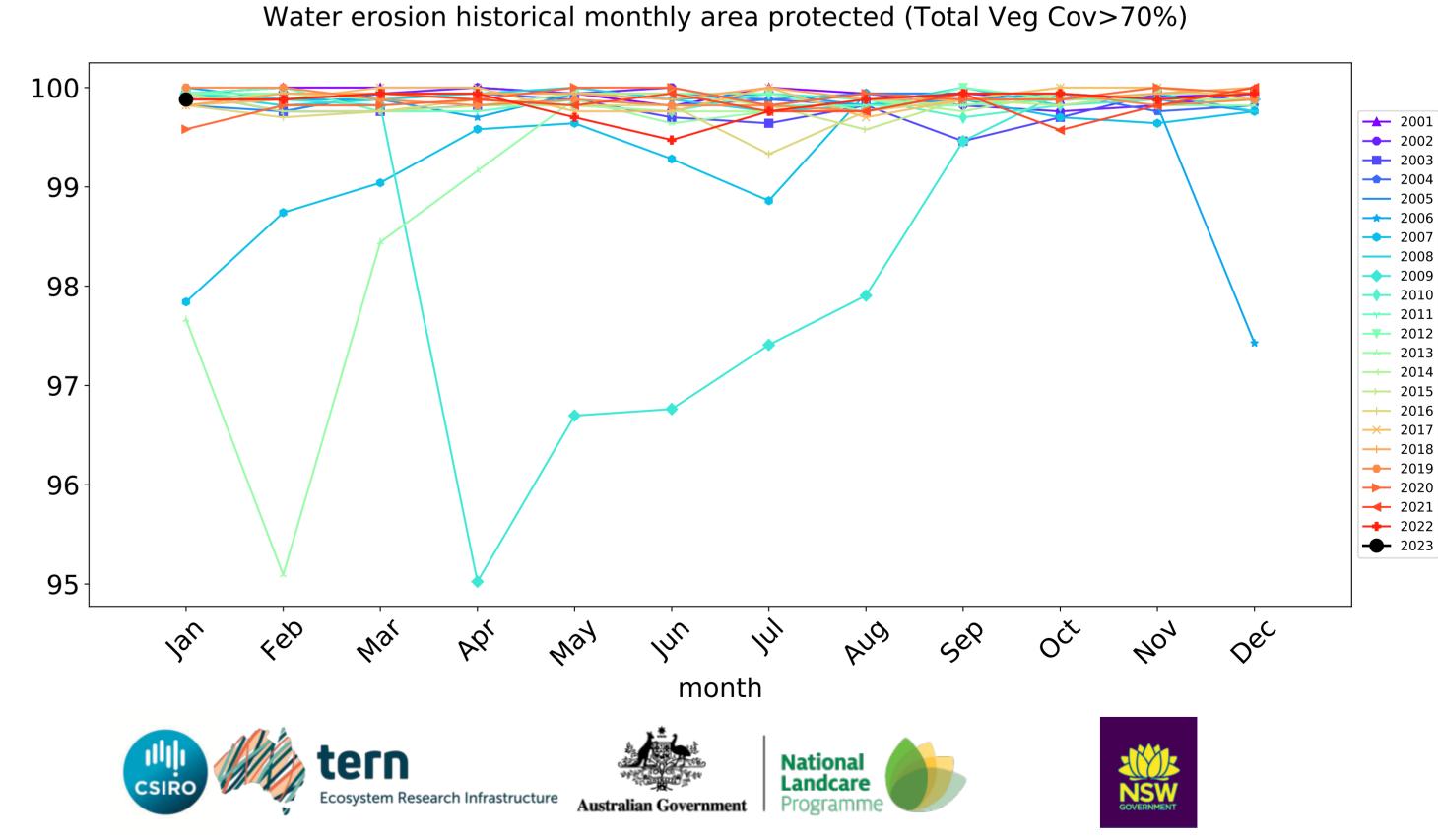


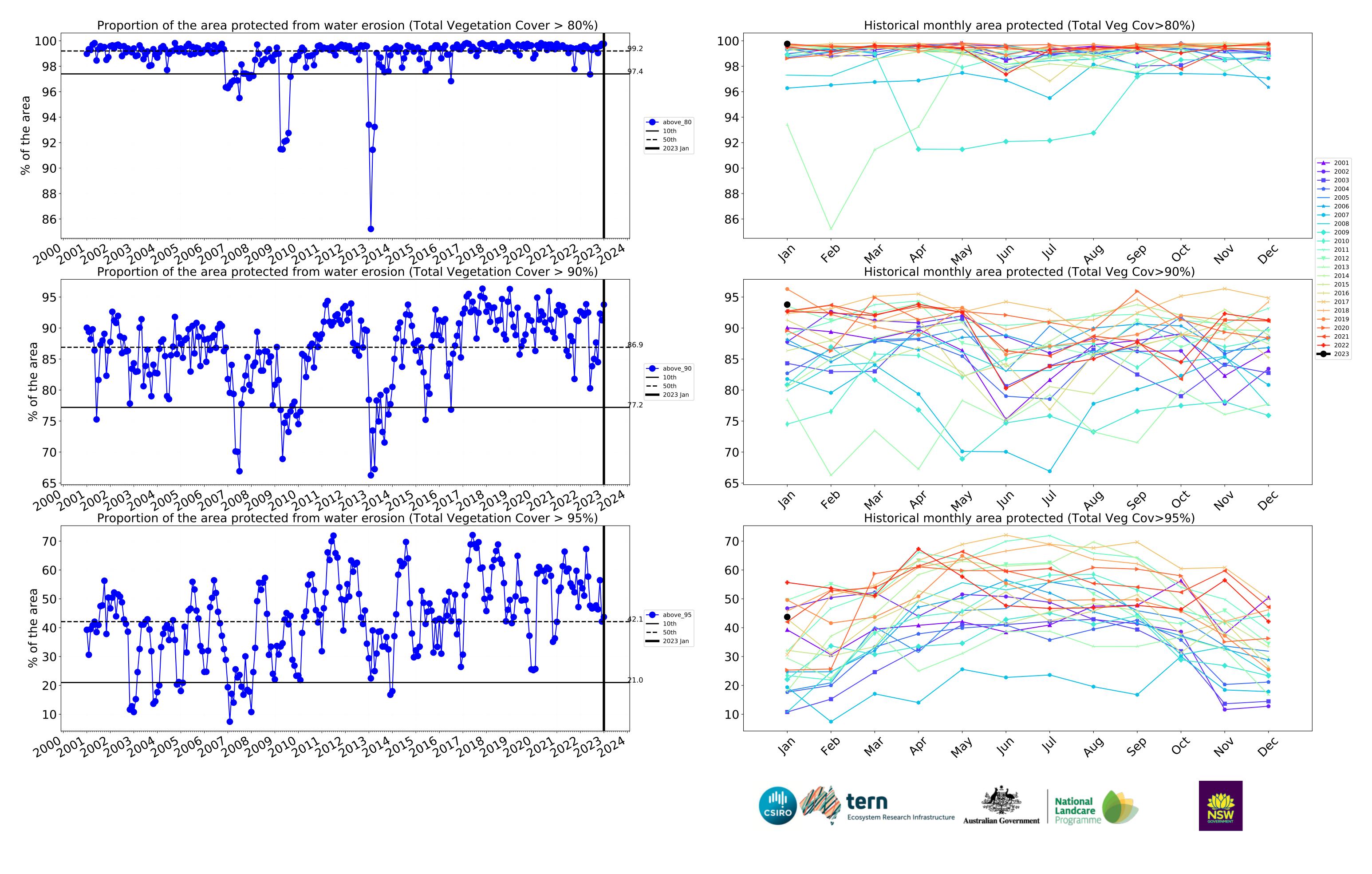




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# **Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)**

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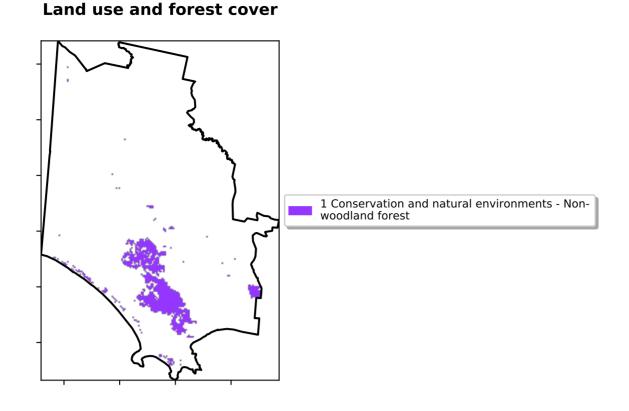
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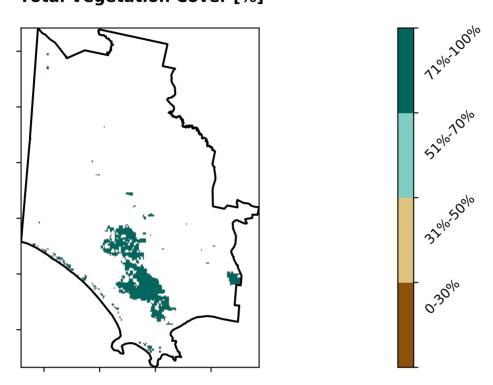
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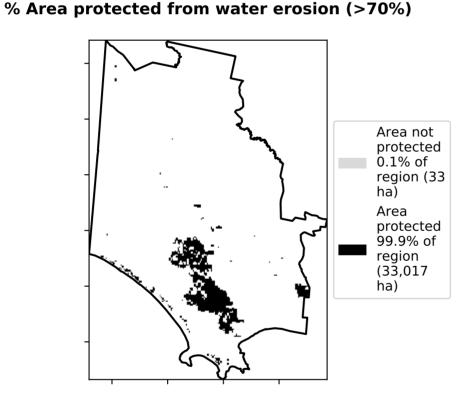
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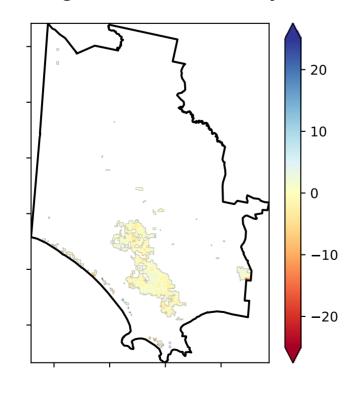


# **Total Vegetation Cover [%]**



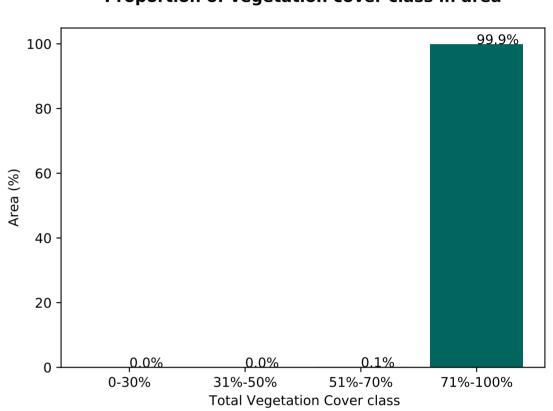


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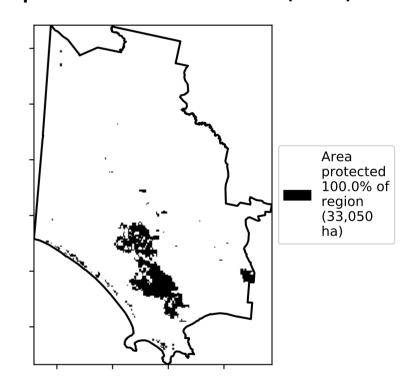


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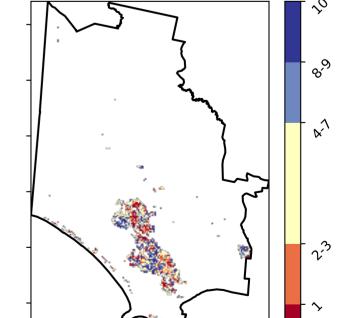
# Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



# % Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



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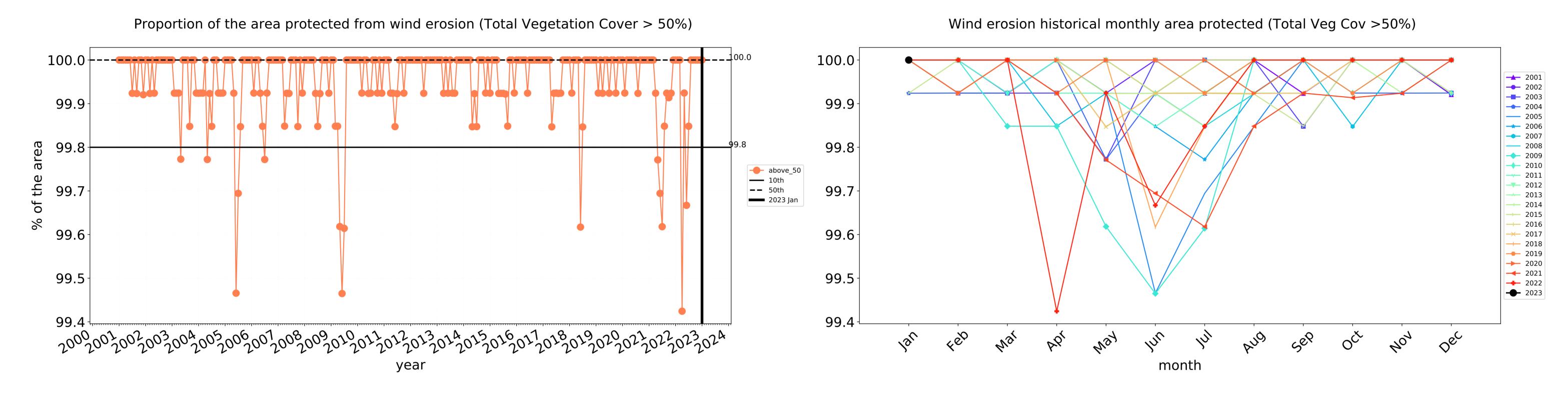


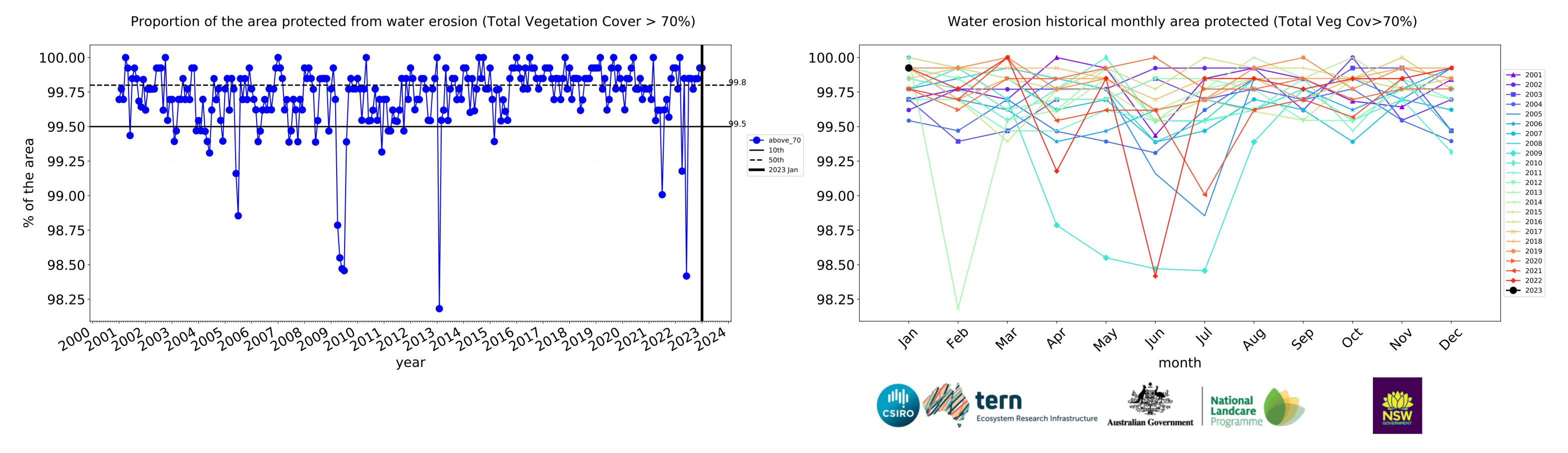


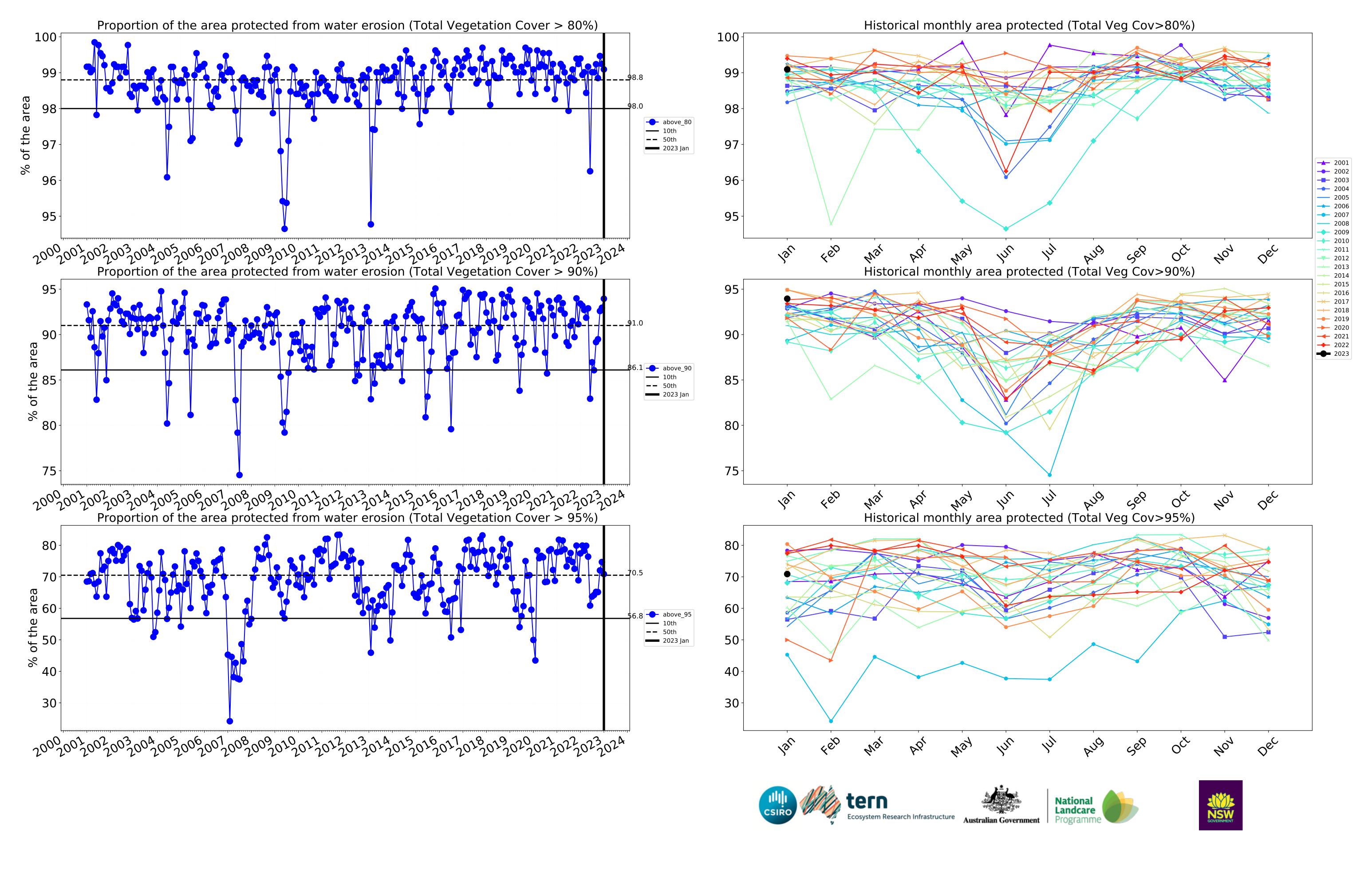












# **Agriculture**

# Land use and forest cover

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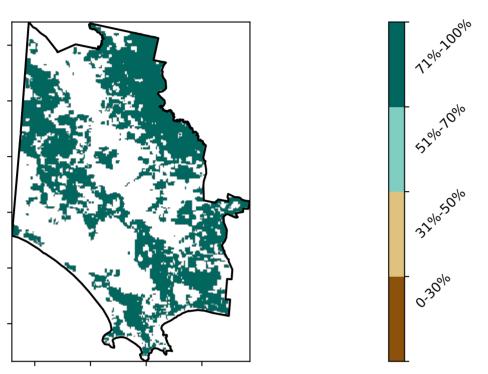
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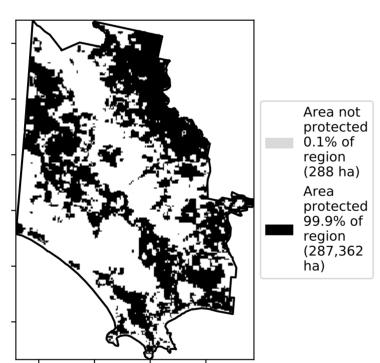
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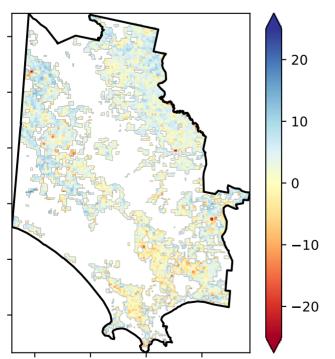
Catchment Scale

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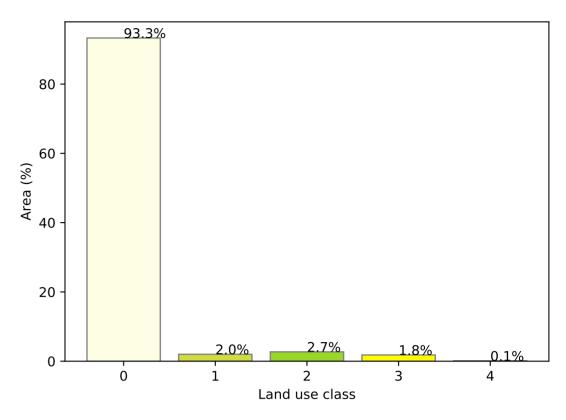
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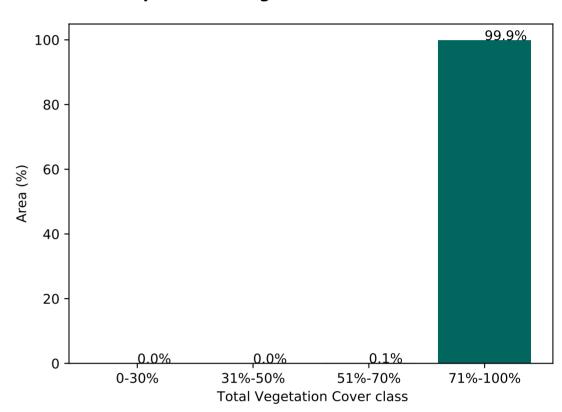


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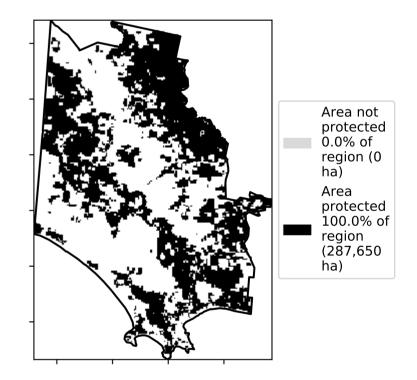
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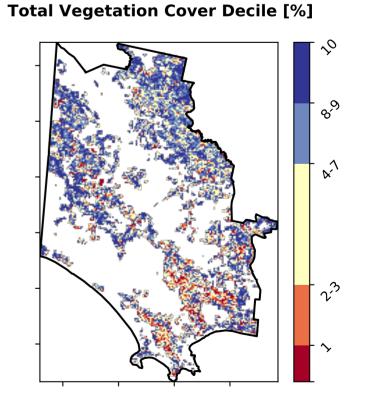


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**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 

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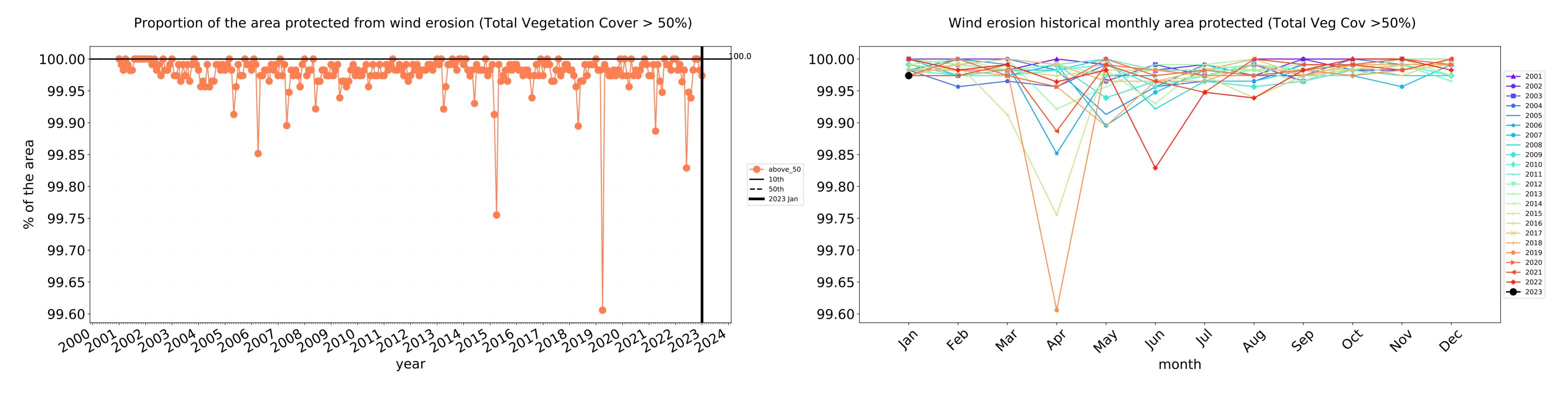


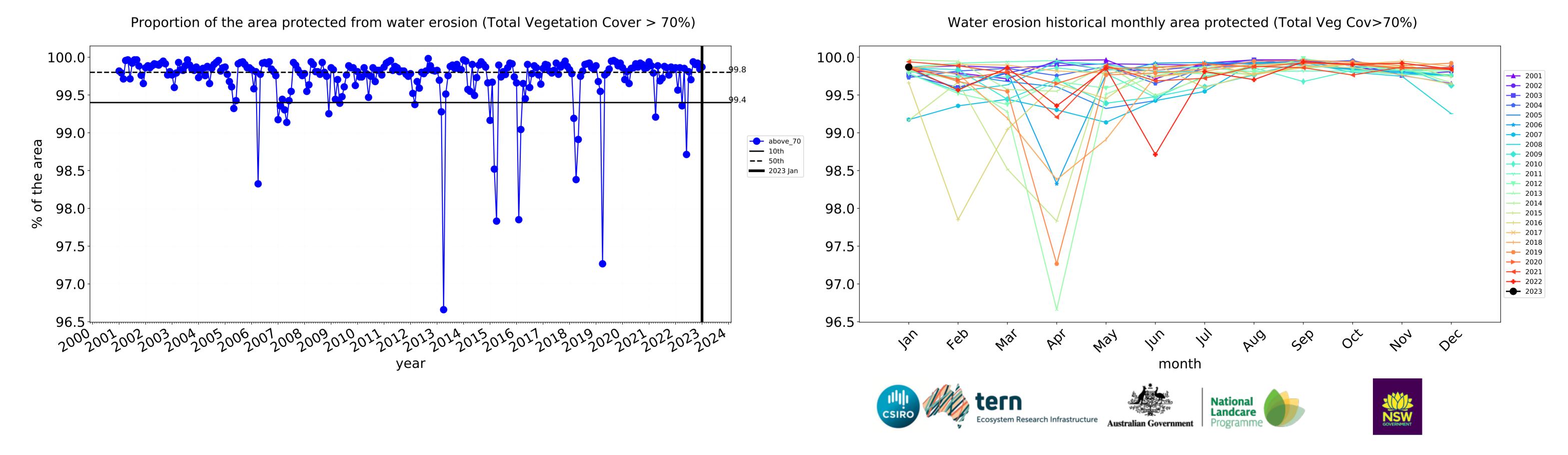


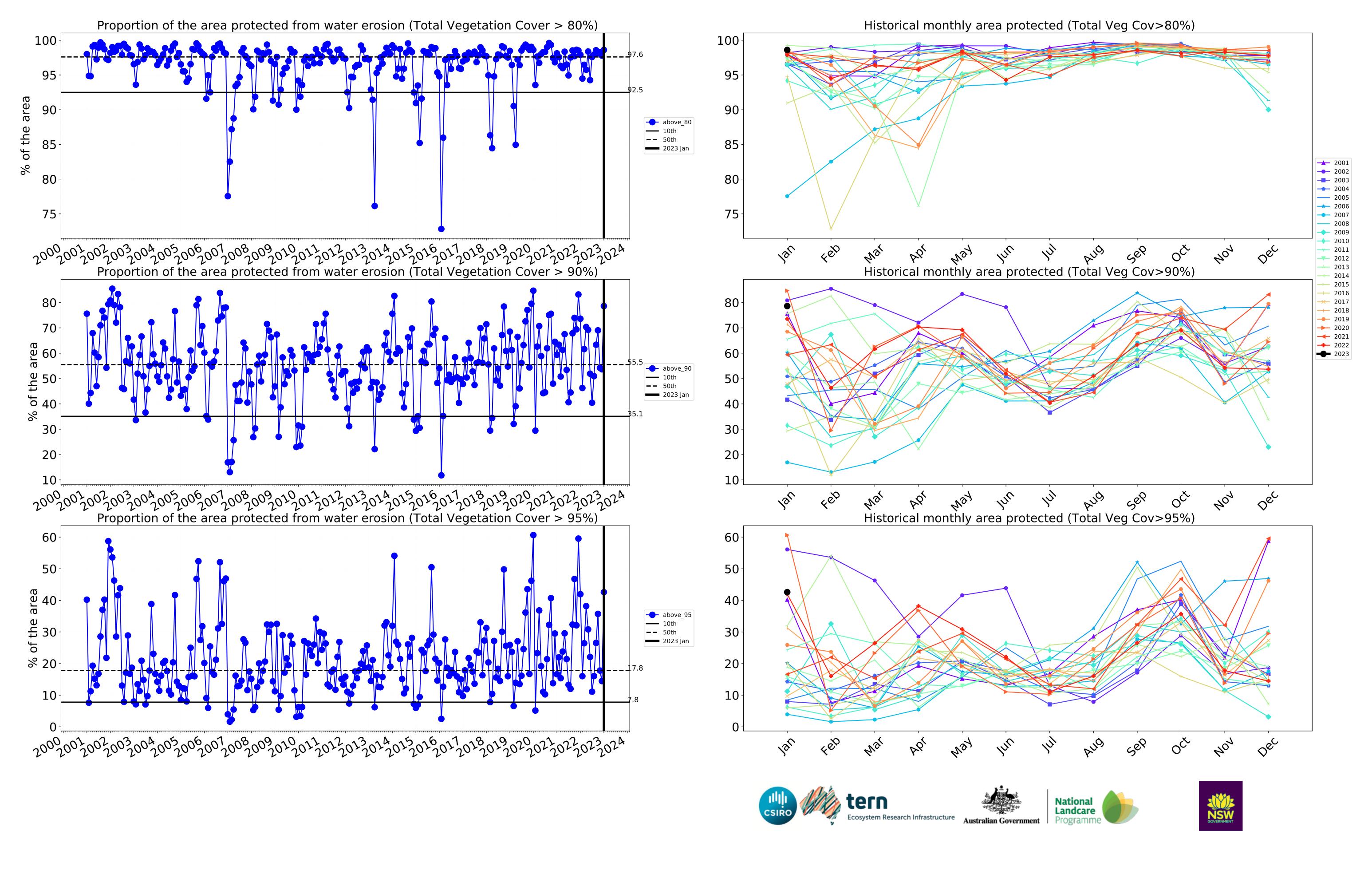




# **Agriculture timeseries**







# Grazing

# Land use and forest cover

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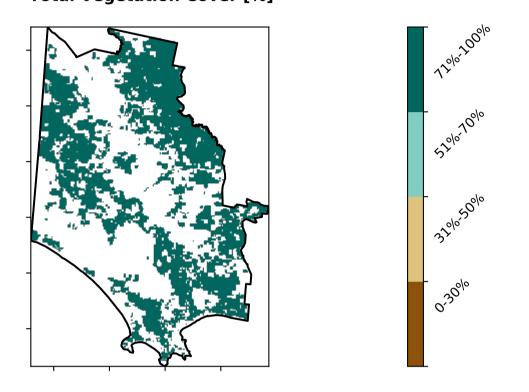
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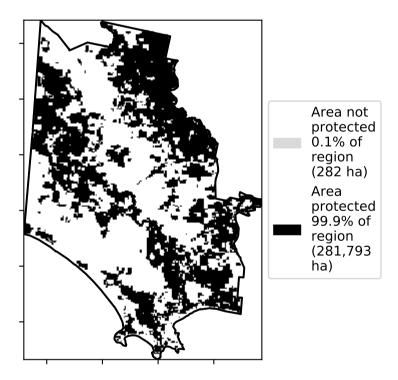
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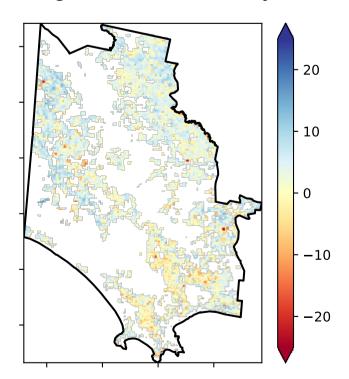
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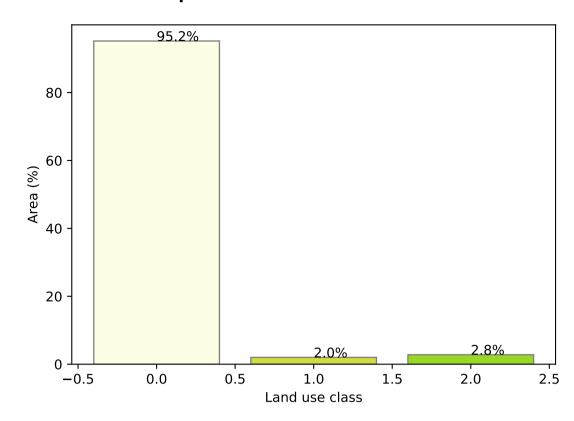


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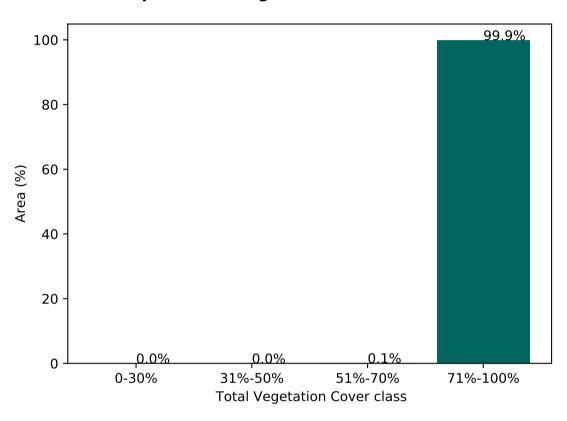


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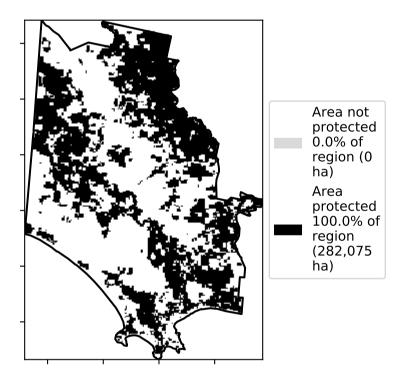
# Proportion of each land class in area

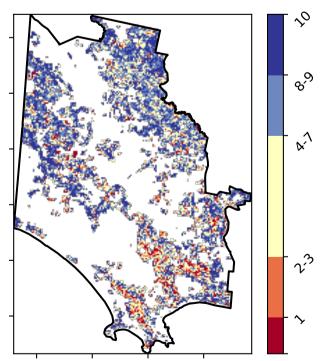


# Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



# % Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)









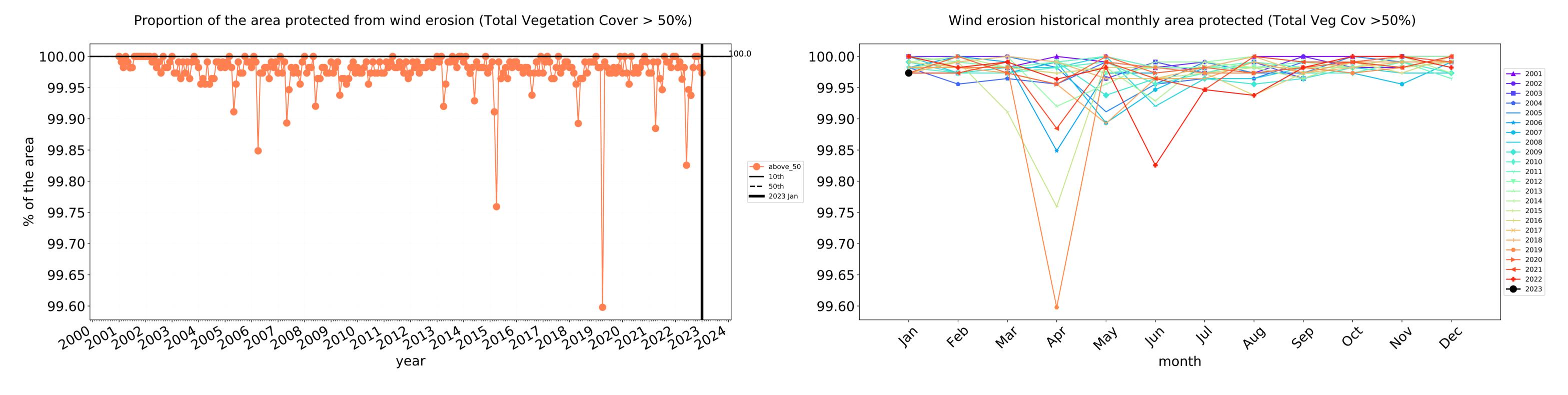


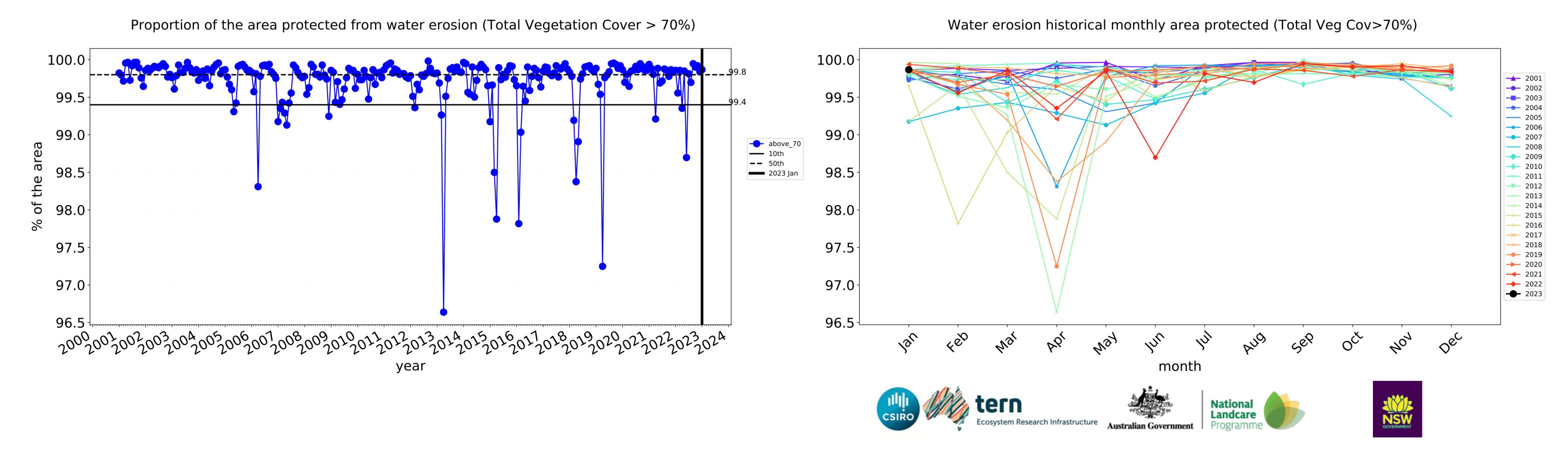


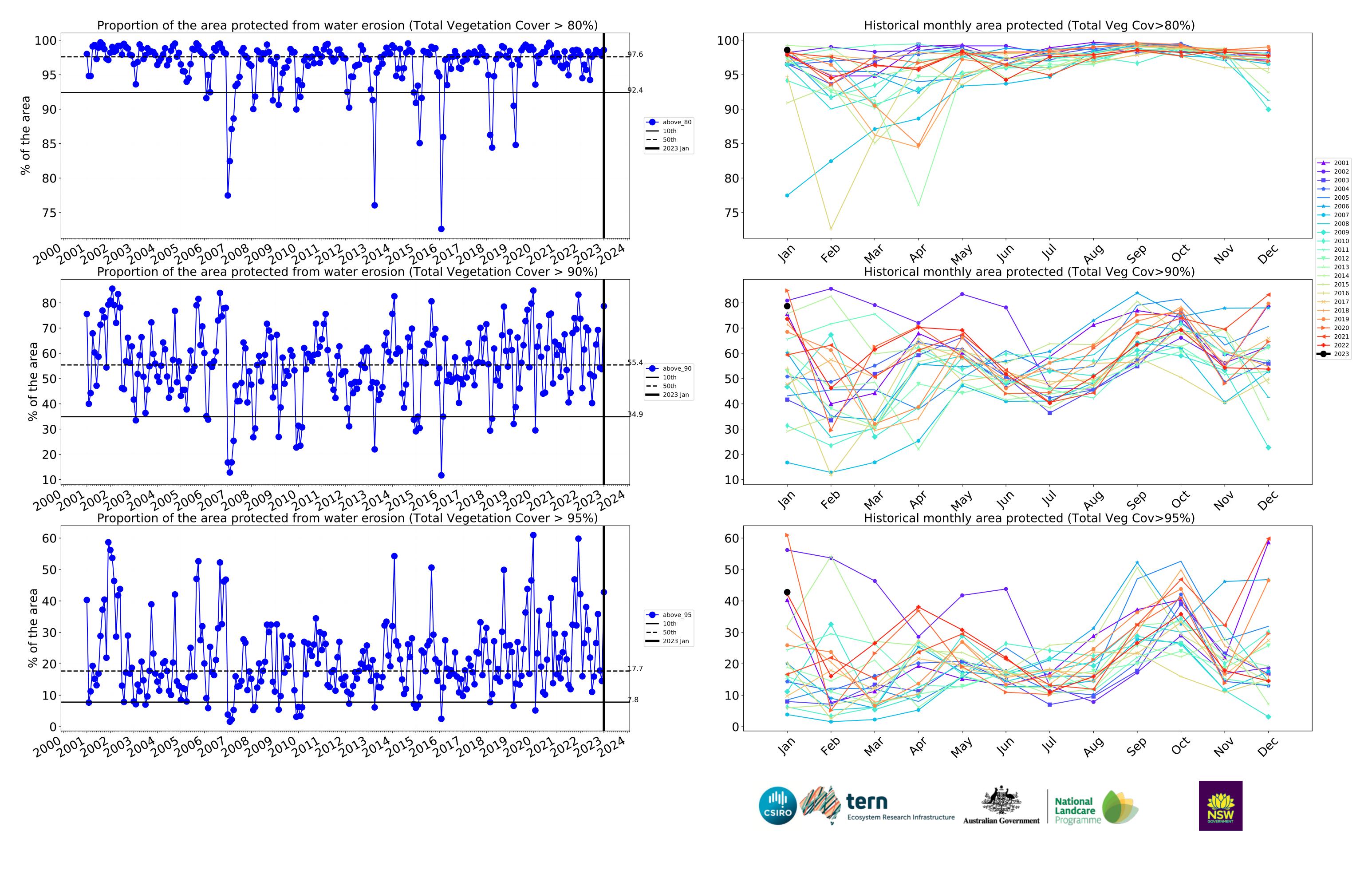




# **Grazing timeseries**







# **Grazing non forest**

# Land use and forest cover

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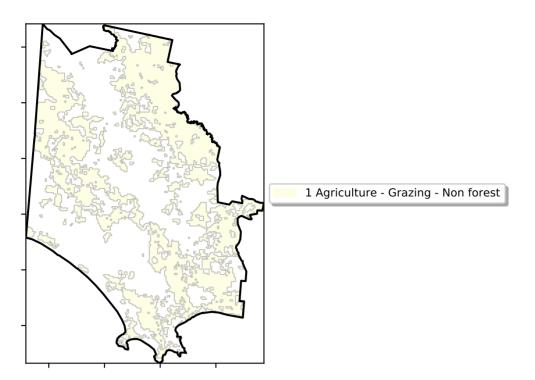
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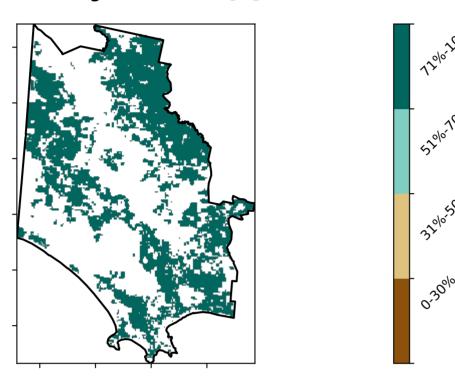
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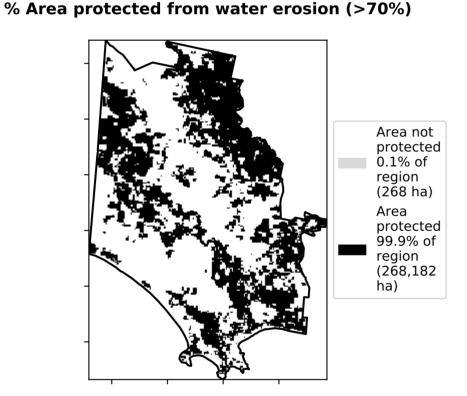
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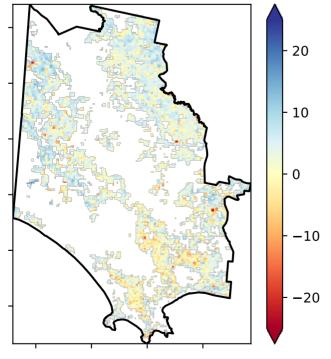


# **Total Vegetation Cover [%]**



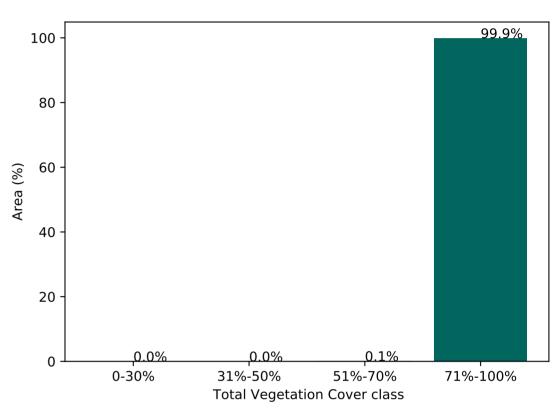


# **Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]**

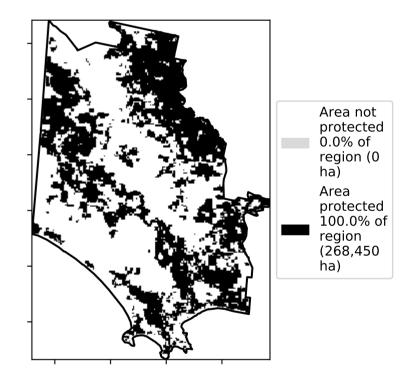


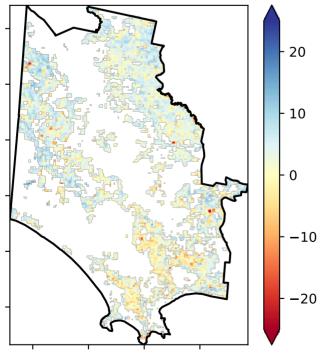
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# Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

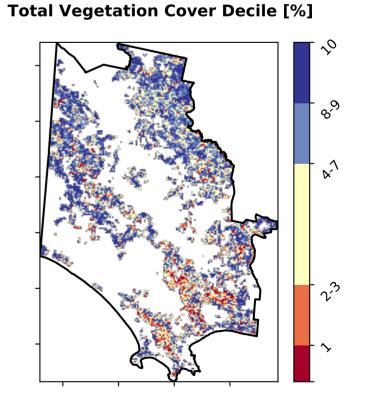


# % Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)





records for that month of







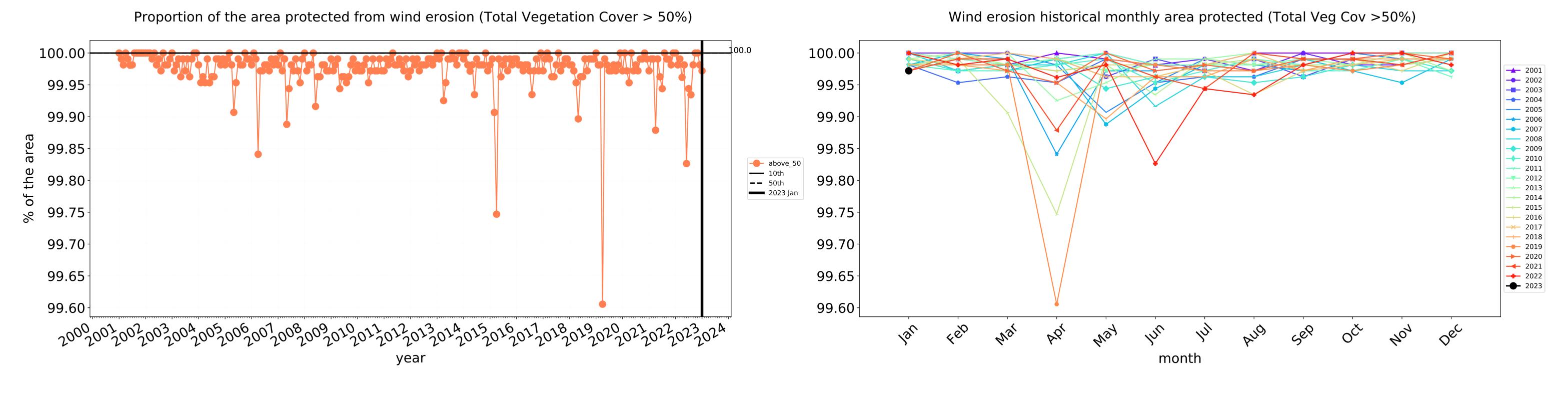


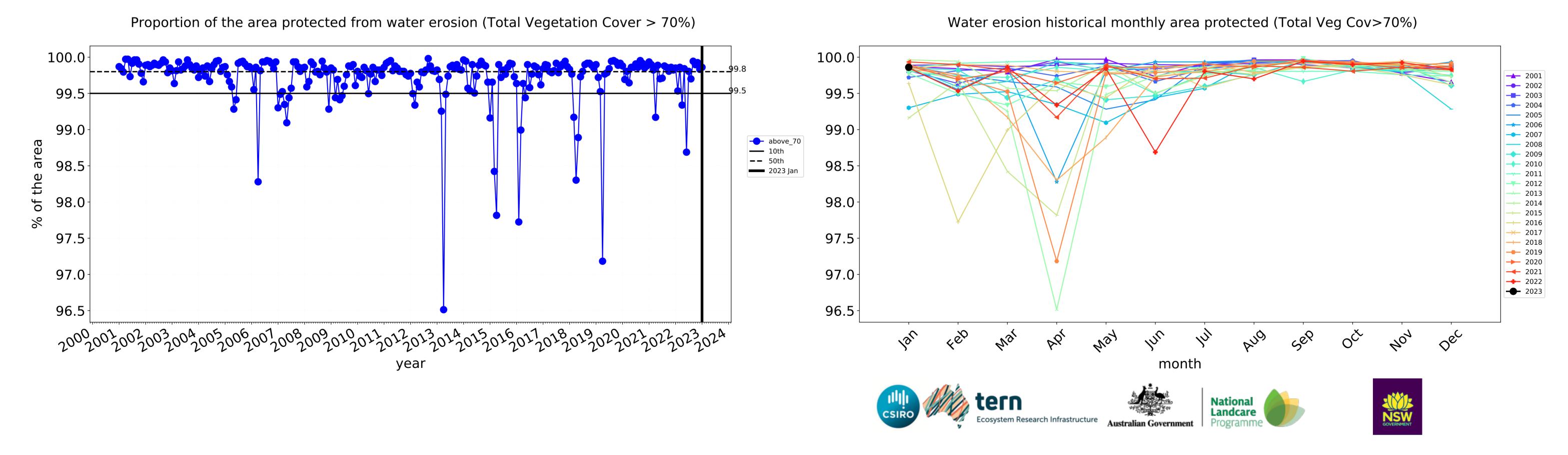


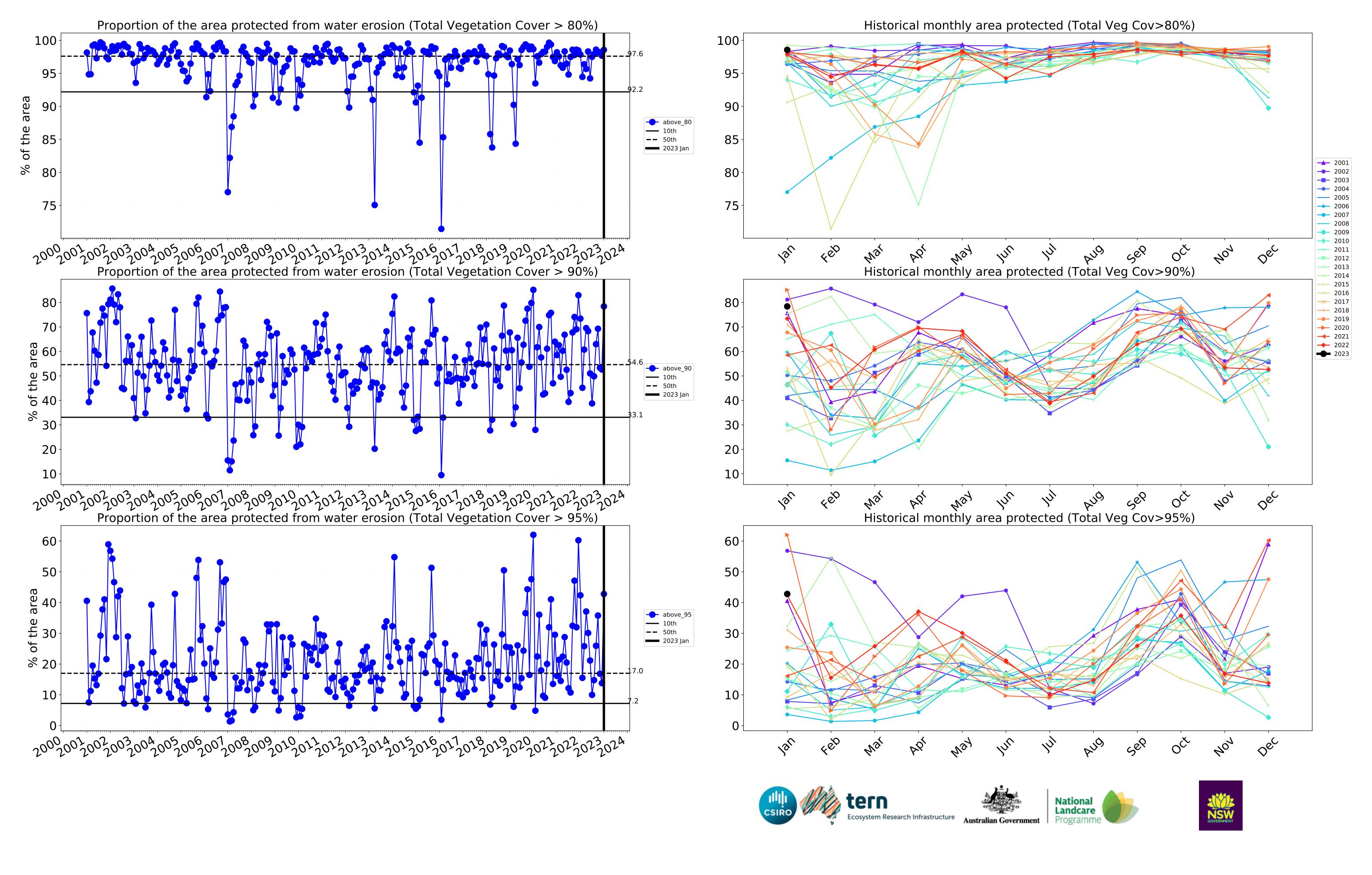




# **Grazing non forest timeseries**







# **Grazing - Forest (non woodland)**

# Land use and forest cover

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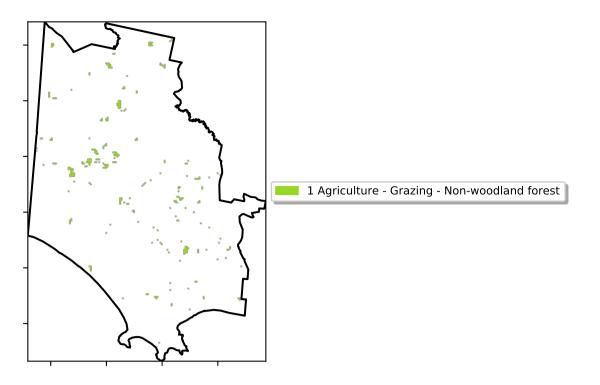
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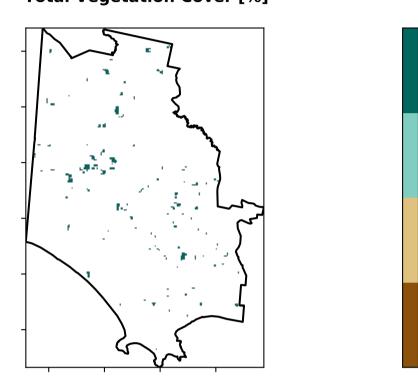
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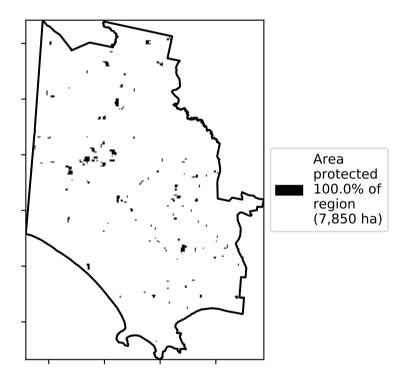
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# **Total Vegetation Cover [%]**



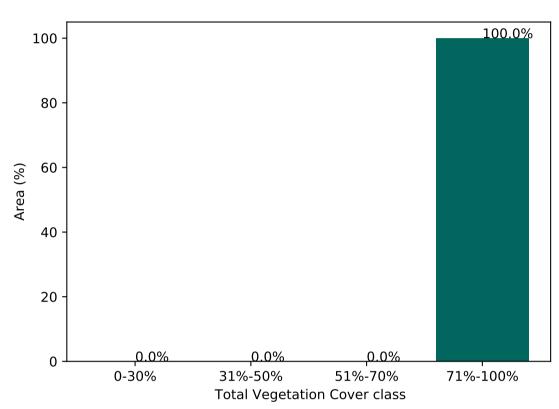
# % Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



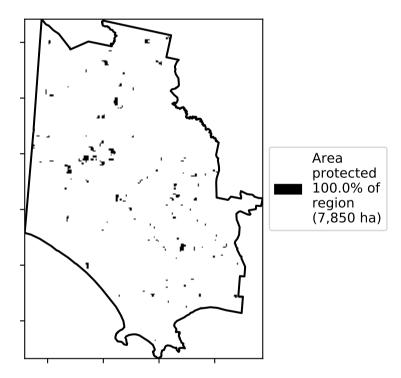
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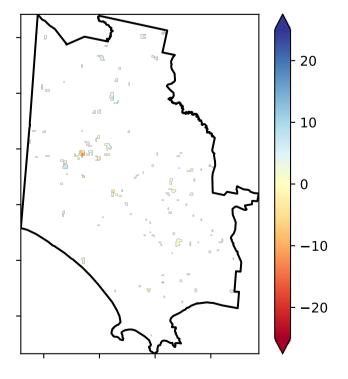
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# Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

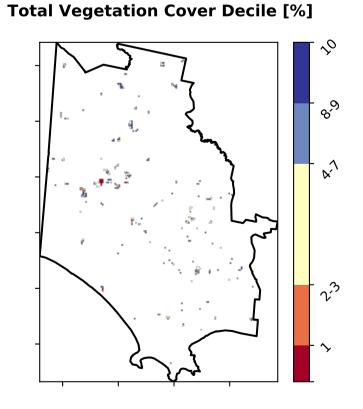


# % Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)





Deciles show where the records for that month of





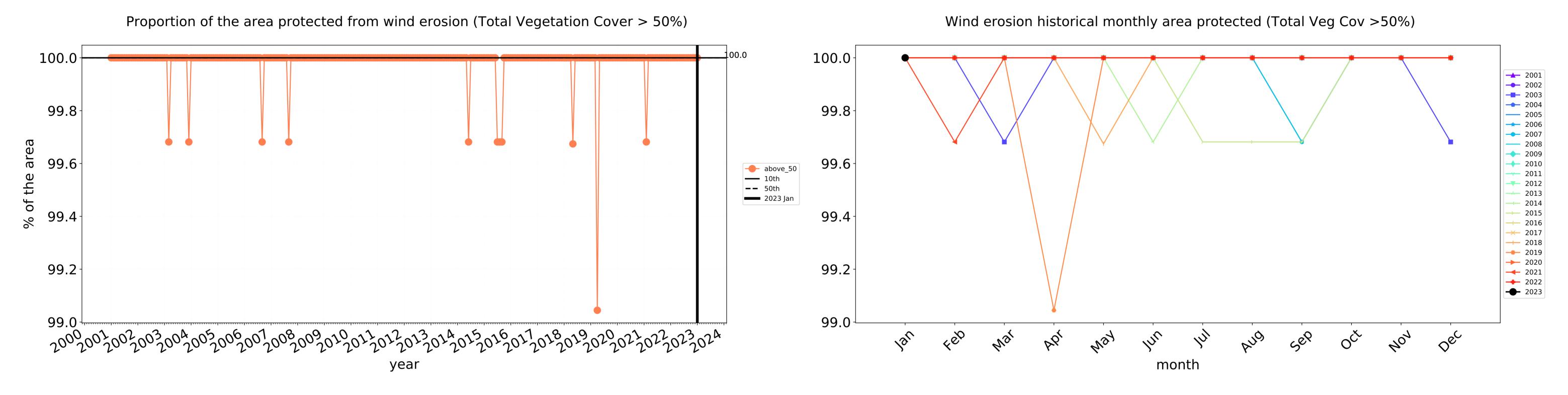


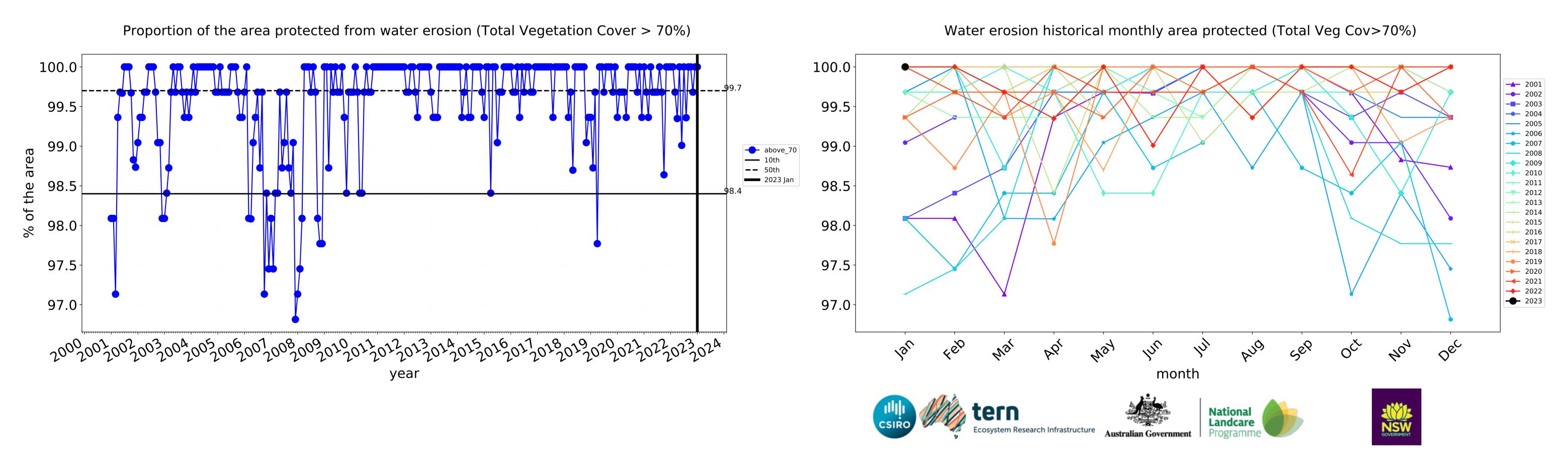


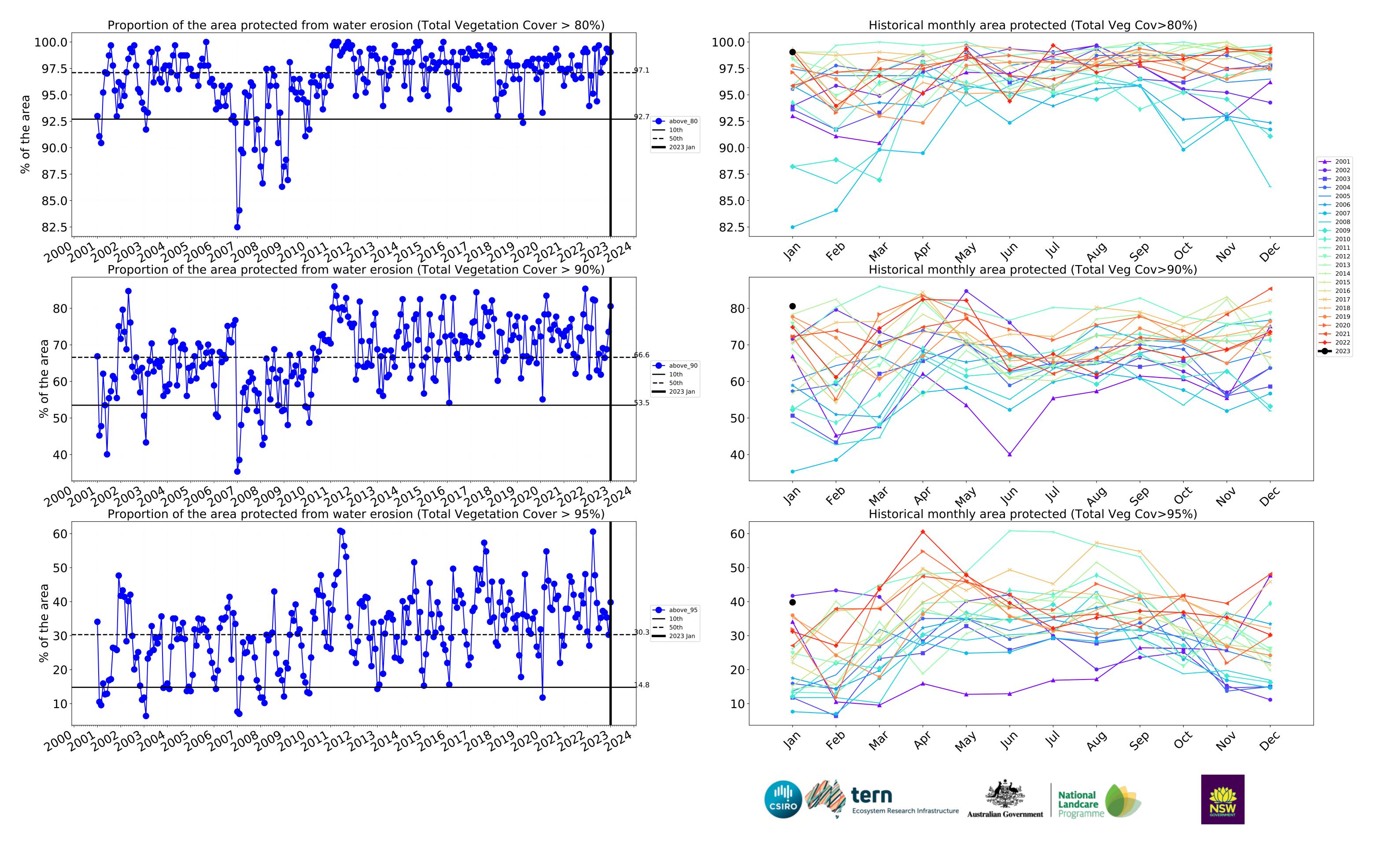












# **Production native forests and plantation forests**

# Land use and forest cover

1 Production native forests and plantation forests

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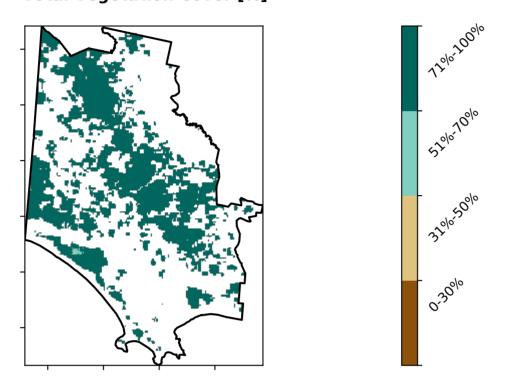
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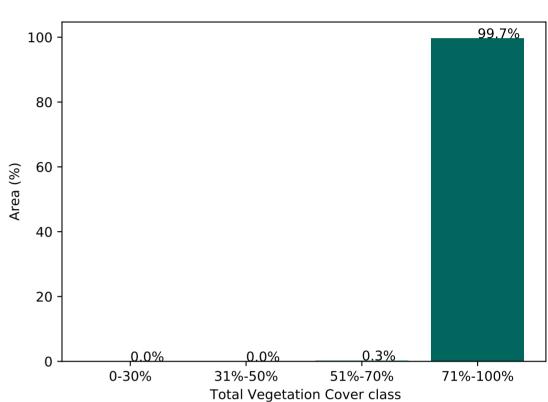
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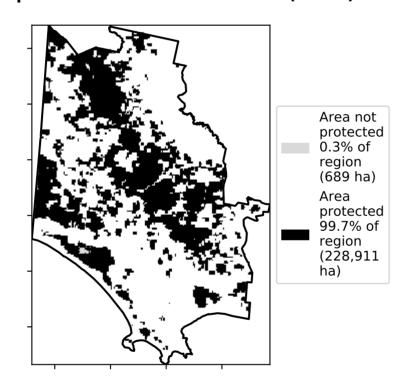
# **Total Vegetation Cover [%]**



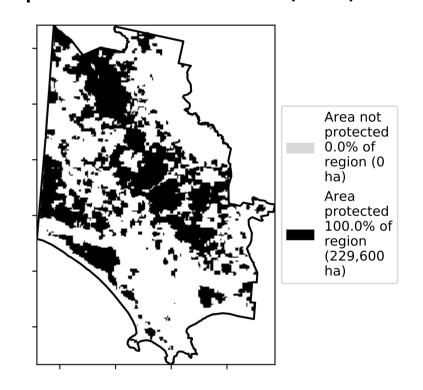
# Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



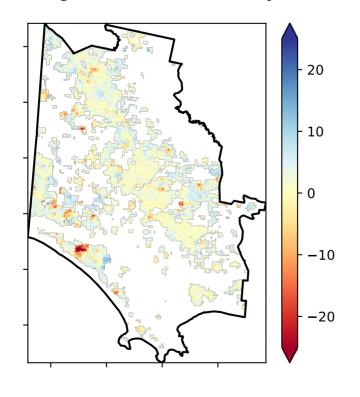
# % Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



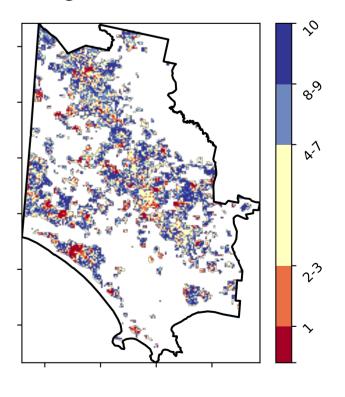
% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



# **Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]**



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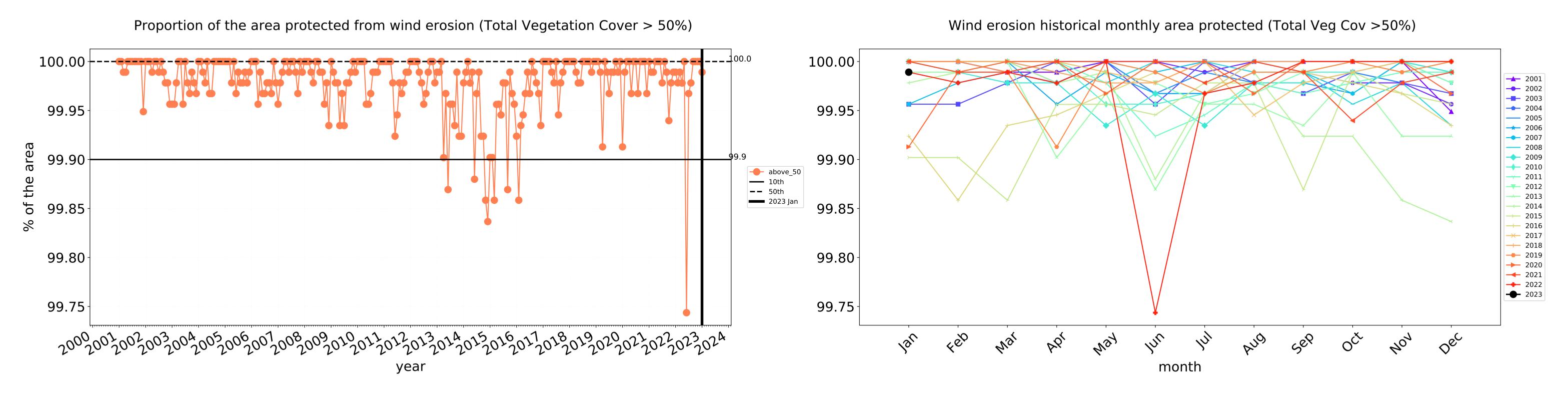


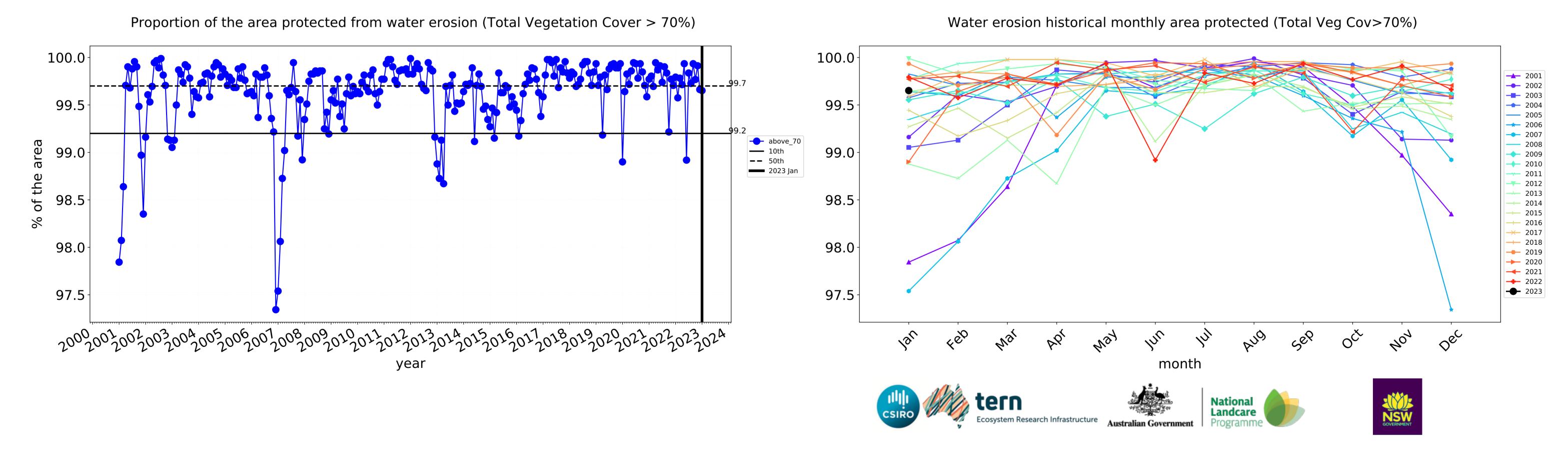


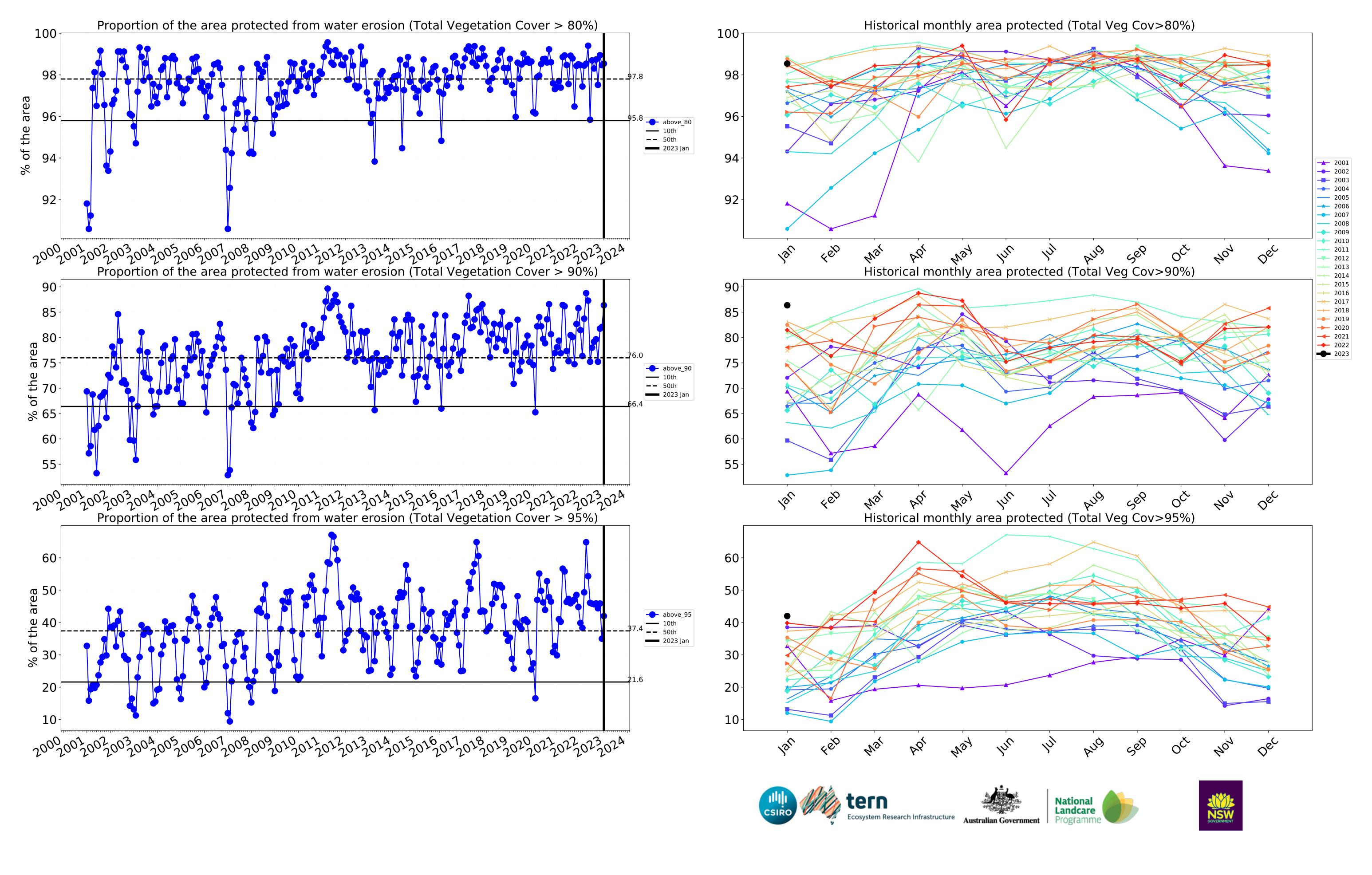




# **Production native forests and plantation forests timeseries**







# Glenelg\_(S) (617,950 ha and no data 4,099 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	617,950	100.0% 617,700	99.9% 617,400	99.4% 614,525	98.1% 606,150	82.3% 508,750	43.2% 266,650
Conservation and natural environments	84,050	99.8% 83,900	99.6% 83,725	98.4% 82,725	96.8% 81,325	88.8% 74,675	52.3% 43,950
Conservation and natural environments non forest	9,200	98.4% 9,050	96.5% 8,875	86.4% 7,950	74.7% 6,875	48.1% 4,425	24.5% 2,250
Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest	41,800	100.0% 41,800	100.0% 41,800	99.9% 41,750	99.8% 41,700	93.8% 39,200	43.7% 18,275
Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)	33,050	100.0% 33,050	100.0% 33,050	99.9% 33,025	99.1% 32,750	93.9% 31,050	70.9% 23,425
Agriculture	287,650	100.0% 287,600	100.0% 287,575	99.9% 287,275	98.6% 283,650	78.6% 226,125	42.6% 122,525
Grazing	282,075	100.0% 282,025	100.0% 282,000	99.9% 281,700	98.6% 278,100	78.7% 221,950	42.8% 120,675
Grazing non forest	268,450	100.0% 268,400	100.0% 268,375	99.9% 268,075	98.6% 264,575	78.4% 210,450	42.8% 114,875
Grazing - Forest (non woodland)	7,850	100.0% 7,850	100.0% 7,850	100.0% 7,850	99.0% 7,775	80.6% 6,325	39.8% 3,125
Production native forests and plantation forests	229,600	100.0% 229,600	100.0% 229,575	99.7% 228,800	98.5% 226,250	86.4% 198,300	42.0% 96,400







