# Total vegetation cover soil protection Region:LGA Dardanup\_(S) WA

# Date: April 2023

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

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

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

• 71-100% High cover - protected from wind and usually water erosion (high rainfall, steep slopes, and erodible soils may need greater than 80, 90, 95 and up to 100% cover)

- 51-70% Moderate cover protected from wind erosion
- 31-50% Low cover not protected
- 0-30% Very Low cover not protected

Erosion protection: Wind erosion 50% total vegetation cover

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

- Map: water erosion protection (>70% cover) percentage area and hectares.
- Map: wind erosion protection (>50% cover) percentage area and hectares. Comparison with previous years:
  - Map: anomaly comparing this month to the average cover from the same month in previous years.
  - Map: deciles rank of month against the same month in previous years.

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

#### **Erosion protection**

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

#### Rainfall

• Millimetres rainfall each month (black line).

Each time series is also stacked by year. The black line shows the current year of data. Water erosion protection for higher rainfall and steeper slopes:

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

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

#### Acknowledgment of data:

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

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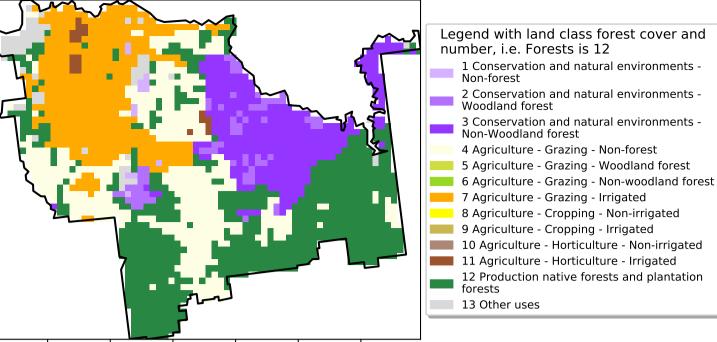


# **Vegetation Cover Apr 2023**

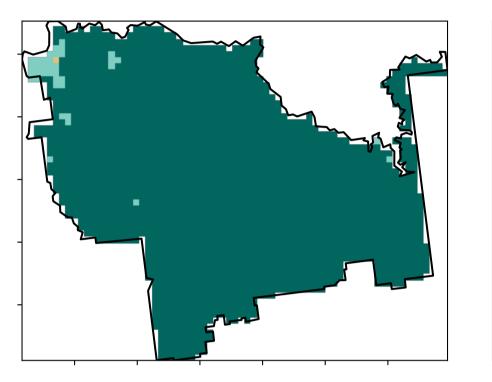
#### Land use and forest cover

#### Proportion of each land class in area





**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 



% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)

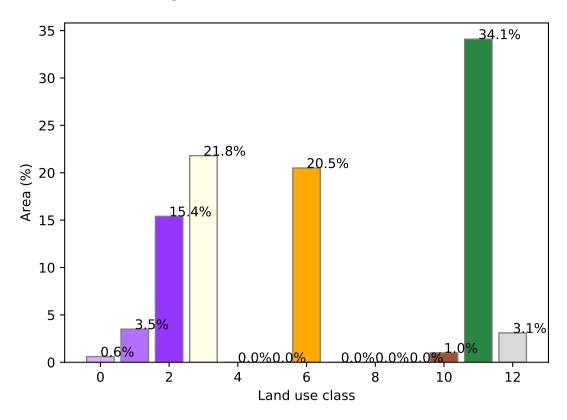


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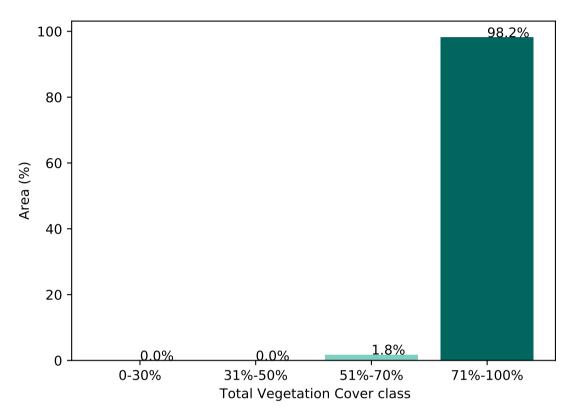
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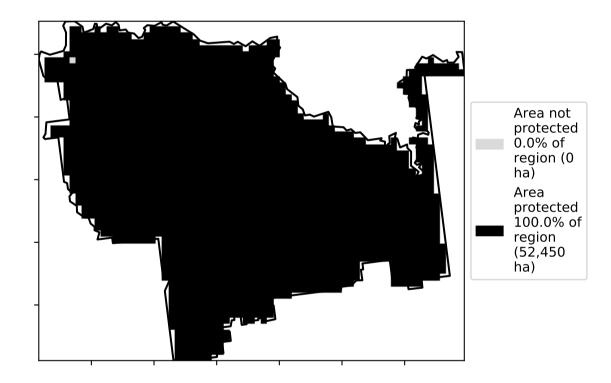
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#### Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



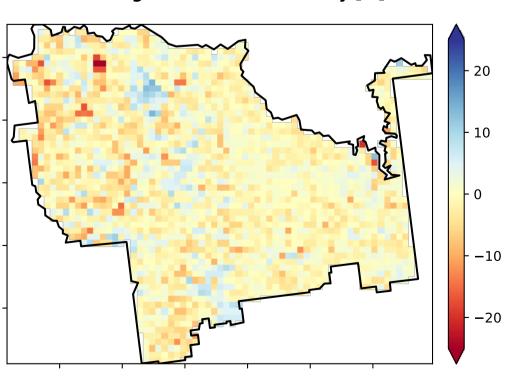
% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



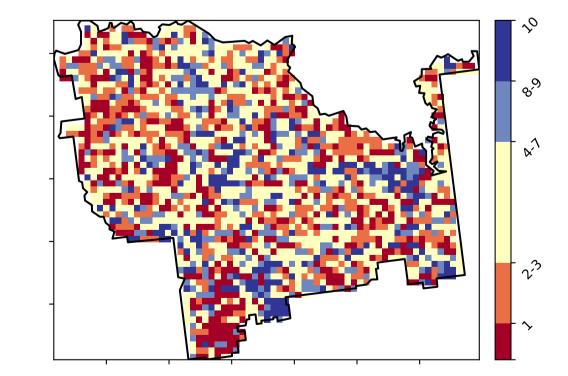
**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 

**Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]** 

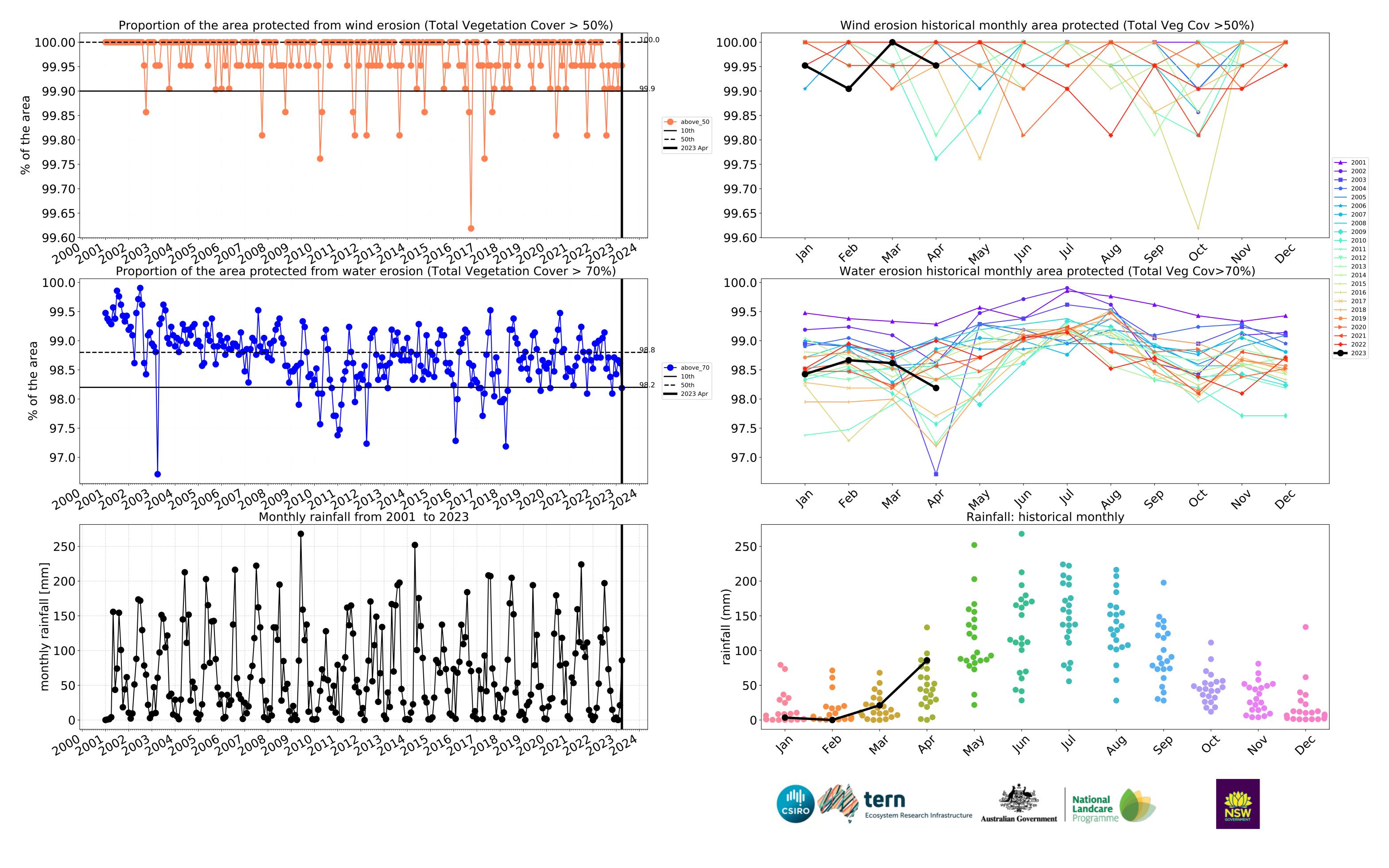
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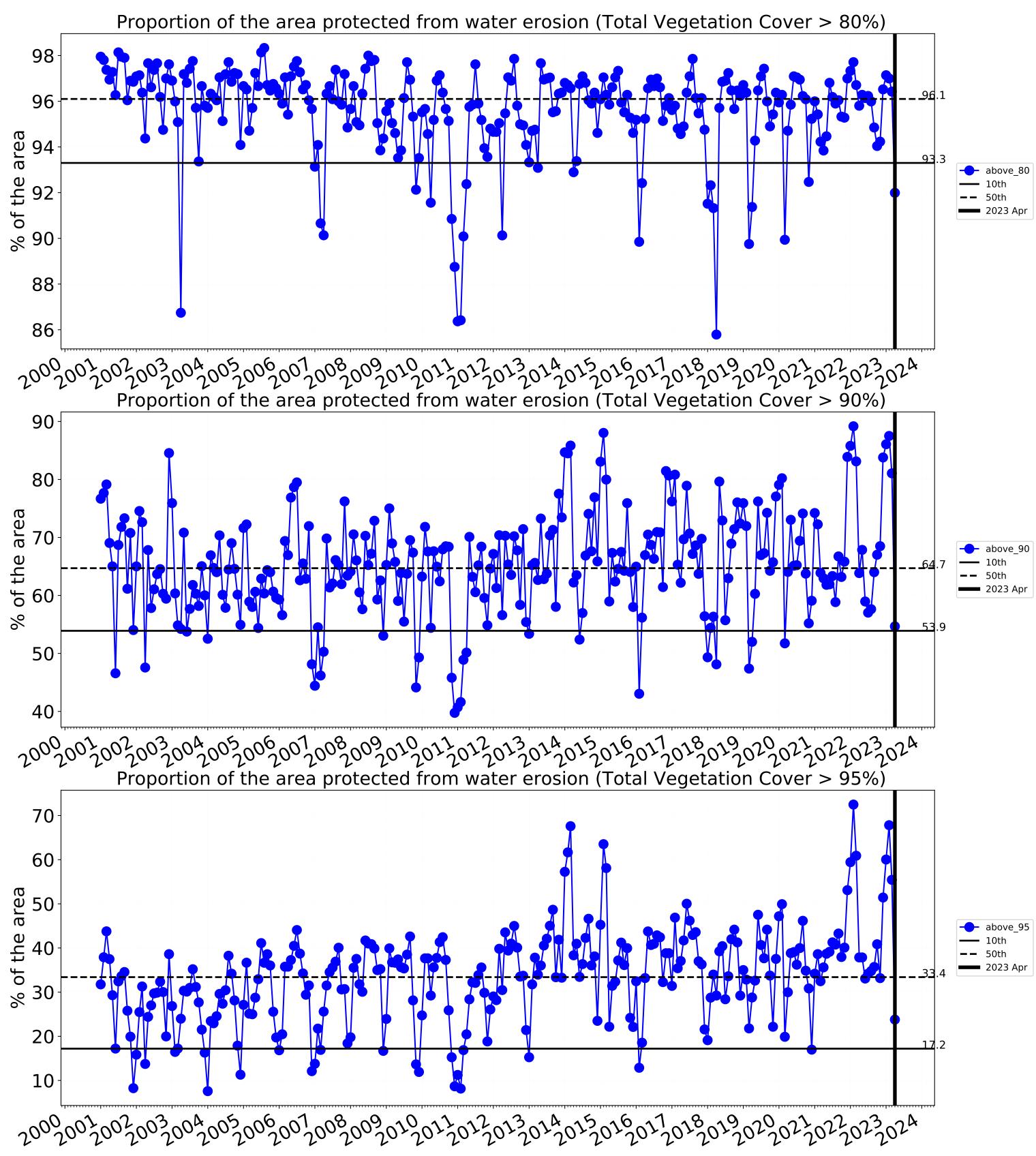


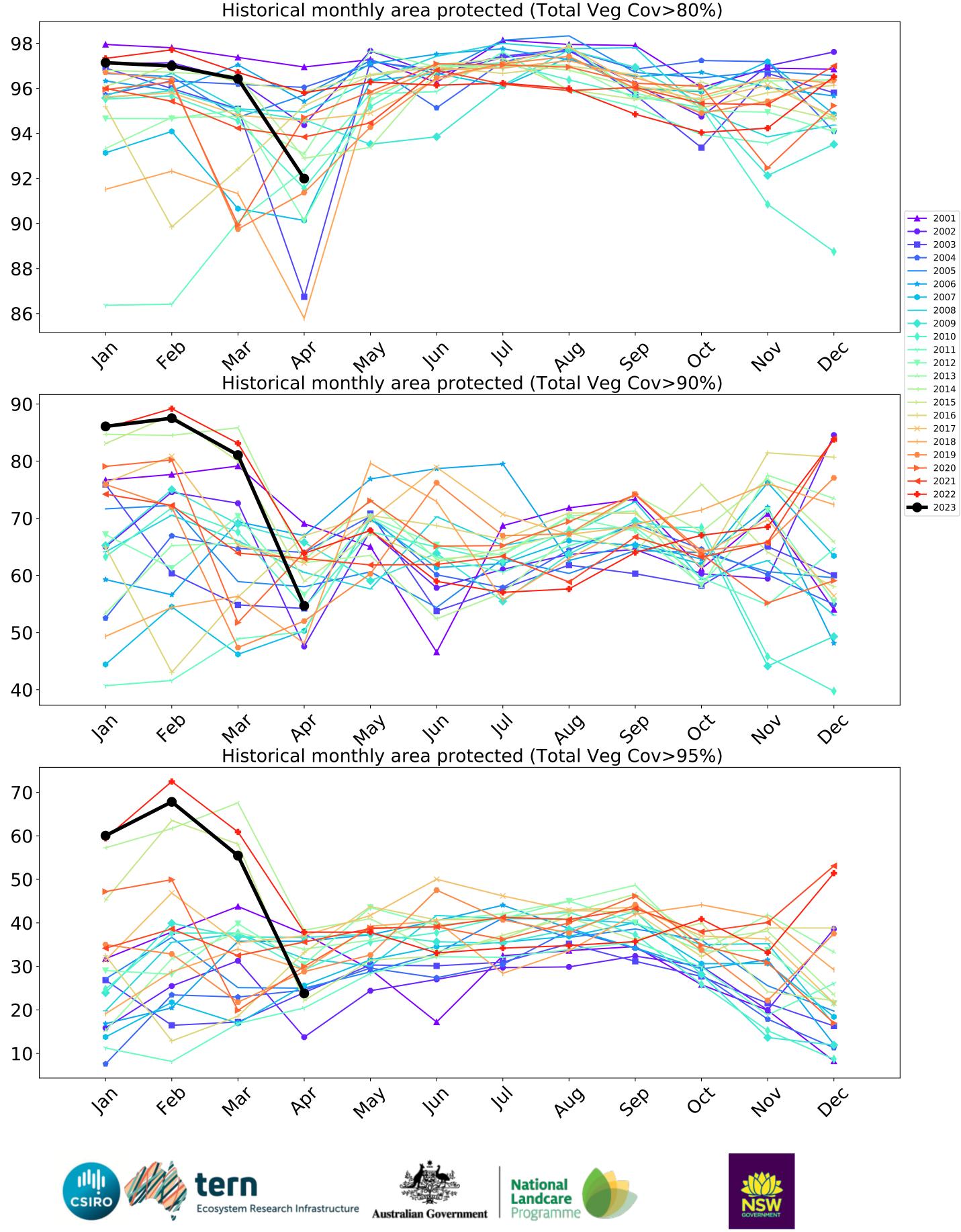
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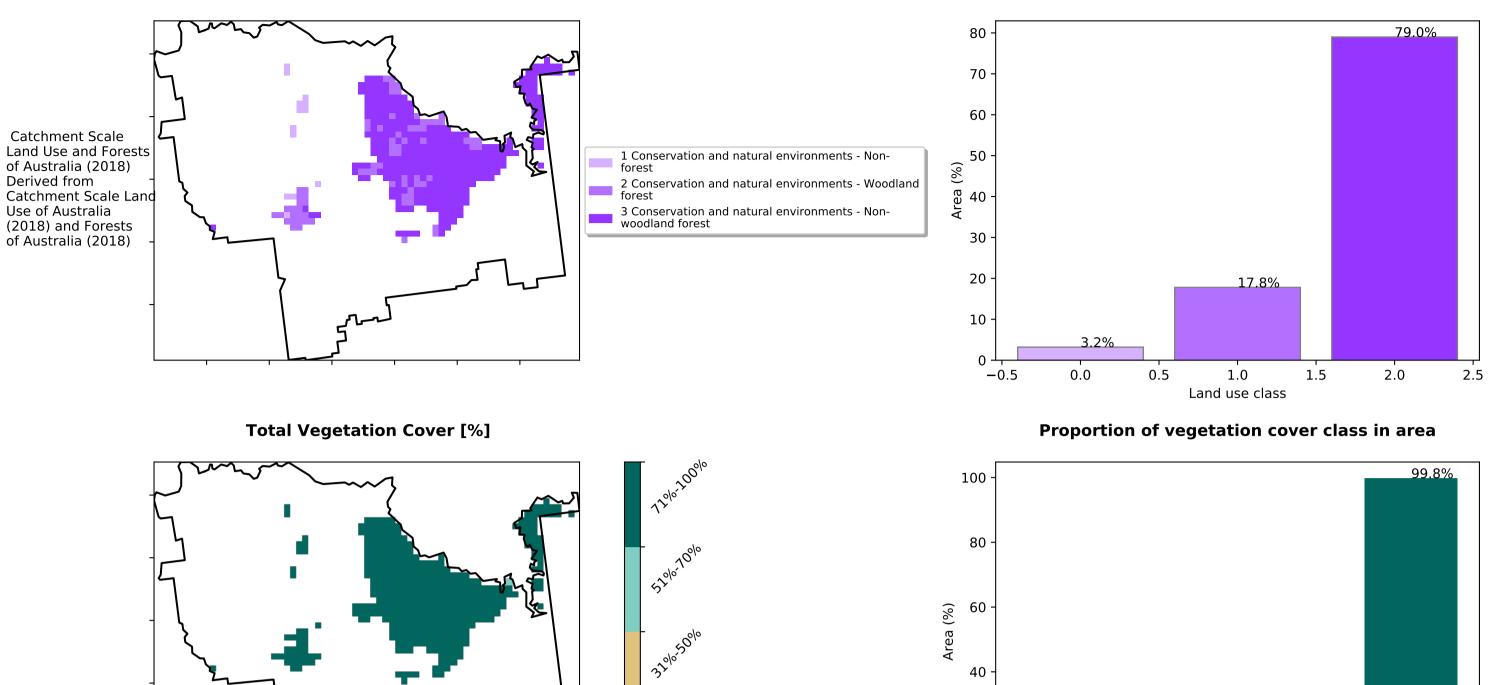




#### **Conservation and natural environments**

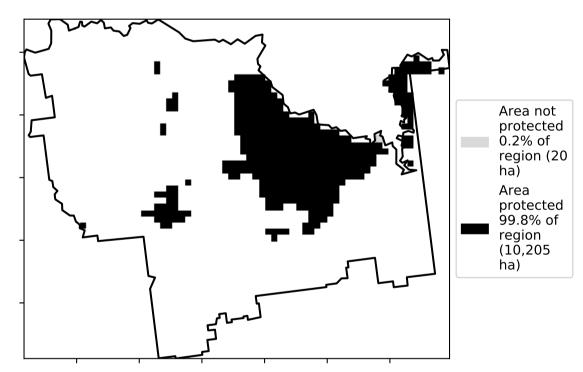
Land use and forest cover

Proportion of each land class in area



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% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

Total Vegetation Cover class

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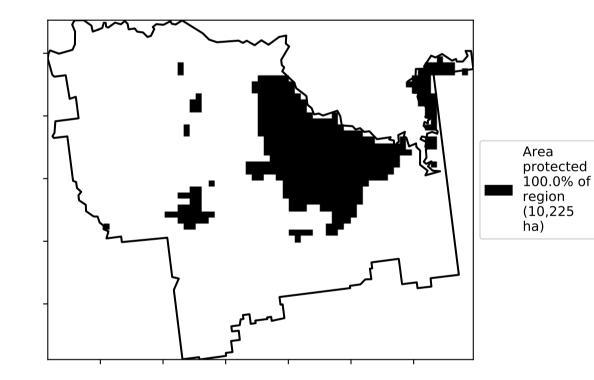
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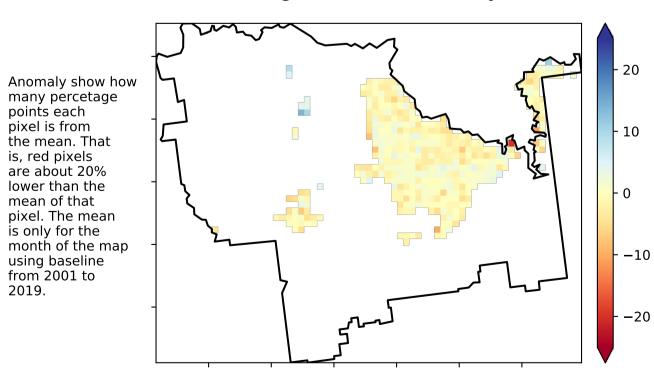


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51%-70%

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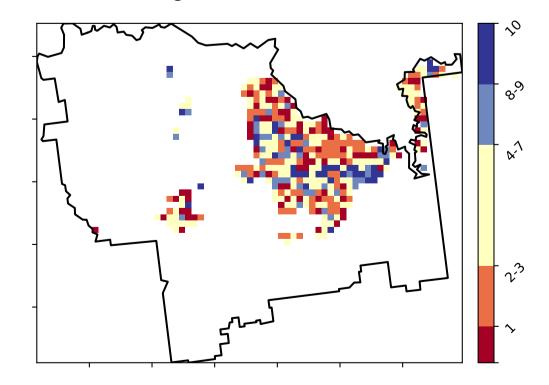
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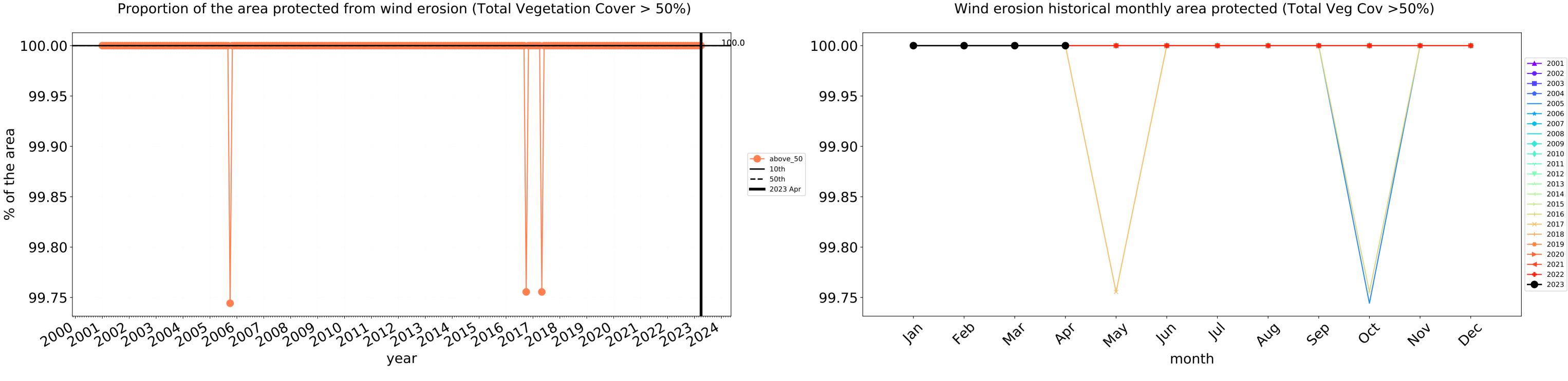
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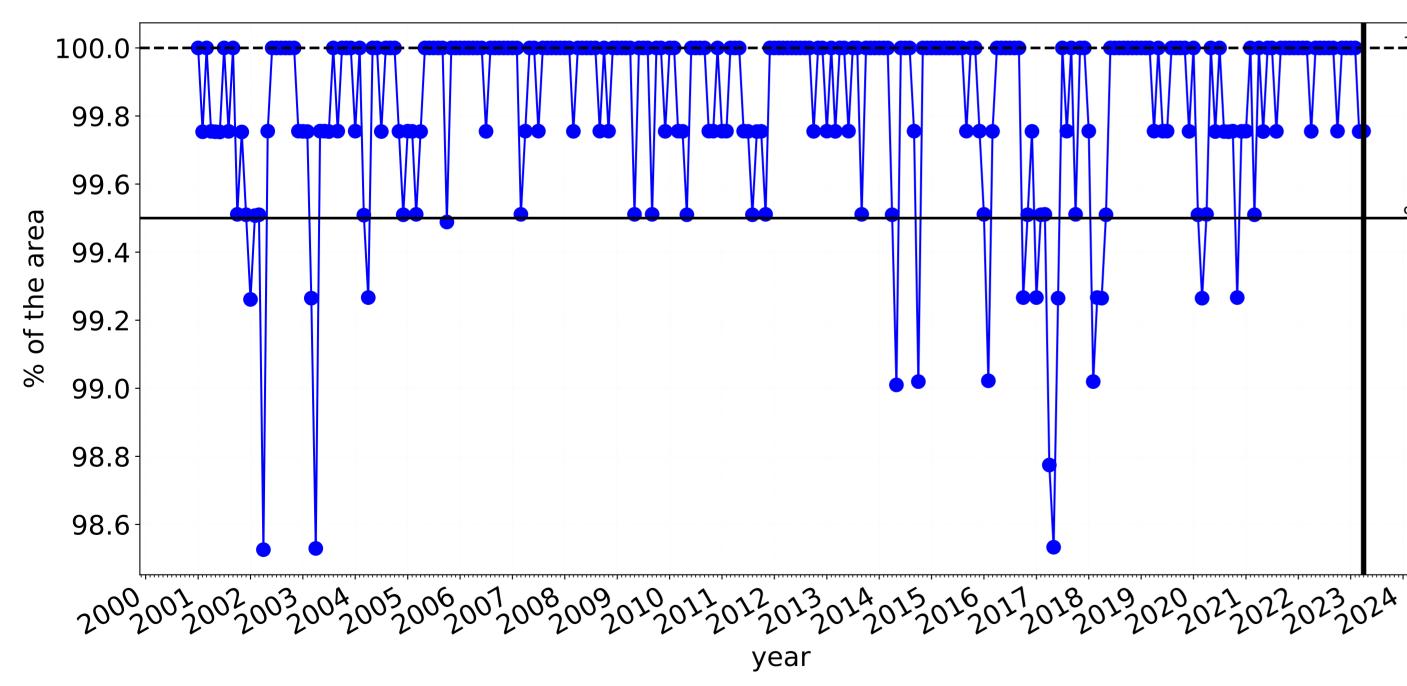
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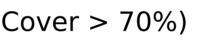
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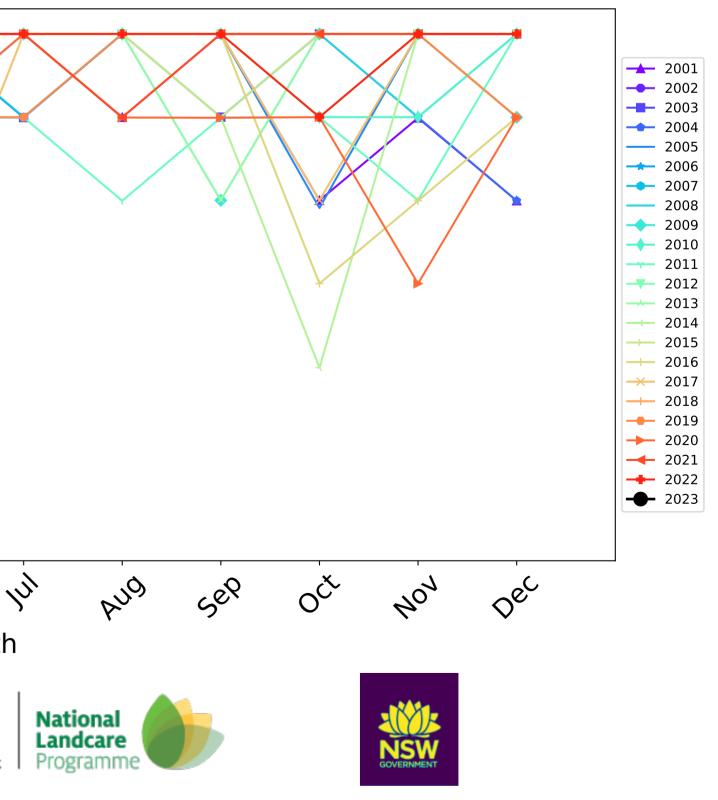


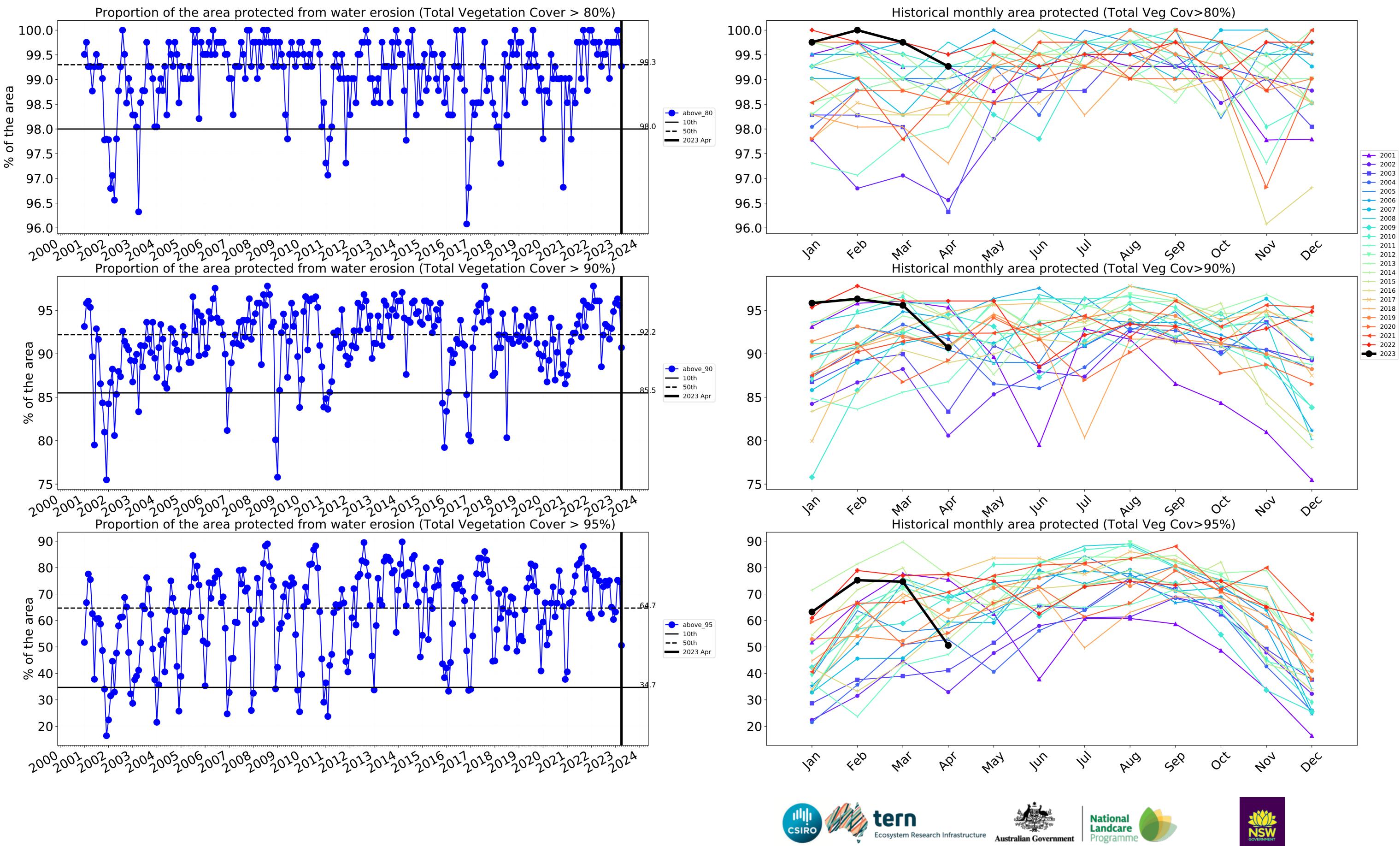




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Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)





#### **Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest**

Land use and forest cover Catchment Scale Land Use and Forests of Australia (2018) Derived from 1 Conservation and natural environments - Woodland Catchment Scale Land forest Use of Australia (2018) and Forests of Australia (2018)

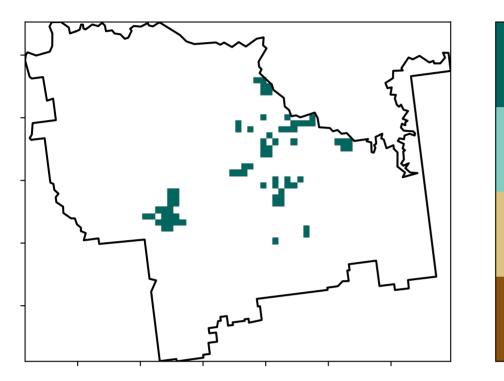
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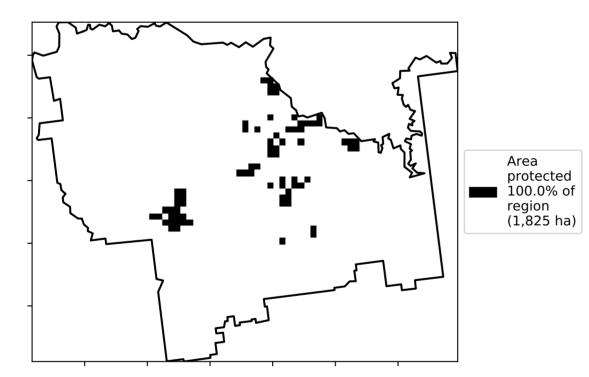
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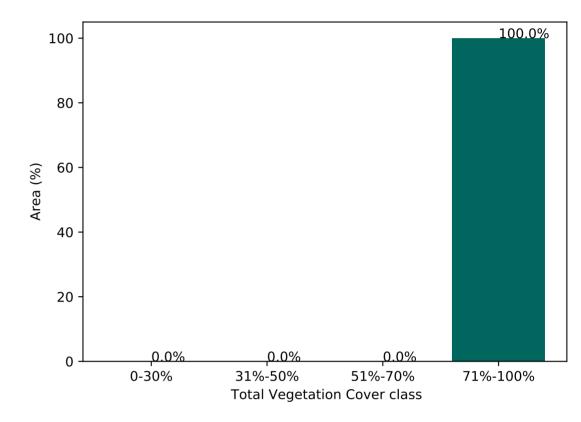
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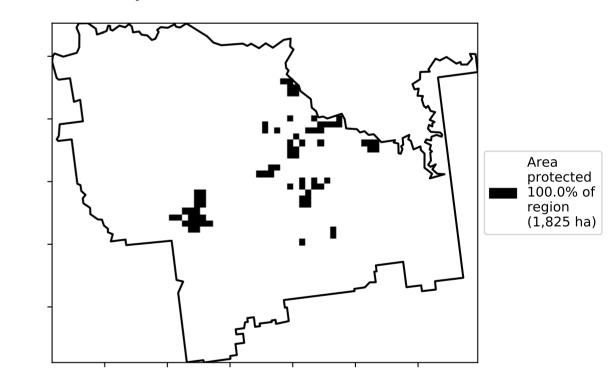
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



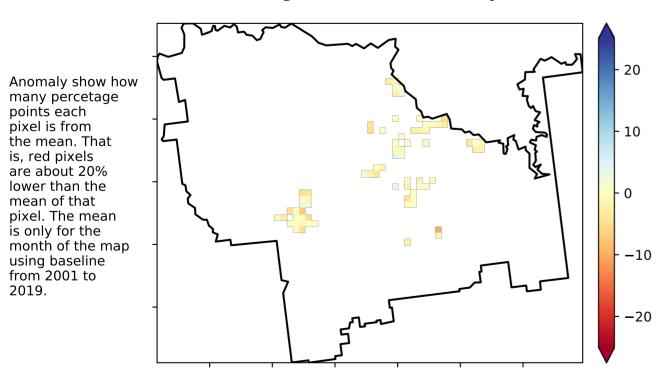
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



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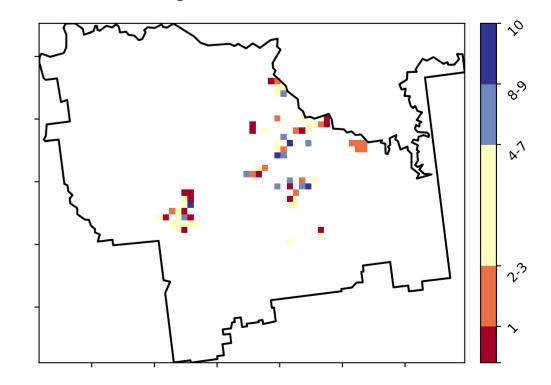


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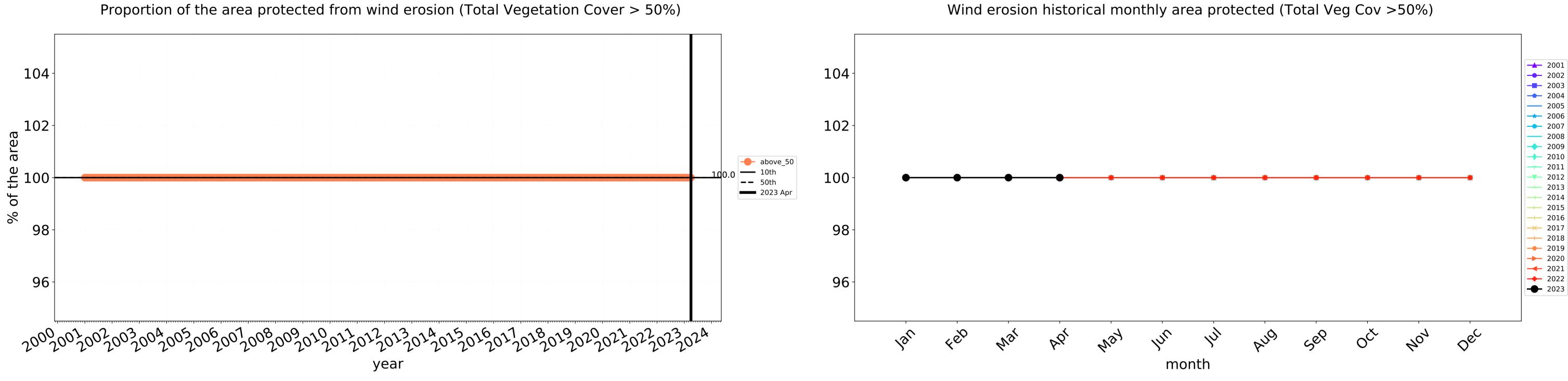
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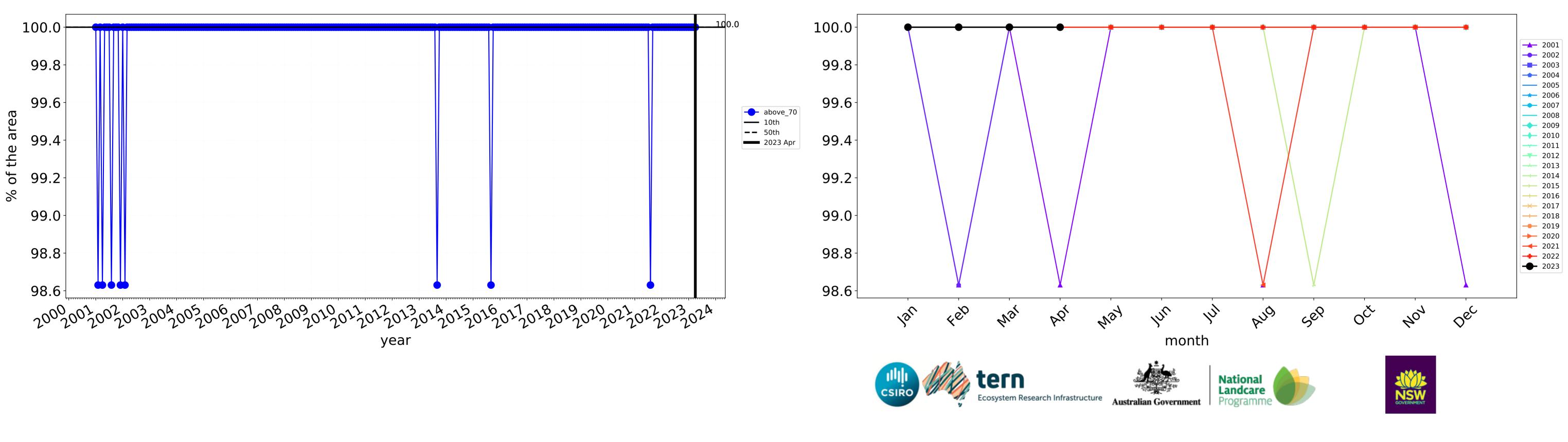
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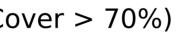
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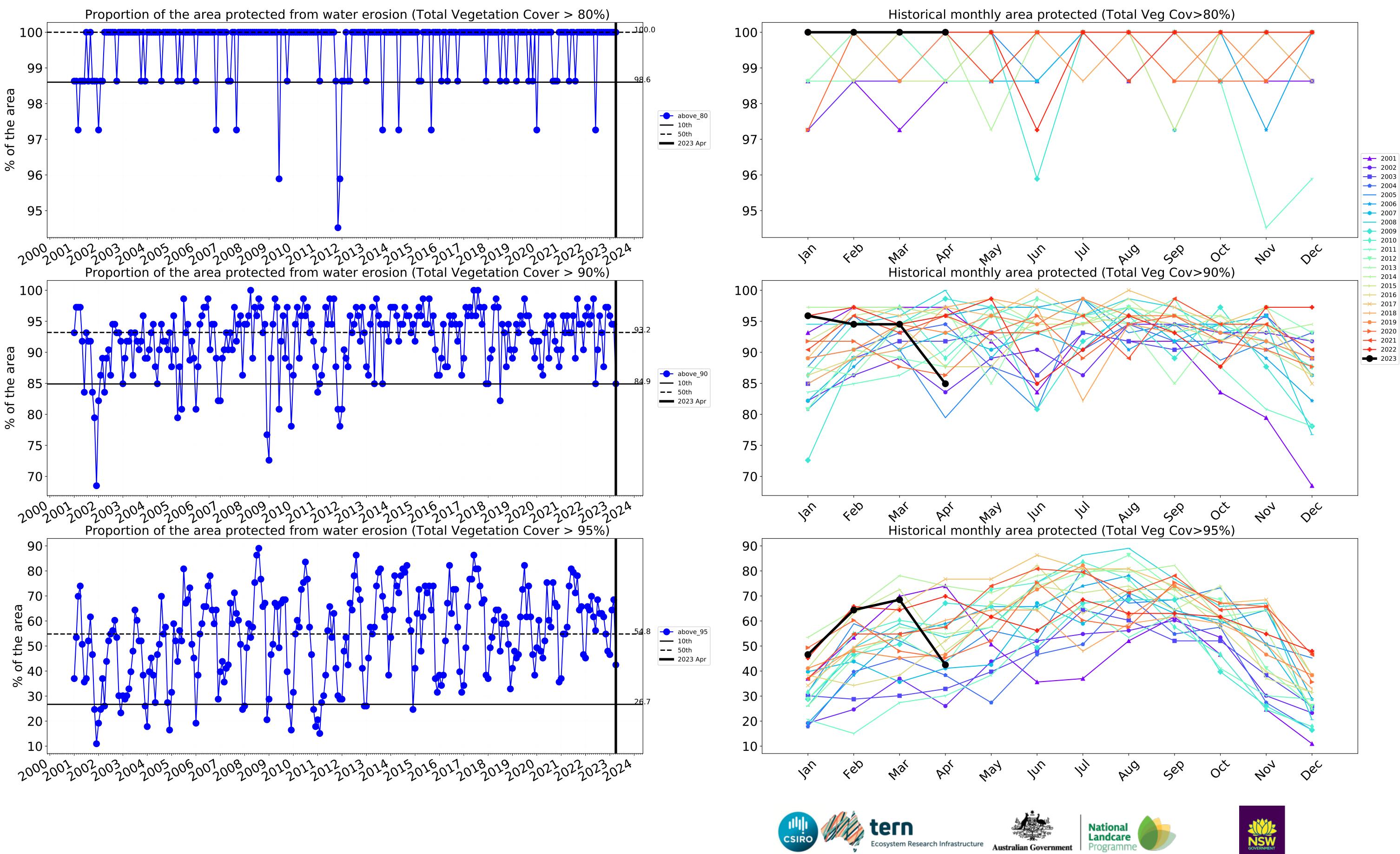






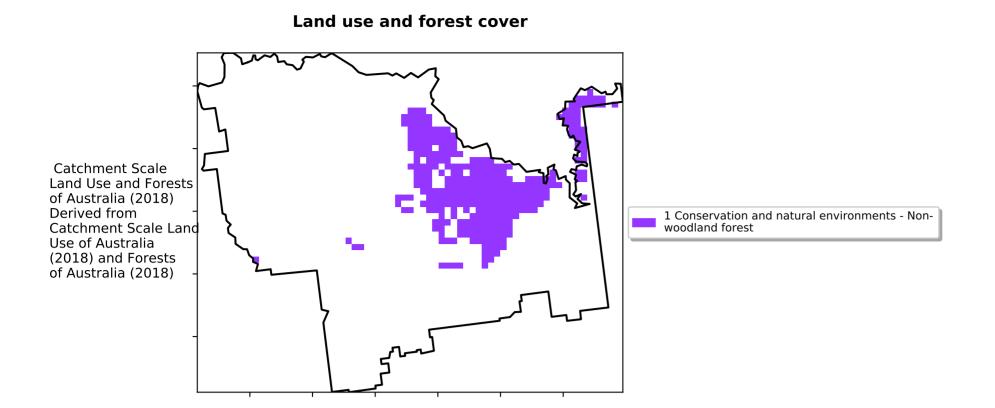


Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)





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



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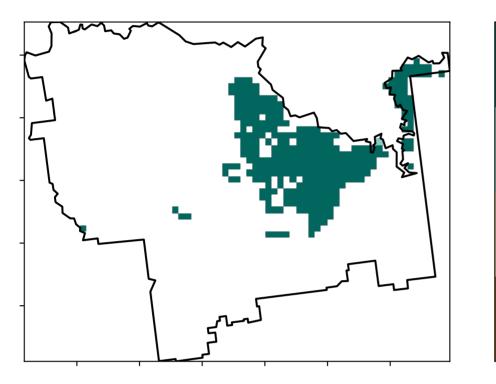
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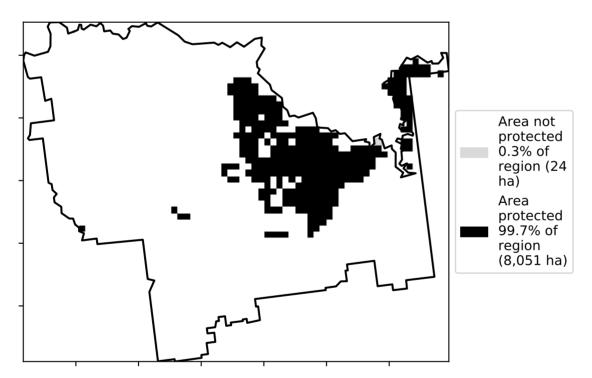
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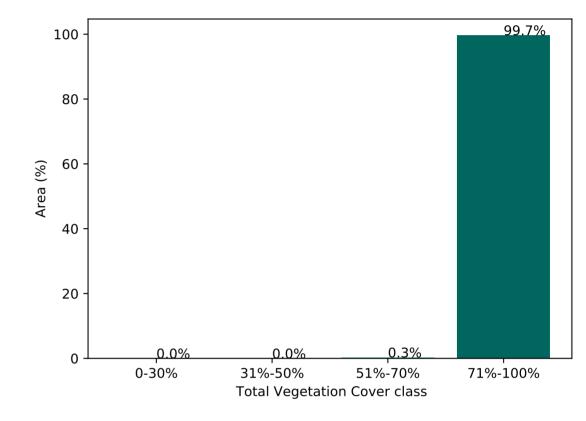
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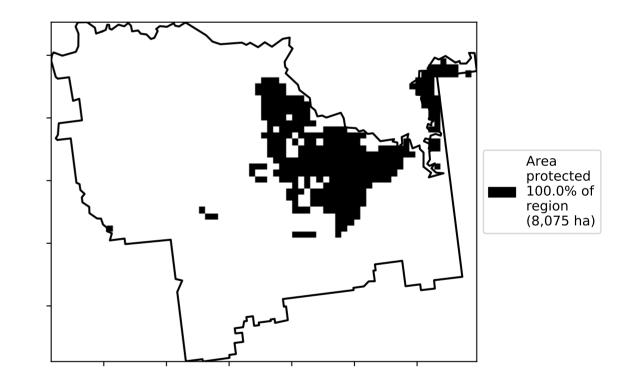
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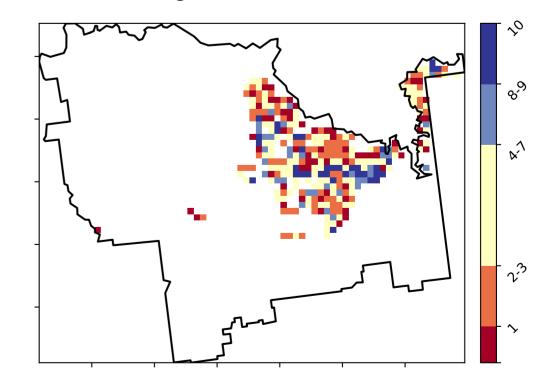
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



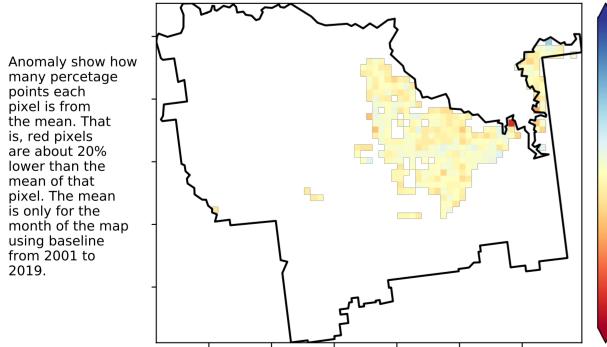
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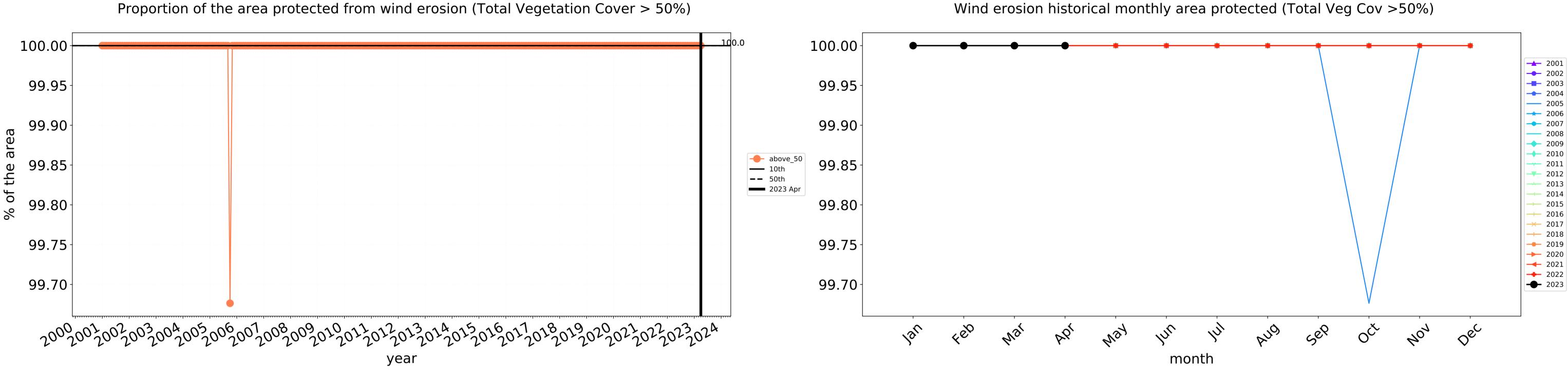
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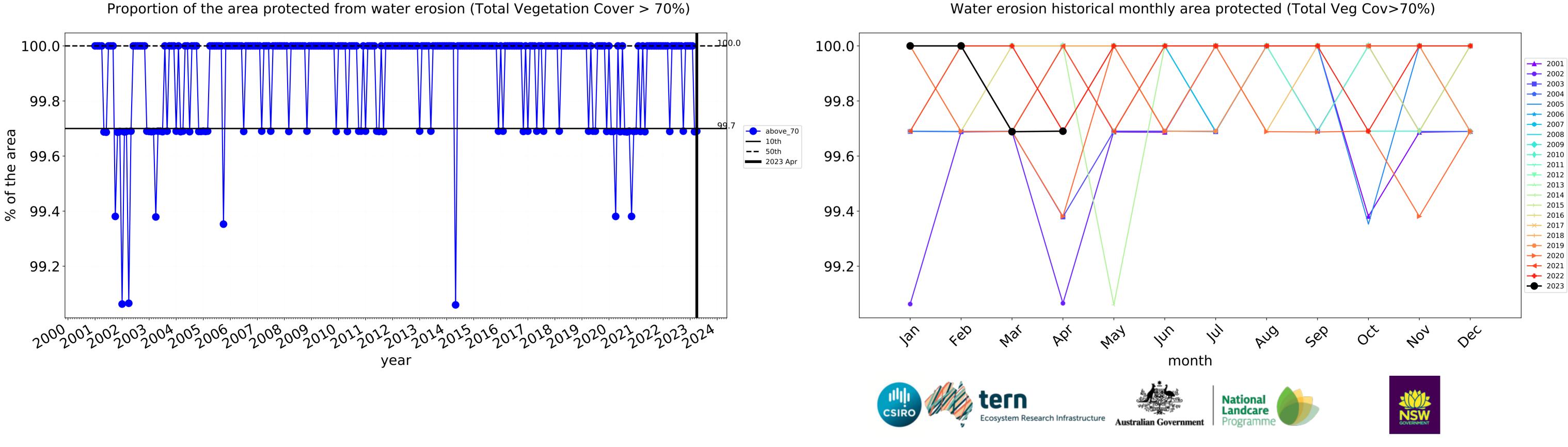


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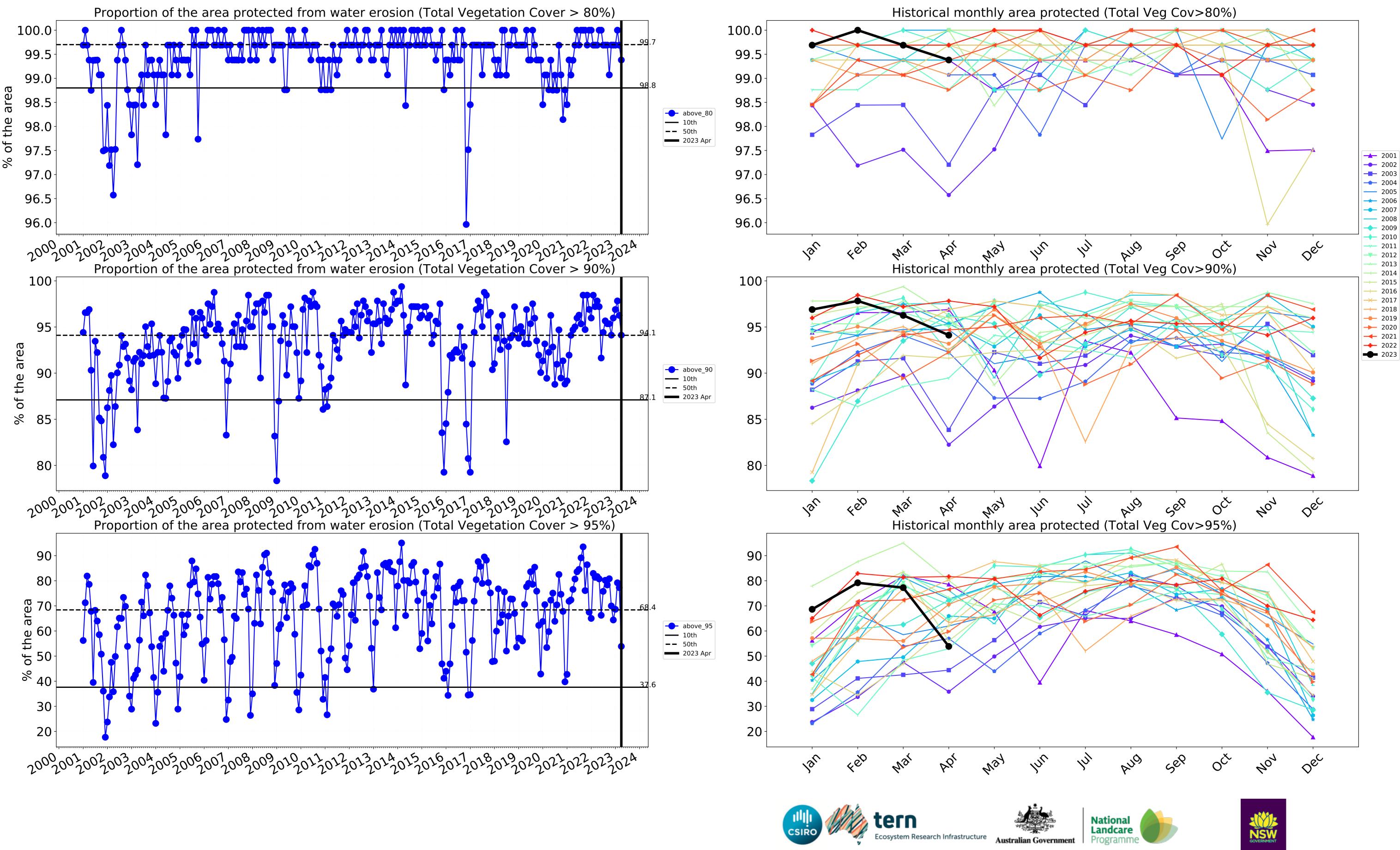


# Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland) timeseries





Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)



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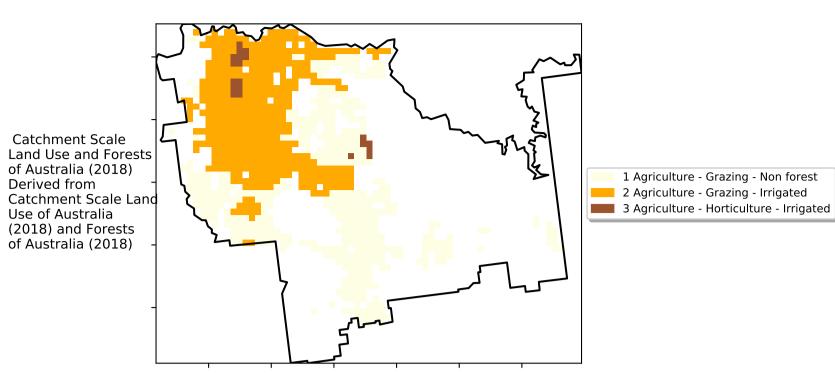
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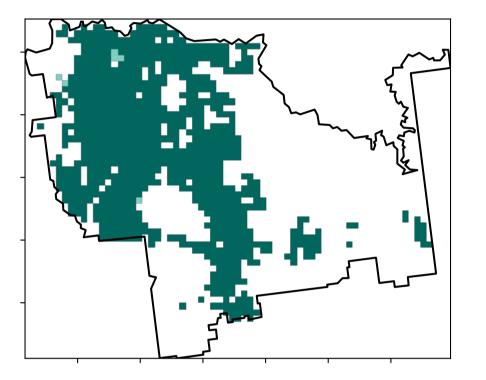
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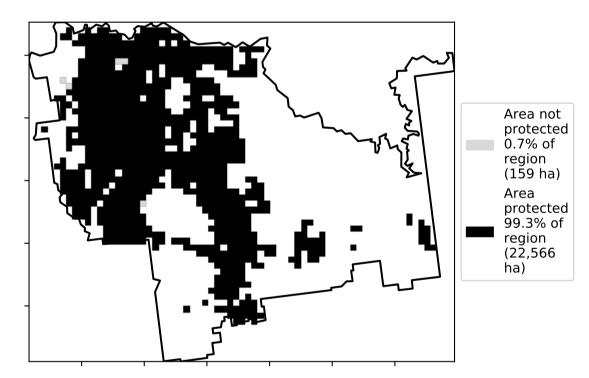
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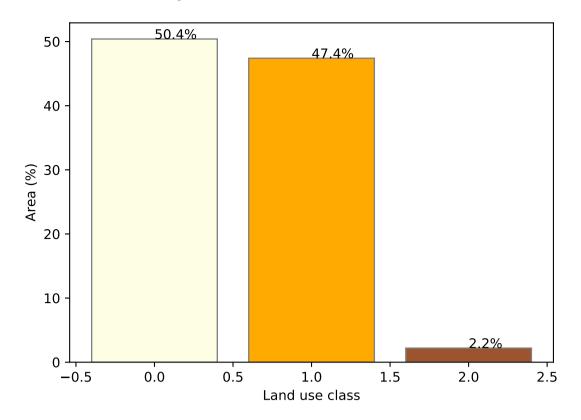


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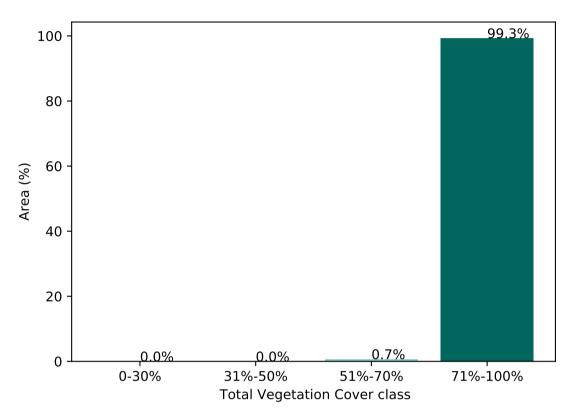
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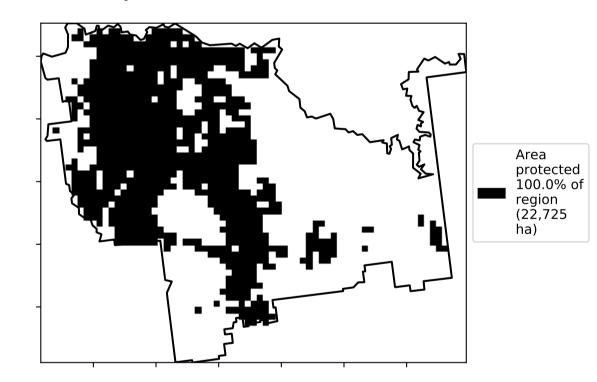


#### Proportion of each land class in area

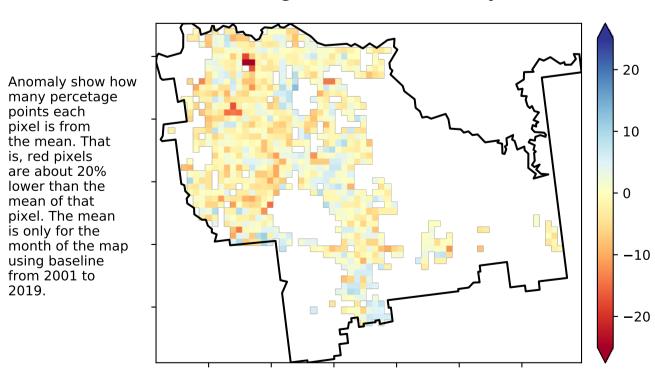
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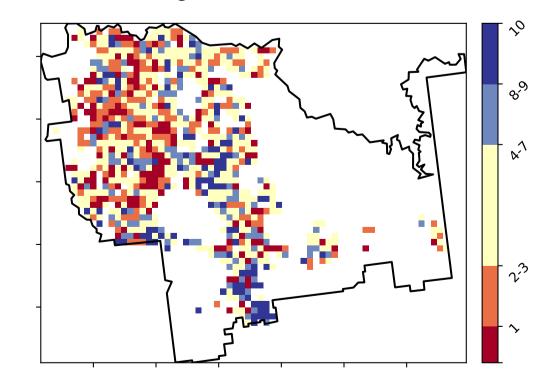
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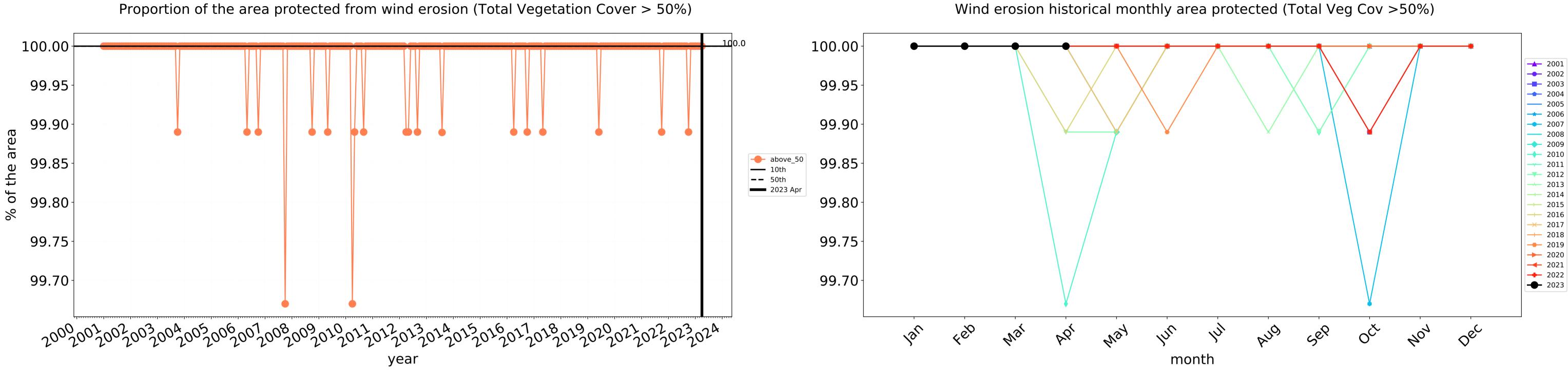
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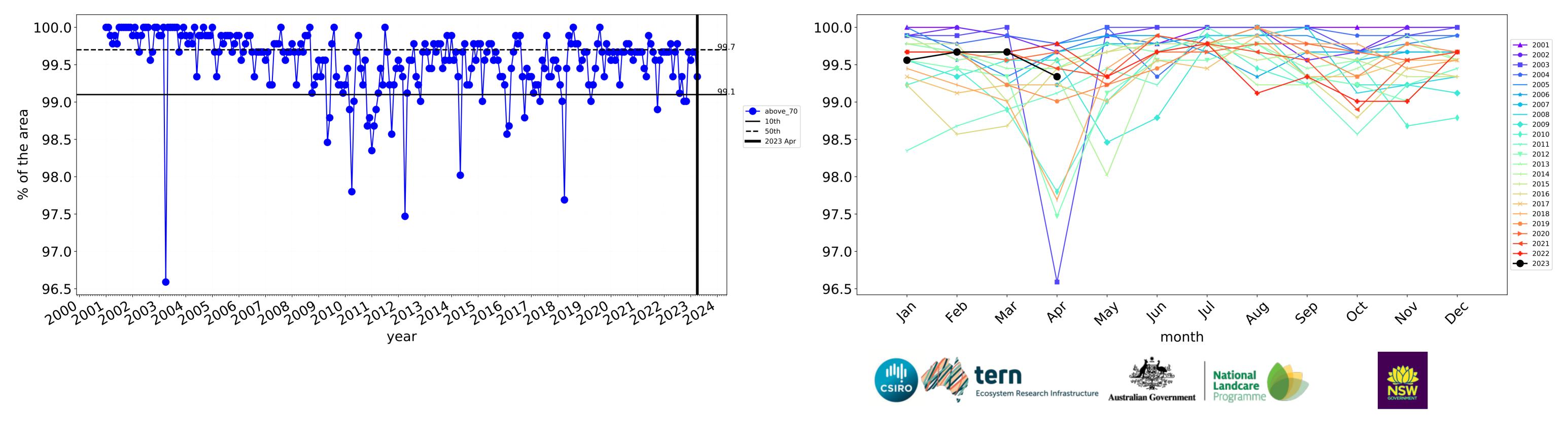
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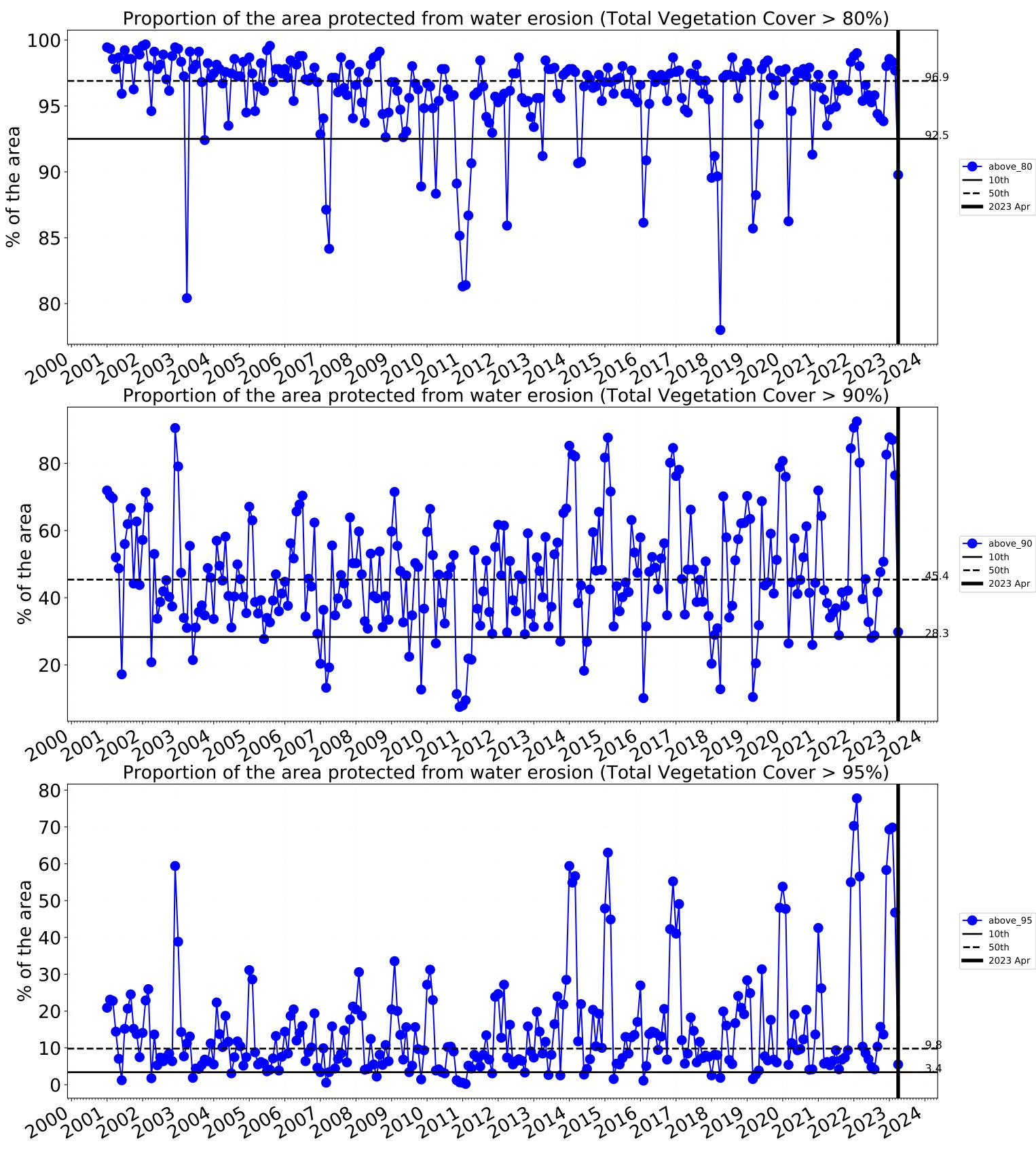


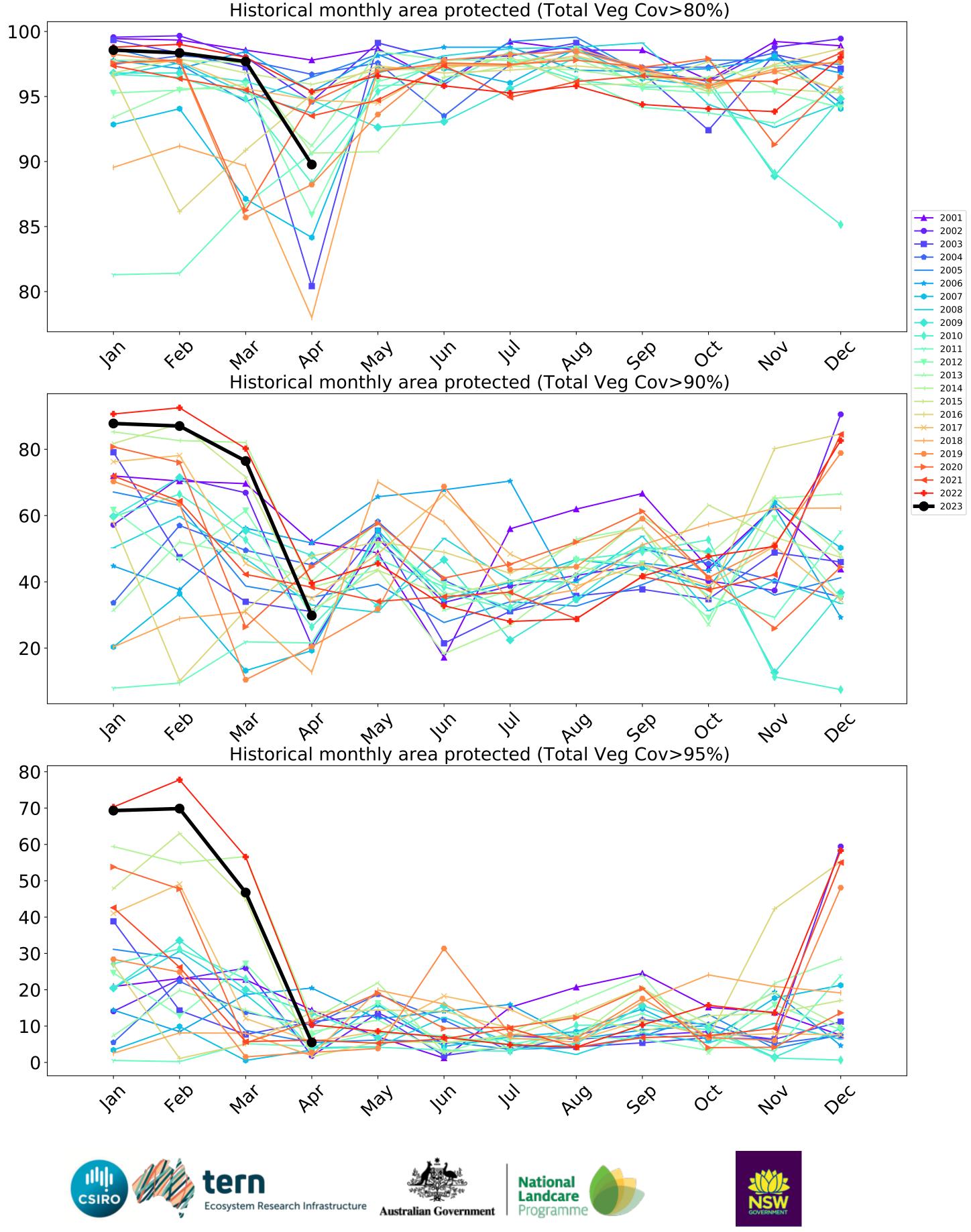


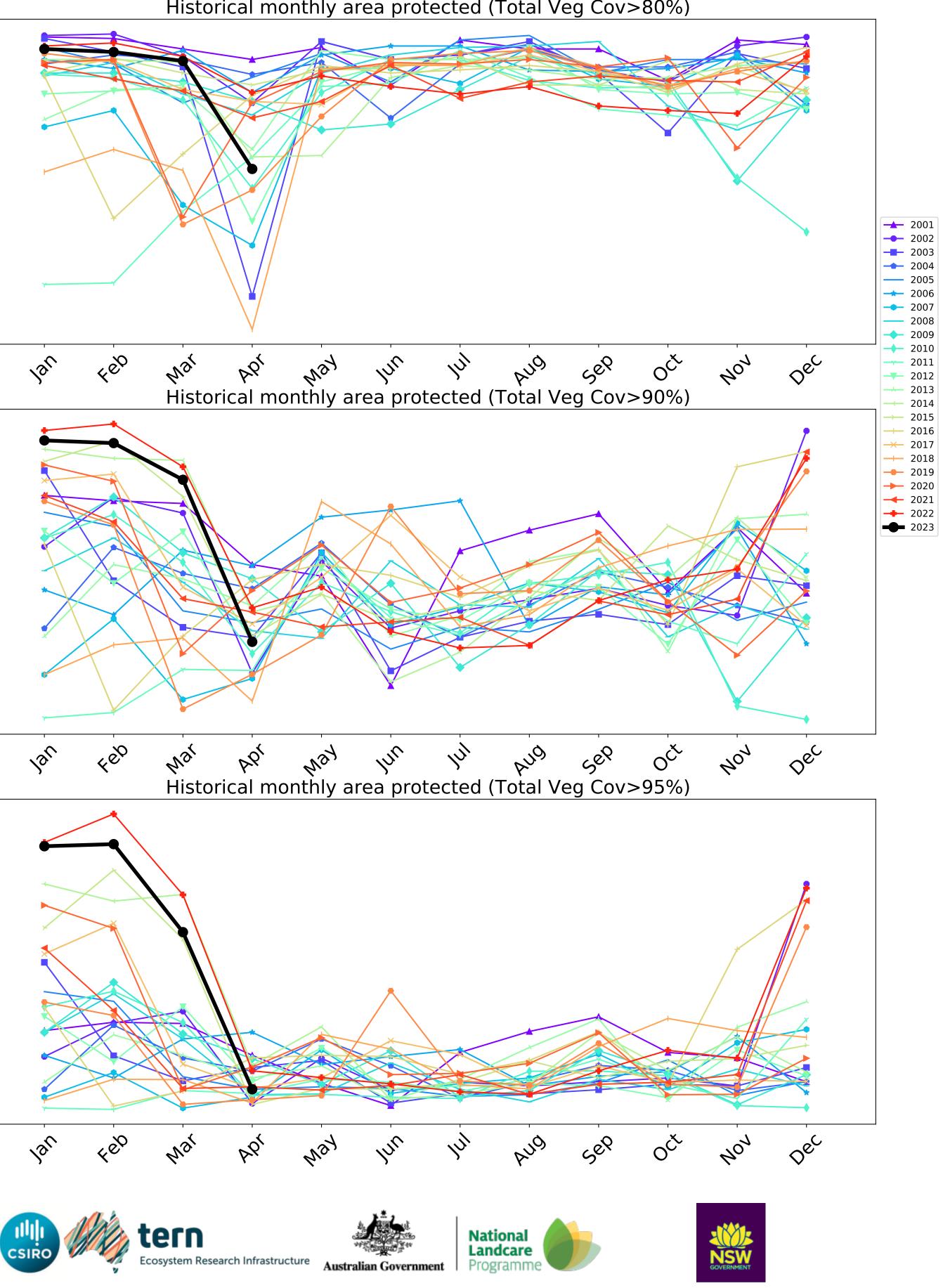
Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)











# Grazing

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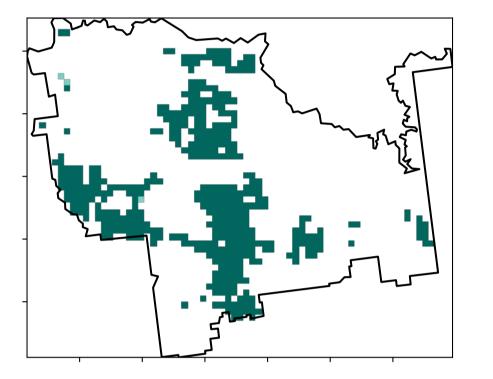
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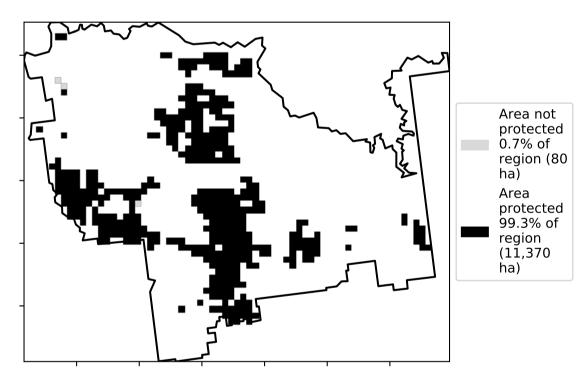
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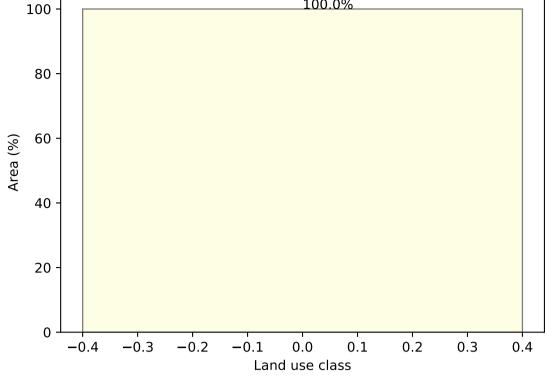
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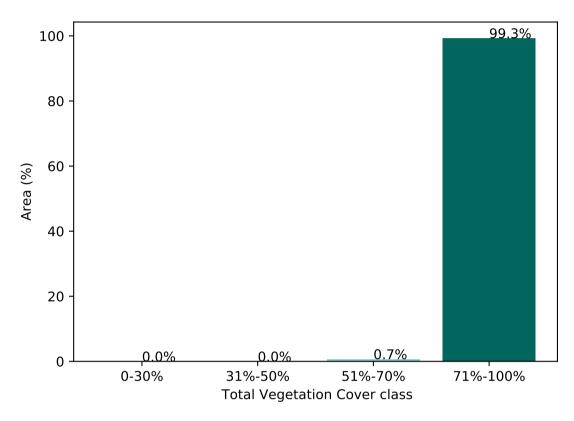
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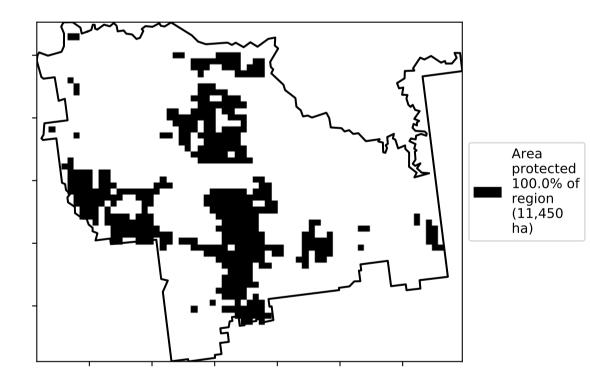
Proportion of each land class in area 100.0%



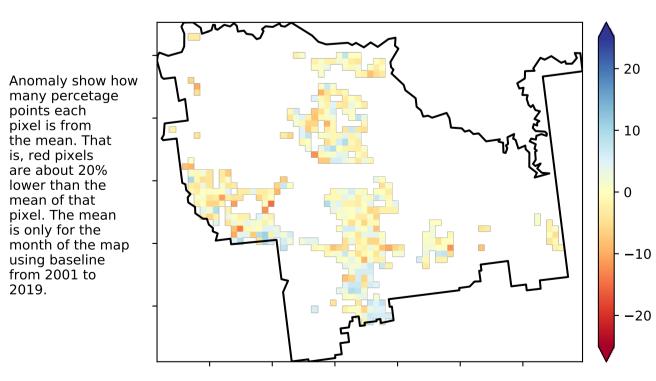
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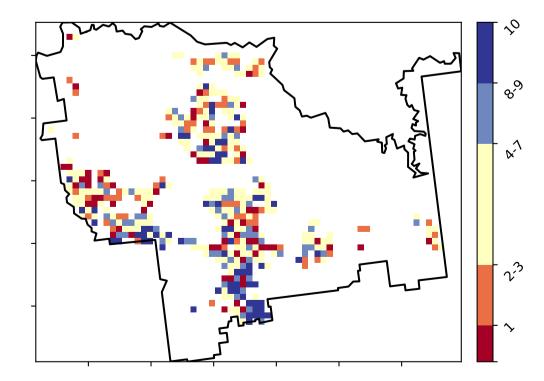
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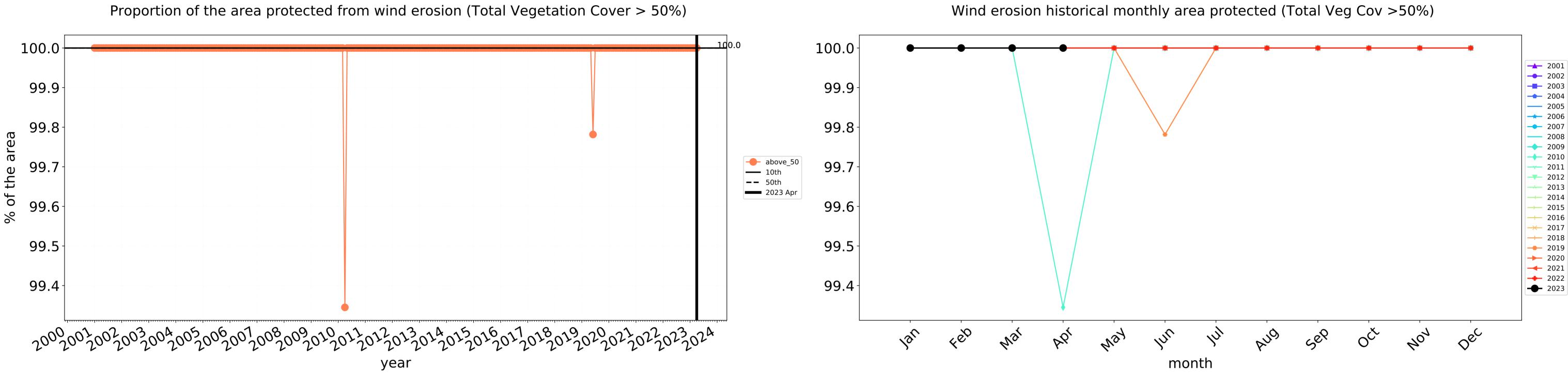
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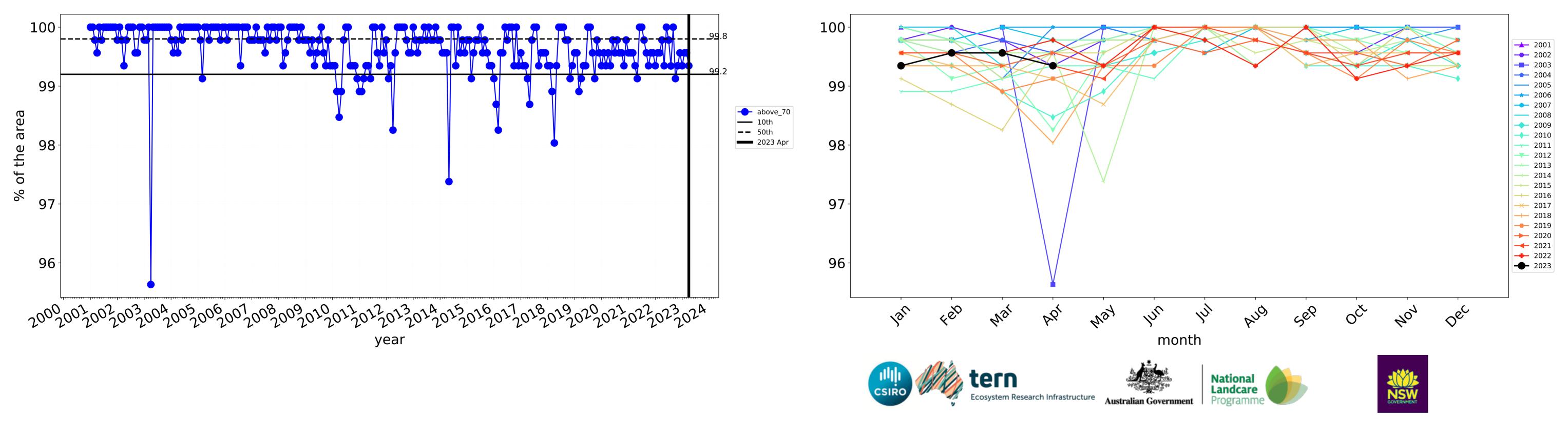
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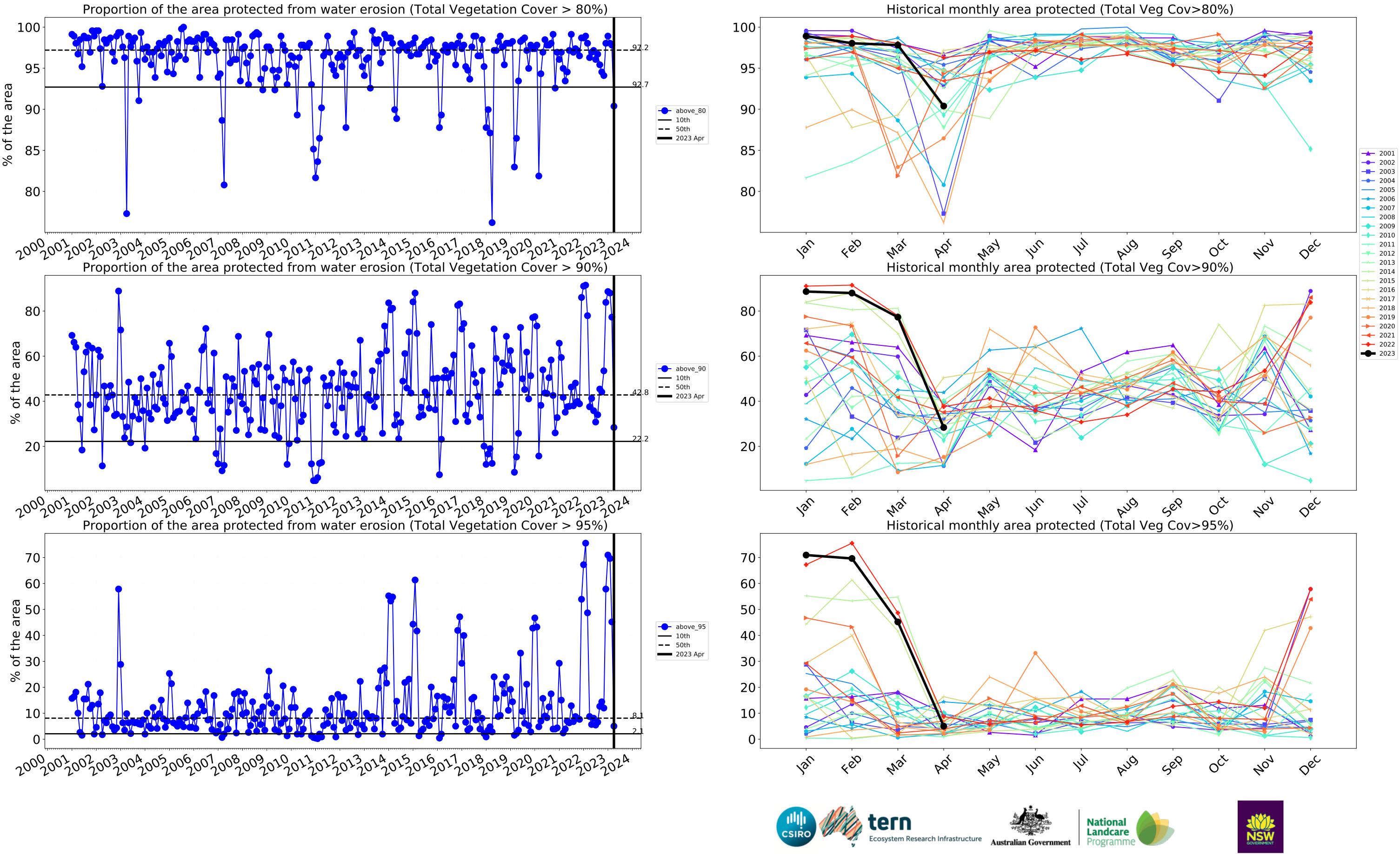












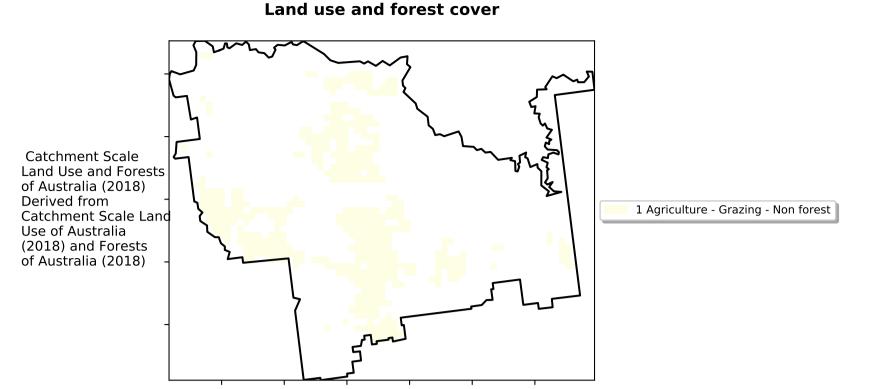
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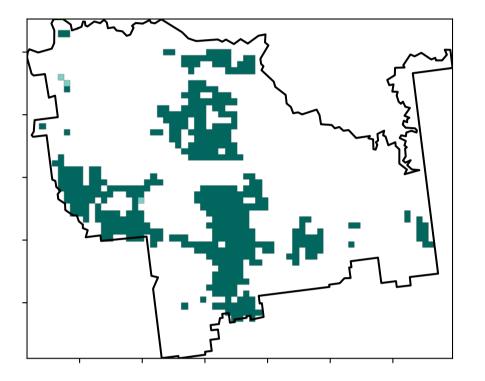
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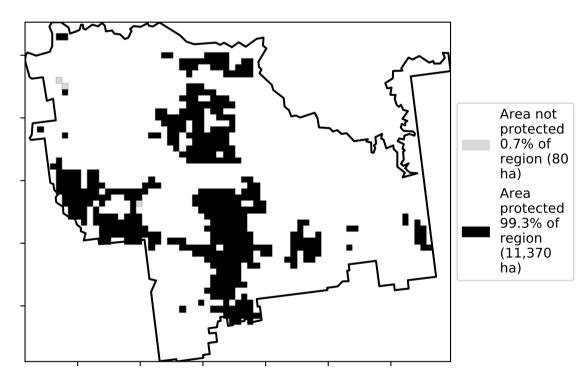
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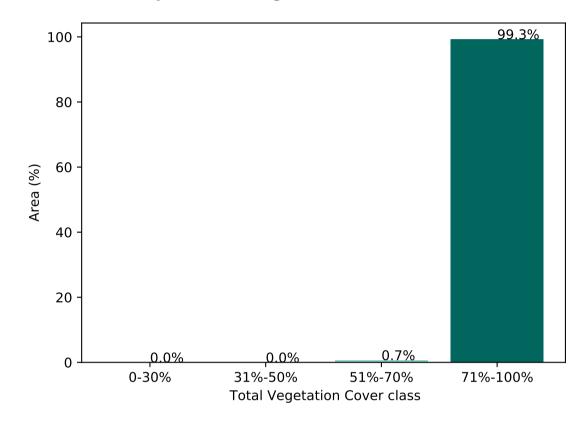
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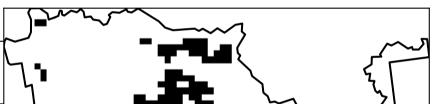
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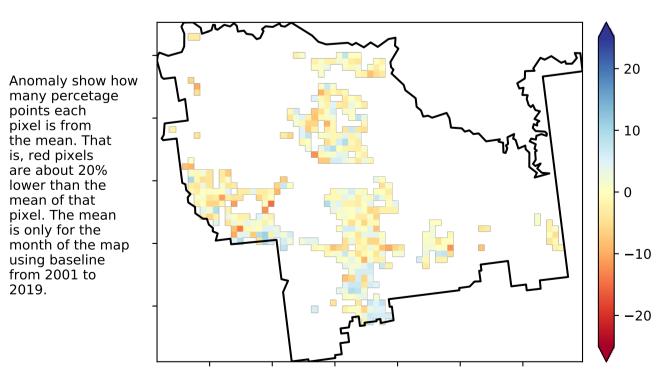
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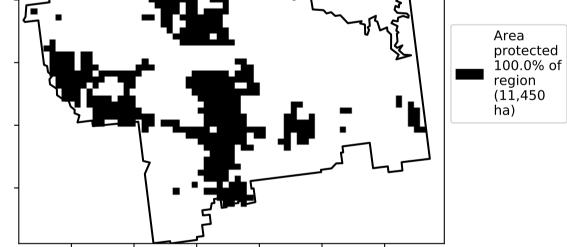


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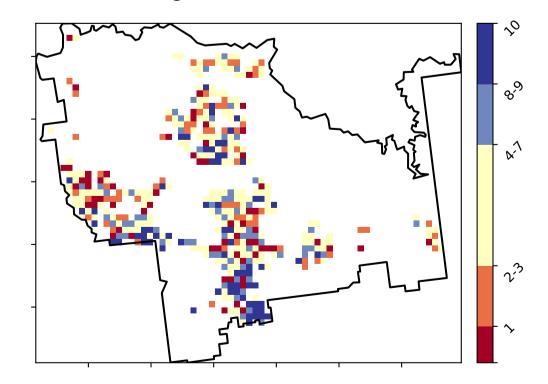


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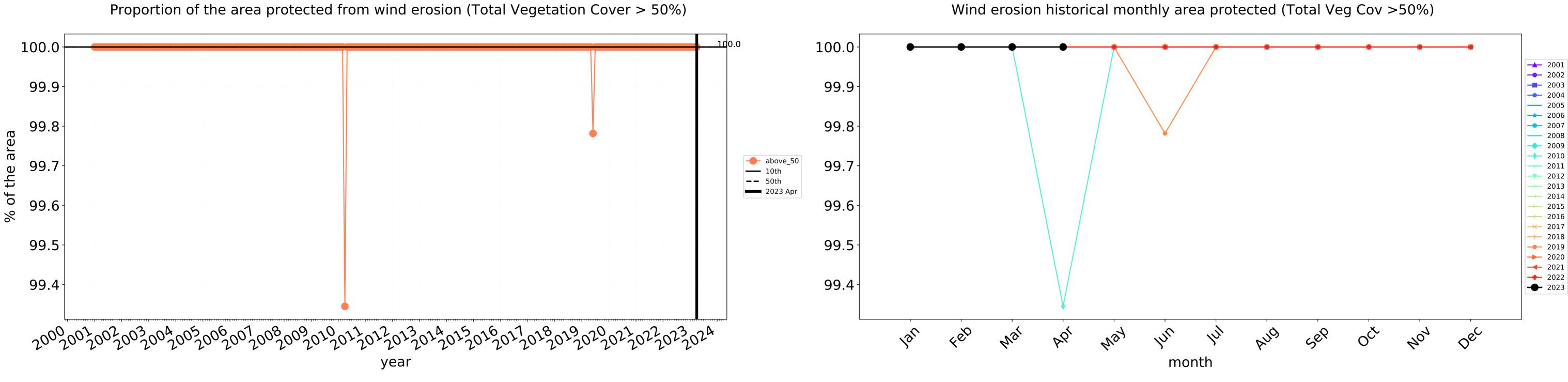
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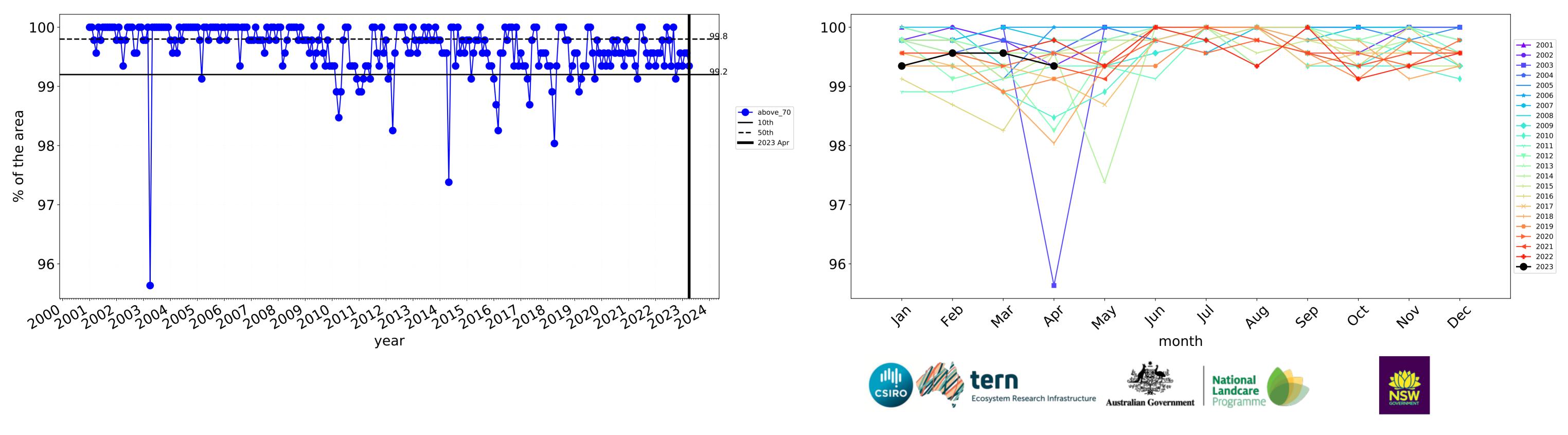


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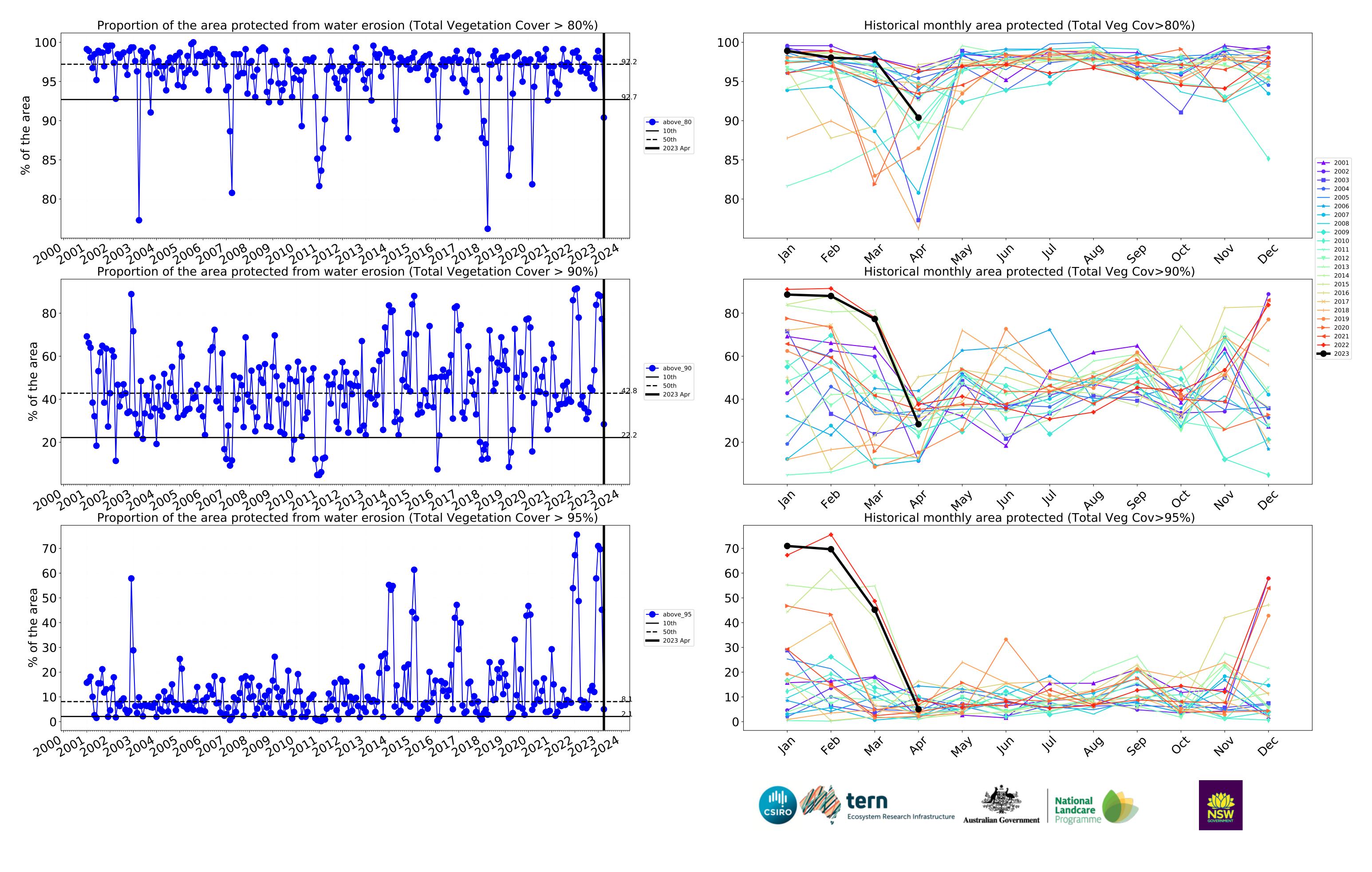












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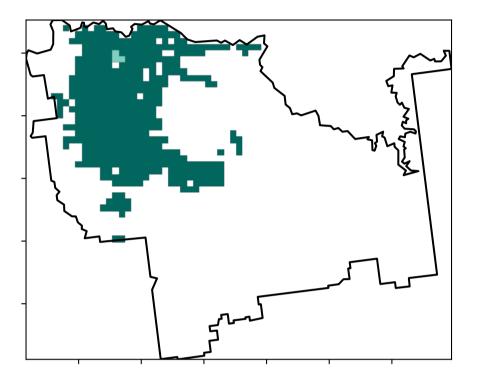
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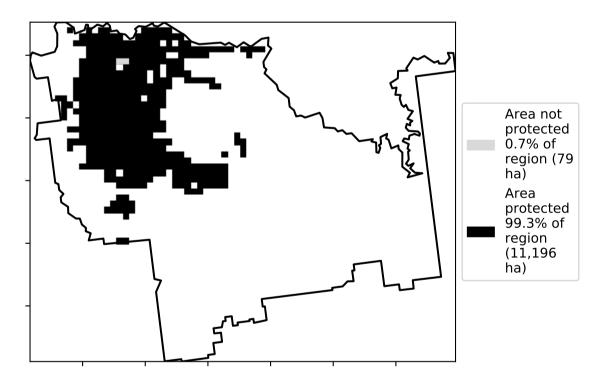
Catchment Scale Land Use and Forests of Australia (2018) Derived from Catchment Scale Land 1 Agriculture - Grazing - Irrigated 2 Agriculture - Horticulture - Irrigated Use of Australia (2018) and Forests of Australia (2018)

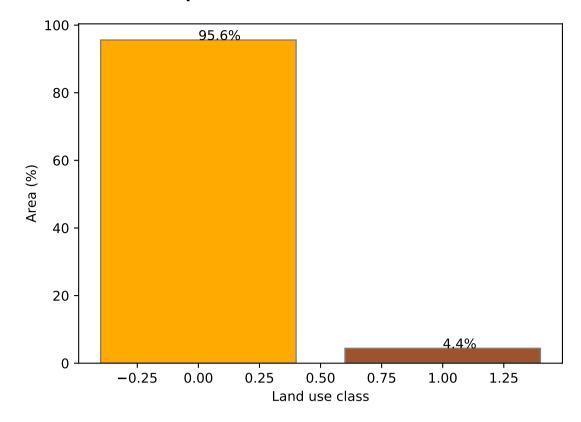
**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 

Land use and forest cover



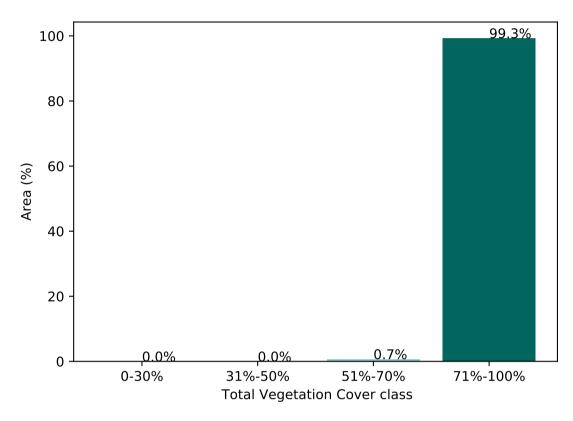
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)





Proportion of each land class in area

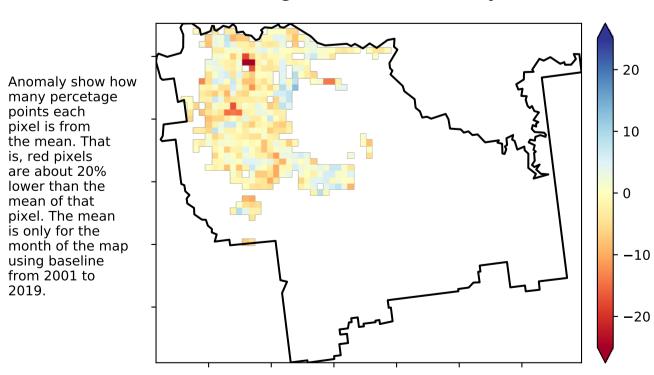
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 



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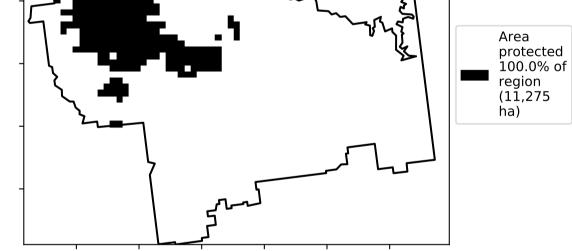
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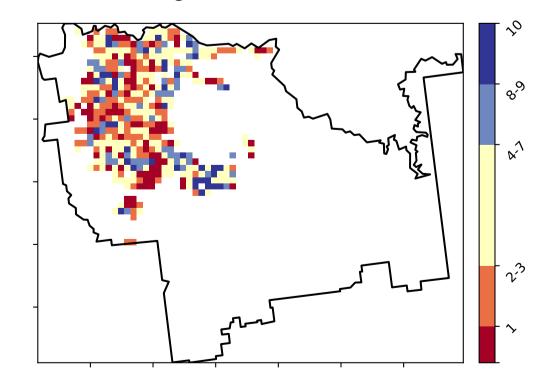
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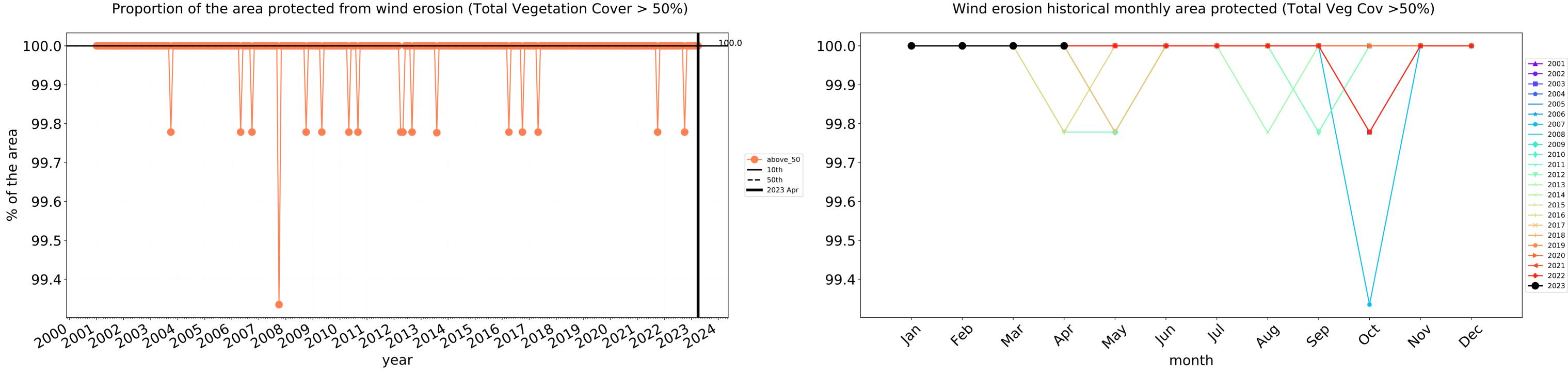
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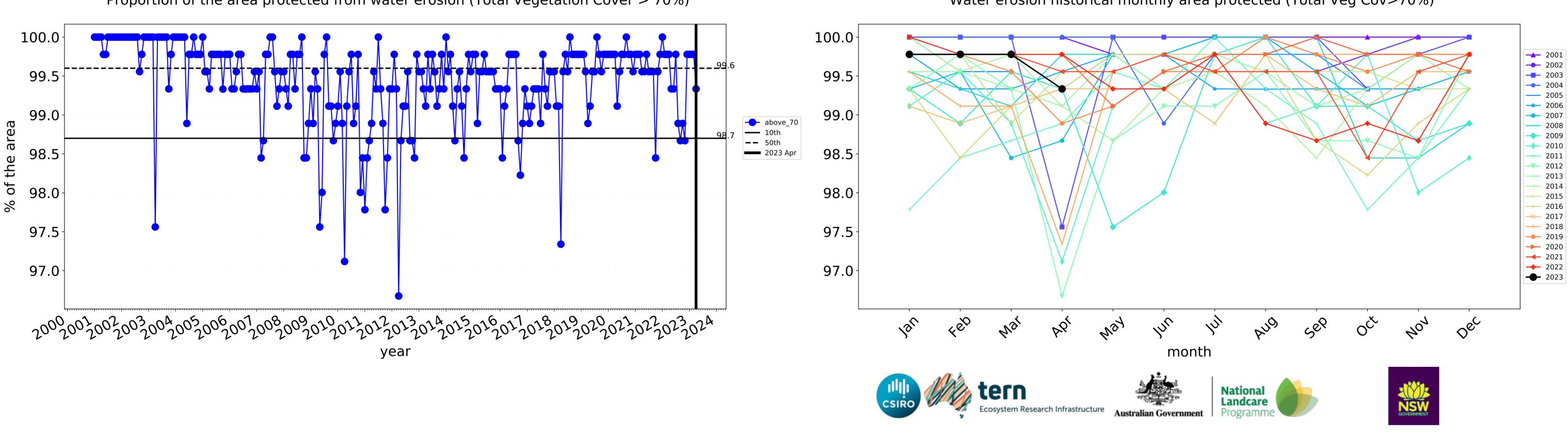


**Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]** 

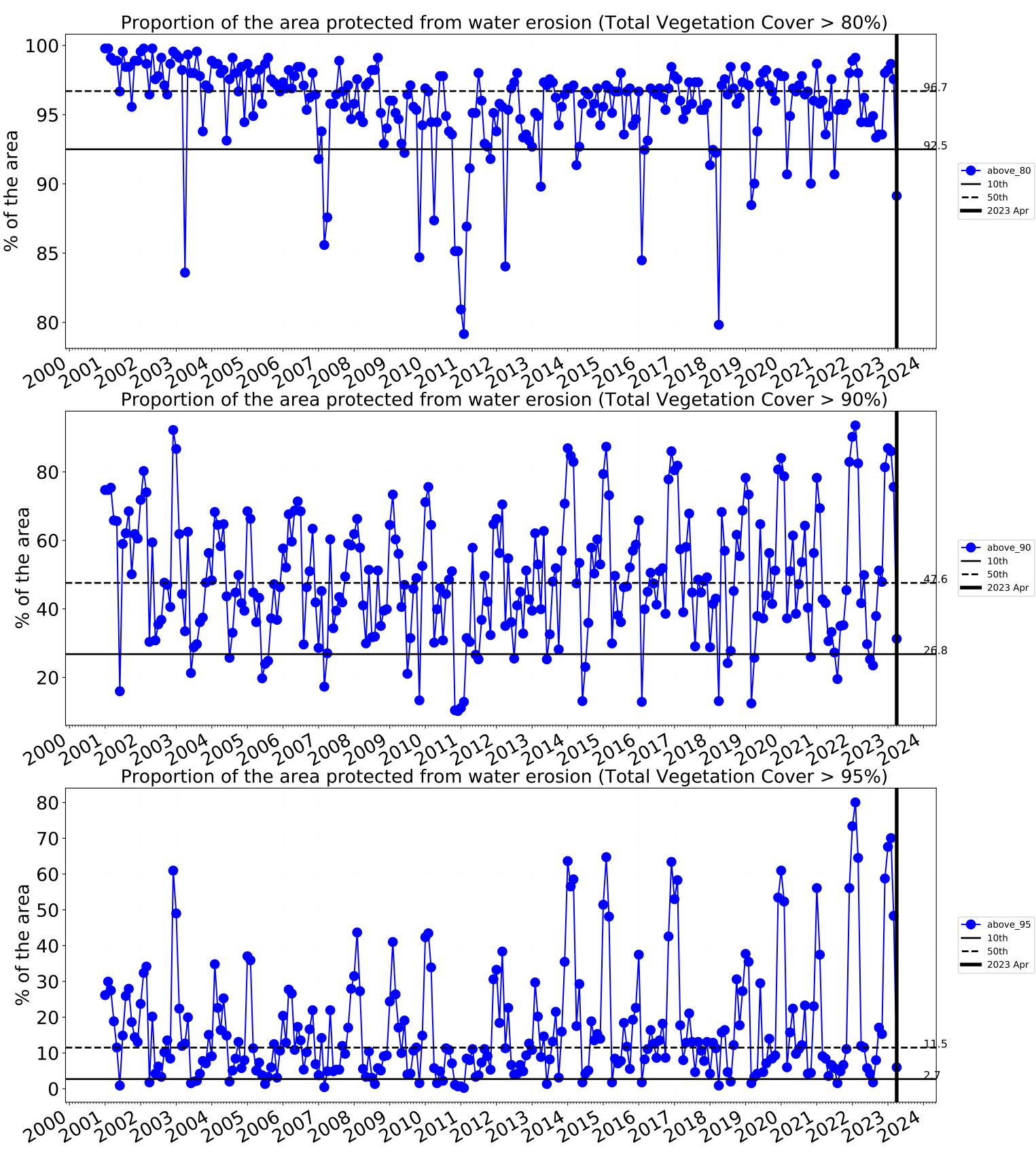


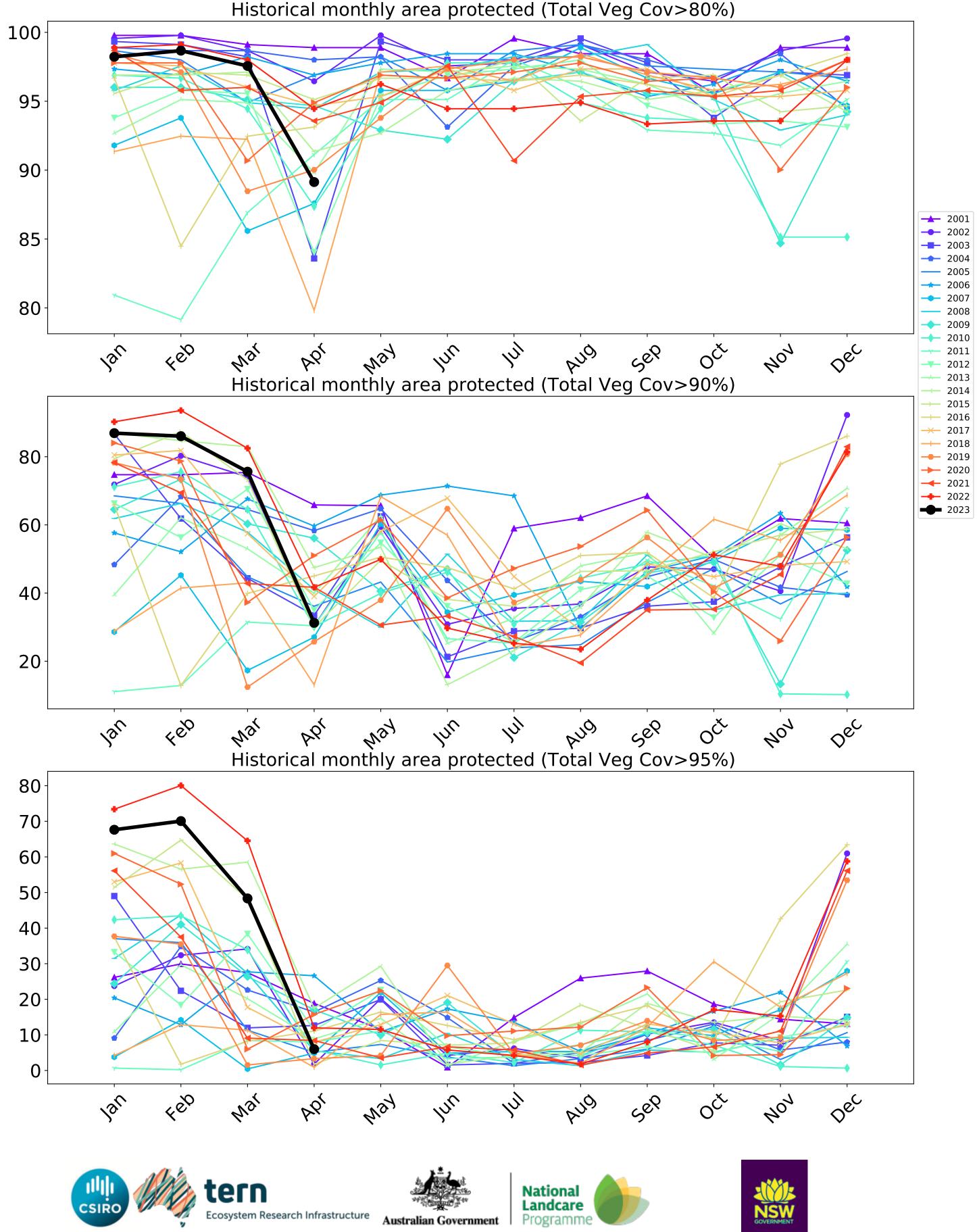






Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)







# **Production native forests and plantation forests**

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

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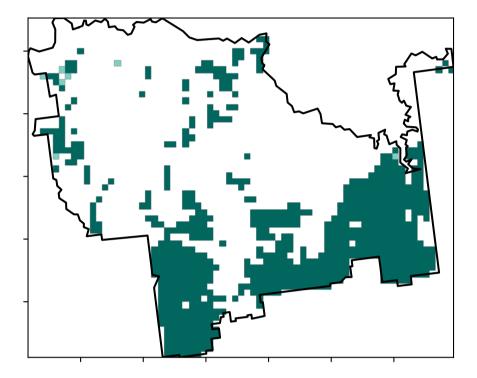
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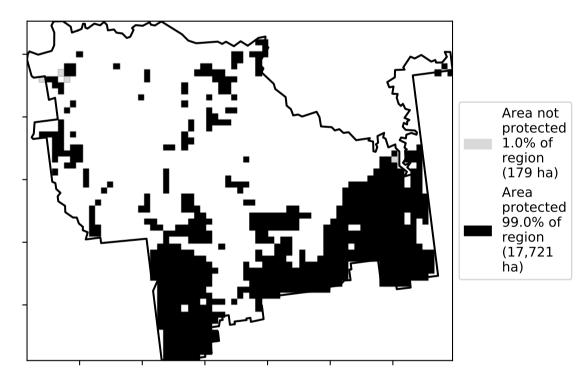
· 0.30%

**Total Vegetation Cover [%]** 

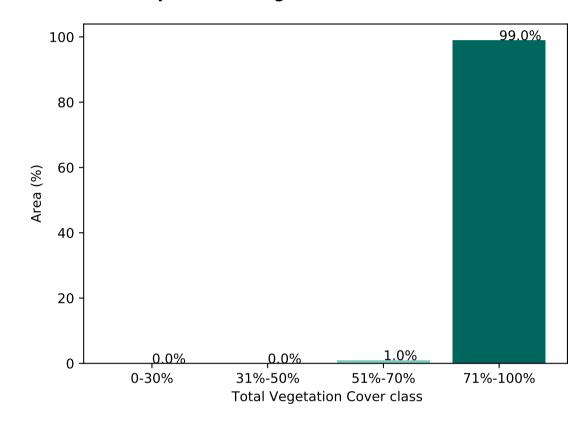
Land use and forest cover



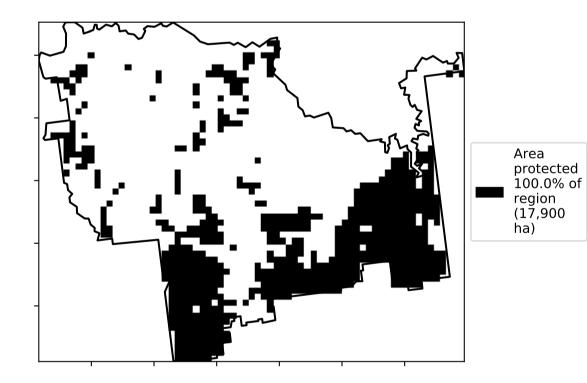
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



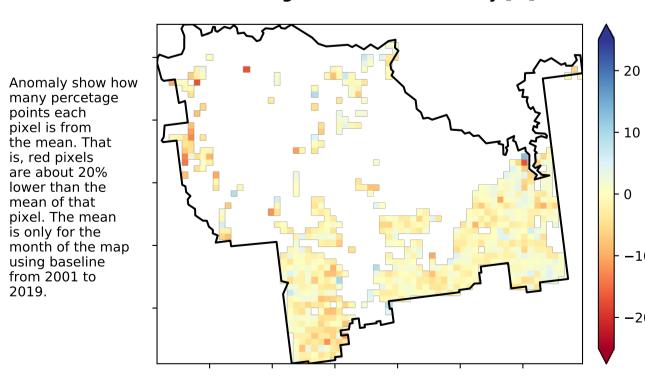
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

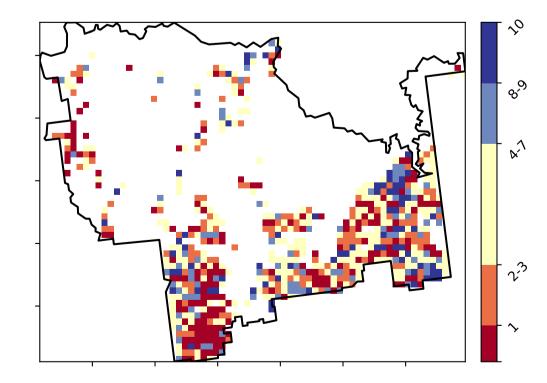


**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 



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**Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]** 



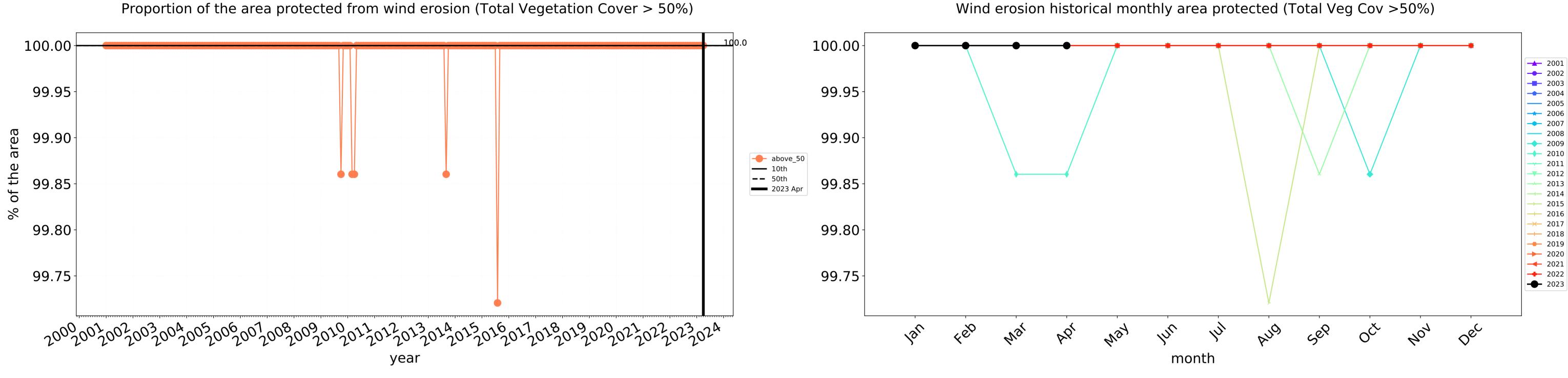


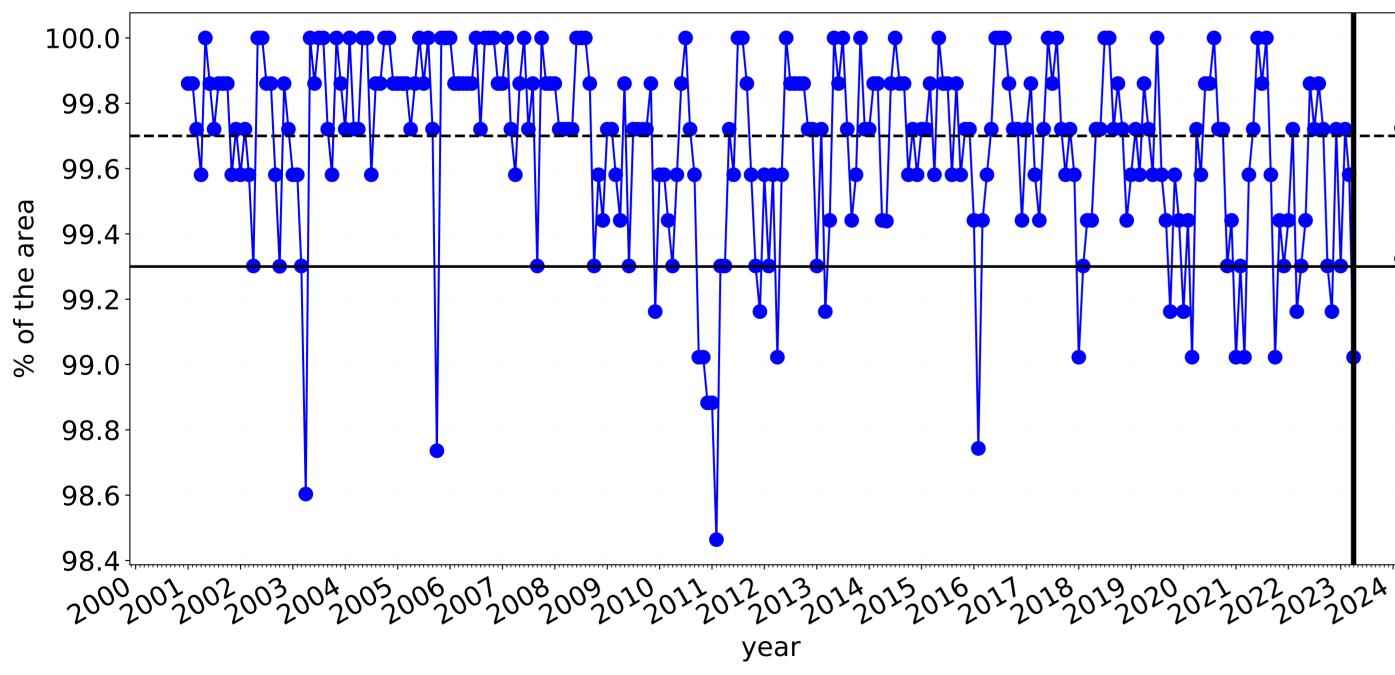
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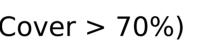
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## Production native forests and plantation forests timeseries

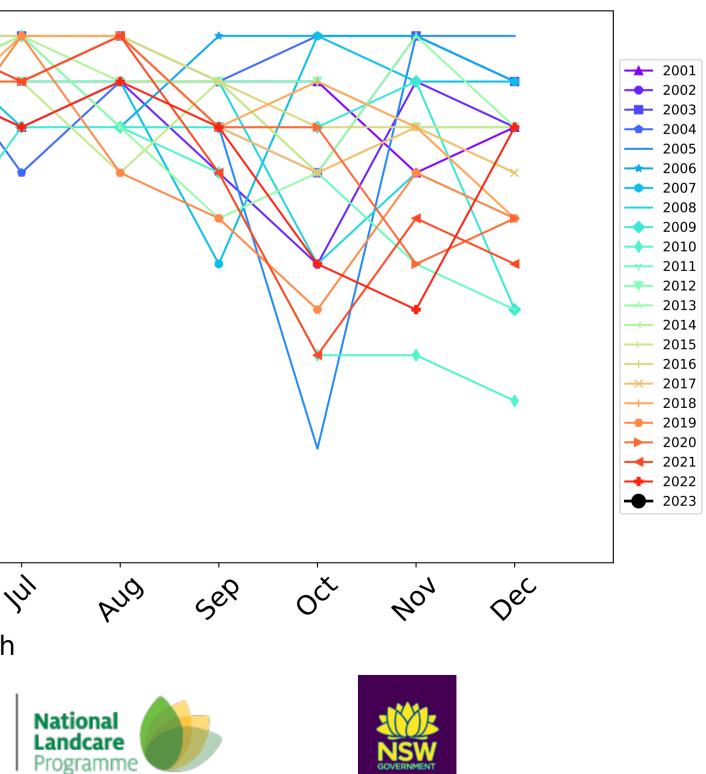


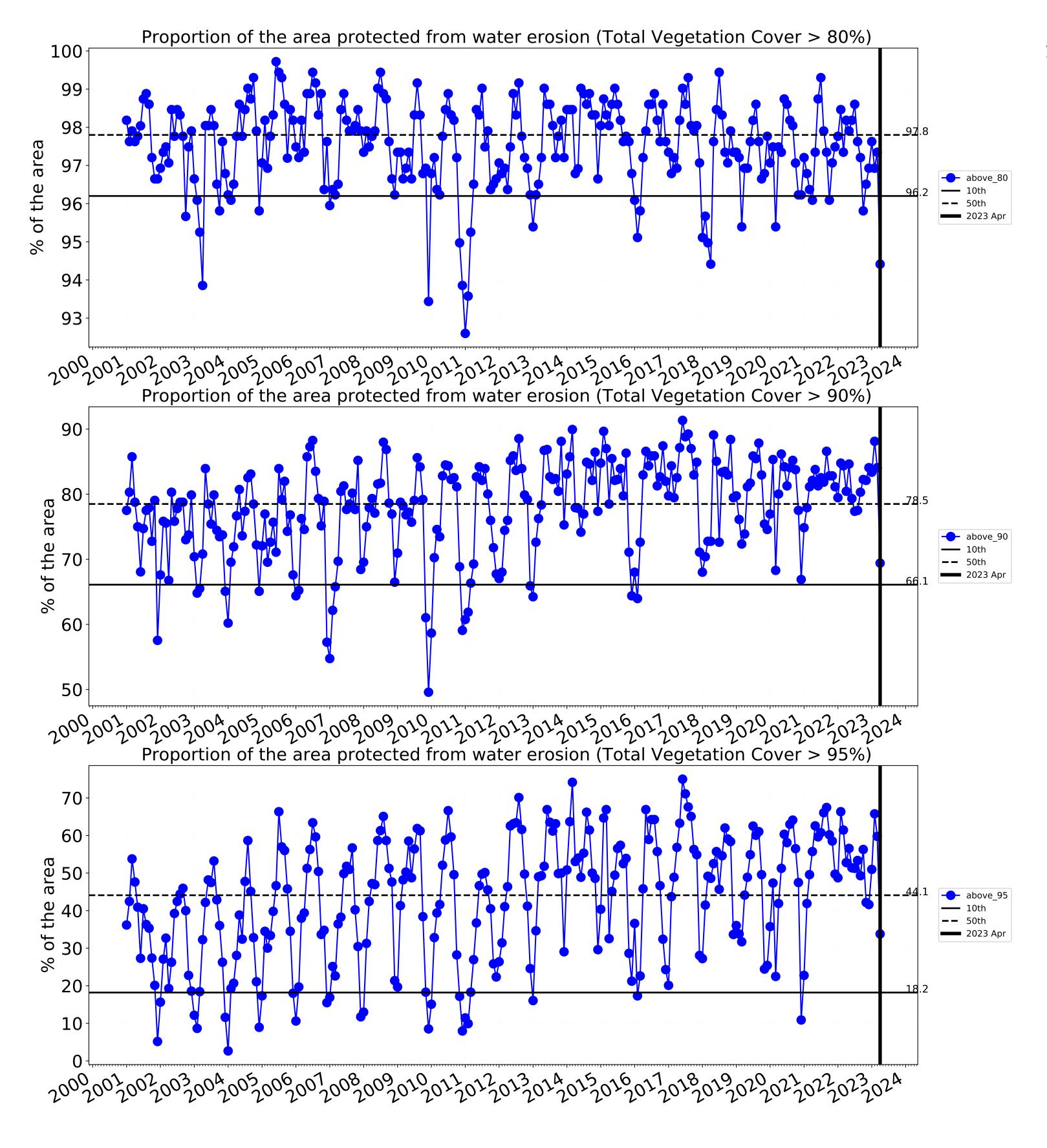


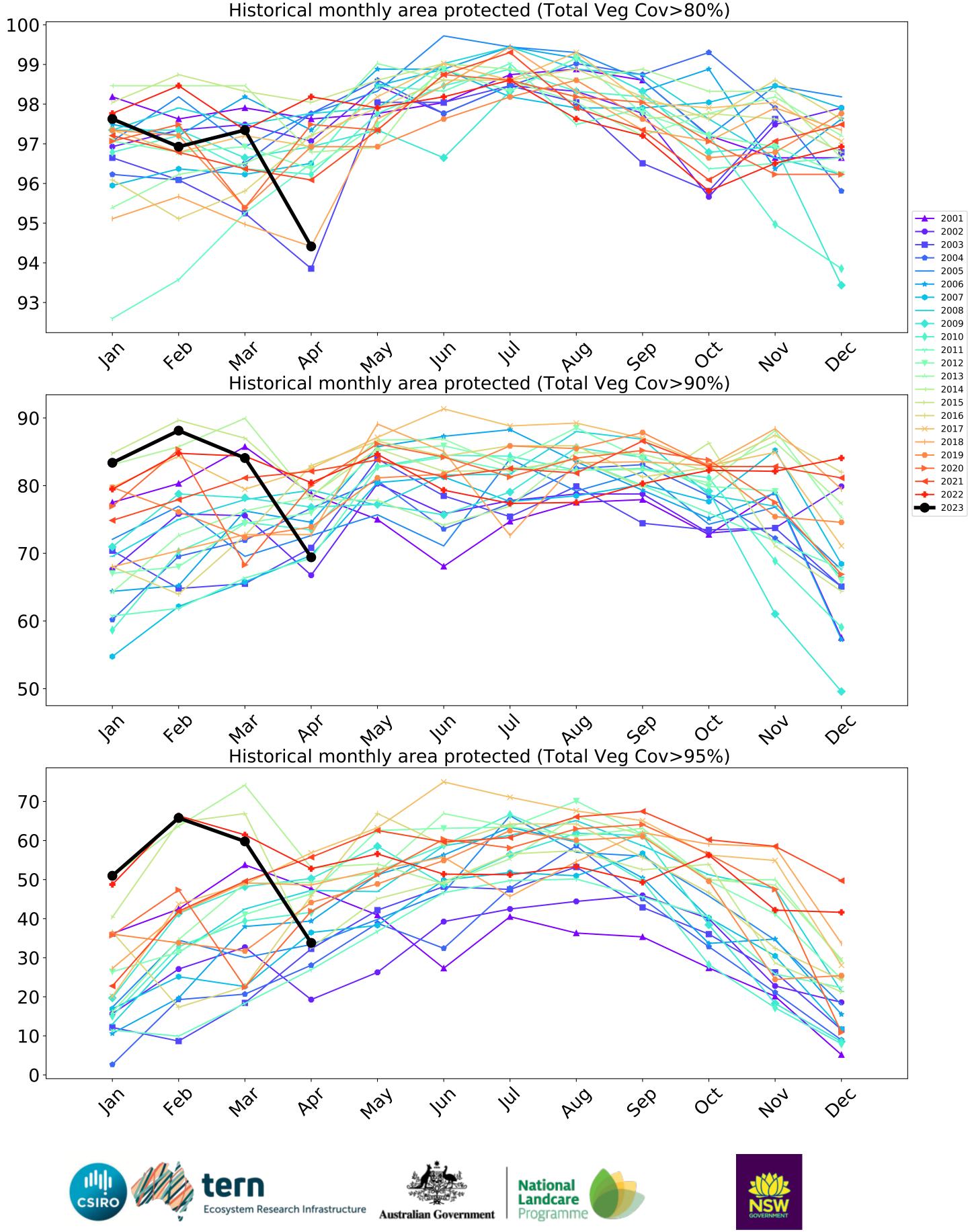


100.0 99.8 99.6 ---- above\_70 **—** 10th 99.4 **——** 50th 99.2 99.0 98.8 98.6 98.4 4eD Jan Inu May War PQ month tern Ecosystem Research Infrastructure Australian Government

Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)







# Dardanup\_(S) (52,450 ha and no data 88 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	52,450	100.0% 52,450	100.0% 52,425	98.2% 51,500	92.0% 48,250	54.7% 28,675	23.8% 12,475
Conservation and natural environments	10,225	100.0% 10,225	100.0% 10,225	99.8% 10,200	99.3% 10,150	90.7% 9,275	50.6% 5,175
Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest	1,825	100.0% 1,825	100.0% 1,825	100.0% 1,825	100.0% 1,825	84.9% 1,550	42.5% 775
Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)	8,075	100.0% 8,075	100.0% 8,075	99.7% 8,050	99.4% 8,025	94.1% 7,600	53.9% 4,350
Agriculture	22,725	100.0% 22,725	100.0% 22,725	99.3% 22,575	89.8% 20,400	29.8% 6,775	5.5% 1,250
Grazing	11,450	100.0% 11,450	100.0% 11,450	99.3% 11,375	90.4% 10,350	28.4% 3,250	5.0% 575
Grazing non forest	11,450	100.0% 11,450	100.0% 11,450	99.3% 11,375	90.4% 10,350	28.4% 3,250	5.0% 575
Irrigation	11,275	100.0% 11,275	100.0% 11,275	99.3% 11,200	89.1% 10,050	31.3% 3,525	6.0% 675
Production native forests and plantation forests	17,900	100.0% 17,900	100.0% 17,900	99.0% 17,725	94.4% 16,900	69.4% 12,425	33.8% 6,050

