### Total vegetation cover soil protection Region:LGA Pyrenees\_(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: December 2021** 

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 Dec 2021**

#### Land use and forest cover

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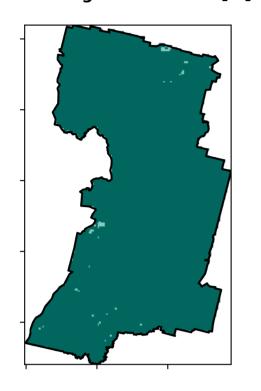
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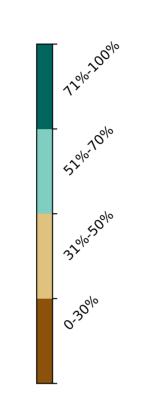
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Catchment Scale

Land Use and Forests

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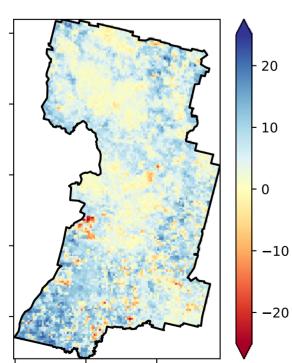




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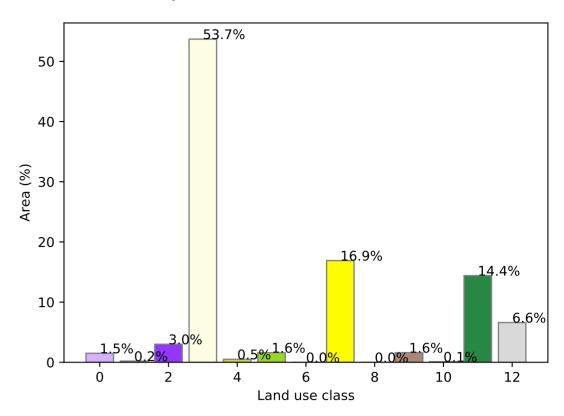


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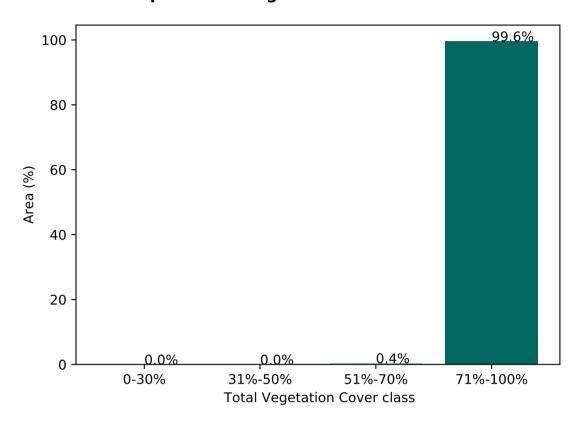


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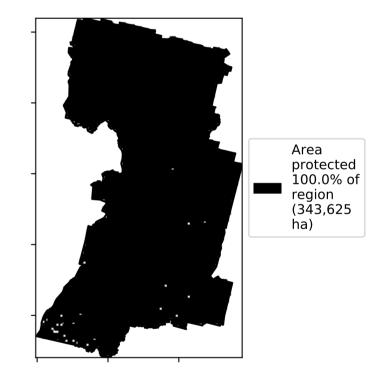
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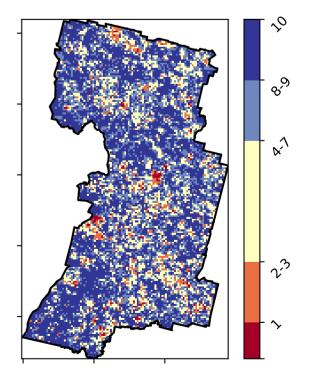


#### Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



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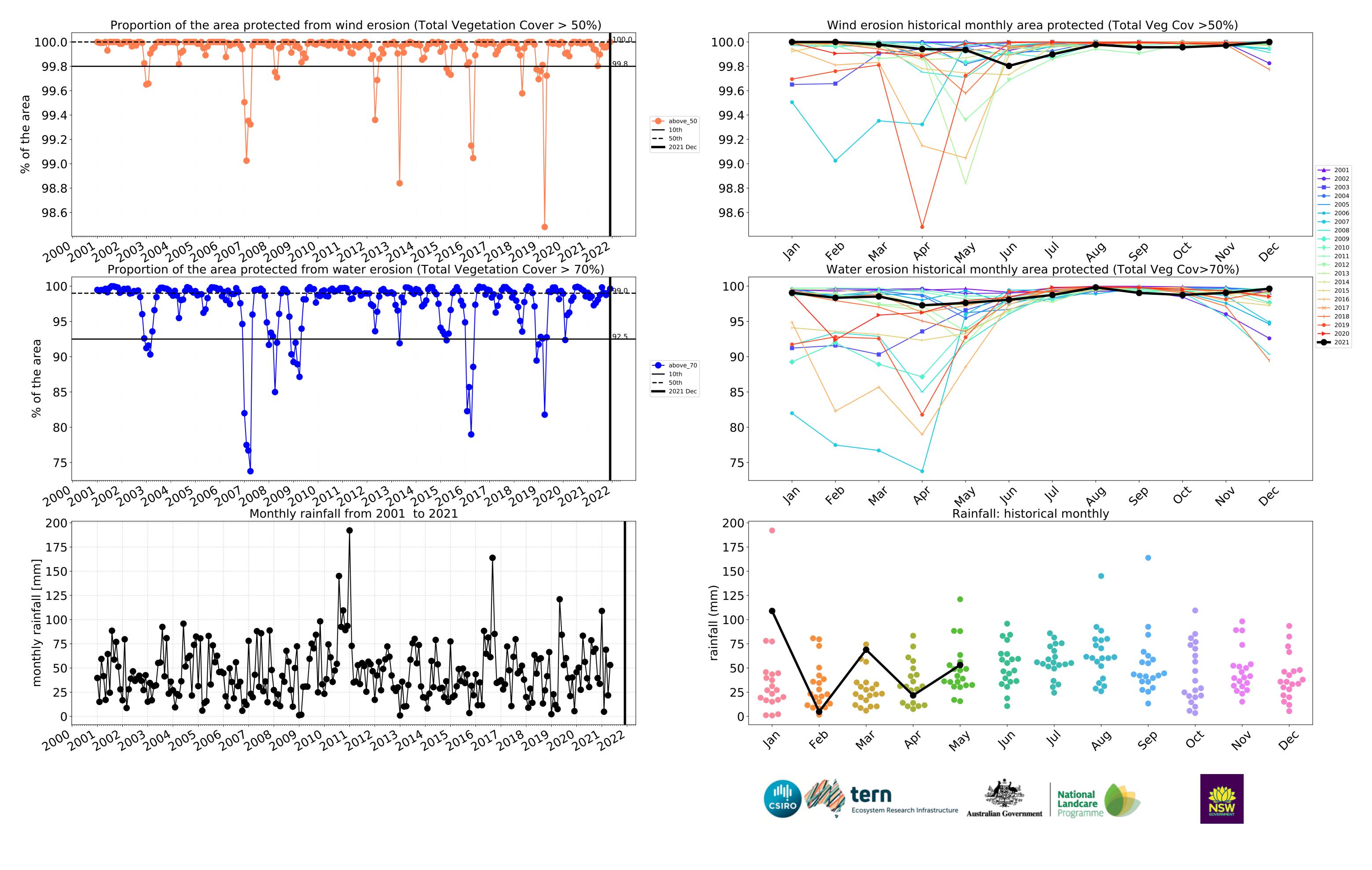


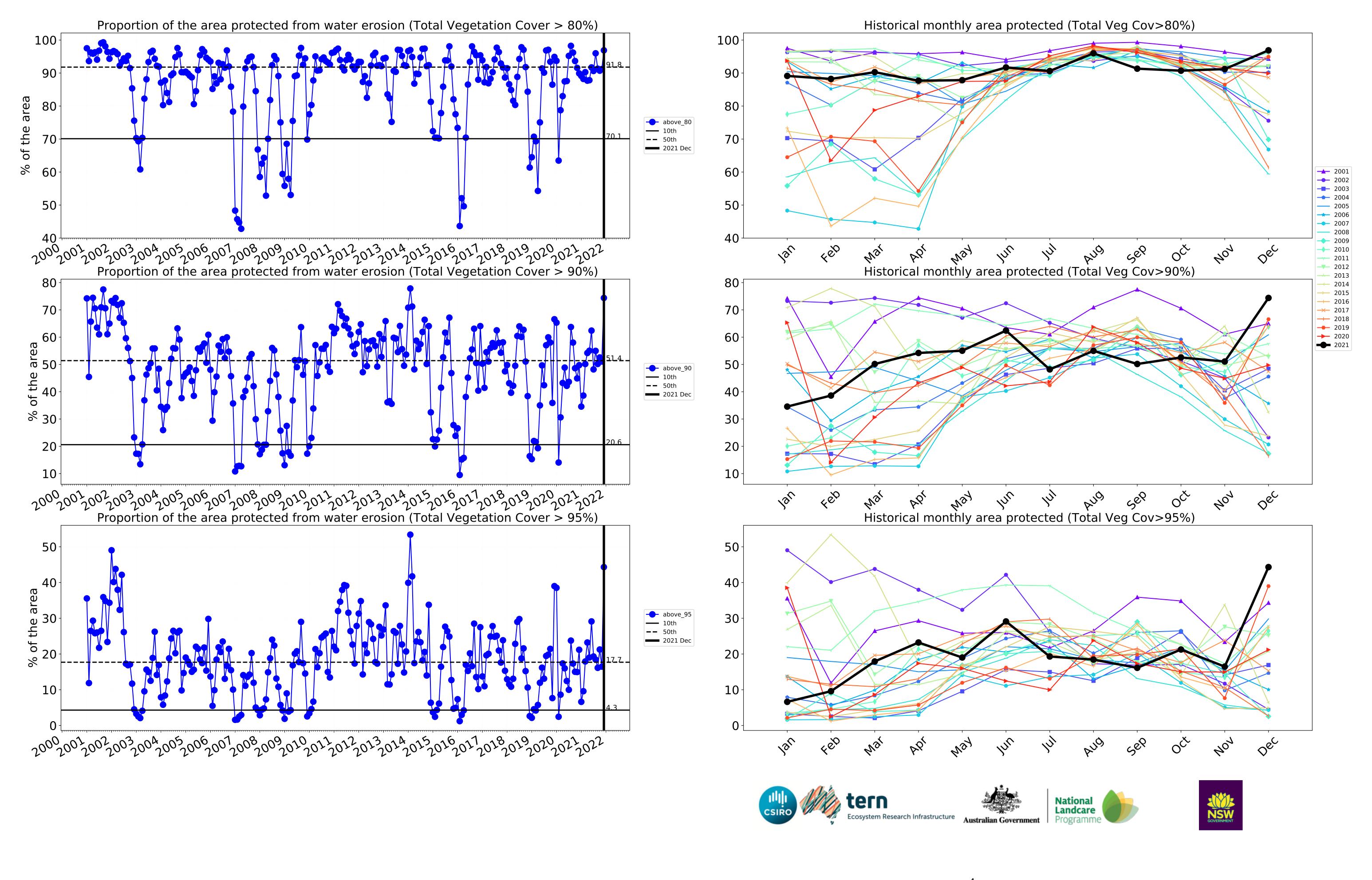










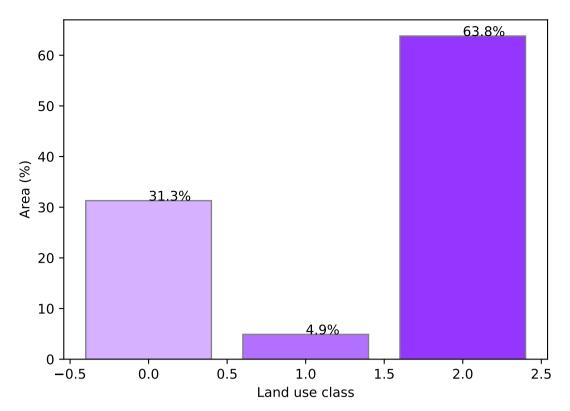


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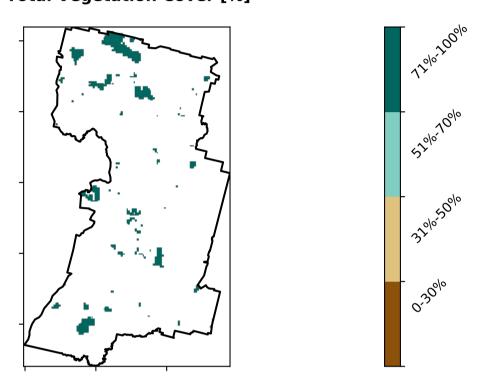
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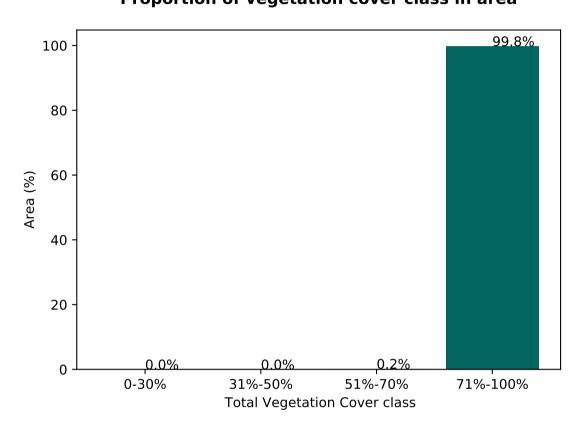
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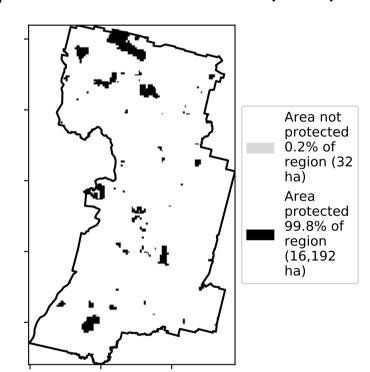
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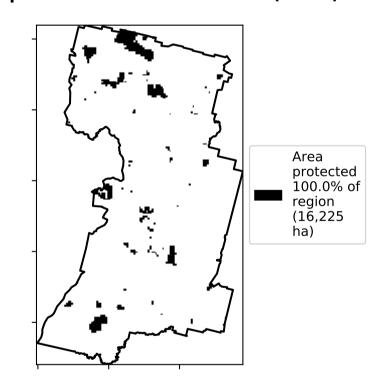
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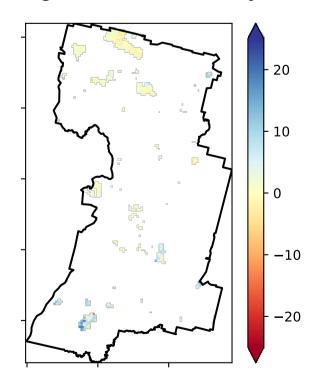
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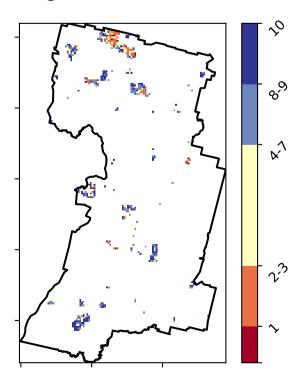


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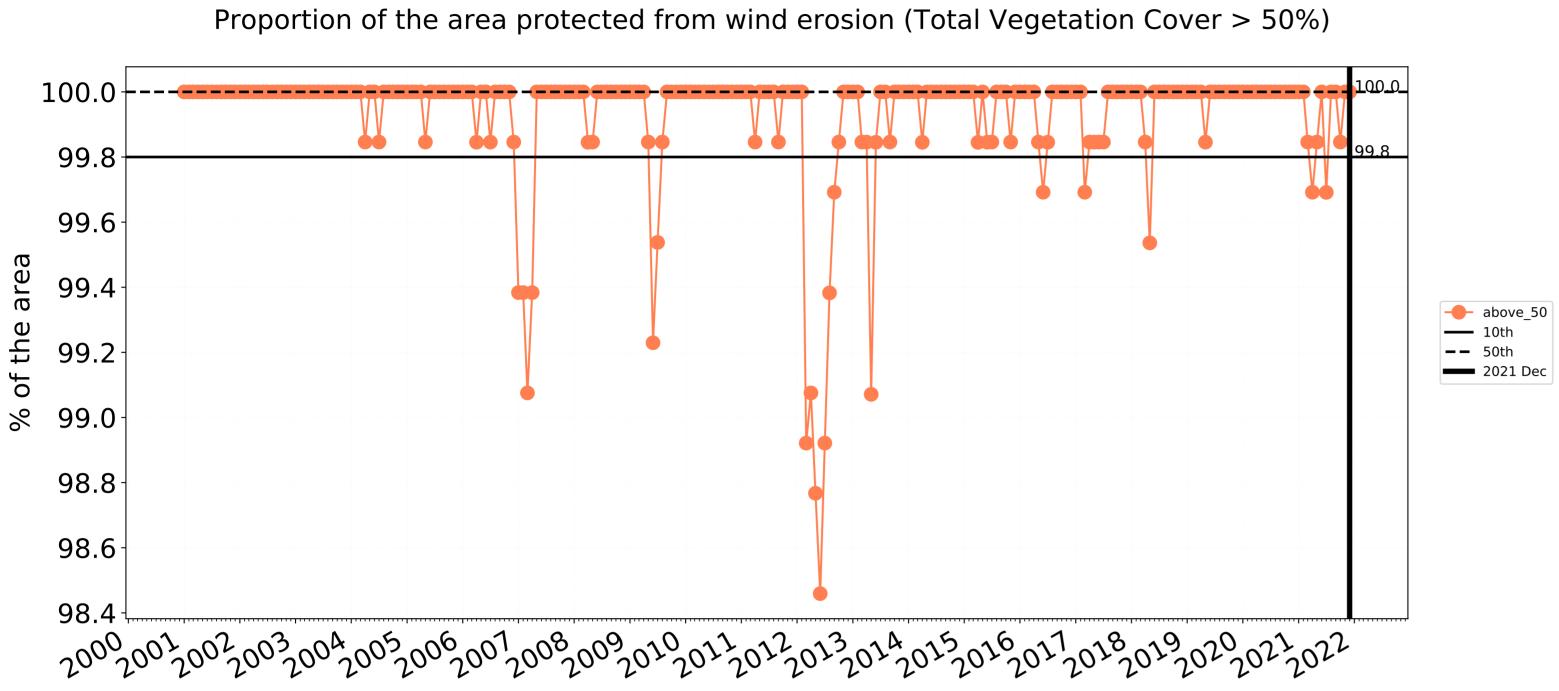


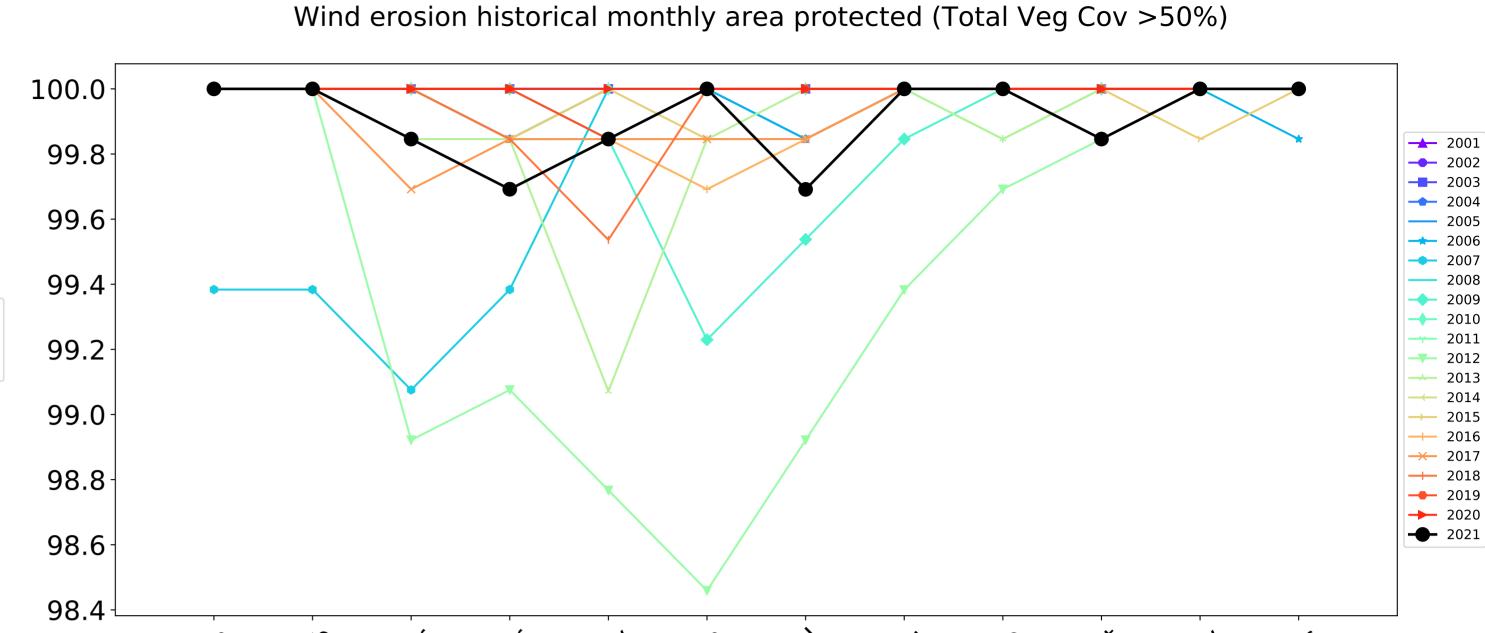




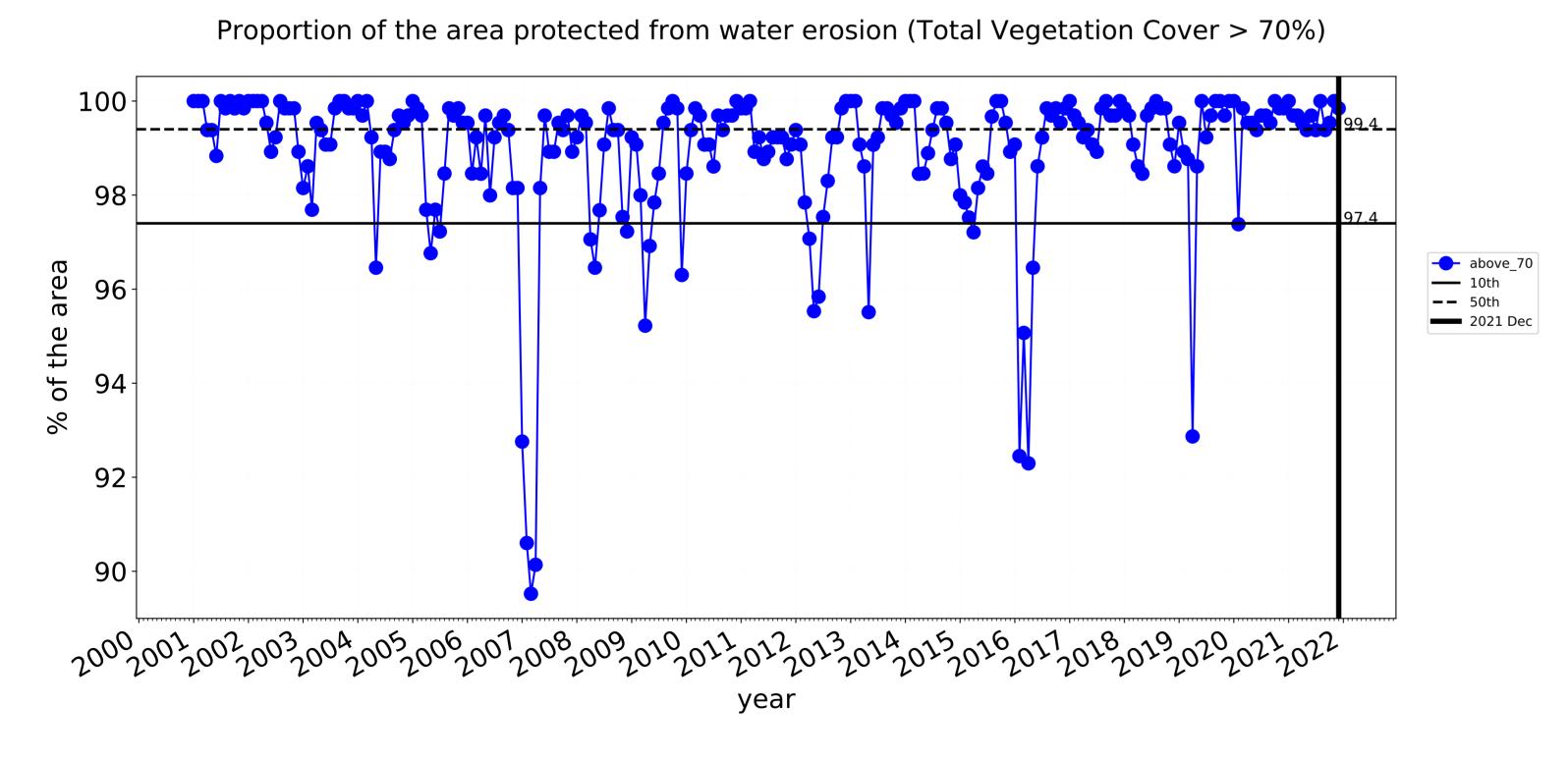


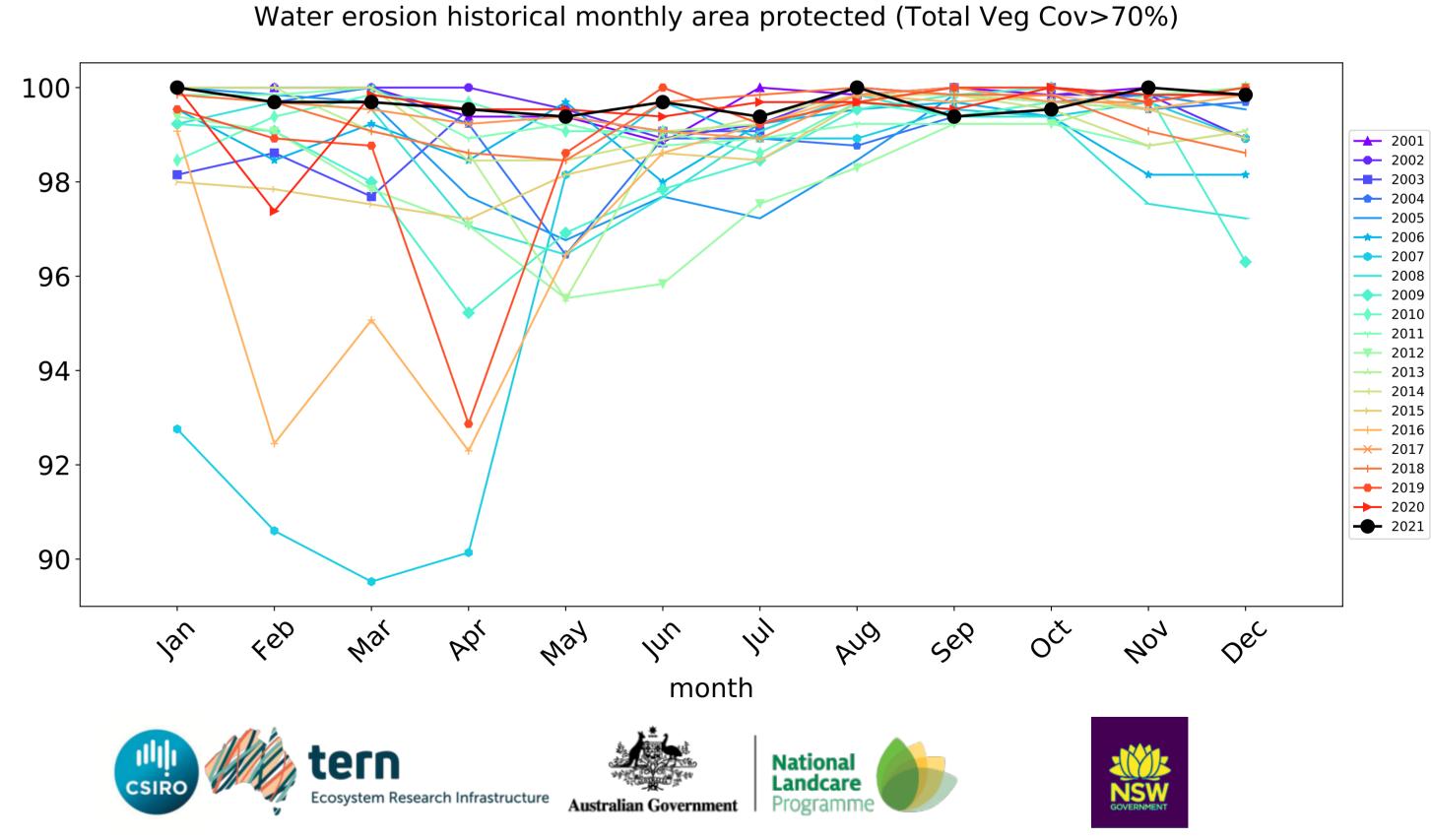
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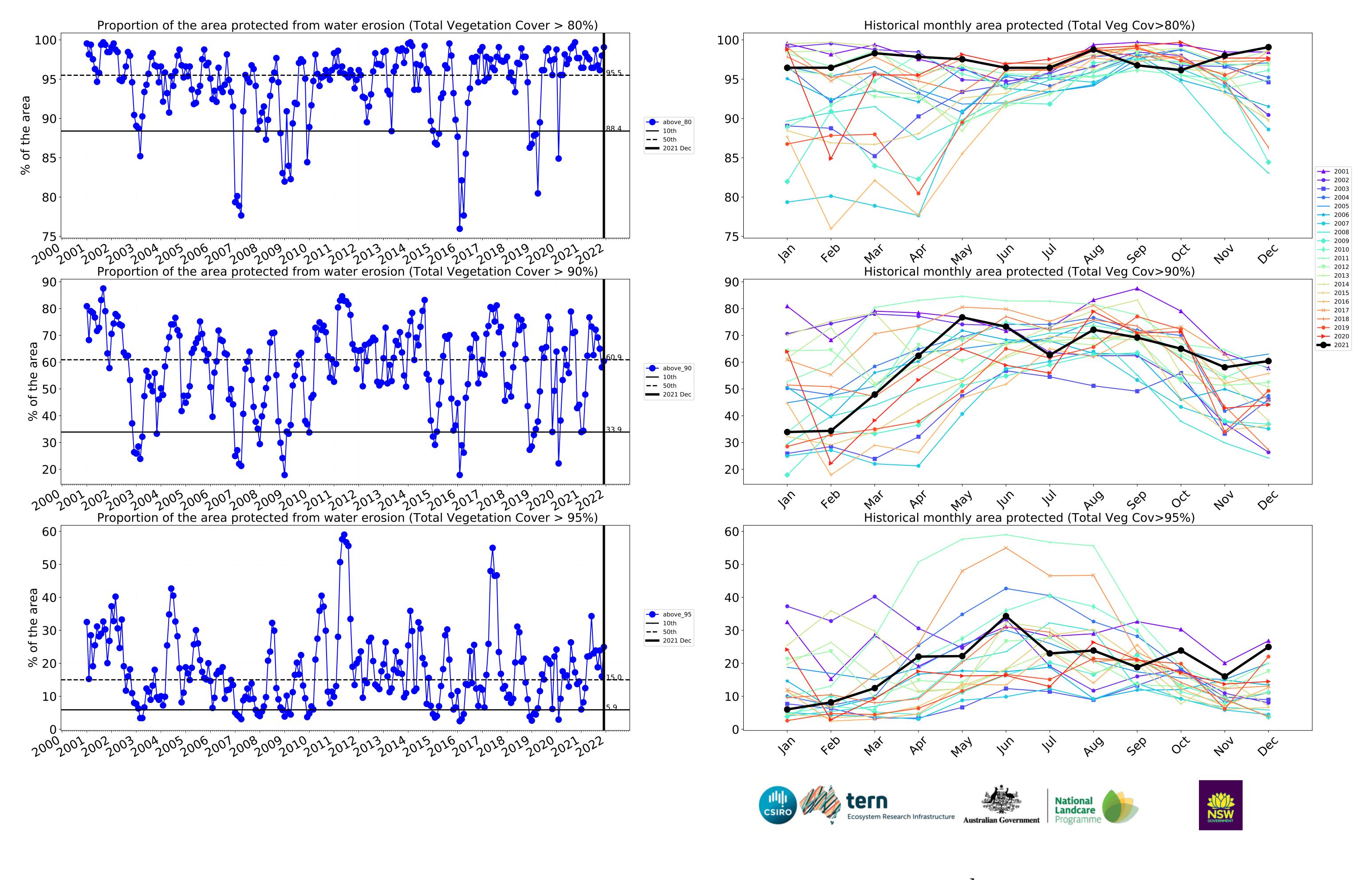




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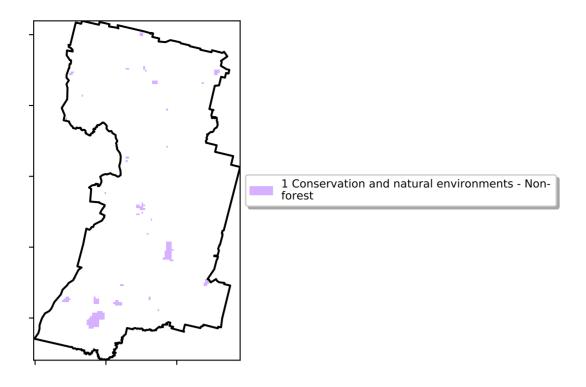
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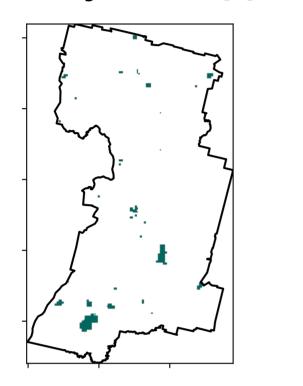
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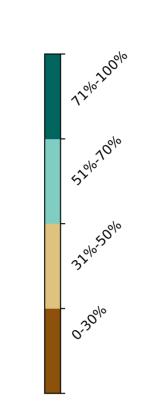
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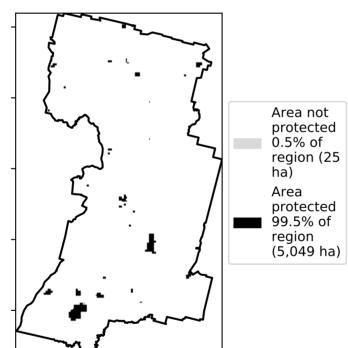


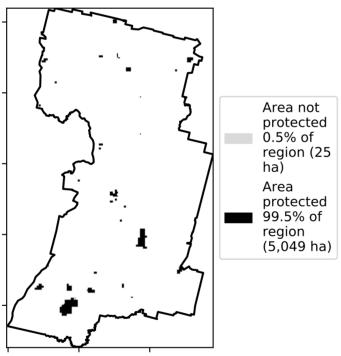
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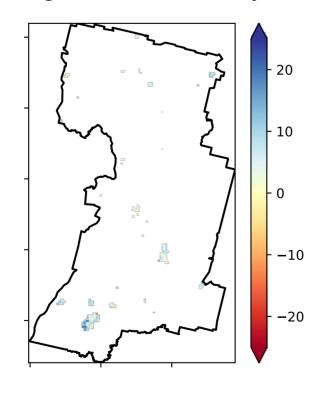


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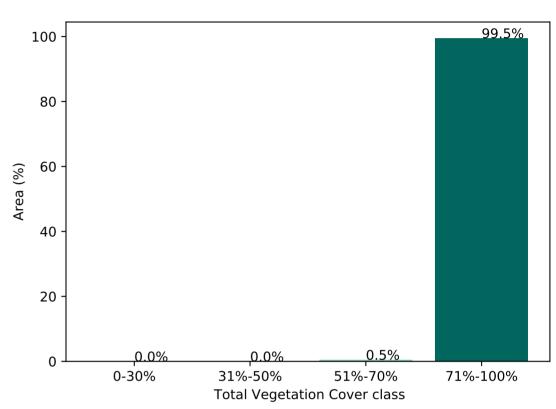


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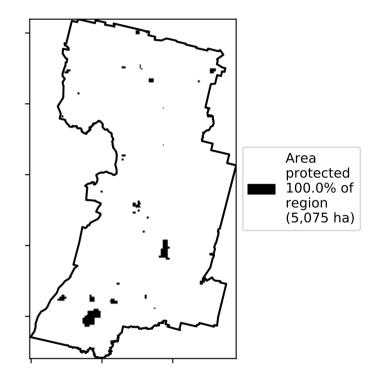


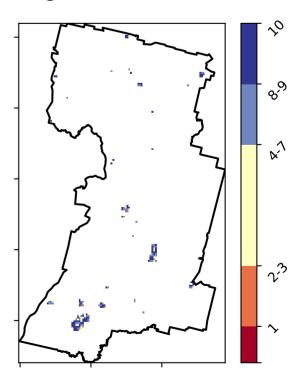
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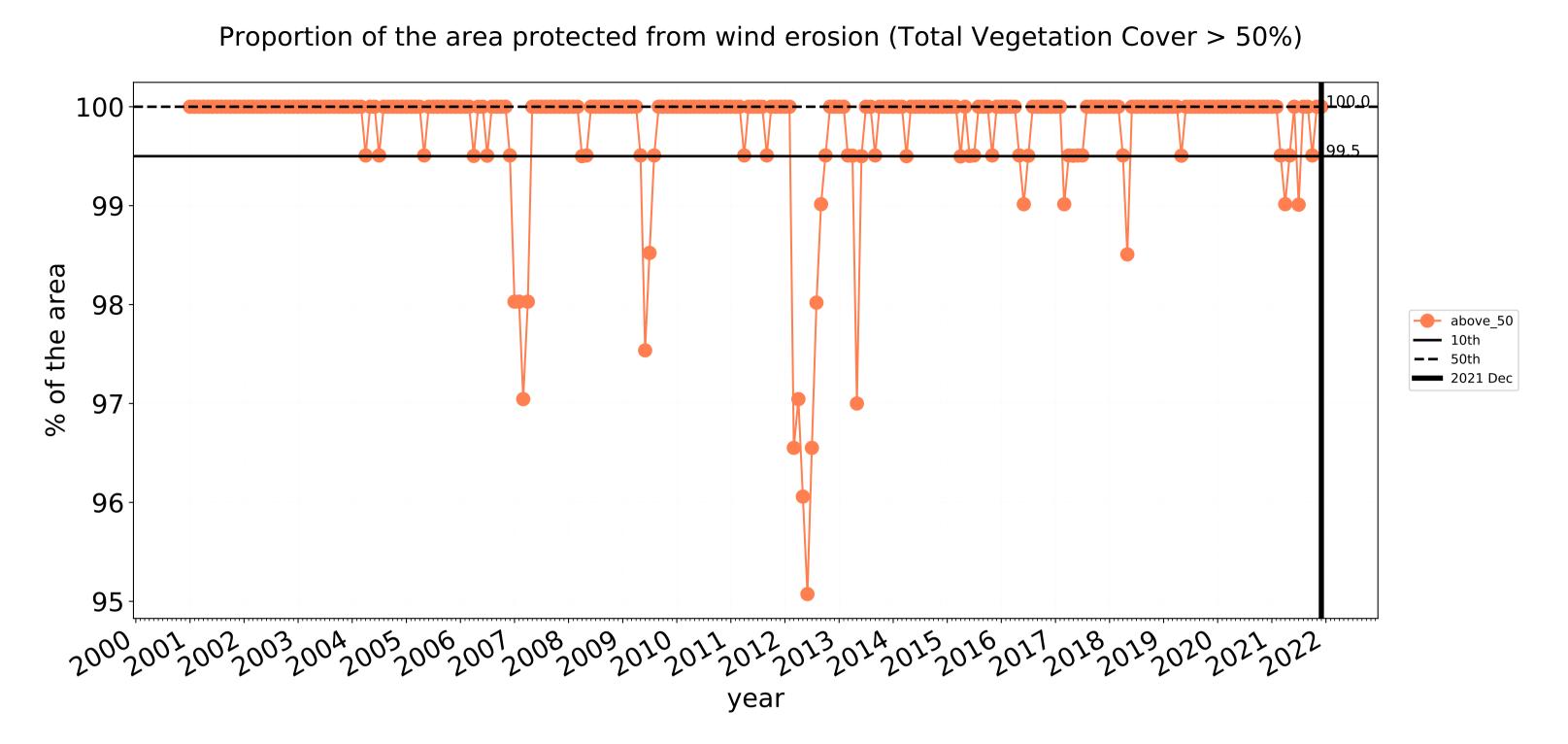


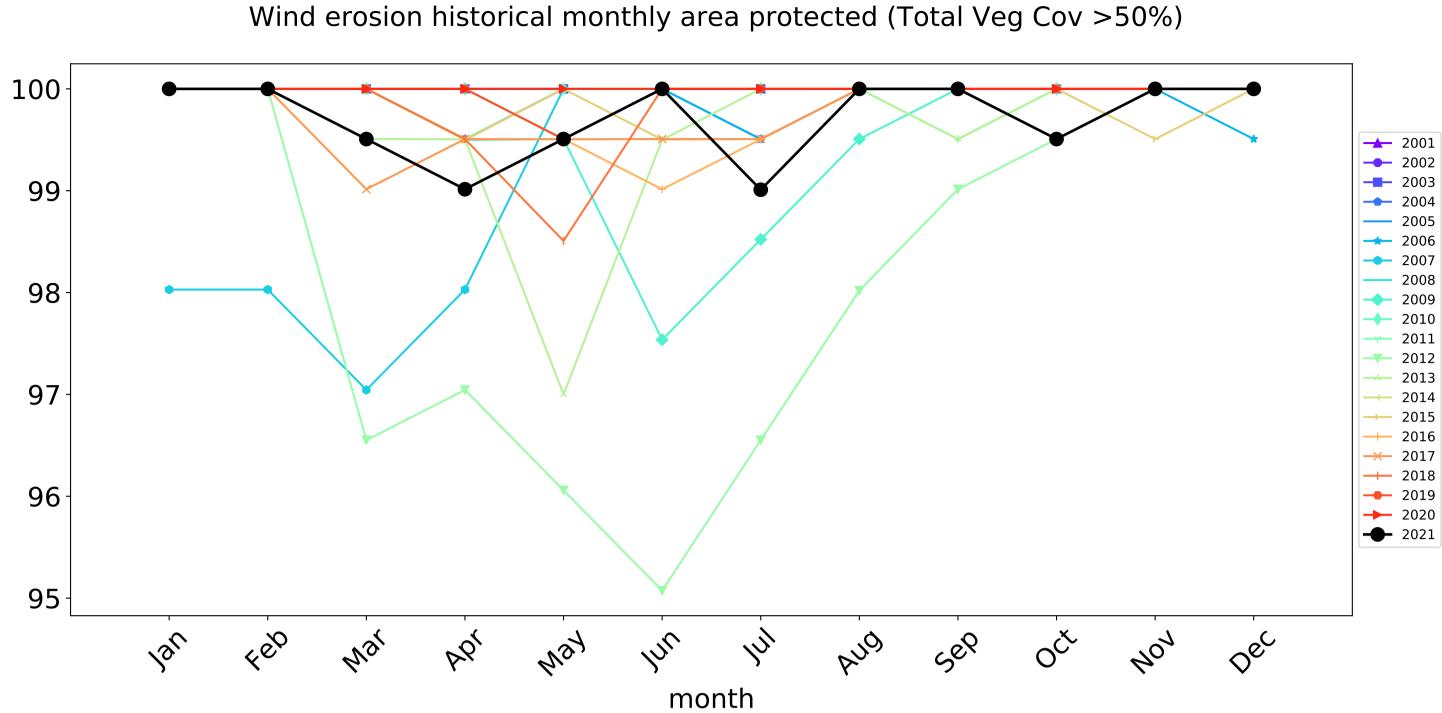


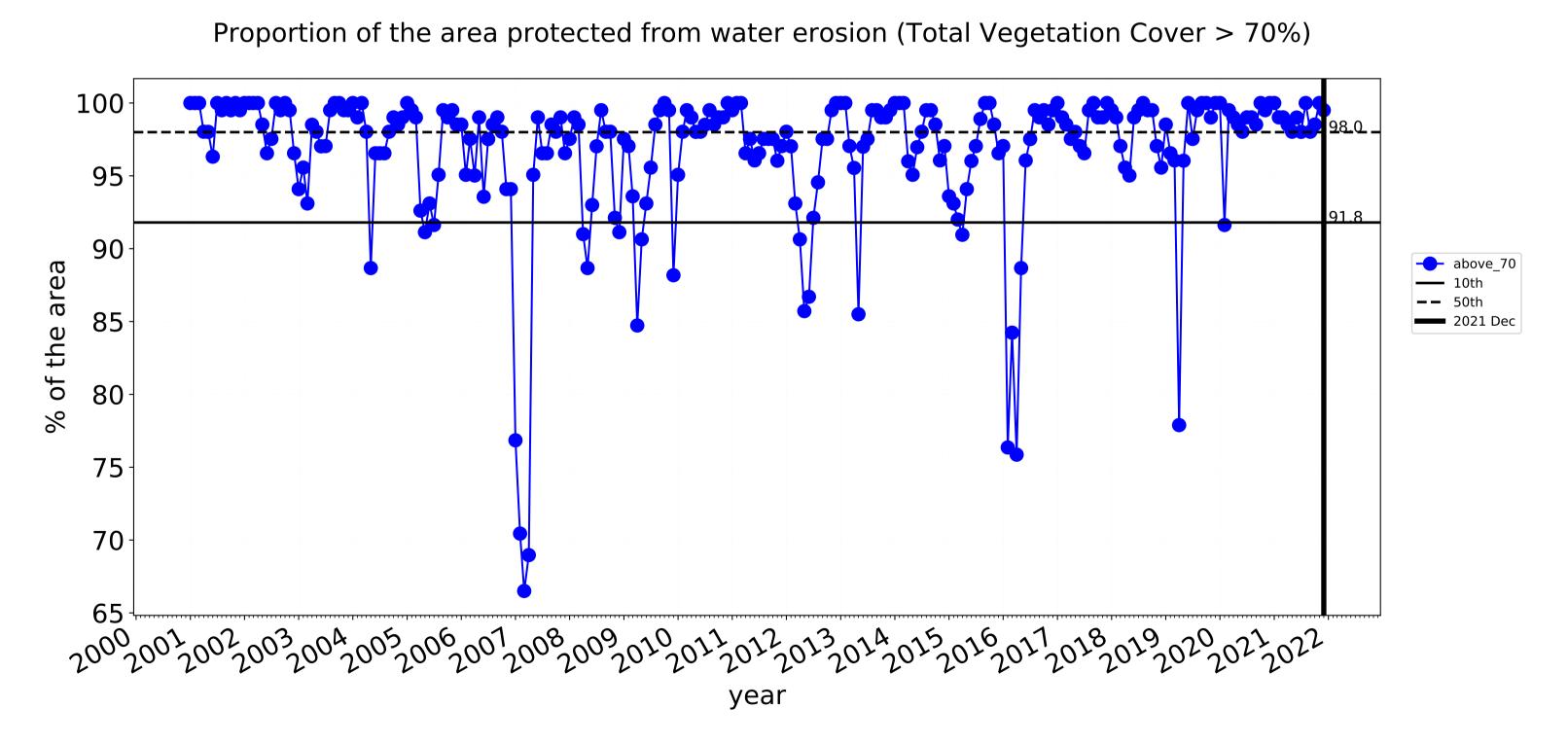


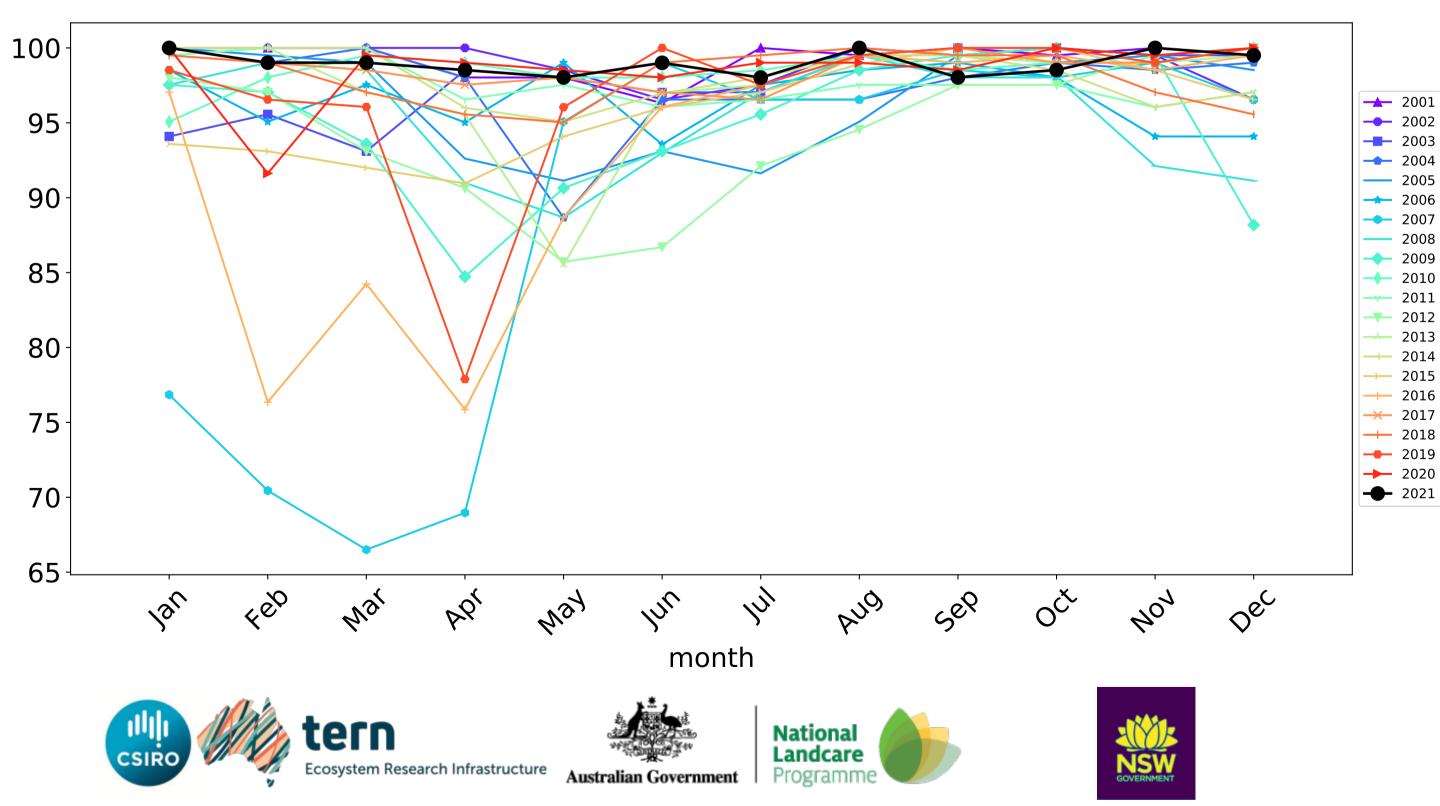


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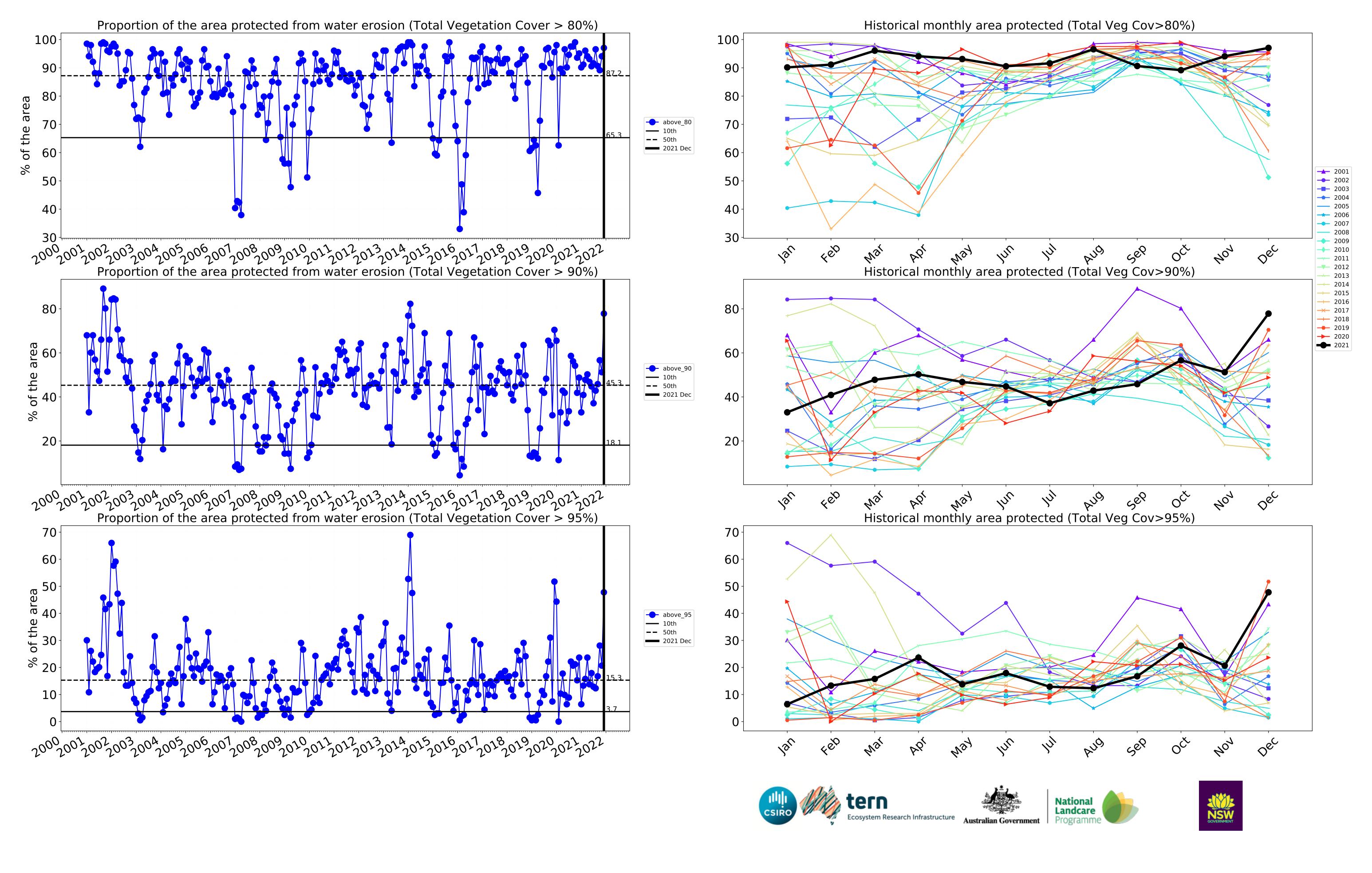








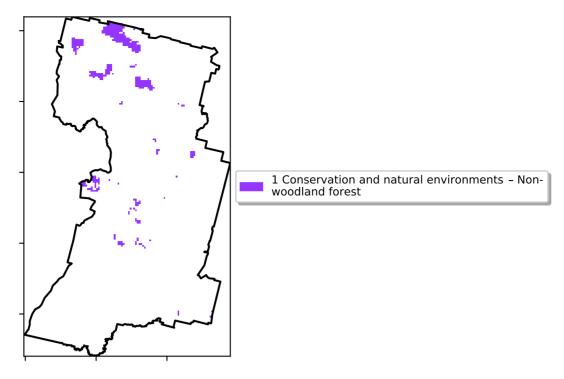
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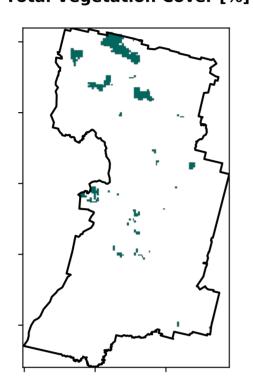
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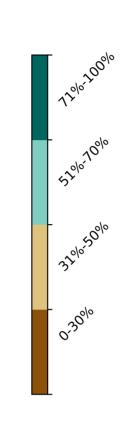
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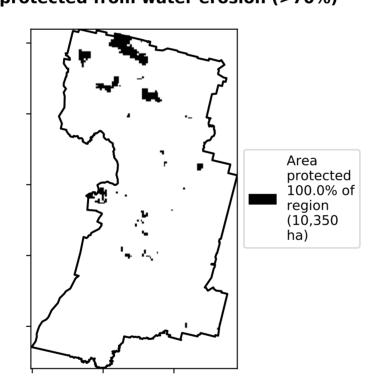


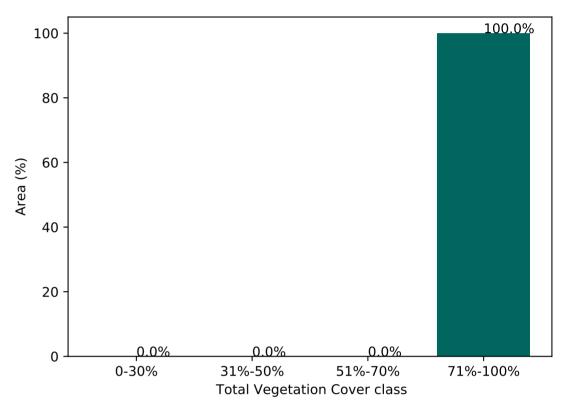
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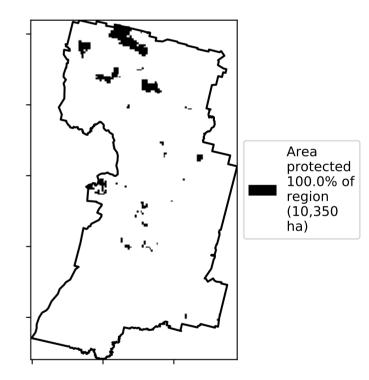
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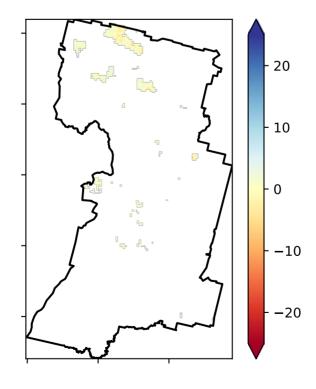


Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

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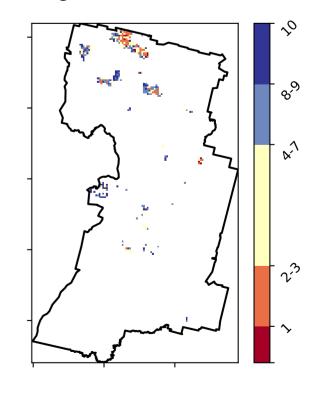


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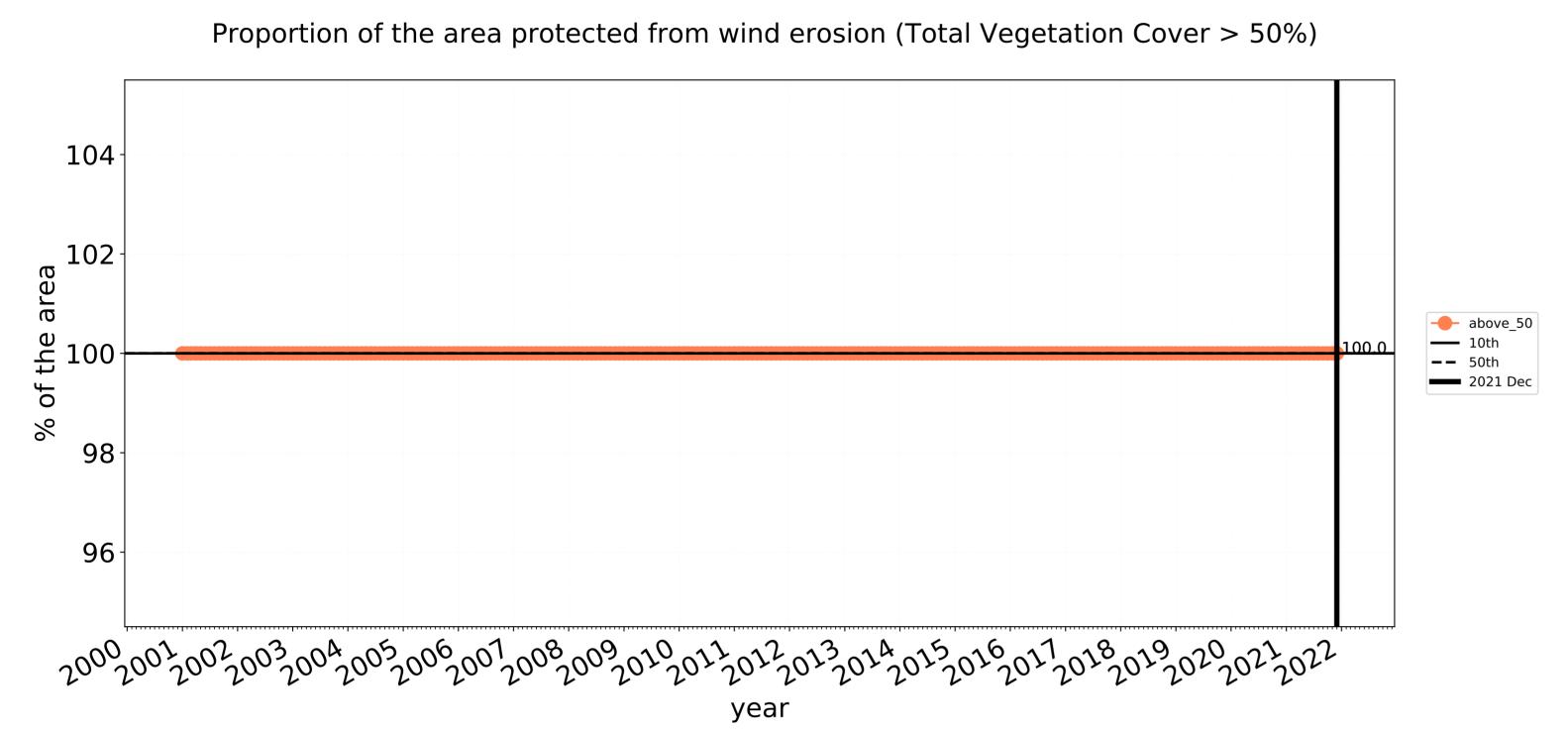
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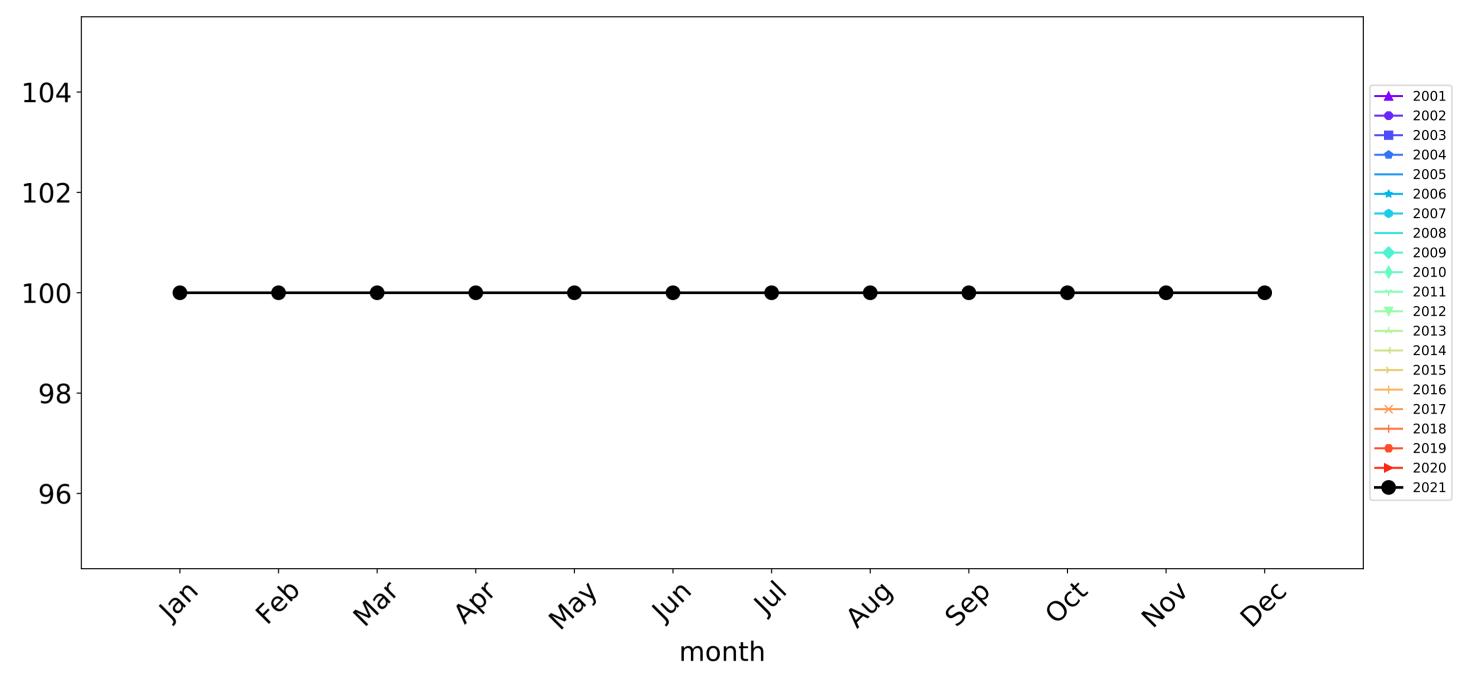


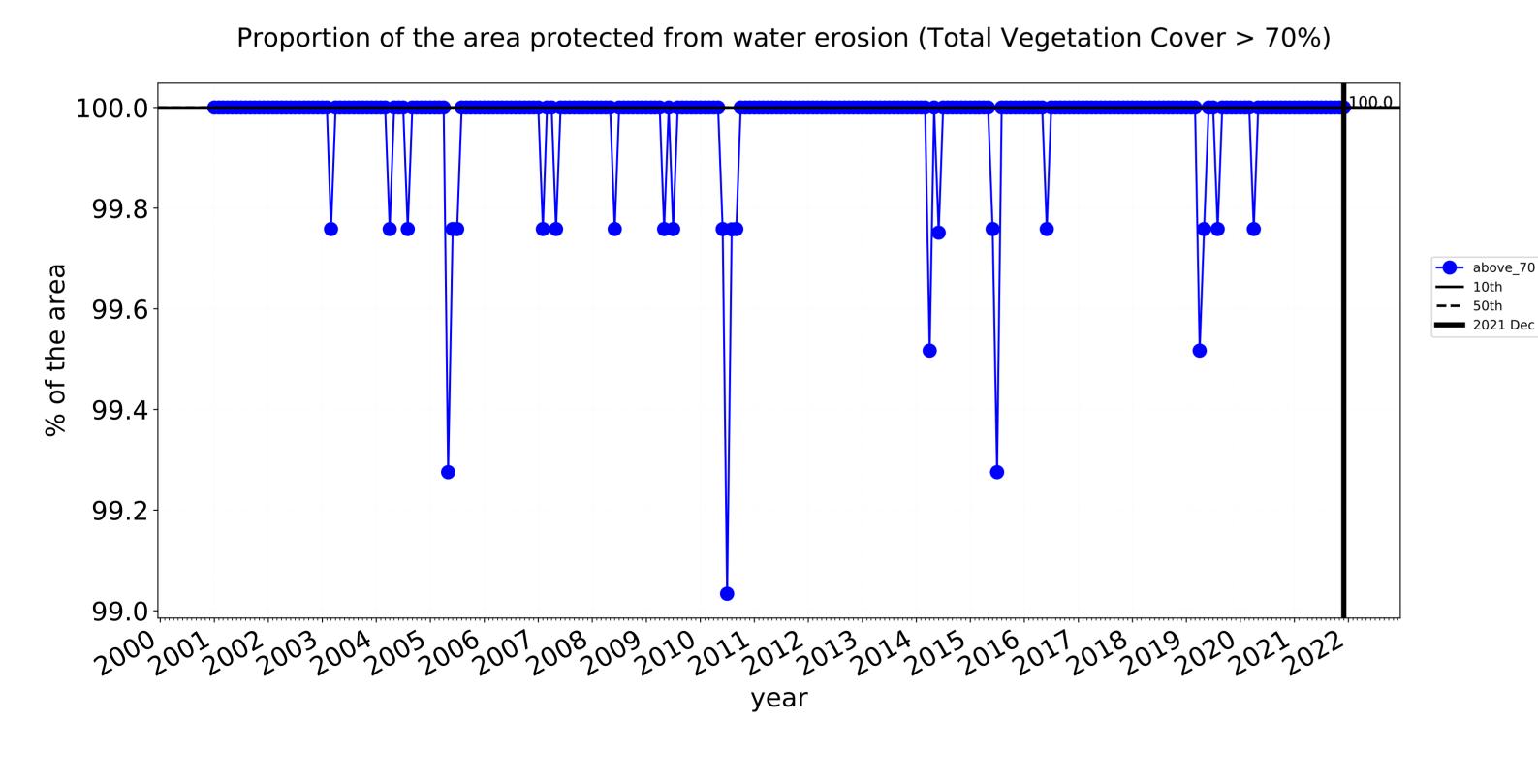


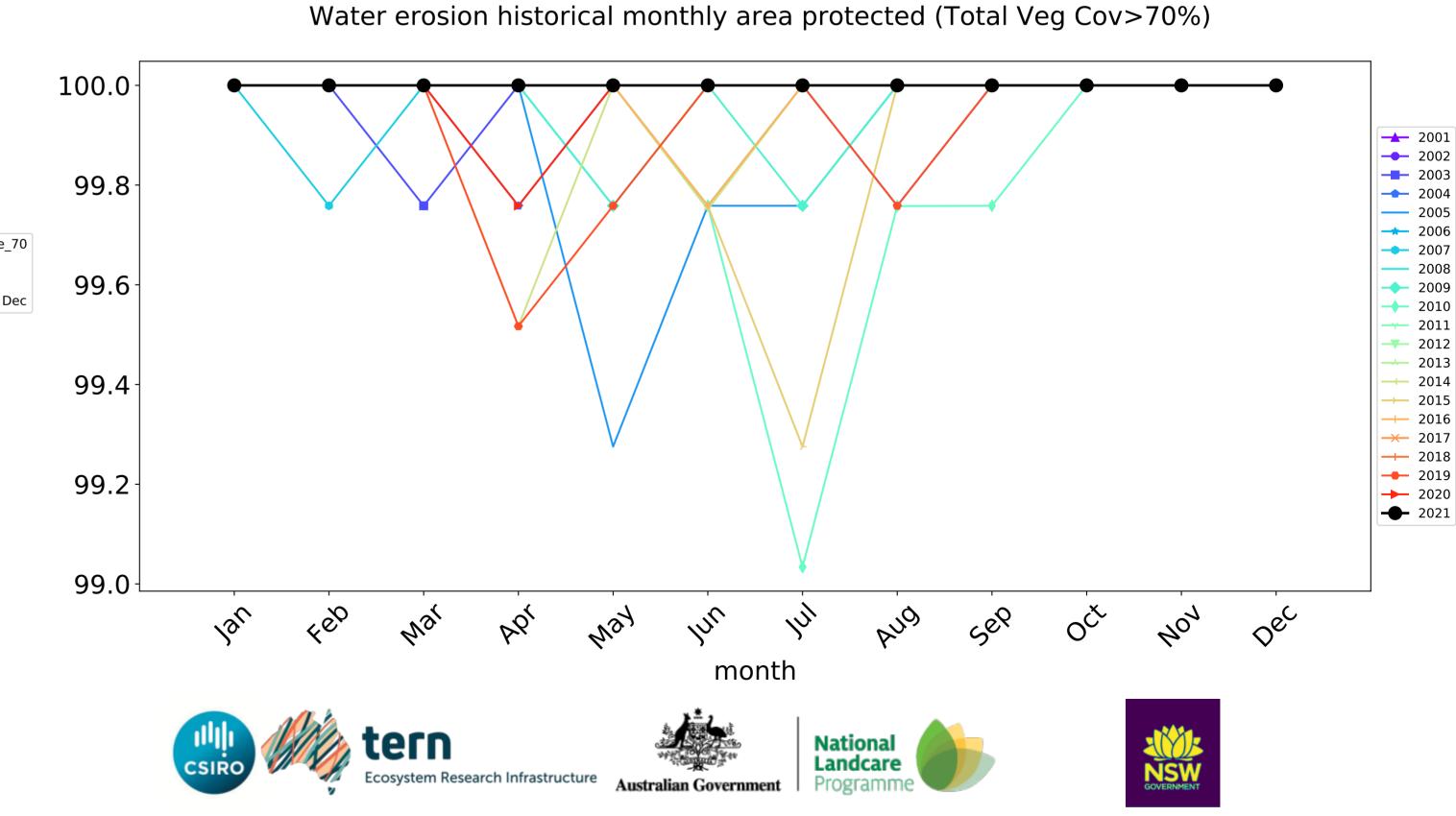


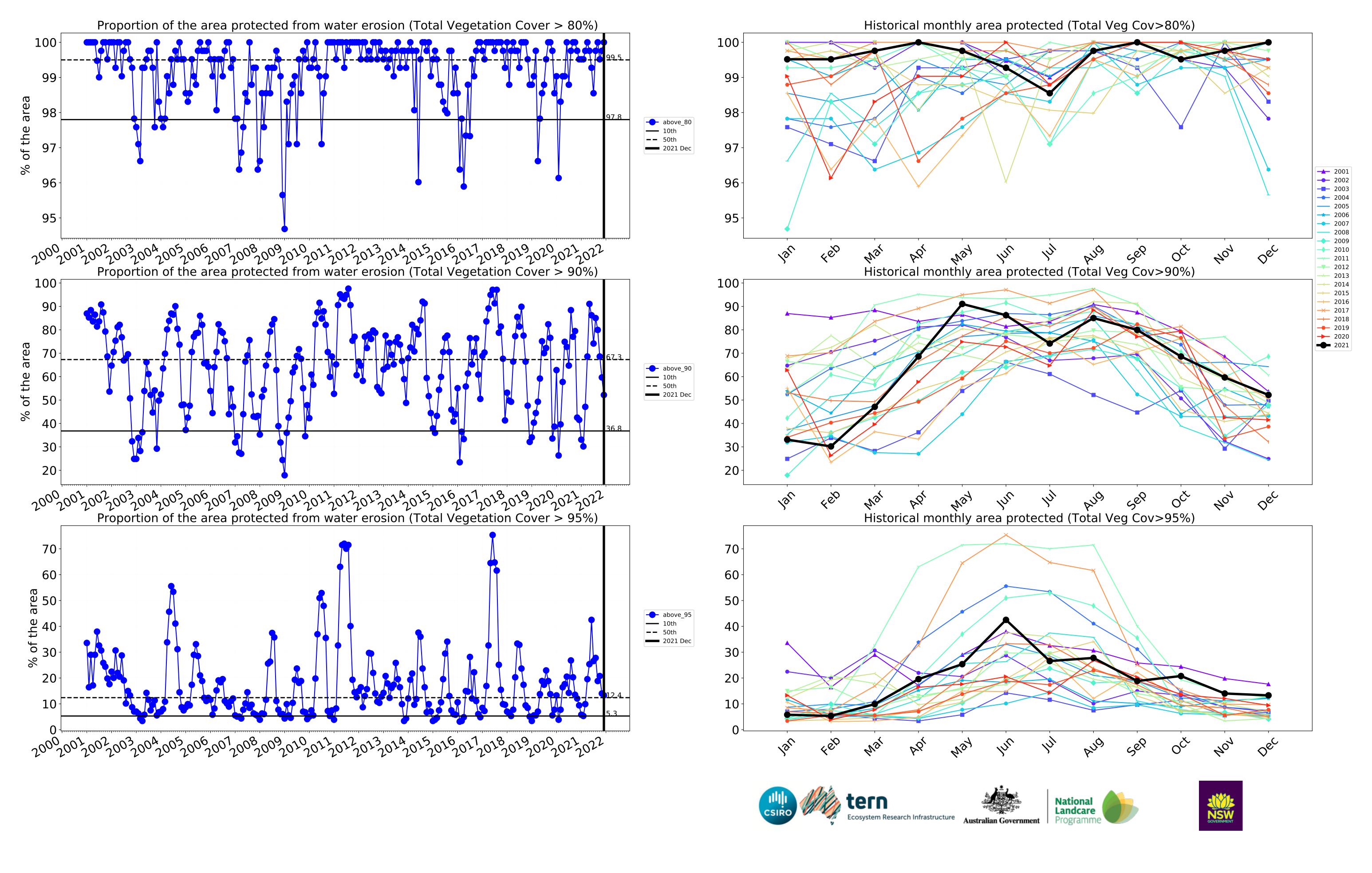


#### Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)









#### **Agriculture**

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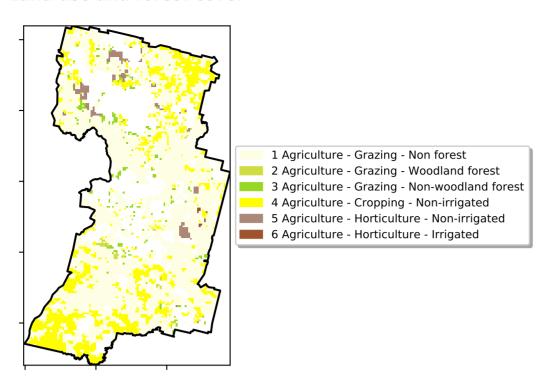
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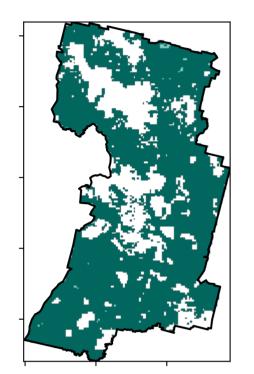
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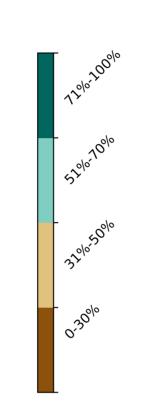
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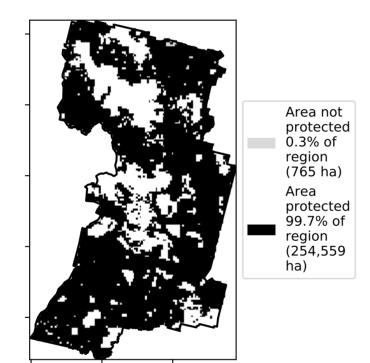


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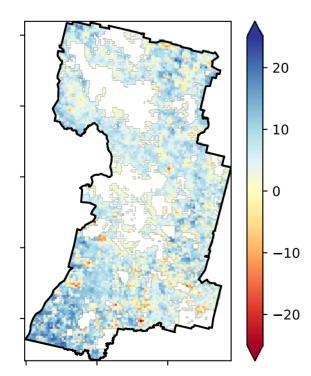




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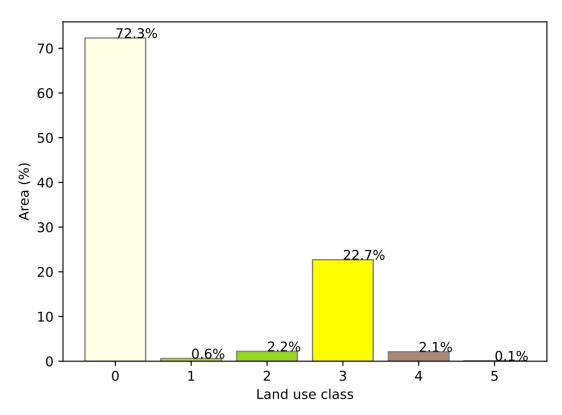


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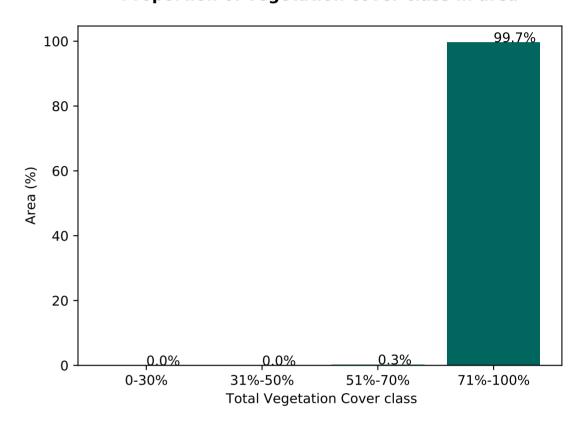


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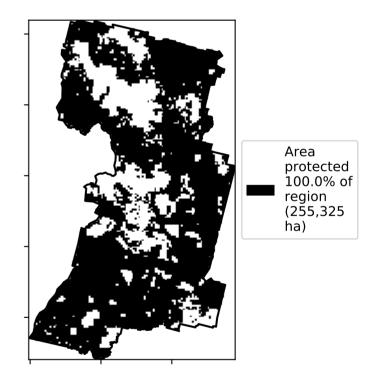
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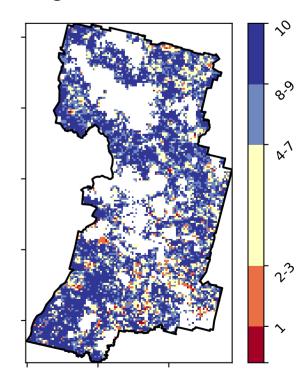


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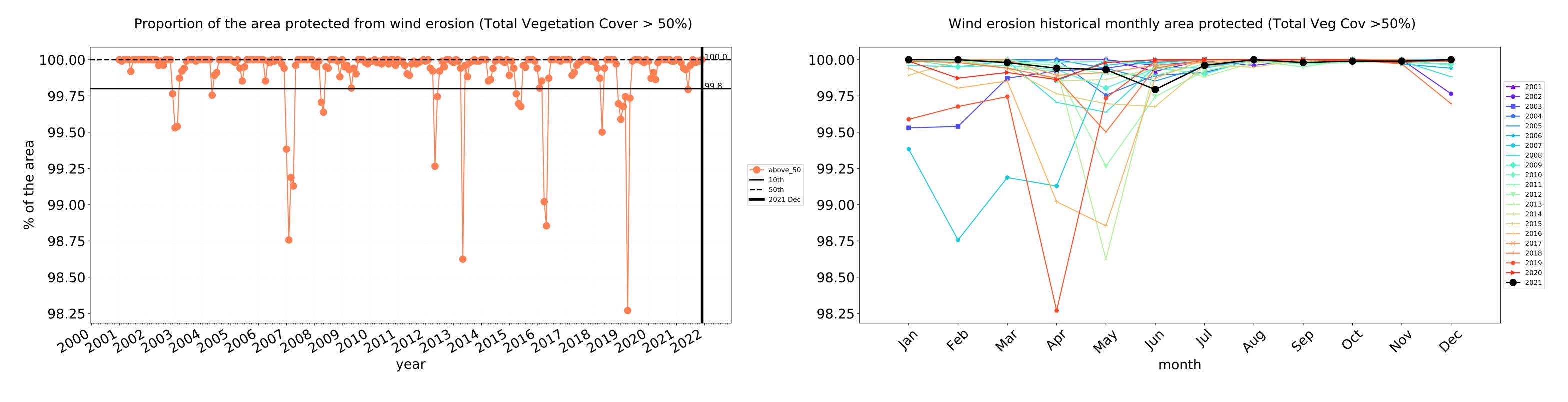


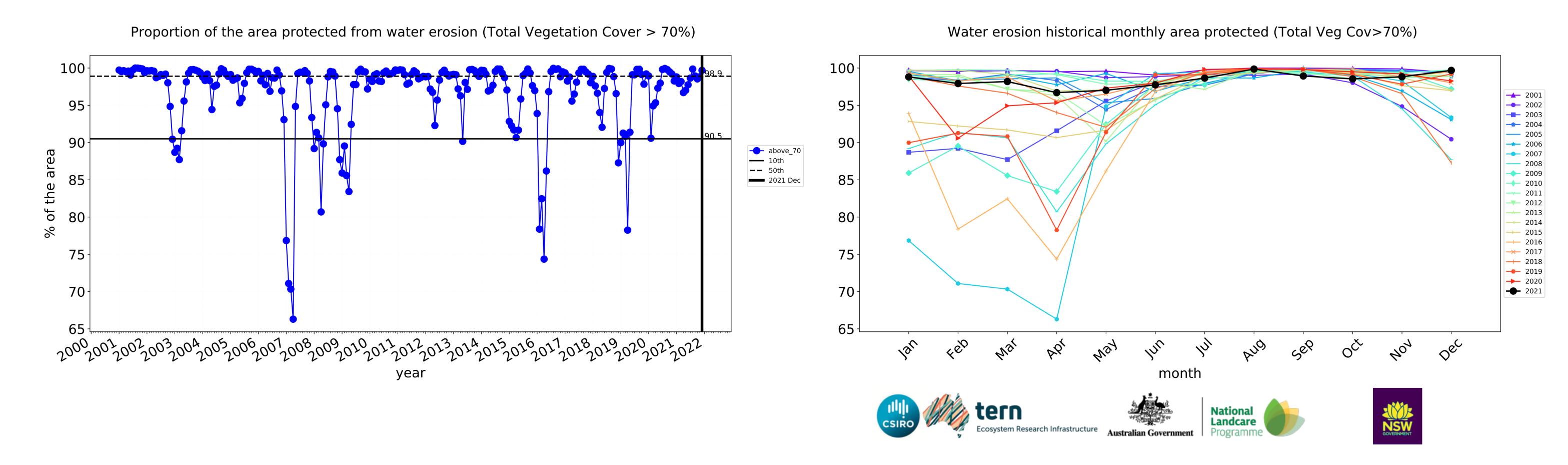


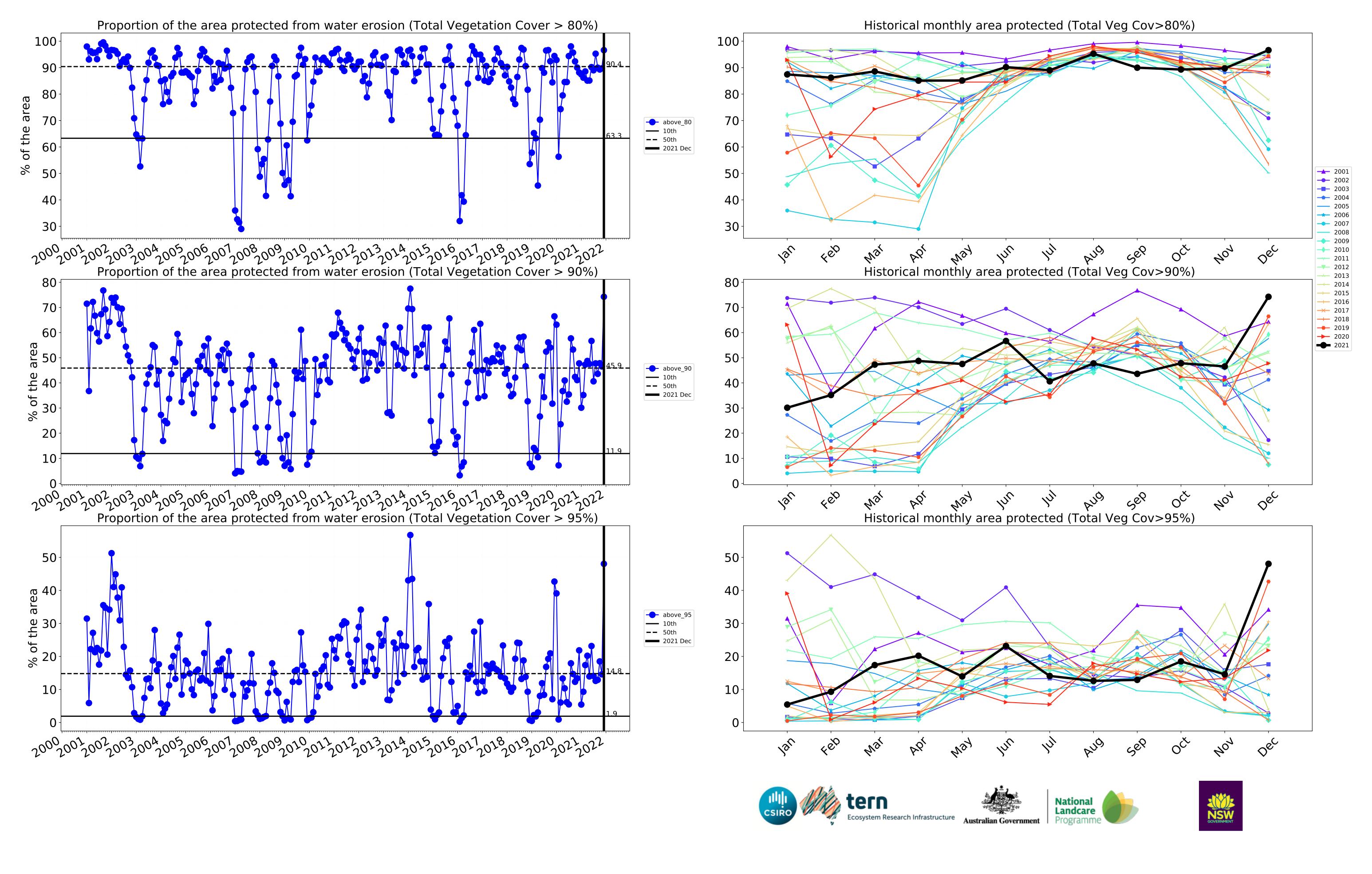




#### **Agriculture timeseries**







#### Grazing

#### **Land use and forest cover**

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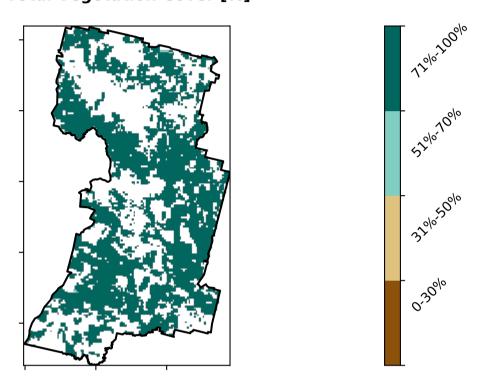
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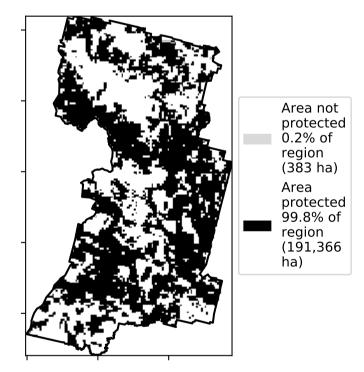
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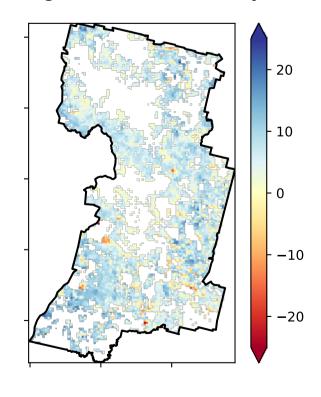
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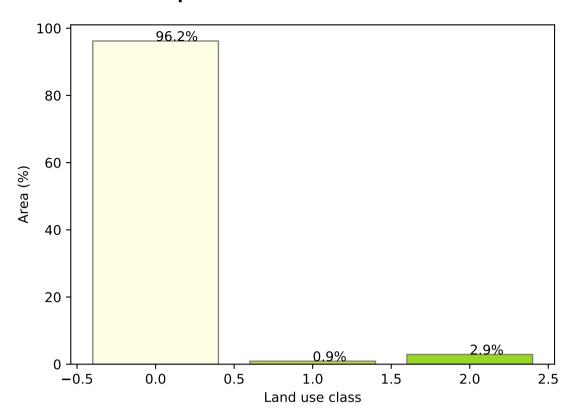


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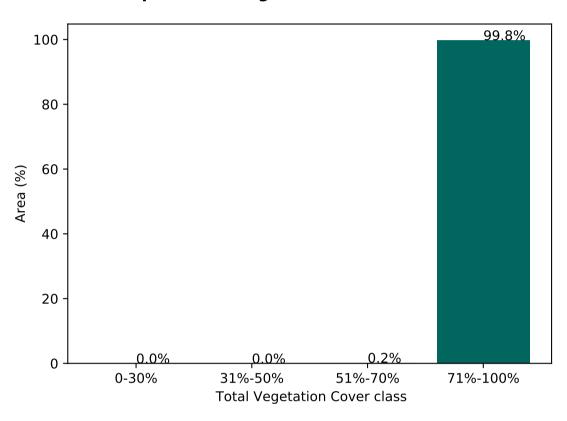


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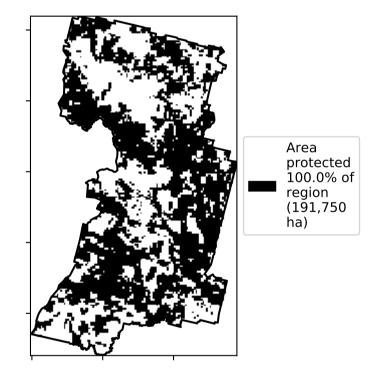
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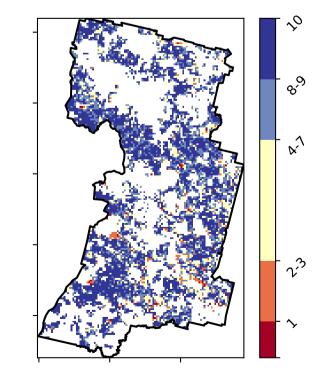


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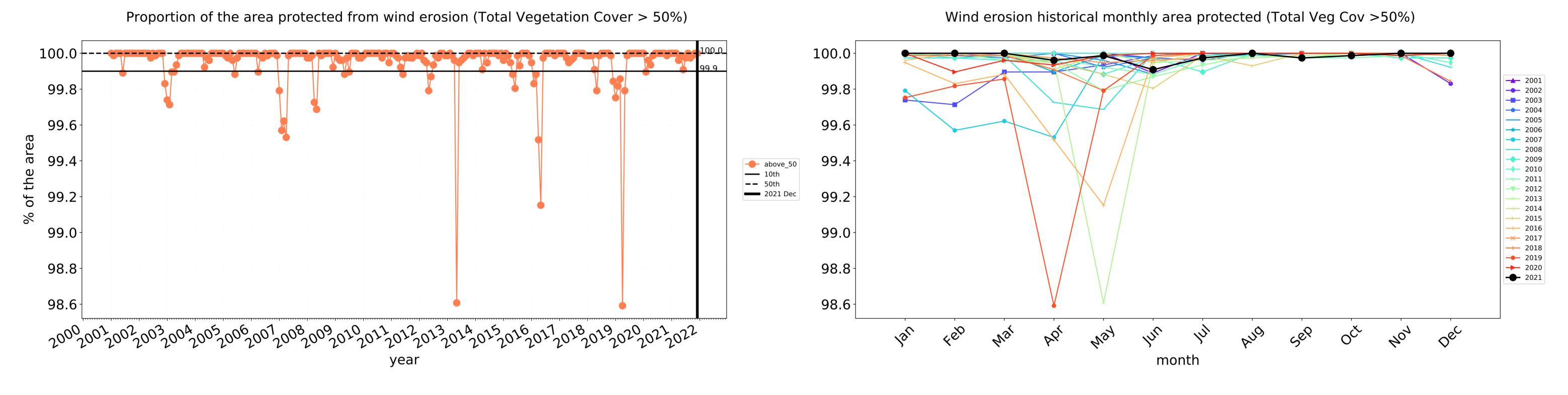


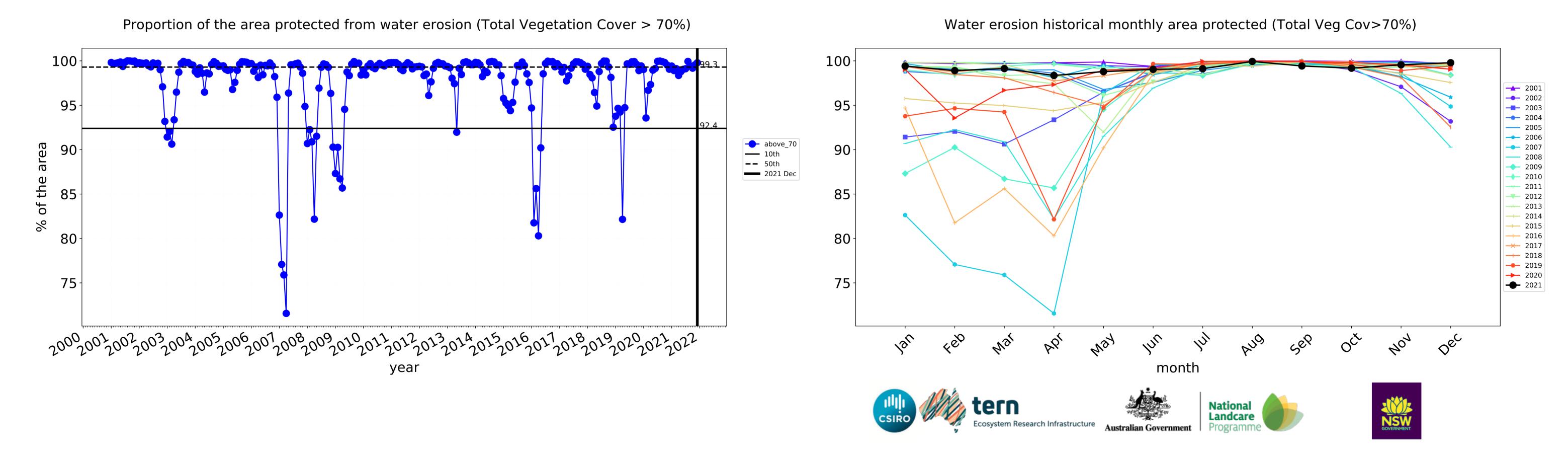


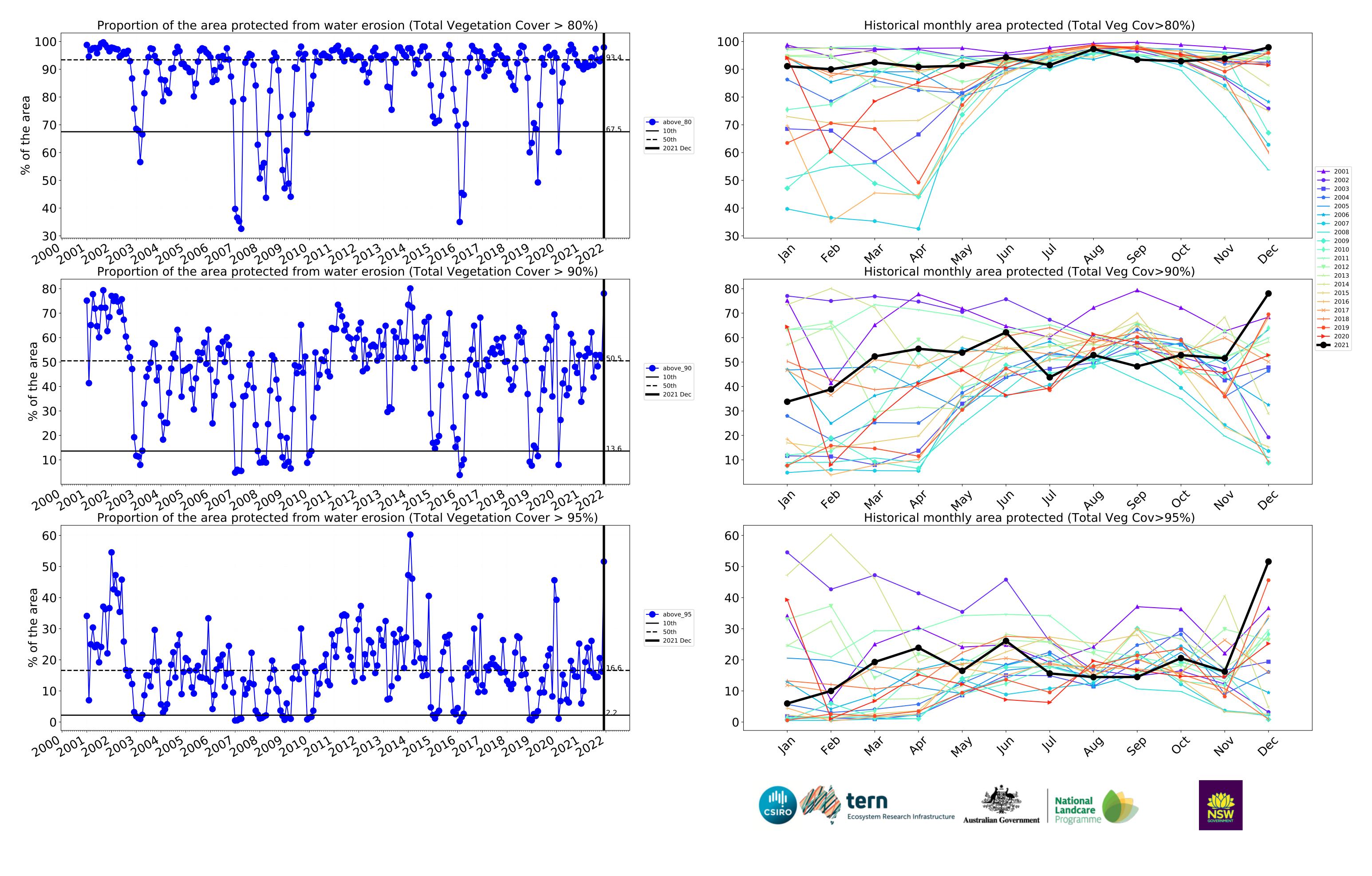




#### **Grazing timeseries**







#### **Grazing non forest**

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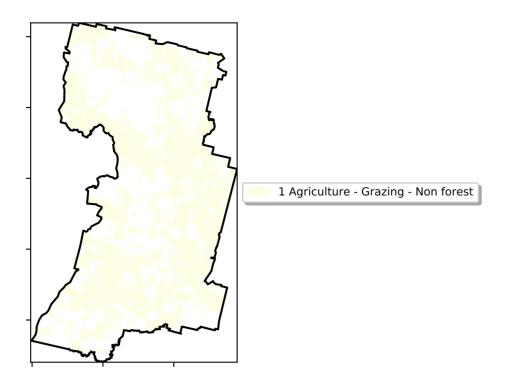
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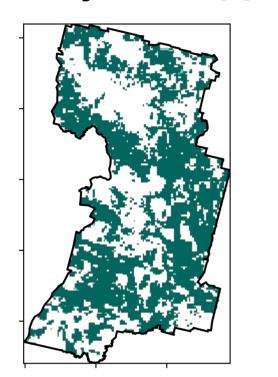
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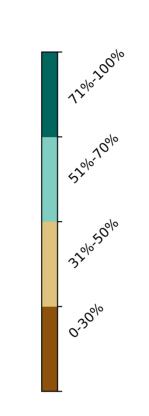
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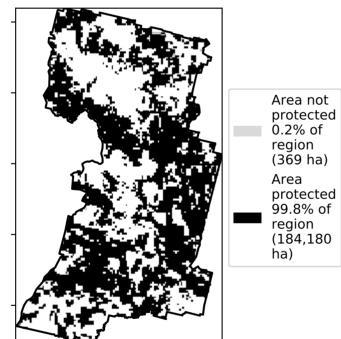


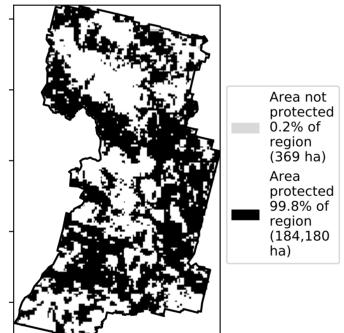
#### **Total Vegetation Cover [%]**



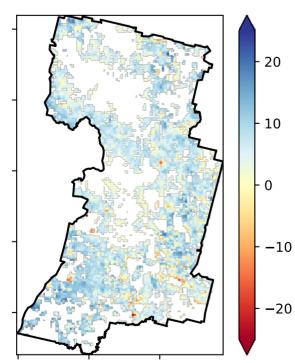


#### % Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



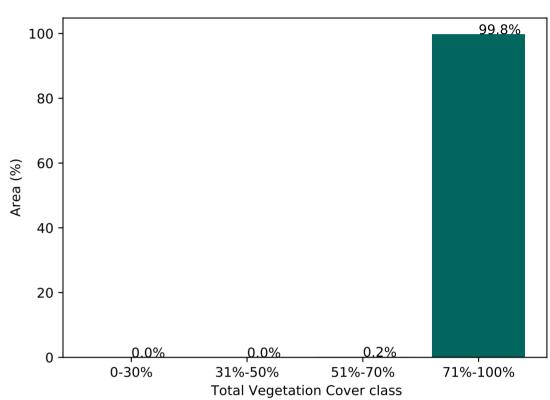


#### **Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]**

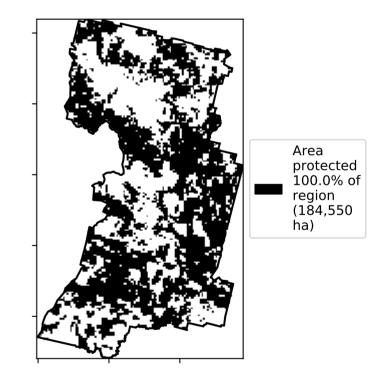


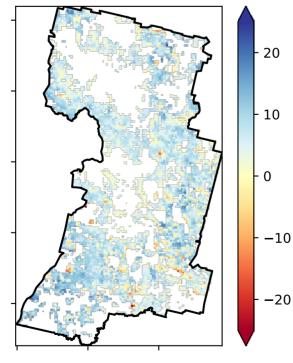
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#### Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

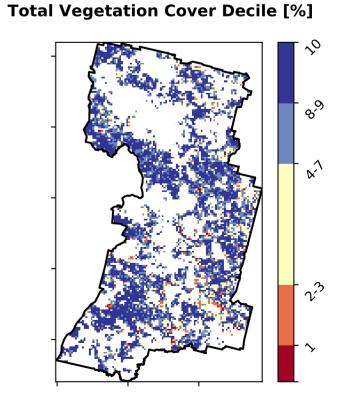


#### % Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)





records for that month of







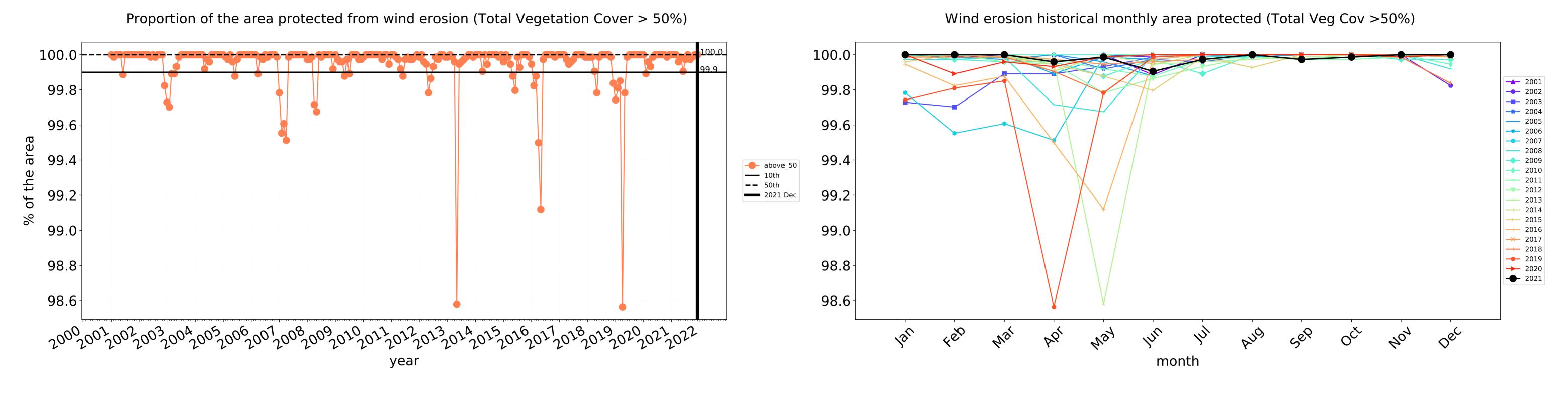


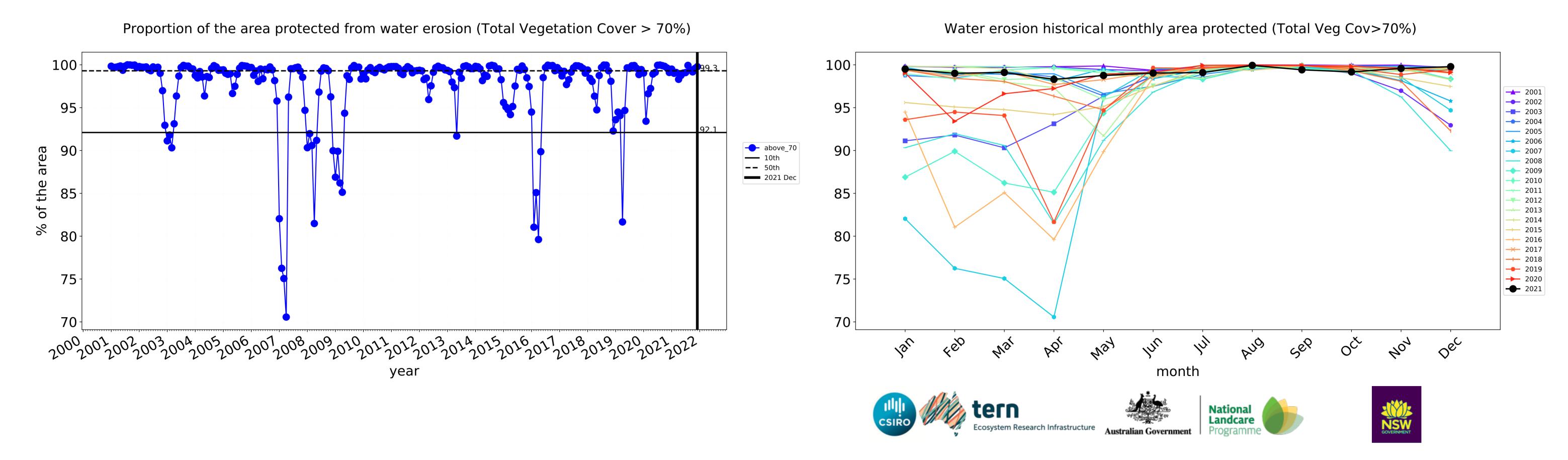


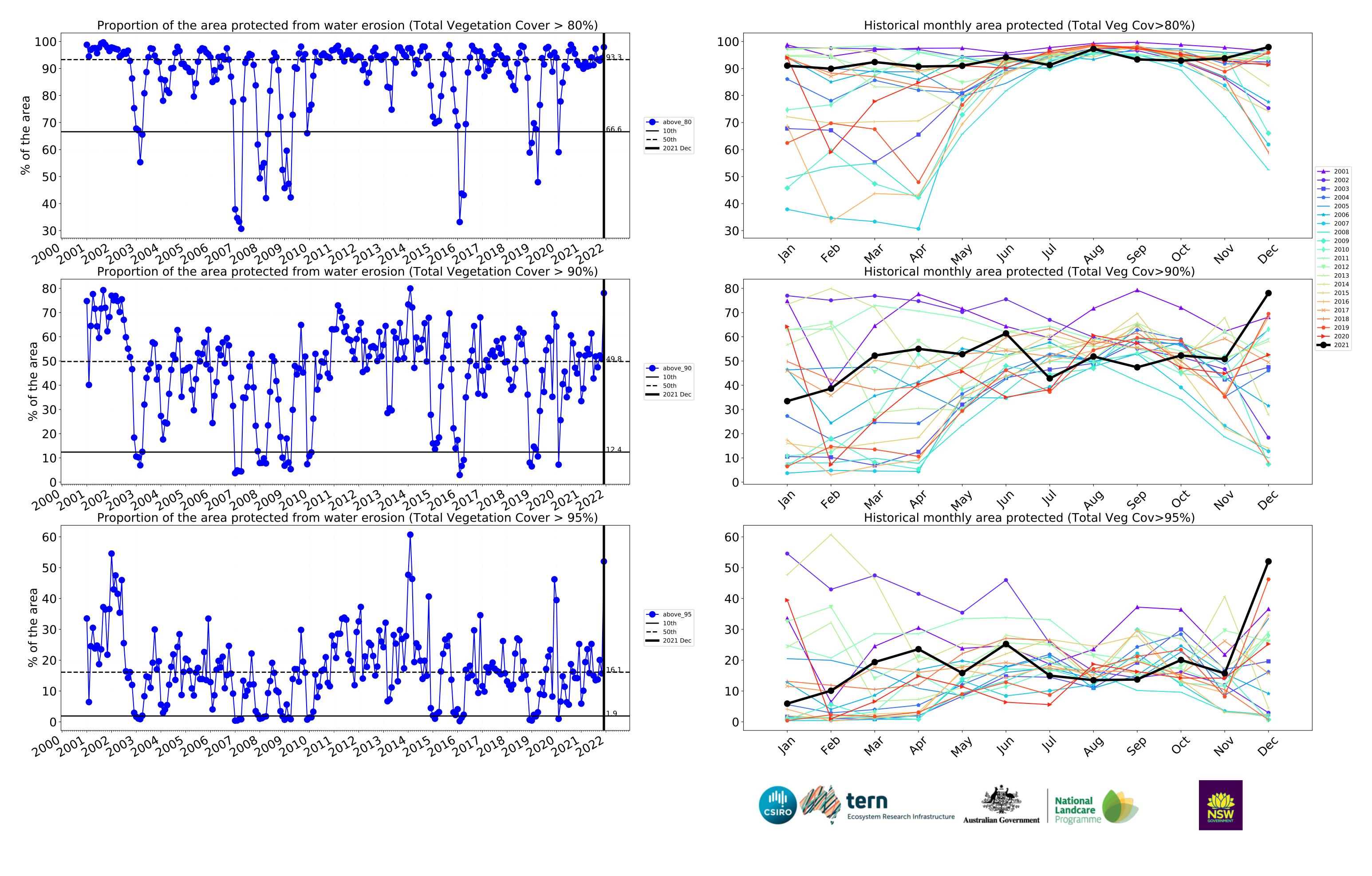




#### **Grazing non forest timeseries**







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

#### Land use and forest cover

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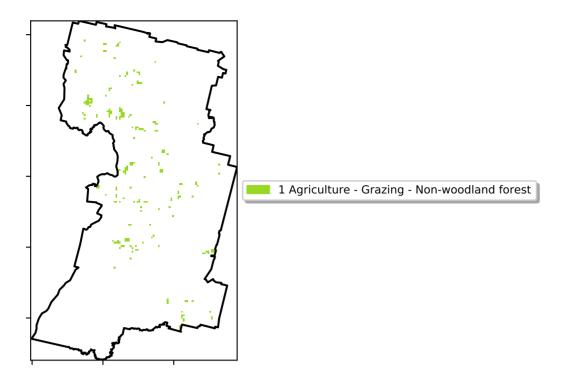
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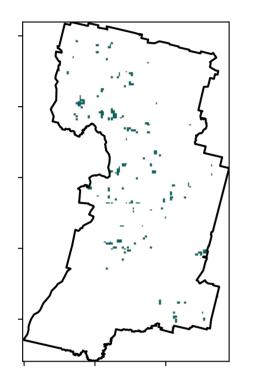
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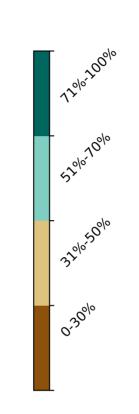
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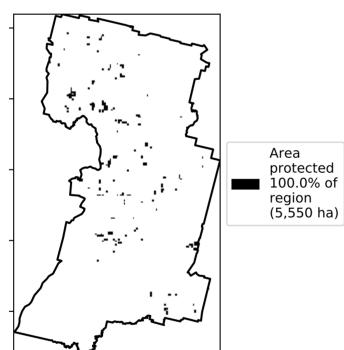


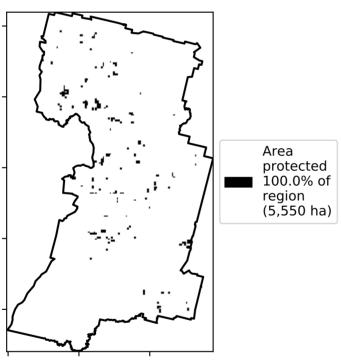
#### **Total Vegetation Cover [%]**



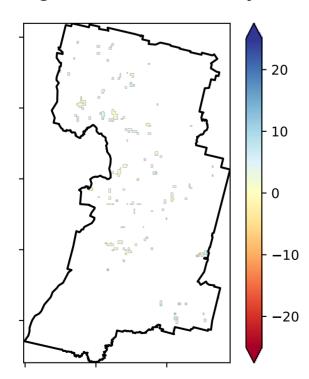


#### % Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



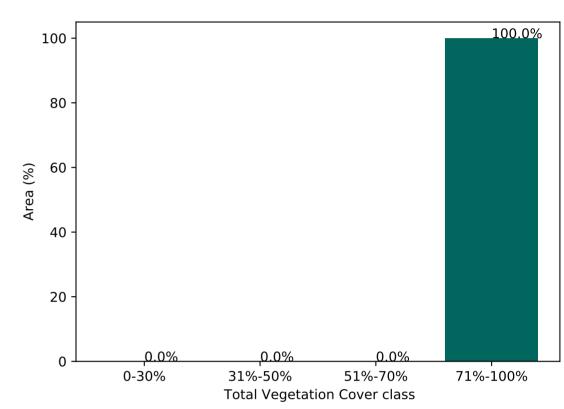


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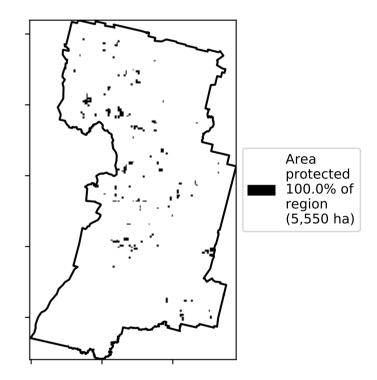


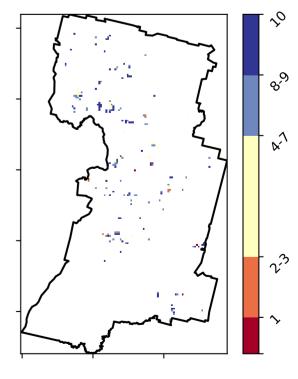
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#### Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



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



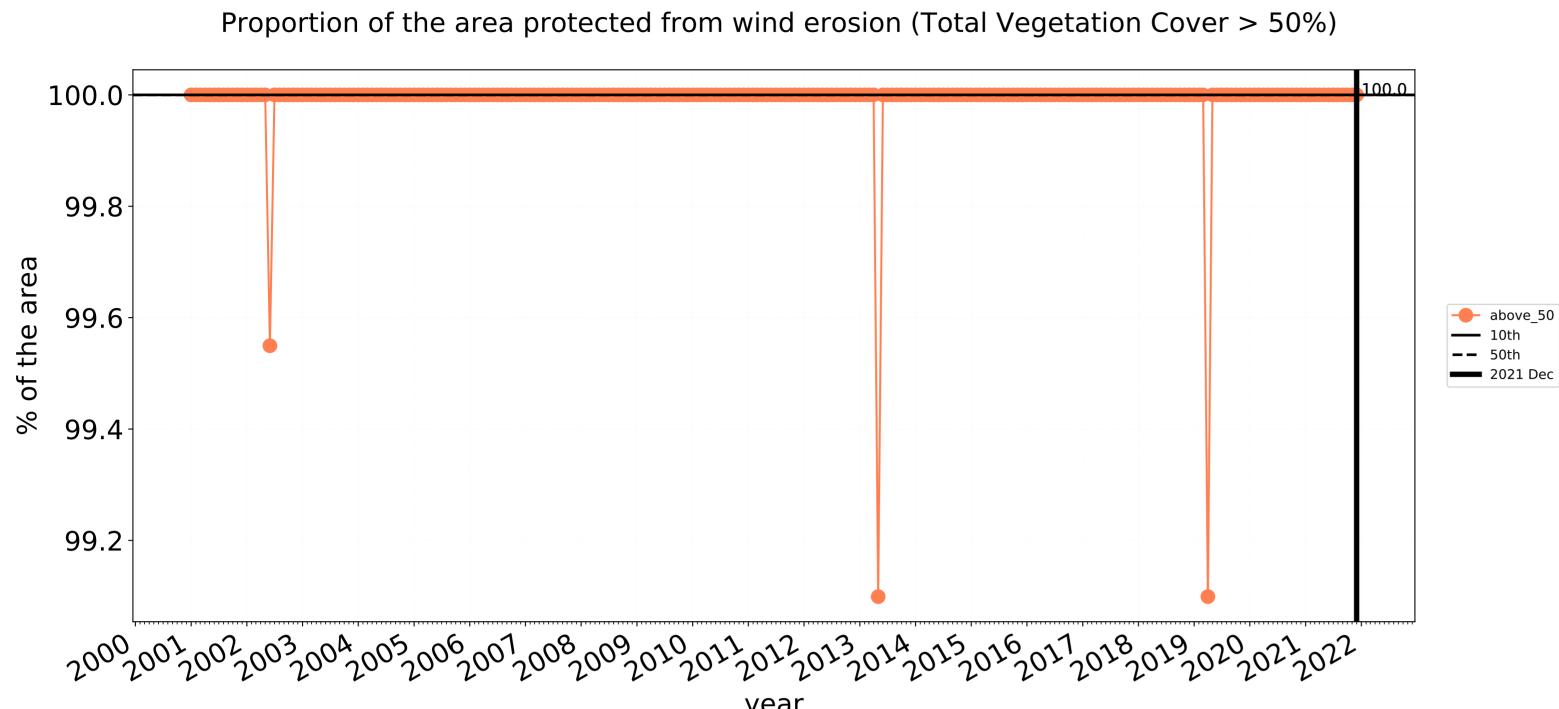


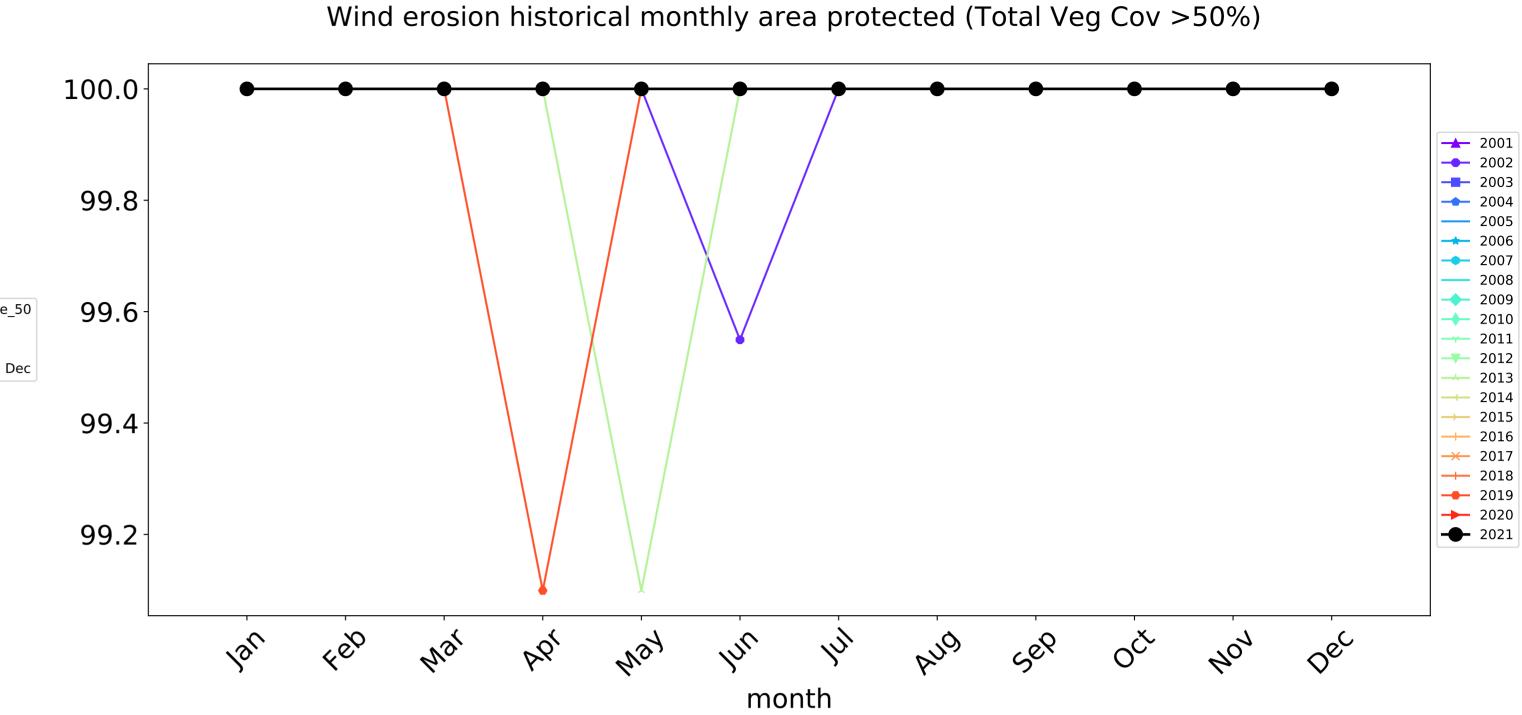


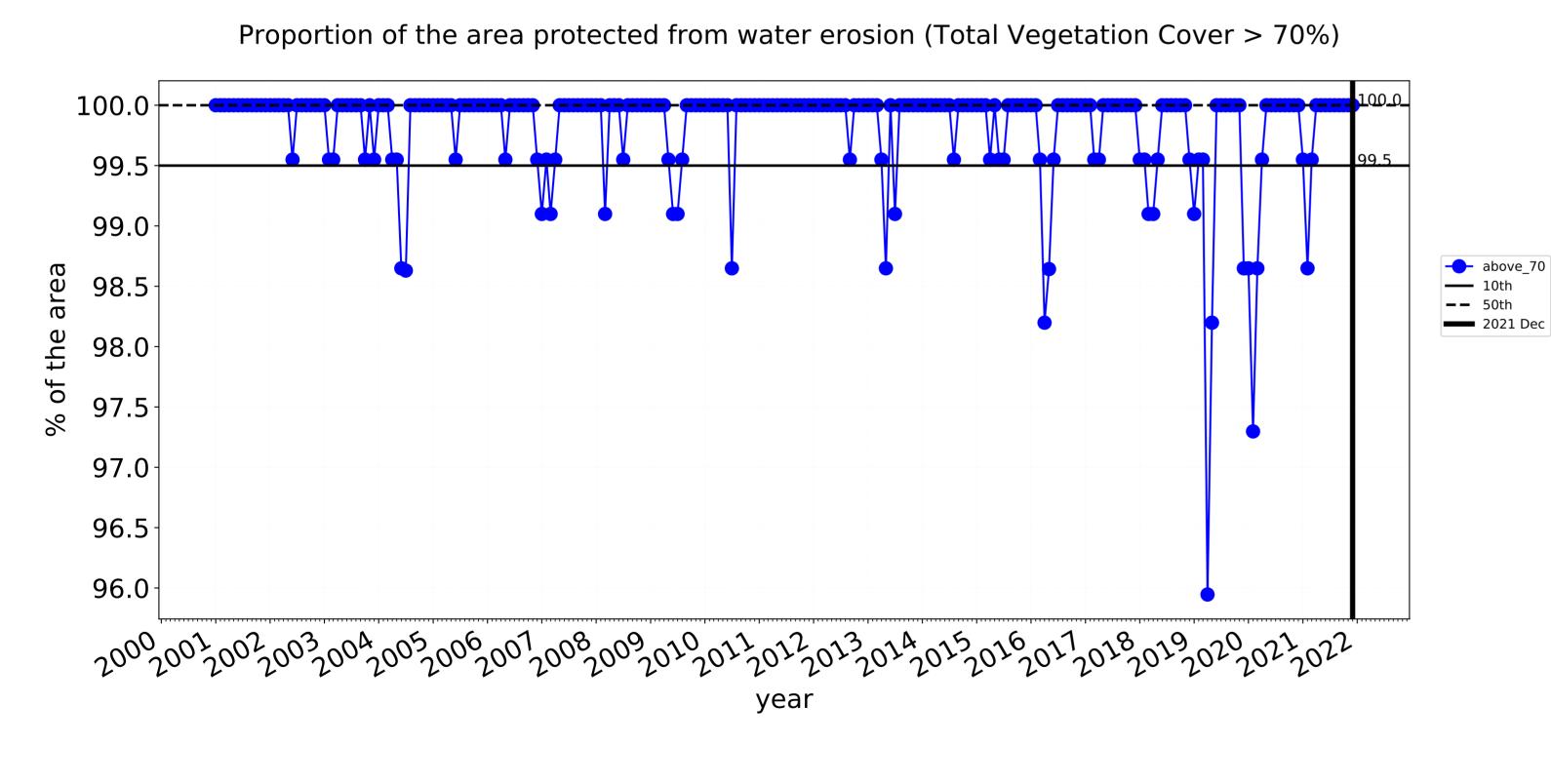


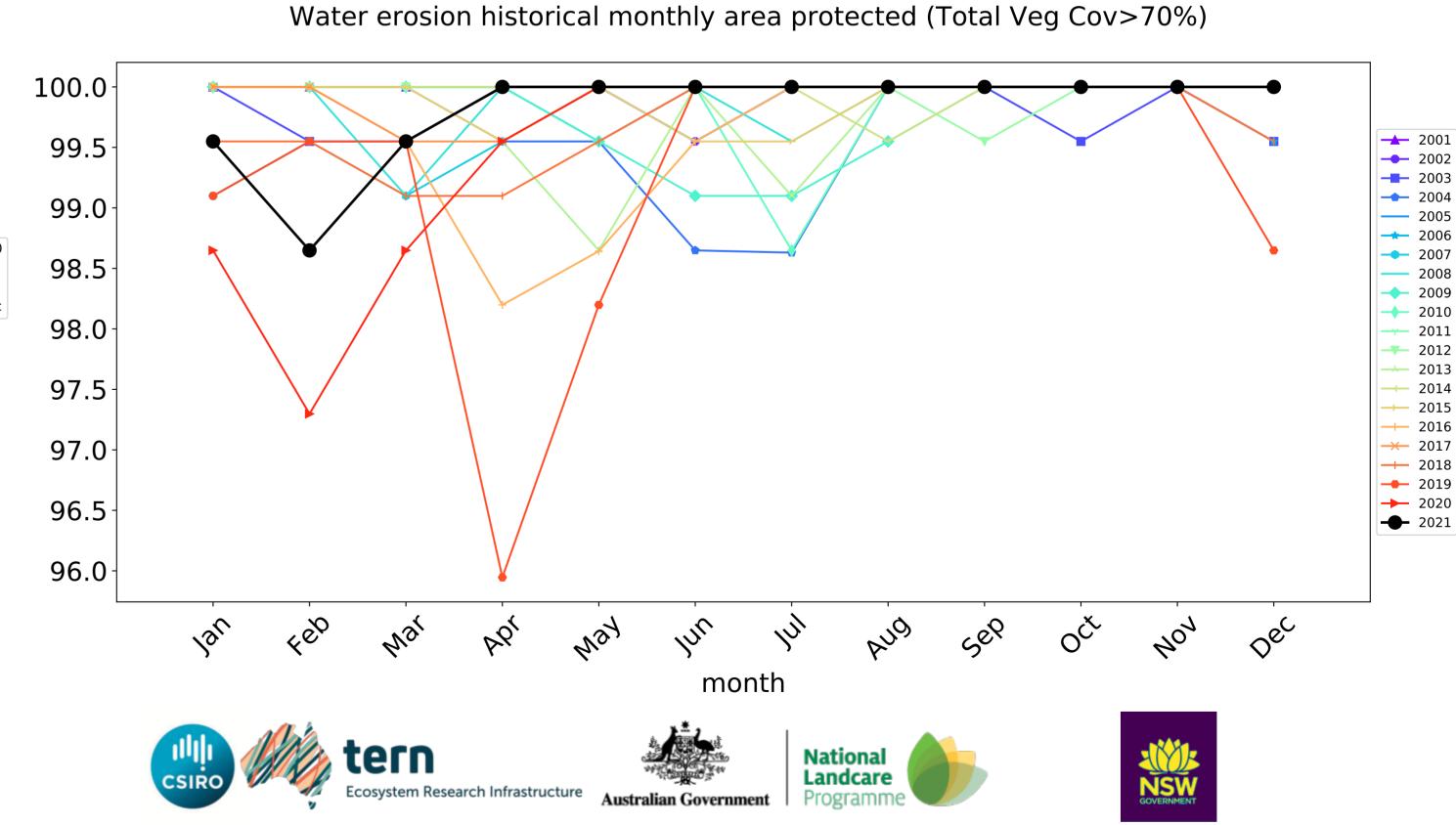


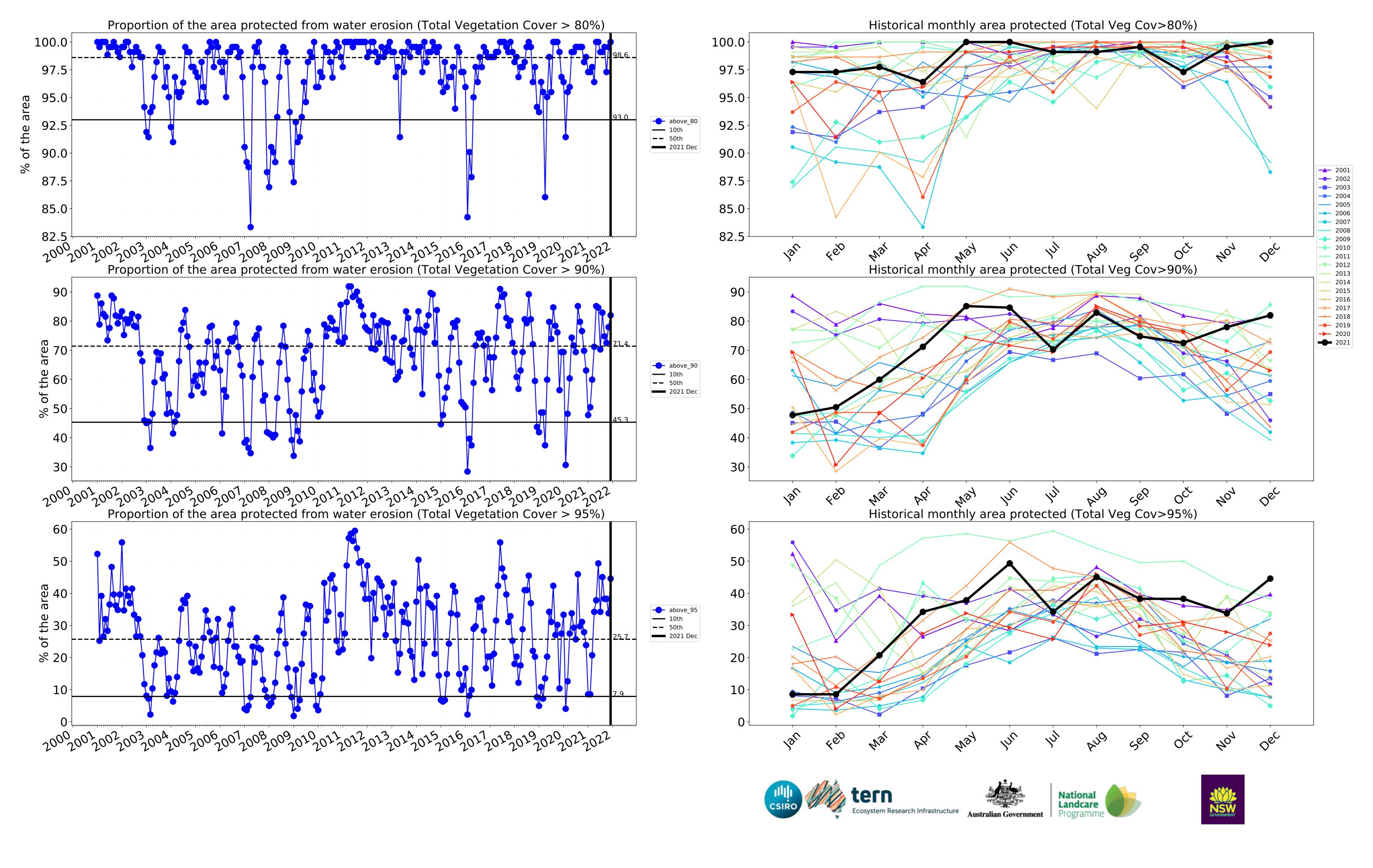












#### **Cropping**

#### Land use and forest cover

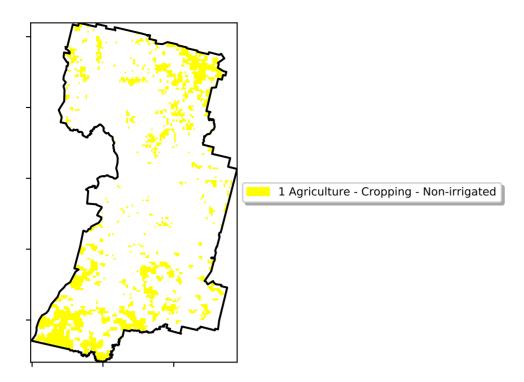
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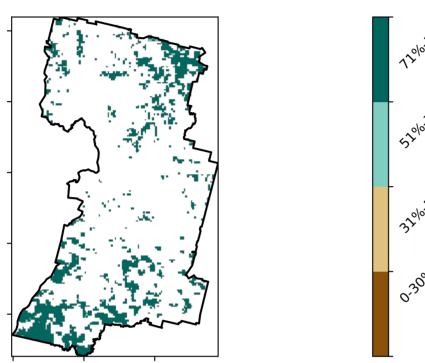
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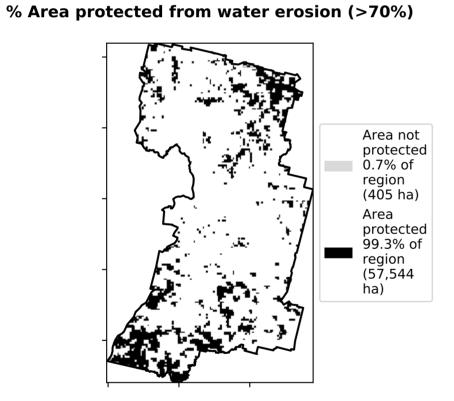
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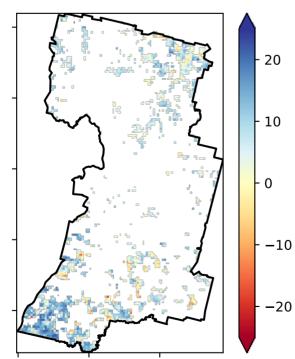


#### **Total Vegetation Cover [%]**



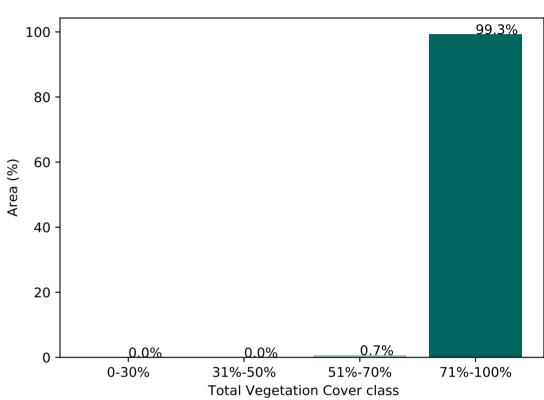


#### **Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]**

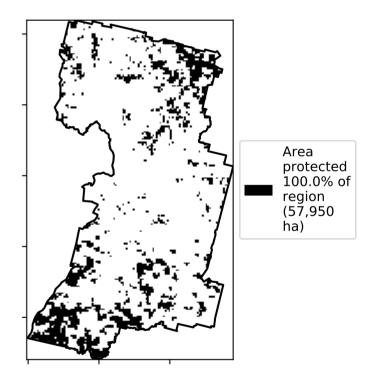


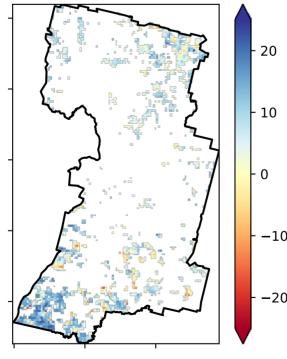
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#### Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

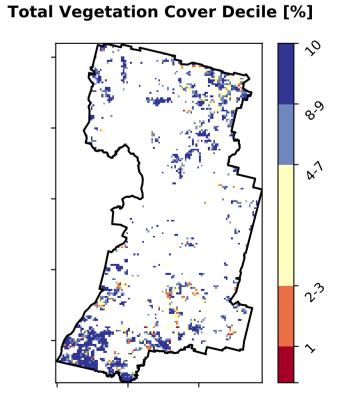


#### % Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)





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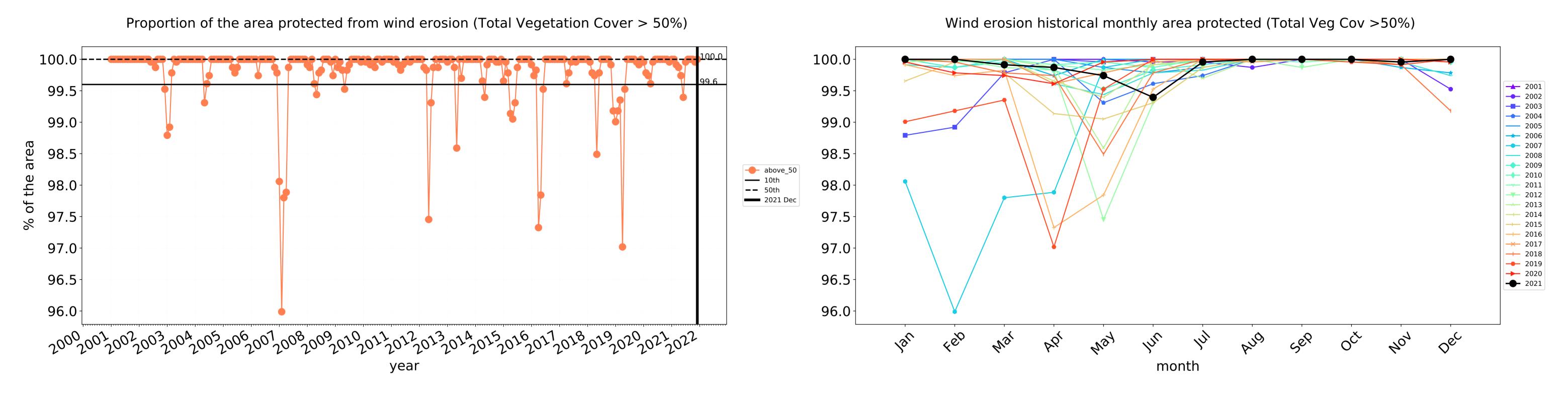


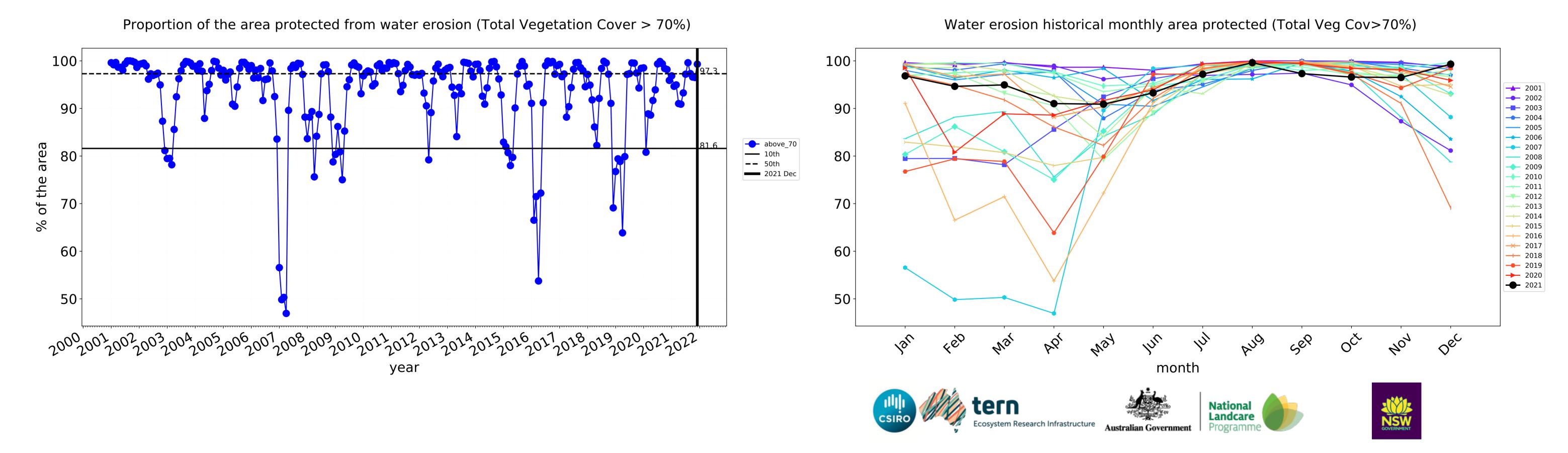


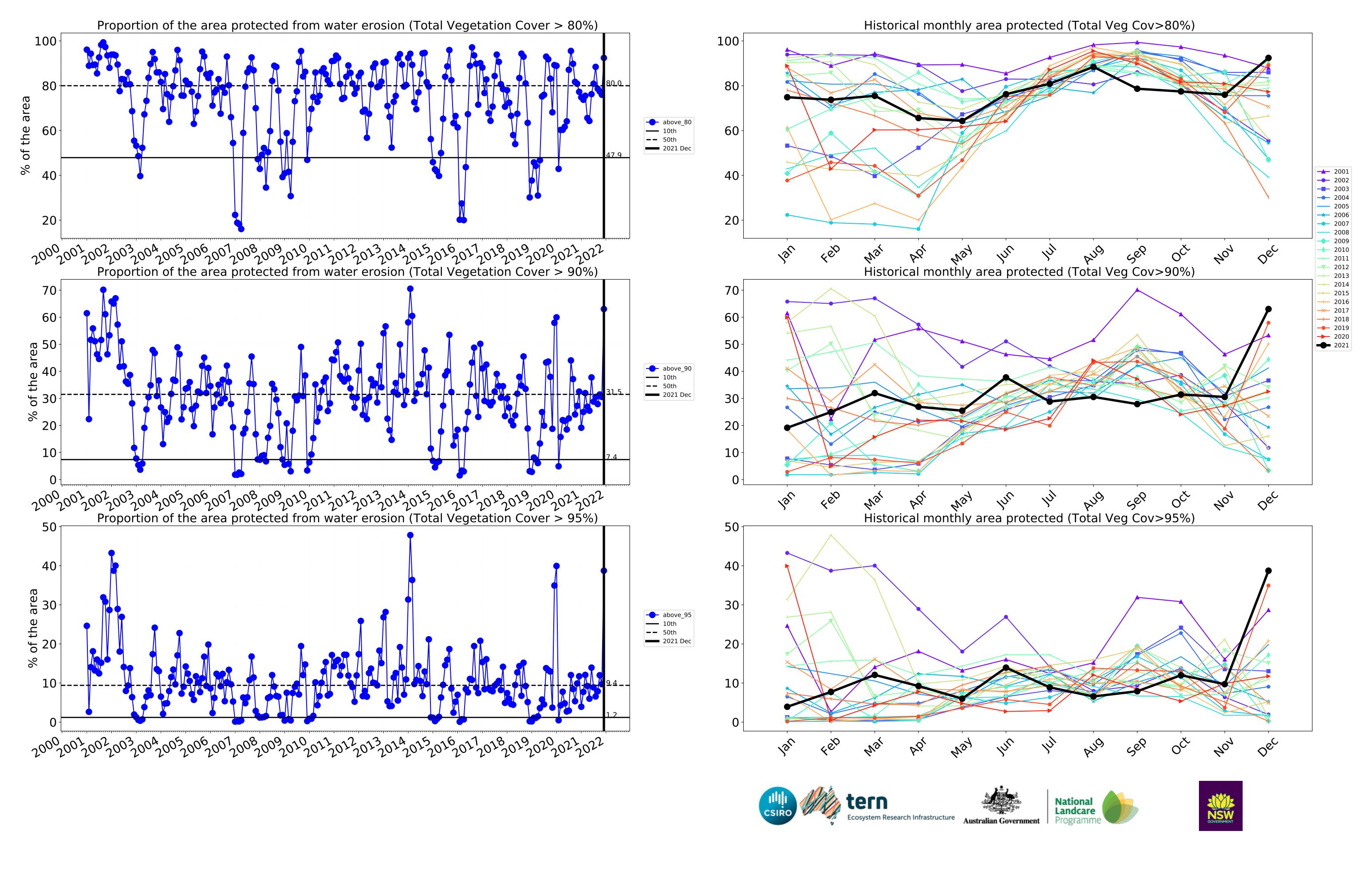




#### **Cropping timeseries**







#### **Horticulture**

#### Land use and forest cover

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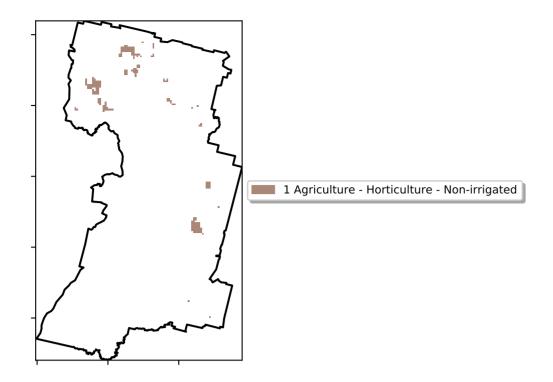
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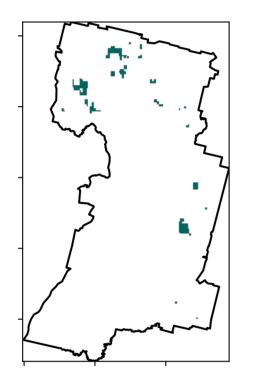
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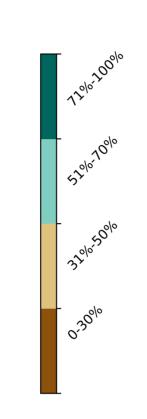
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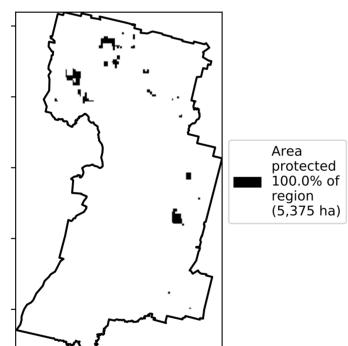


#### **Total Vegetation Cover [%]**

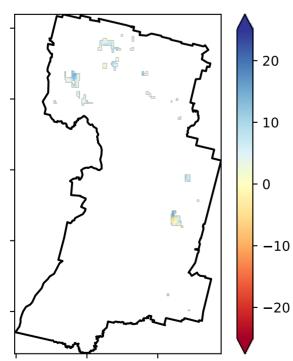




#### % Area protected from water erosion (>70%)

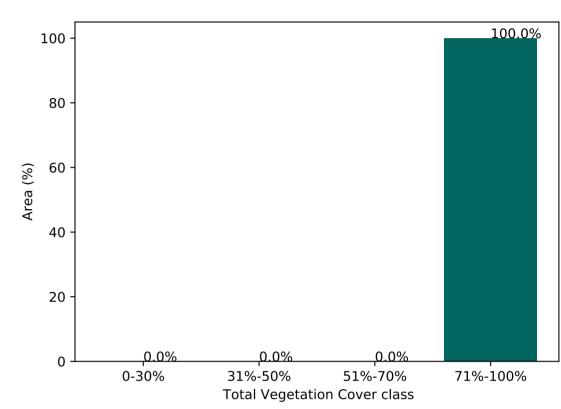


#### **Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]**

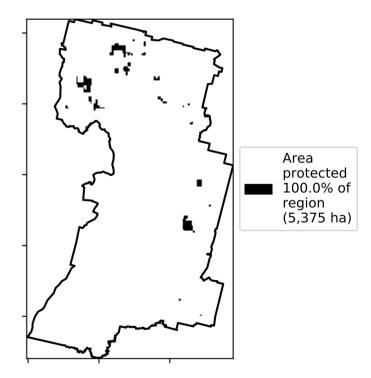


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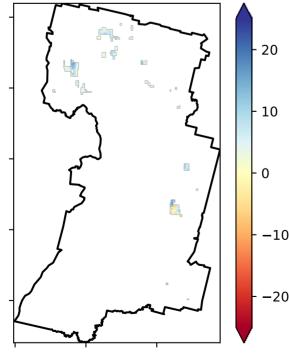
#### Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

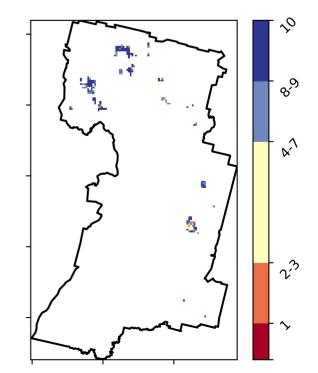


#### % Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



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









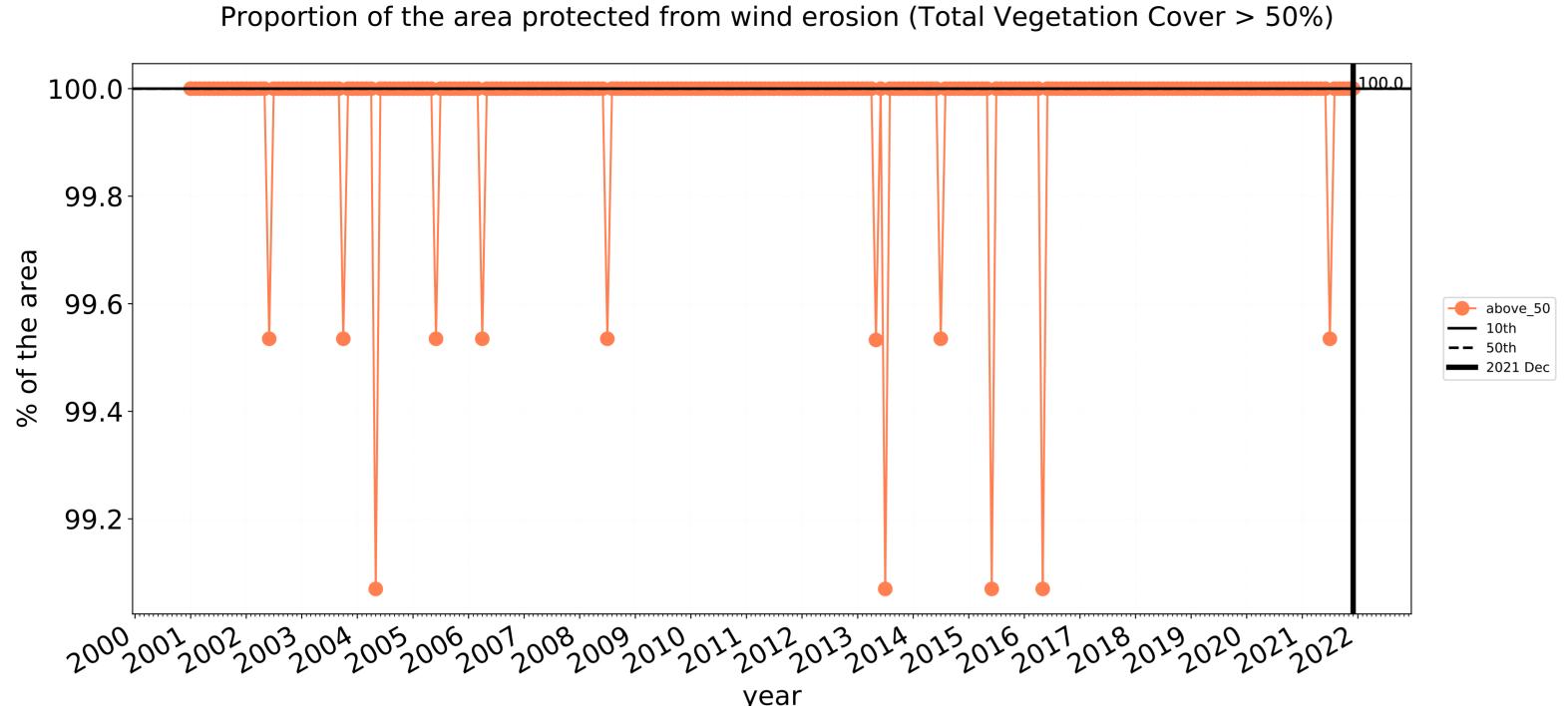
**Ecosystem Research Infrastructure** 

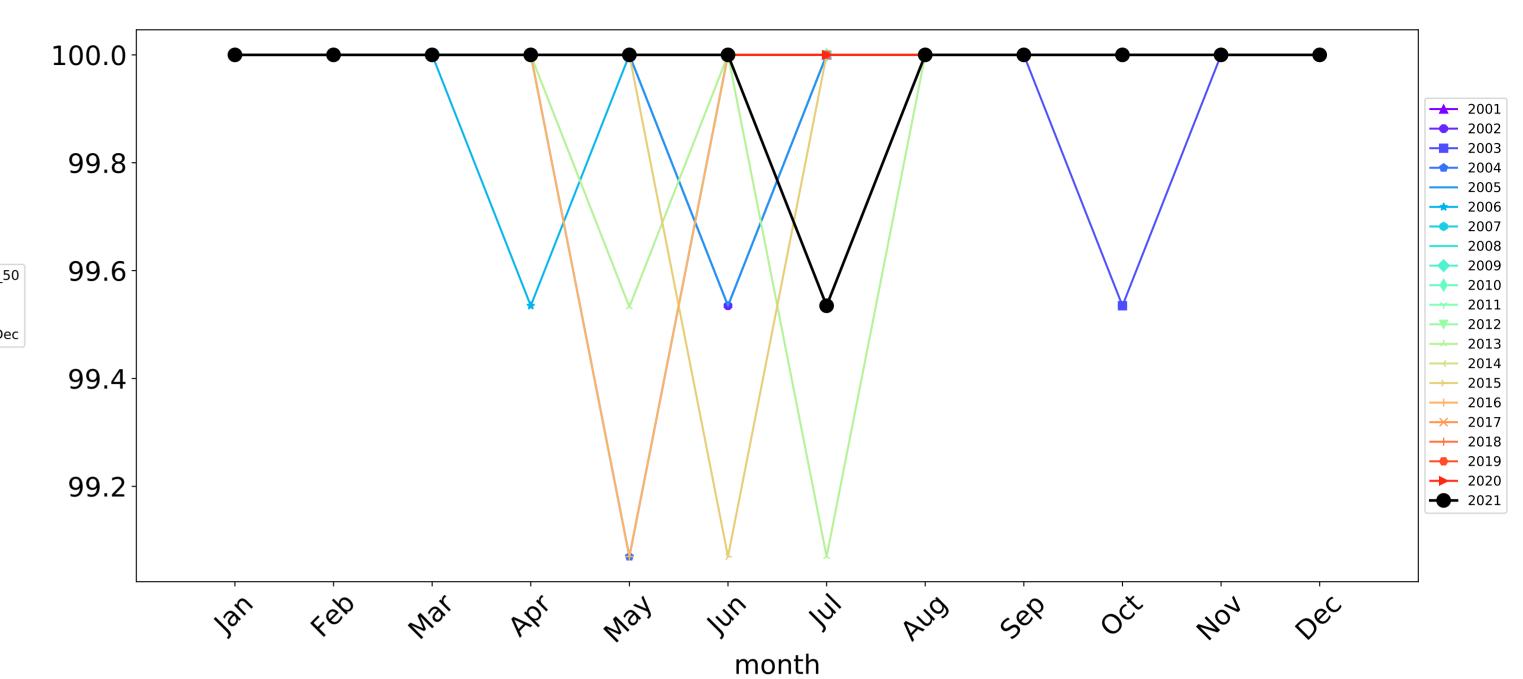




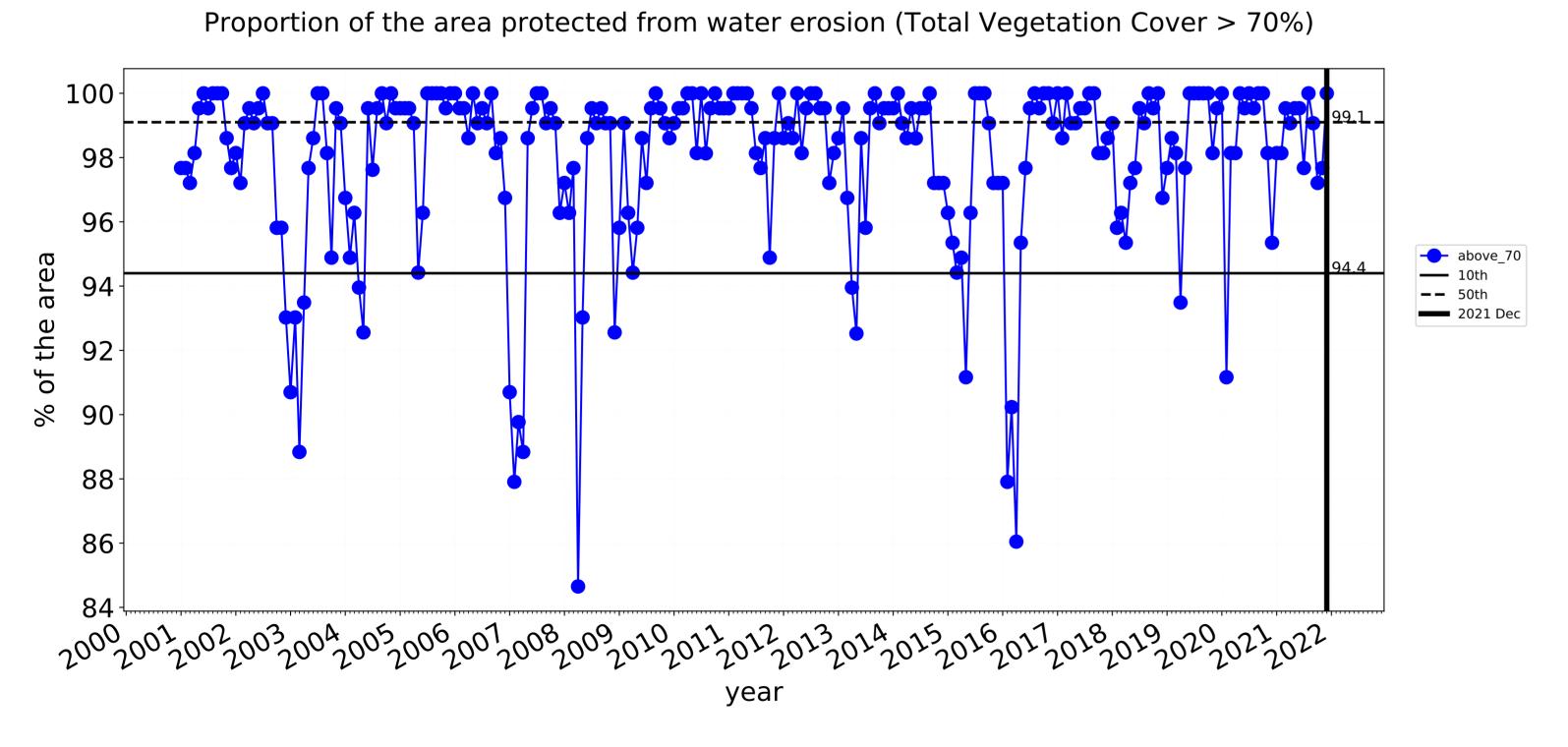


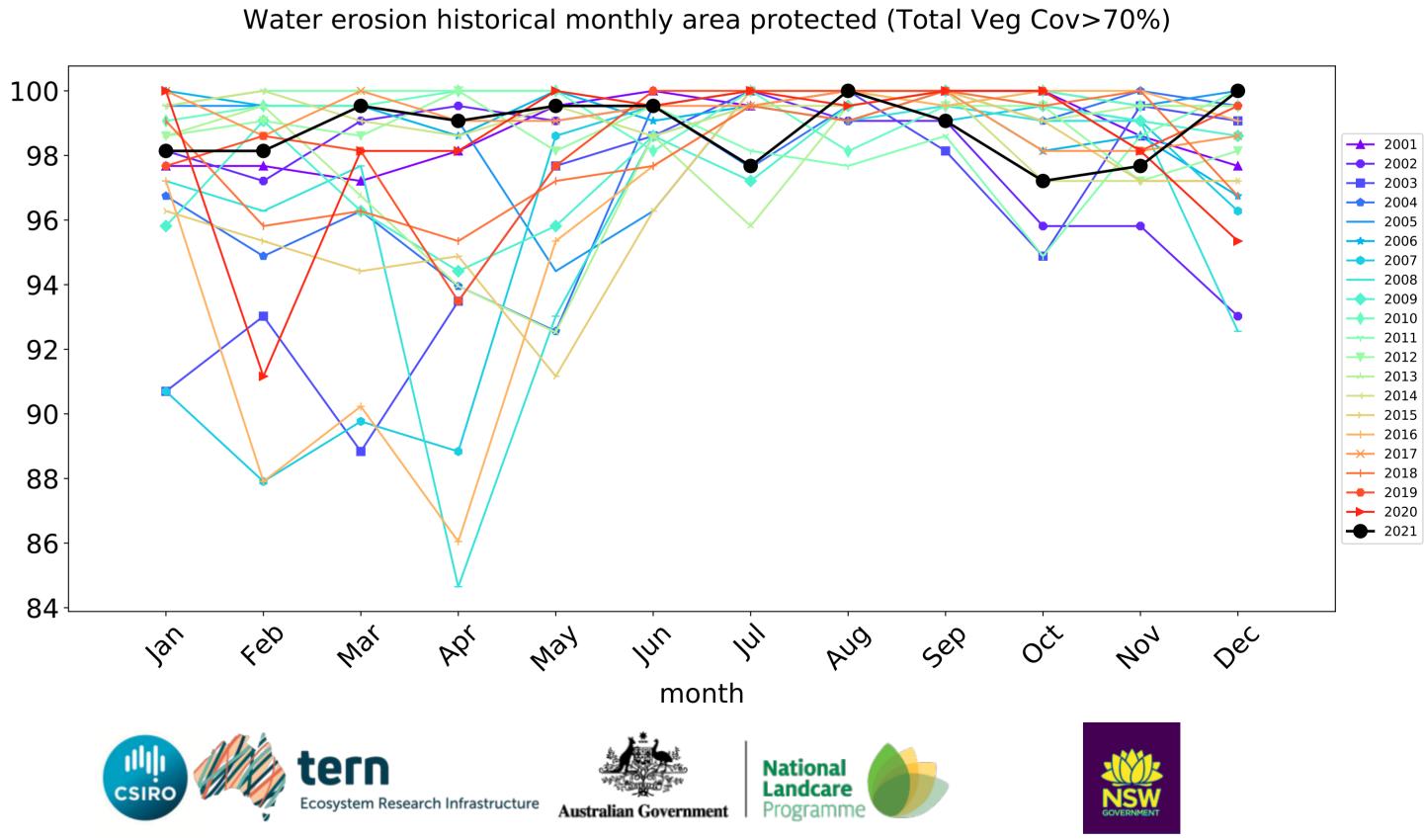
#### **Horticulture timeseries**

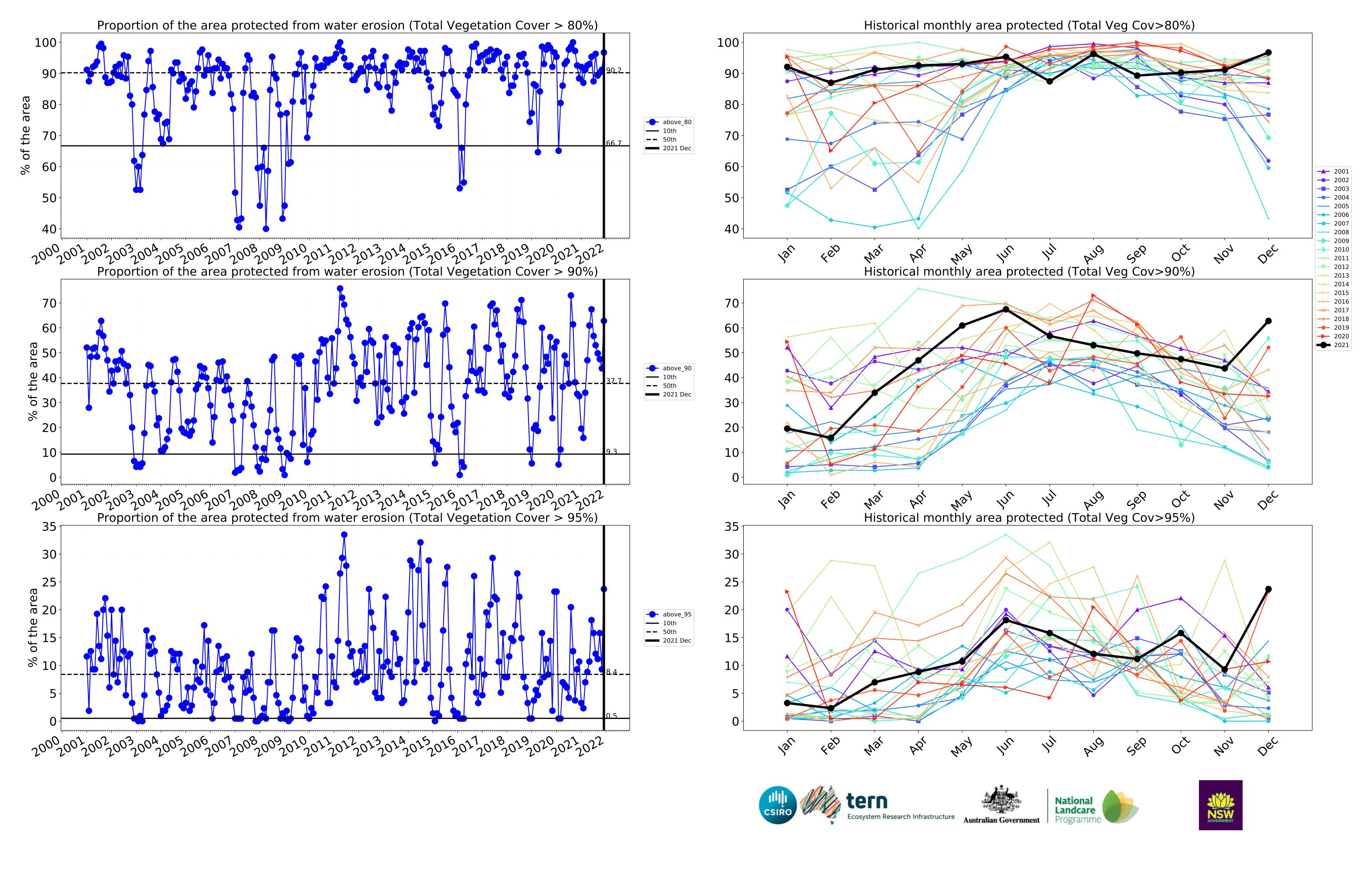




Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)







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

#### Land use and forest cover

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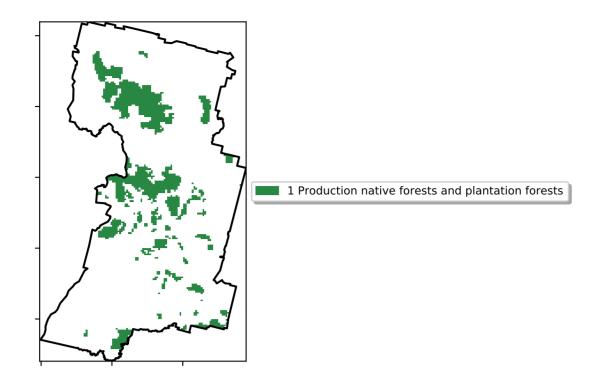
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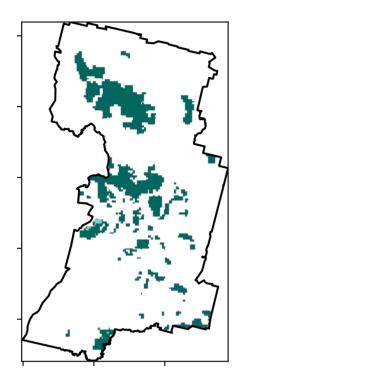
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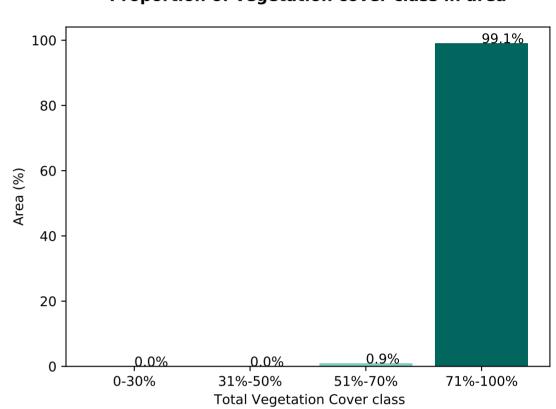
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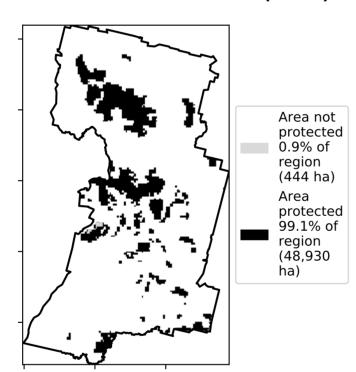
#### **Total Vegetation Cover [%]**



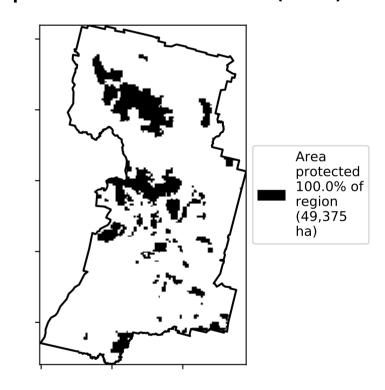
#### Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



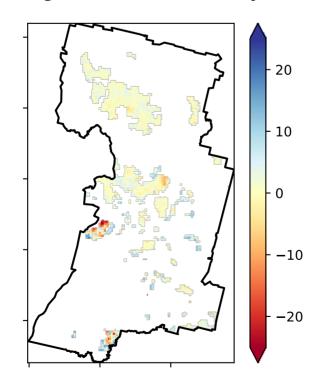
#### % Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



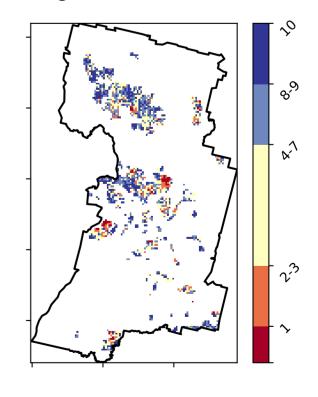
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#### **Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]**



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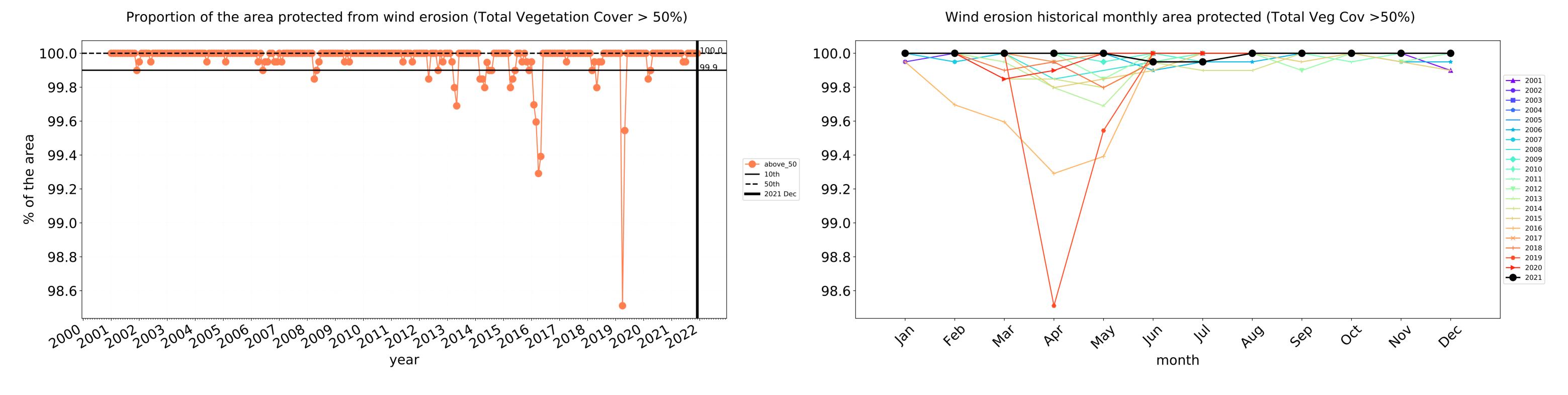


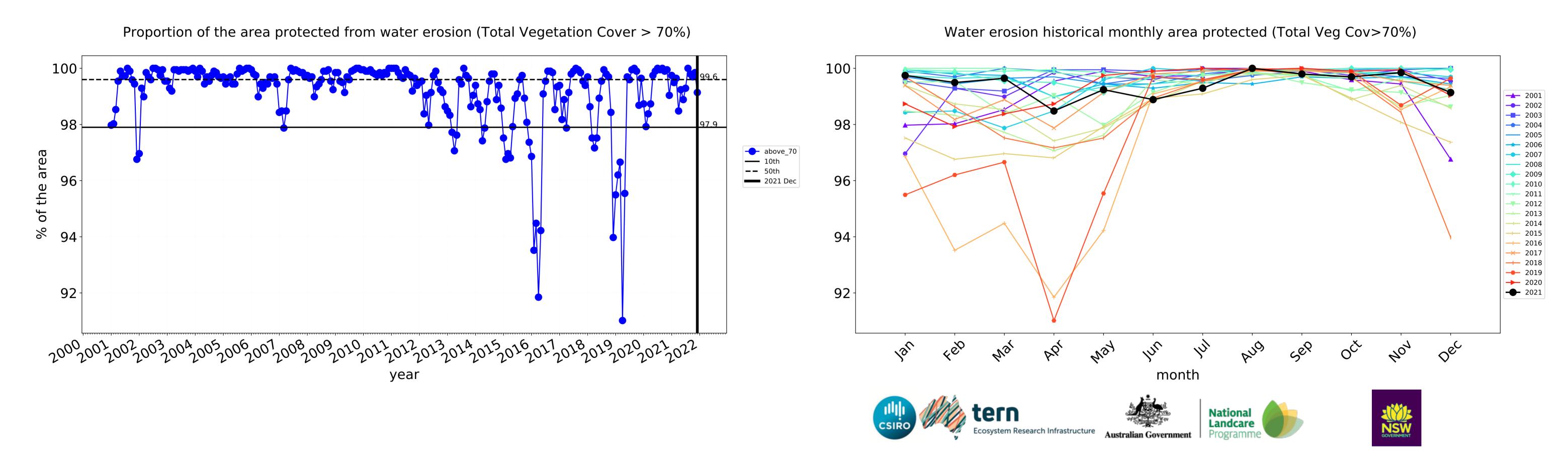


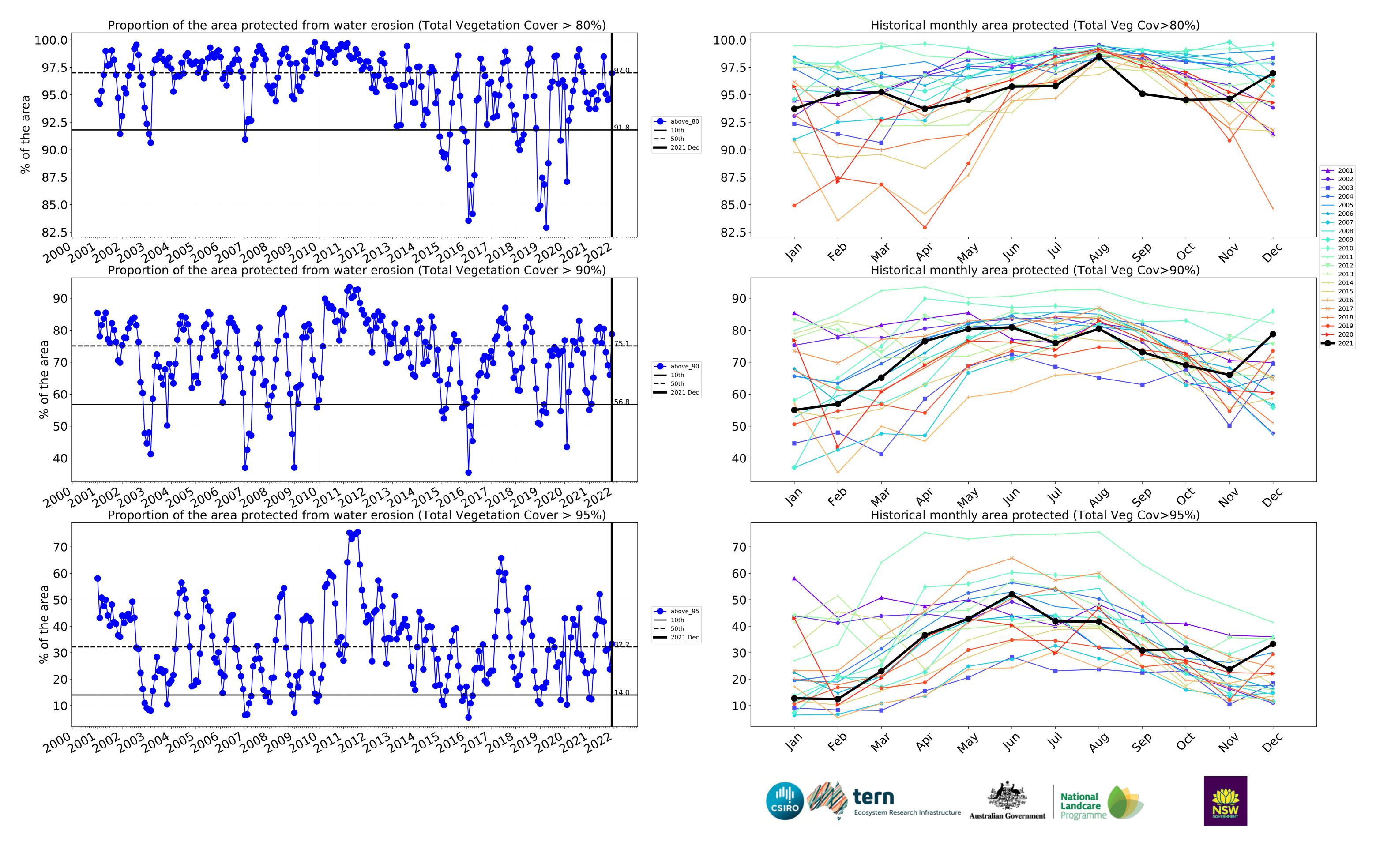




#### **Production native forests and plantation forests timeseries**







## Pyrenees\_(S) (total 343,625 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	343,625	100.0% 343,625	100.0% 343,625	99.6% 342,375	96.9% 332,925	74.4% 255,575	44.3% 152,300
Conservation and natural environments	16,225	100.0% 16,225	100.0% 16,225	99.8% 16,200	99.1% 16,075	60.4% 9,800	25.0% 4,050
Conservation and natural environments non forest	5,075	100.0% 5,075	100.0% 5,075	99.5% 5,050	97.0% 4,925	77.8% 3,950	47.8% 2,425
Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)	10,350	100.0% 10,350	100.0% 10,350	100.0% 10,350	100.0% 10,350	52.2% 5,400	13.3% 1,375
Agriculture	255,325	100.0% 255,325	100.0% 255,325	99.7% 254,525	96.6% 246,675	74.2% 189,575	48.0% 122,675
Grazing	191,750	100.0% 191,750	100.0% 191,750	99.8% 191,350	97.9% 187,725	78.0% 149,650	51.6% 98,950
Grazing non forest	184,550	100.0% 184,550	100.0% 184,550	99.8% 184,150	97.9% 180,725	78.0% 144,025	52.0% 96,025
Grazing - Forest (non woodland)	5,550	100.0% 5,550	100.0% 5,550	100.0% 5,550	100.0% 5,550	82.0% 4,550	44.6% 2,475
Cropping	57,950	100.0% 57,950	100.0% 57,950	99.3% 57,550	92.4% 53,550	63.0% 36,525	38.7% 22,450
Horticulture	5,375	100.0% 5,375	100.0% 5,375	100.0% 5,375	96.7% 5,200	62.8% 3,375	23.7% 1,275
Production native forests and plantation forests	49,375	100.0% 49,375	100.0% 49,375	99.1% 48,950	97.0% 47,875	78.8% 38,900	33.3% 16,450







