# Total vegetation cover soil protection Region:LGA Swan (C) WA

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: August 2024

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:

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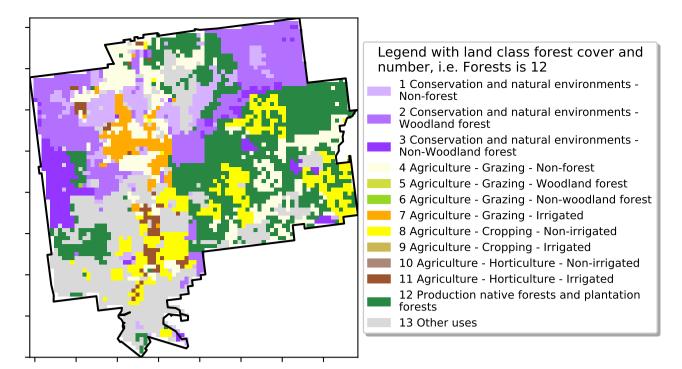






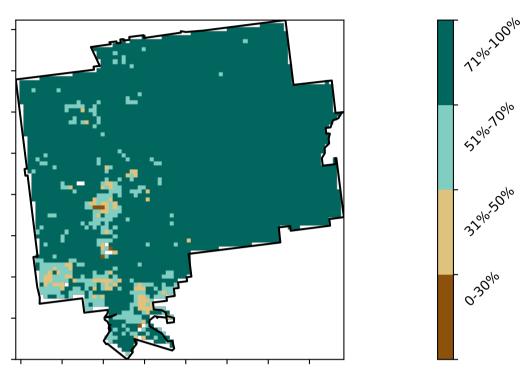
# **Vegetation Cover Aug 2024**

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

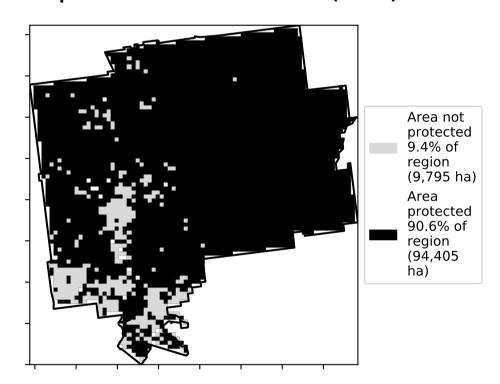


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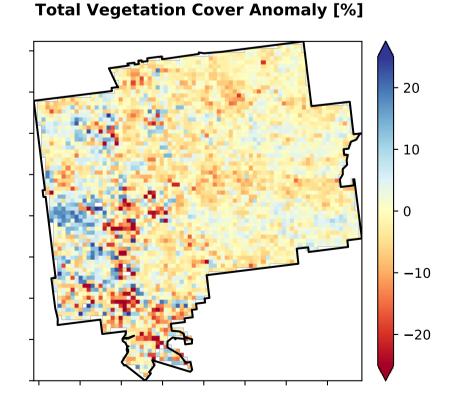
#### **Total Vegetation Cover [%]**



% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



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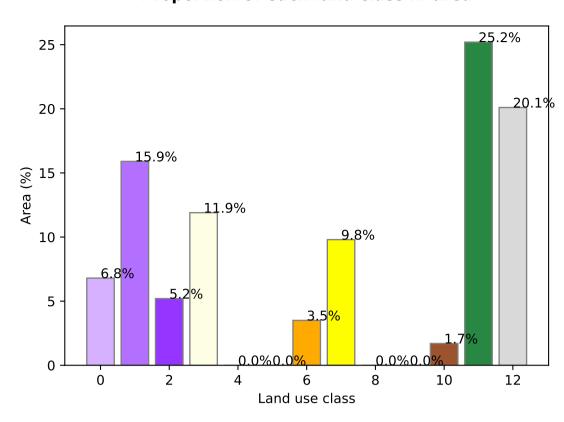
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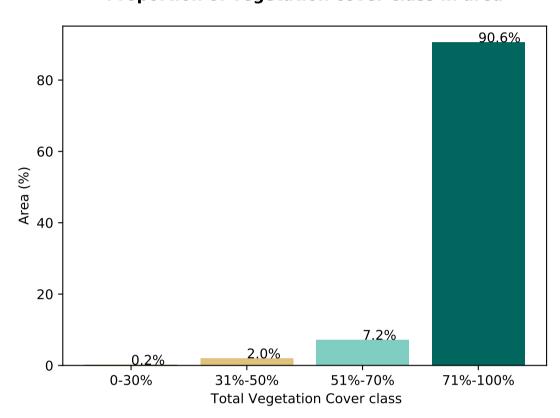
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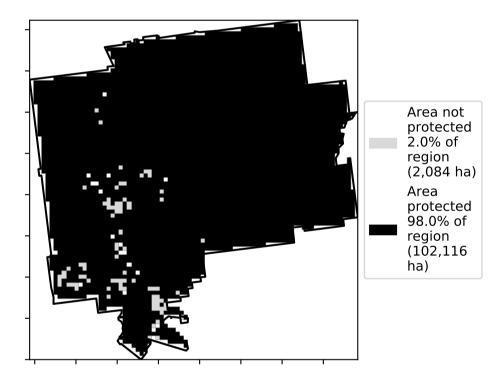
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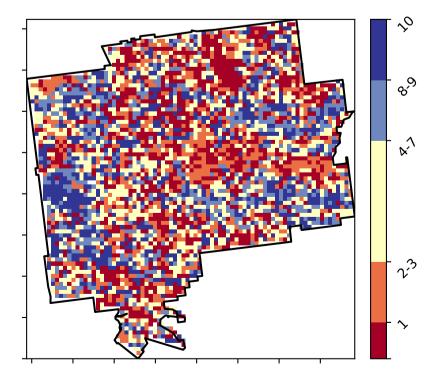


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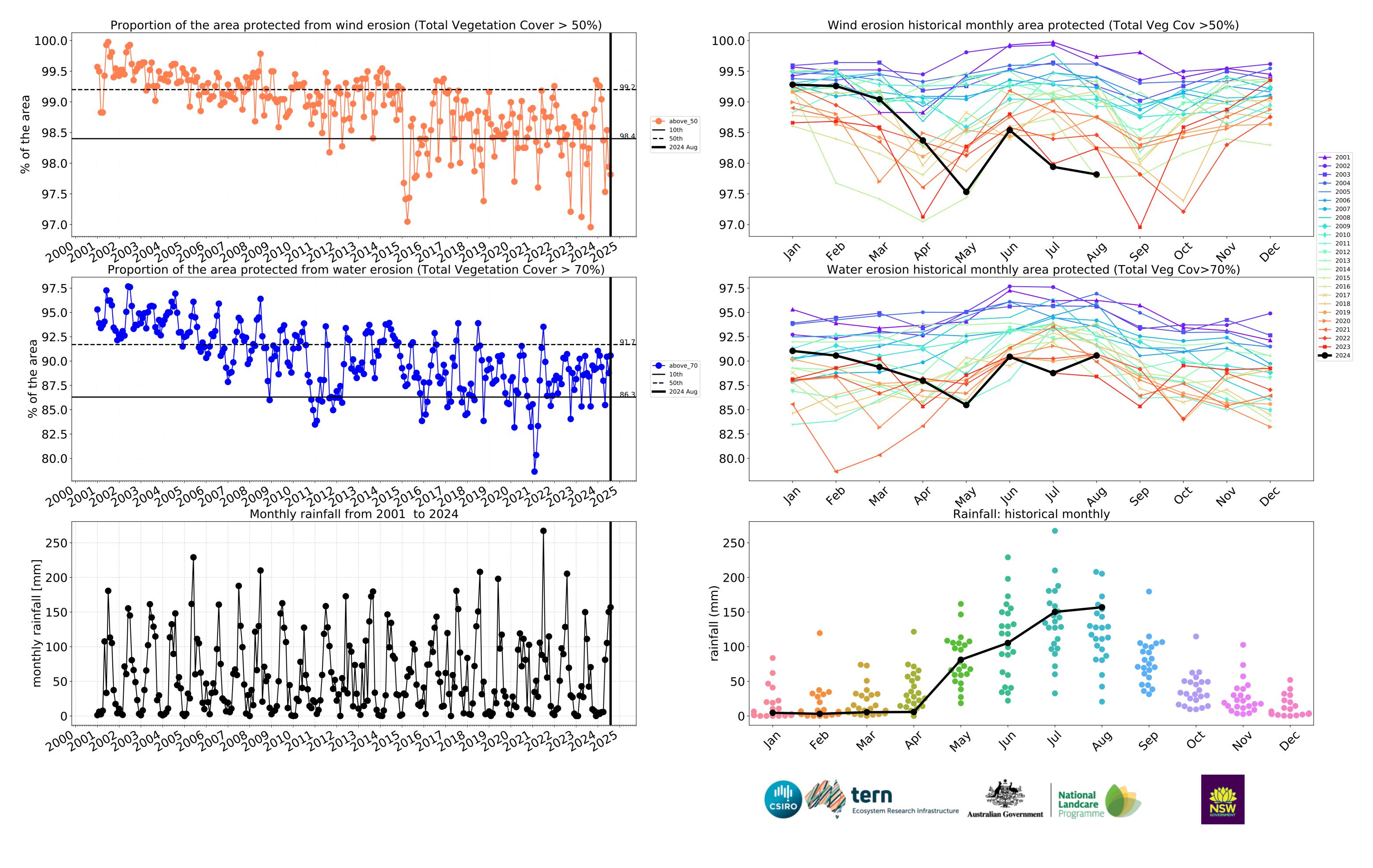


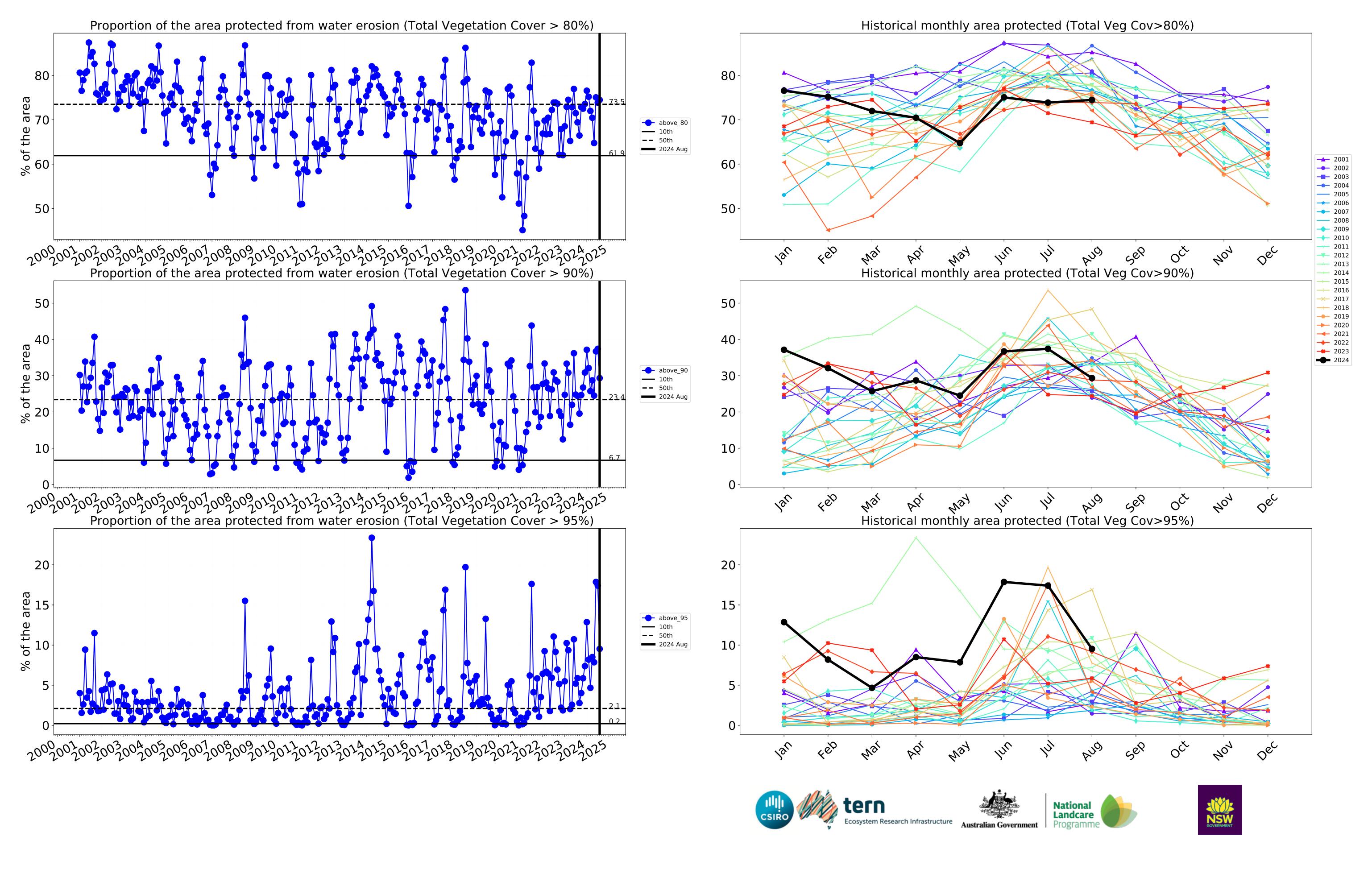
#### % Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)











# **Conservation and natural environments**

#### Land use and forest cover

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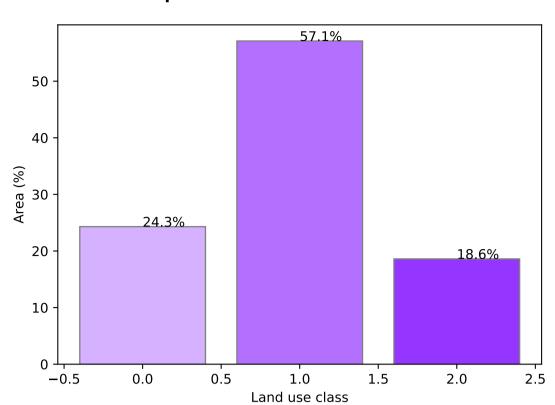
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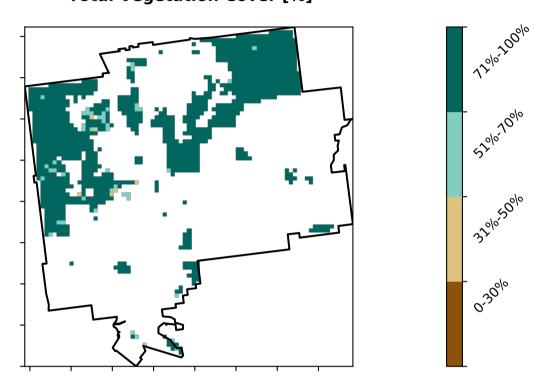
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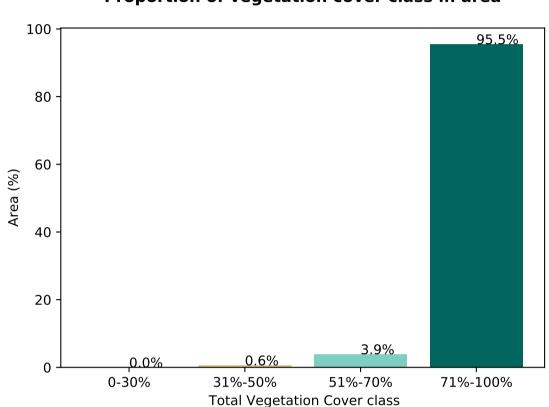
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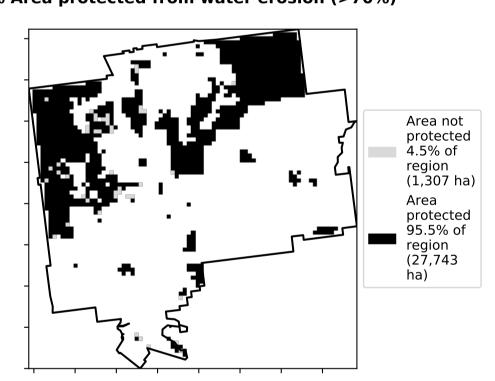
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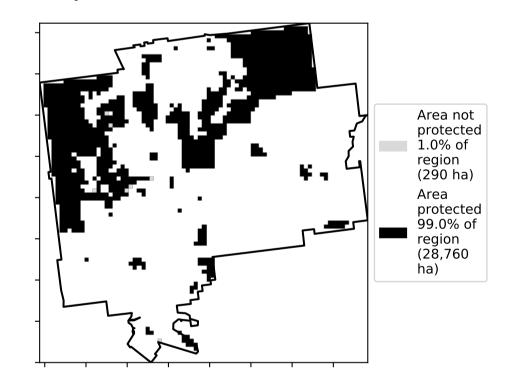
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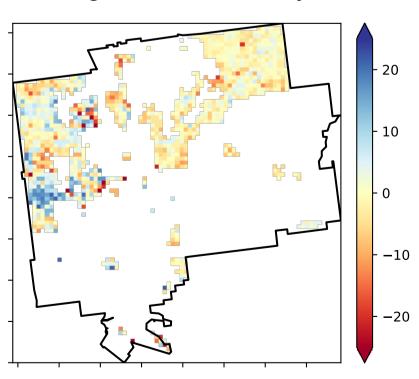
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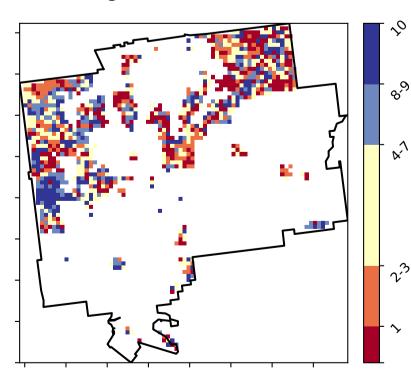
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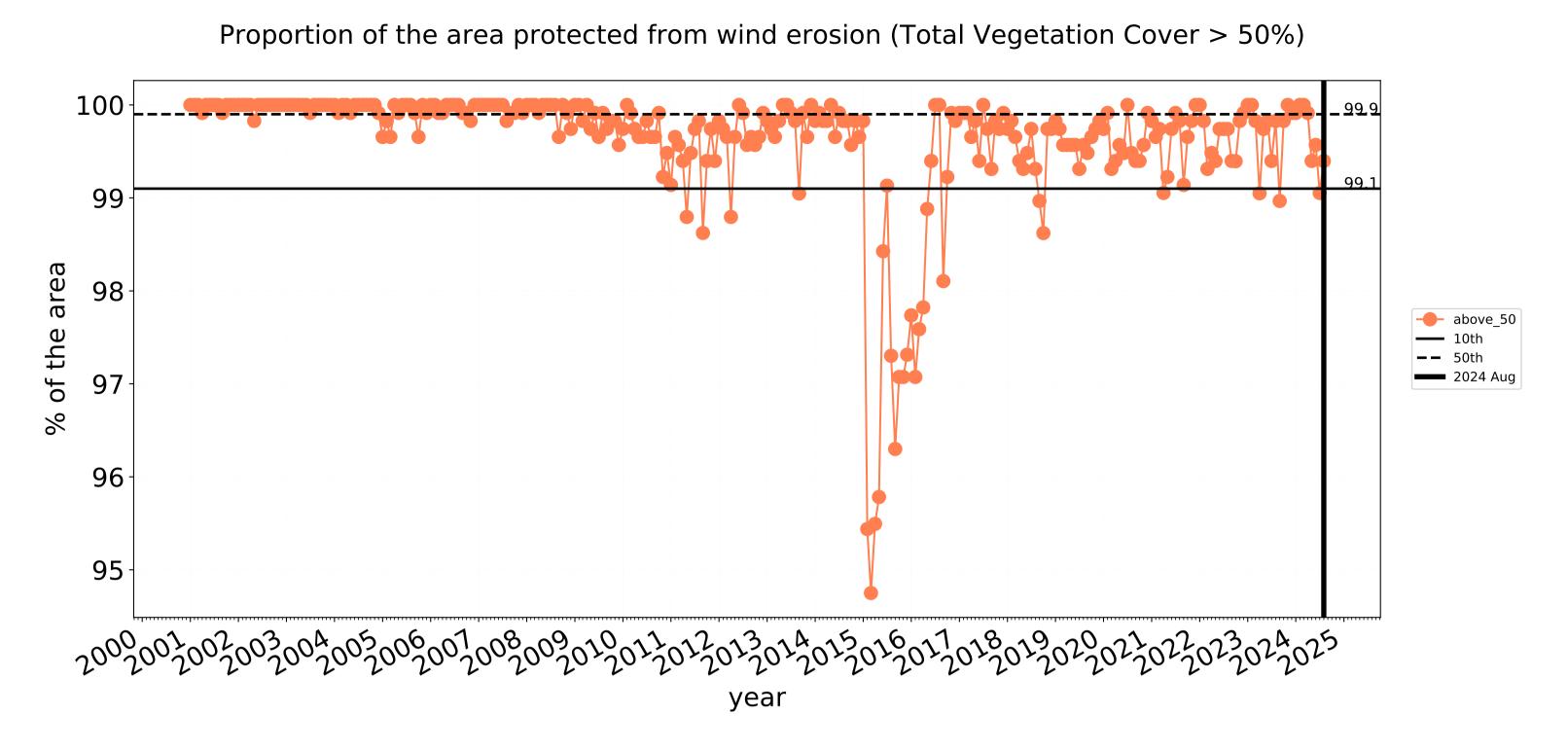


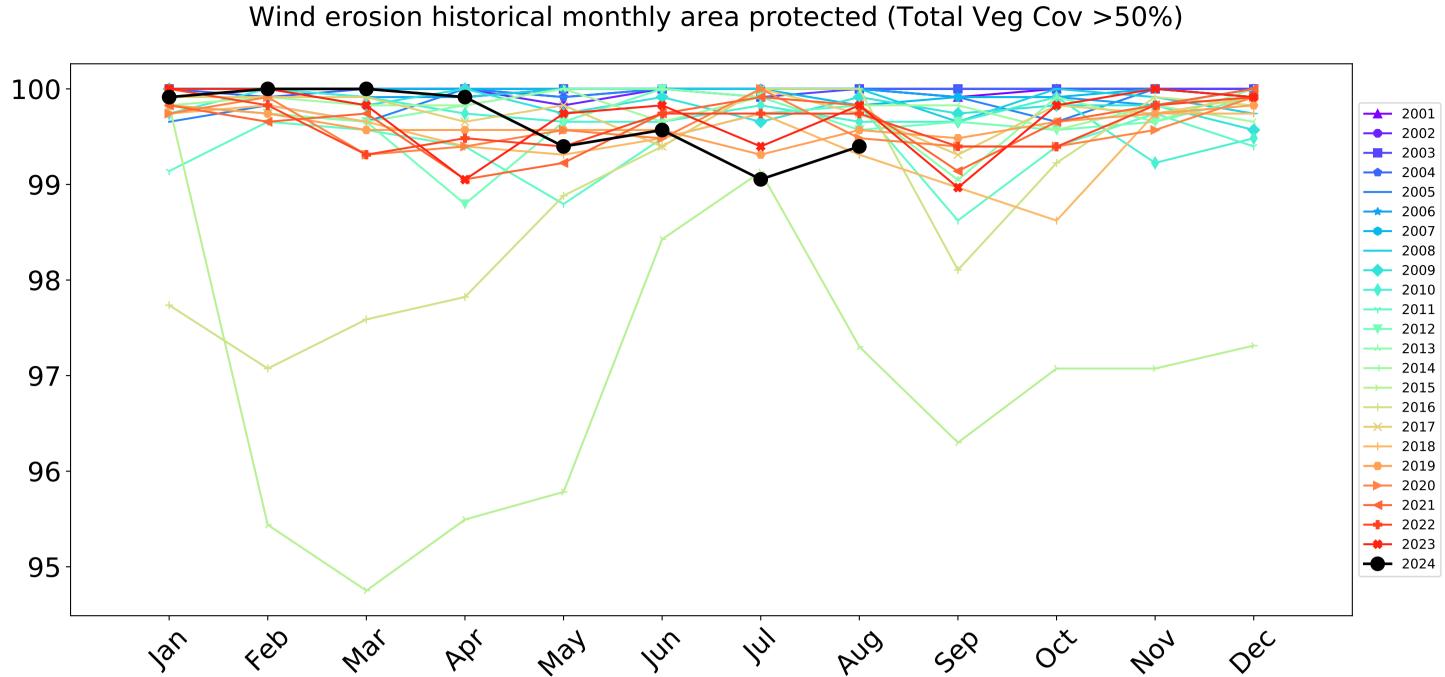




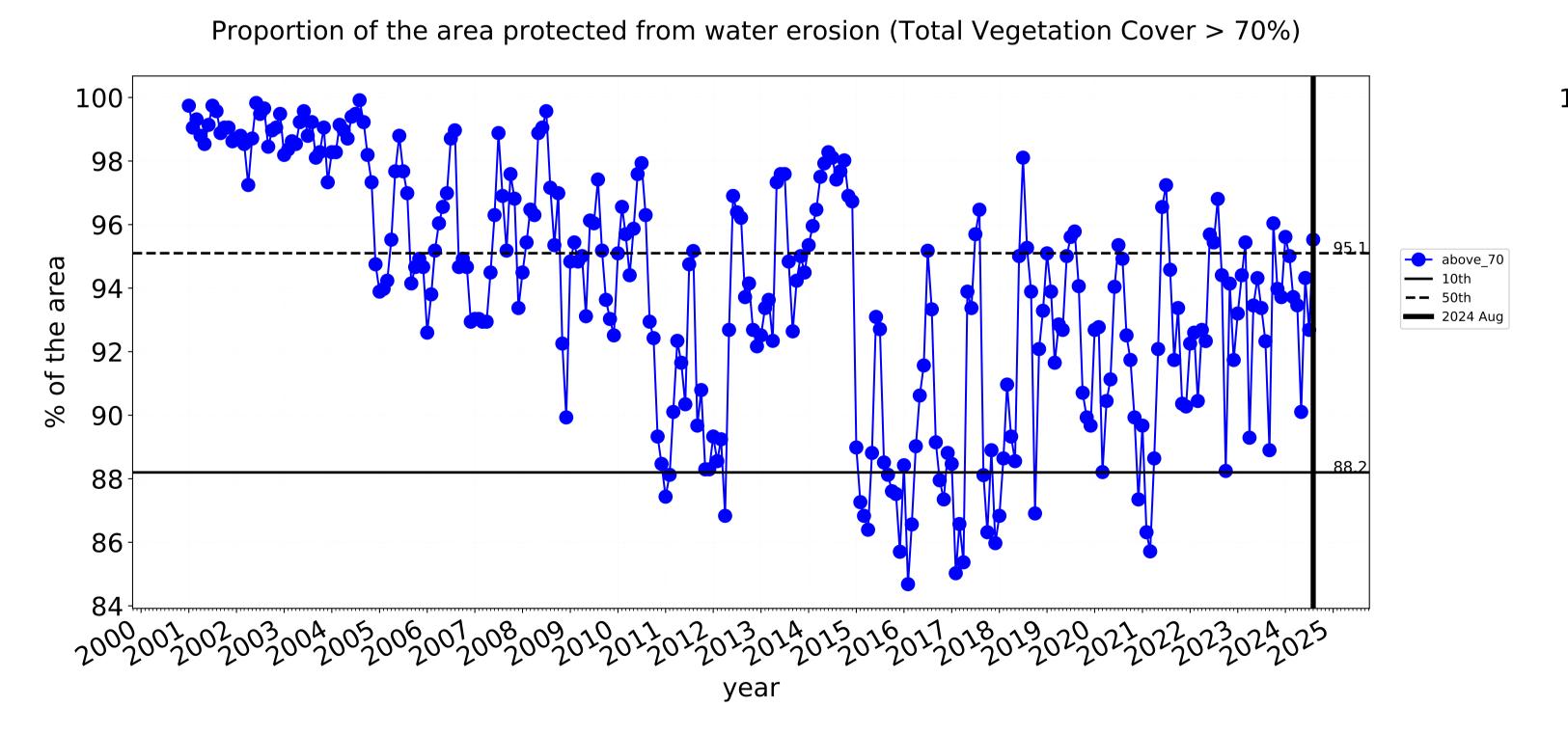


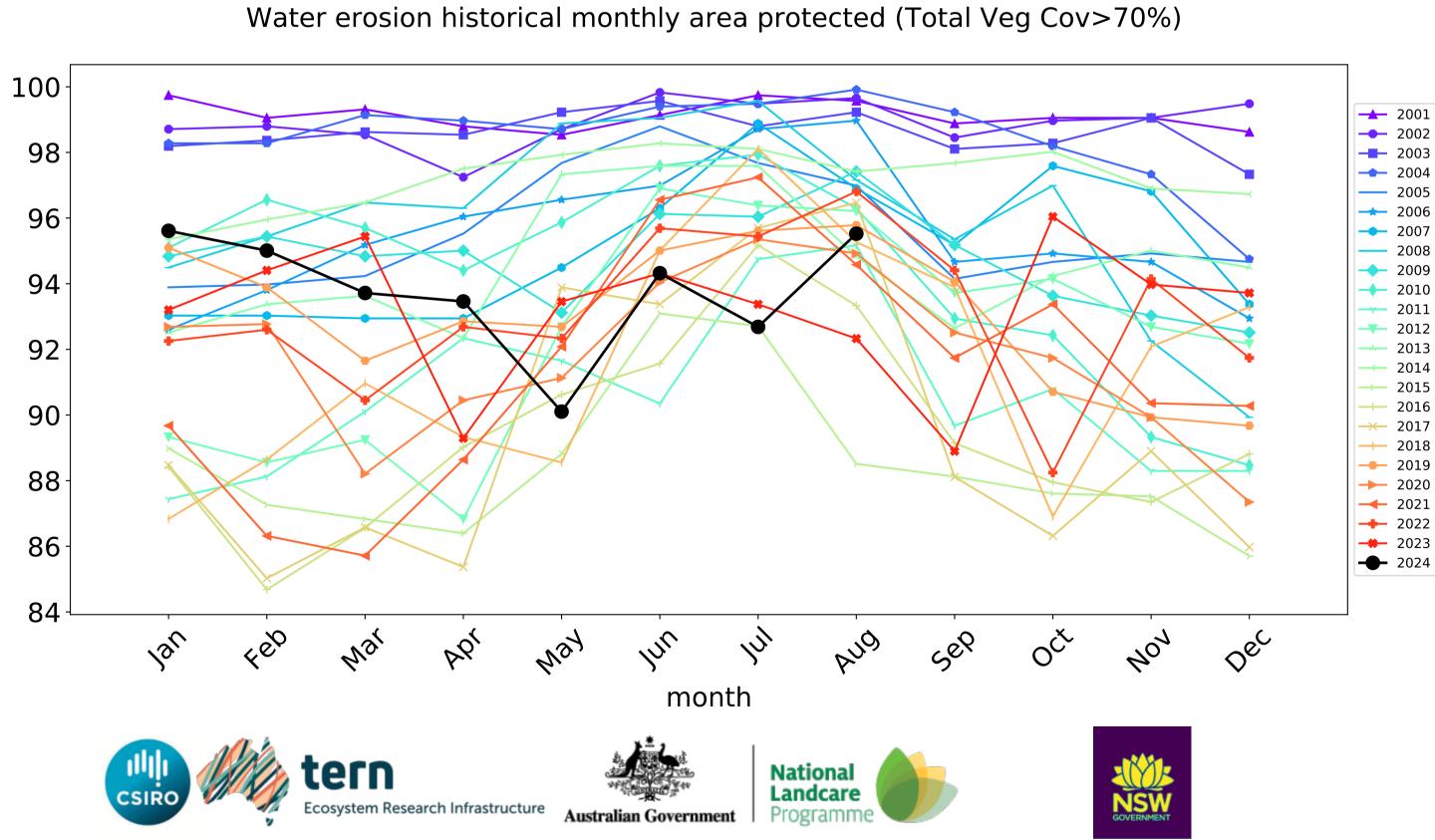
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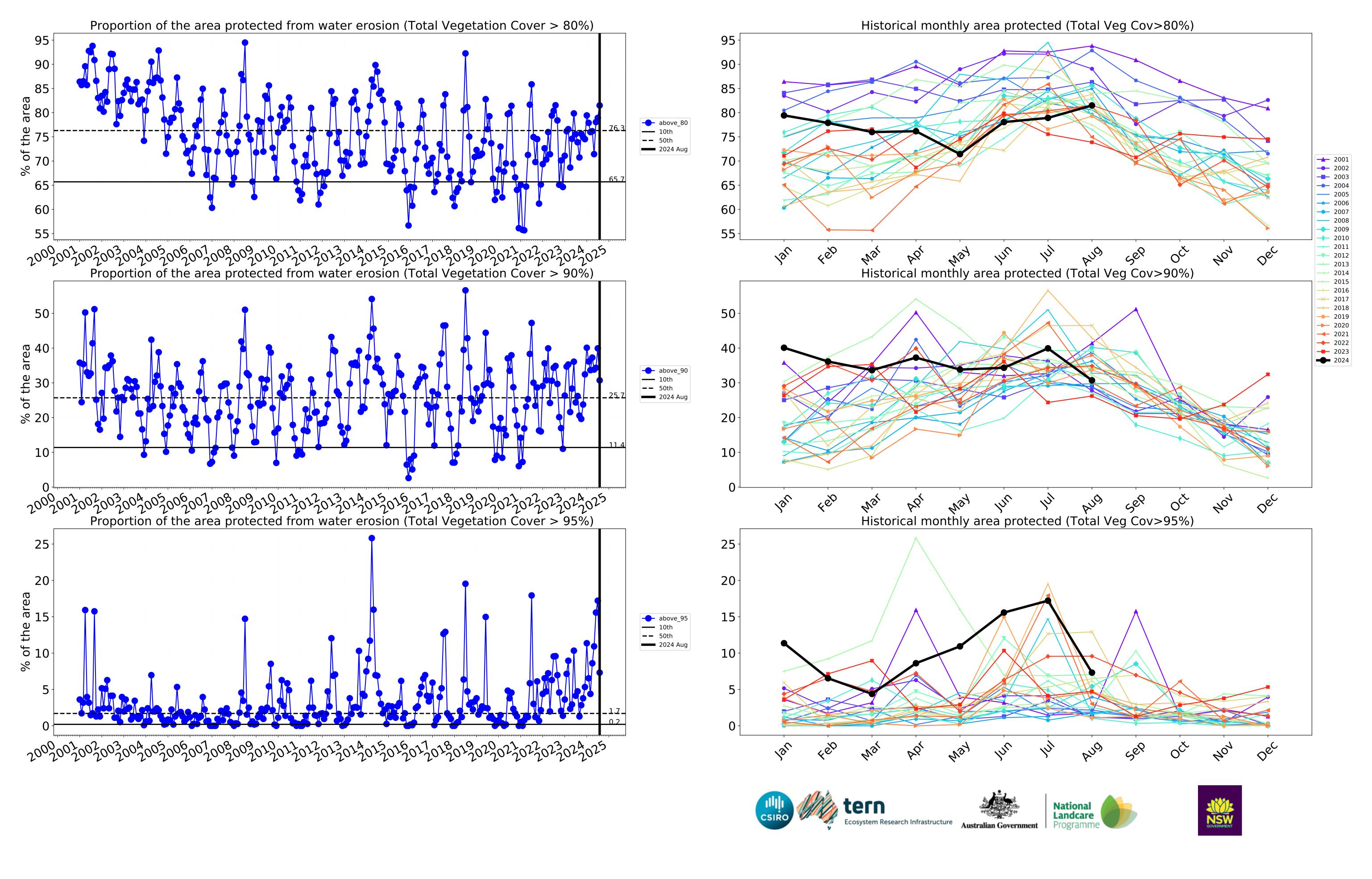




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# **Conservation and natural environments non forest**

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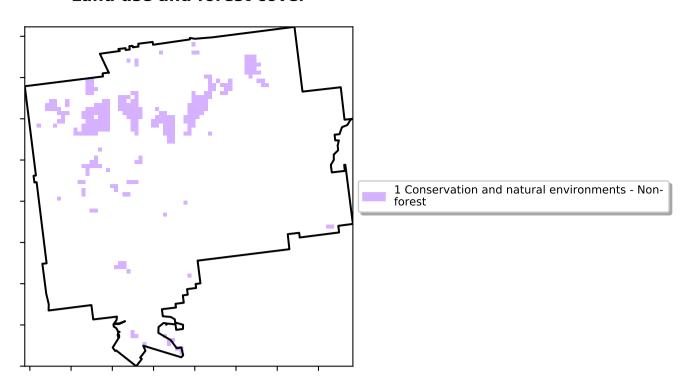
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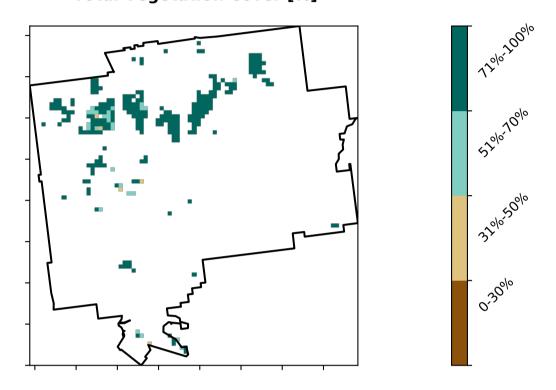
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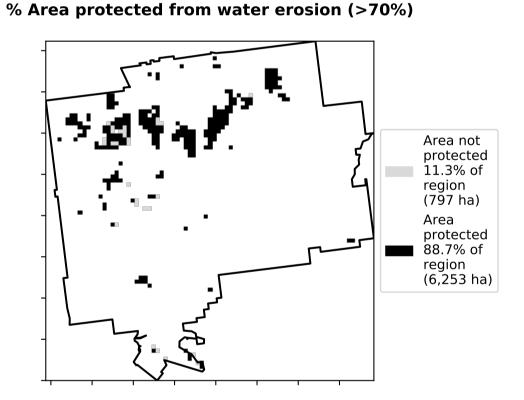
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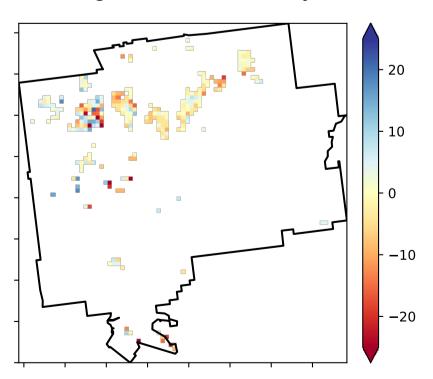


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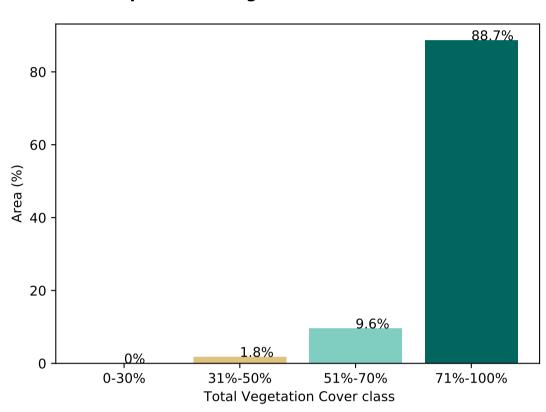


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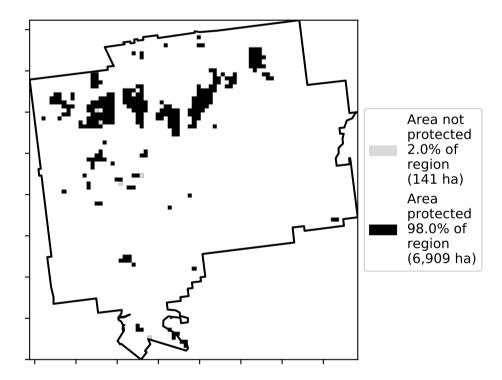


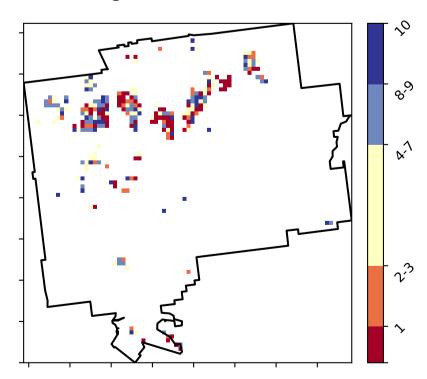
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#### Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



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





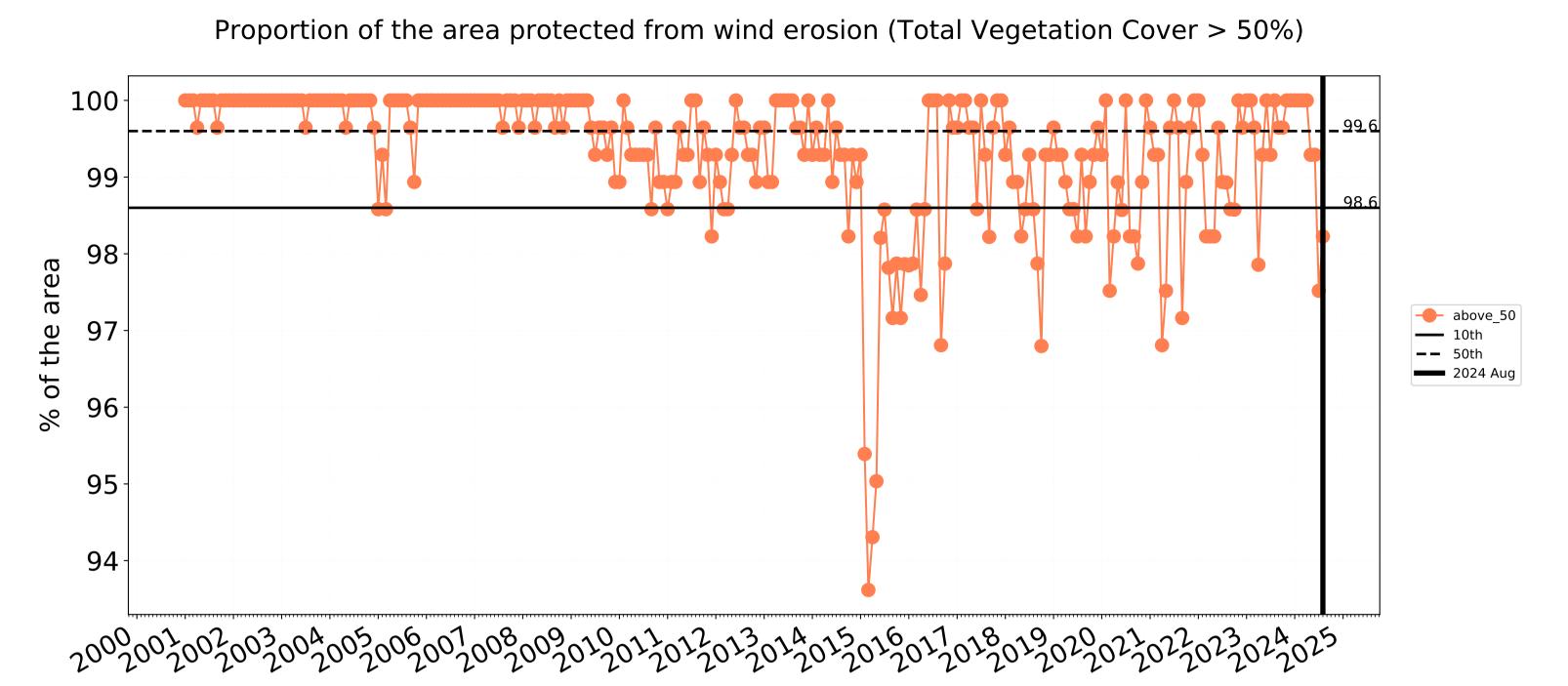


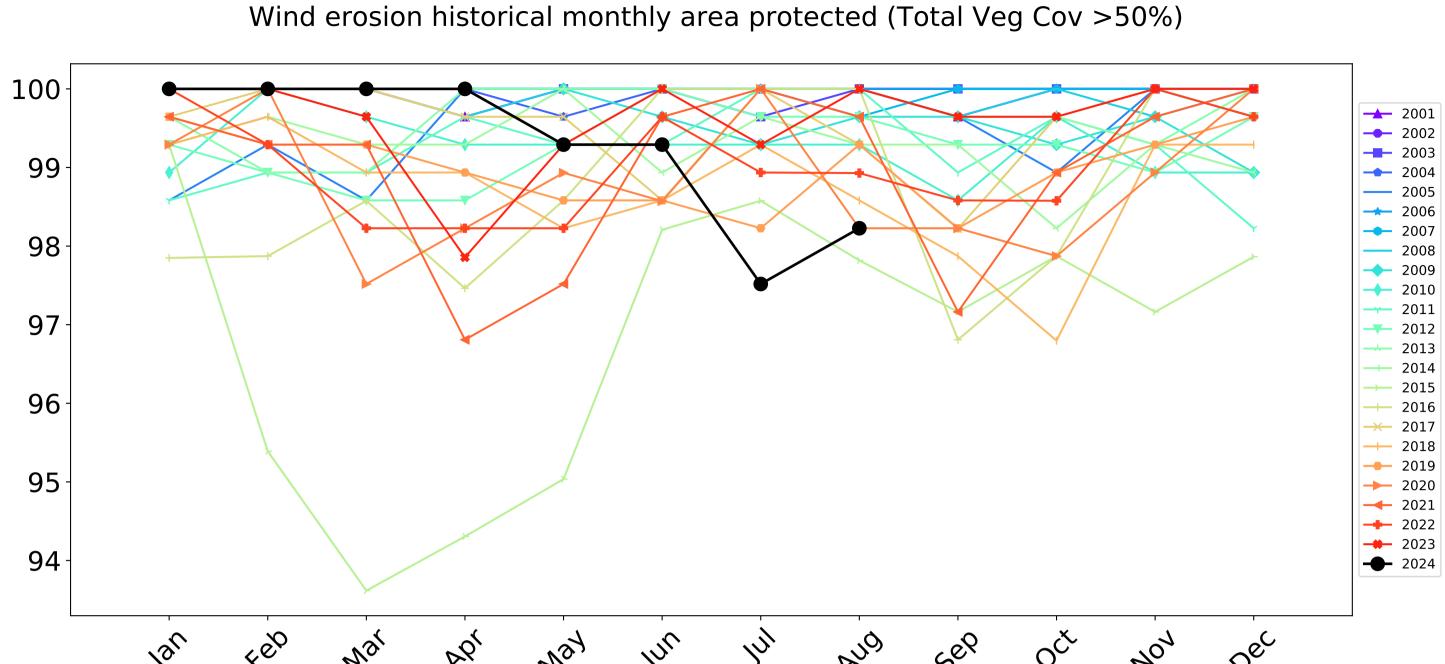






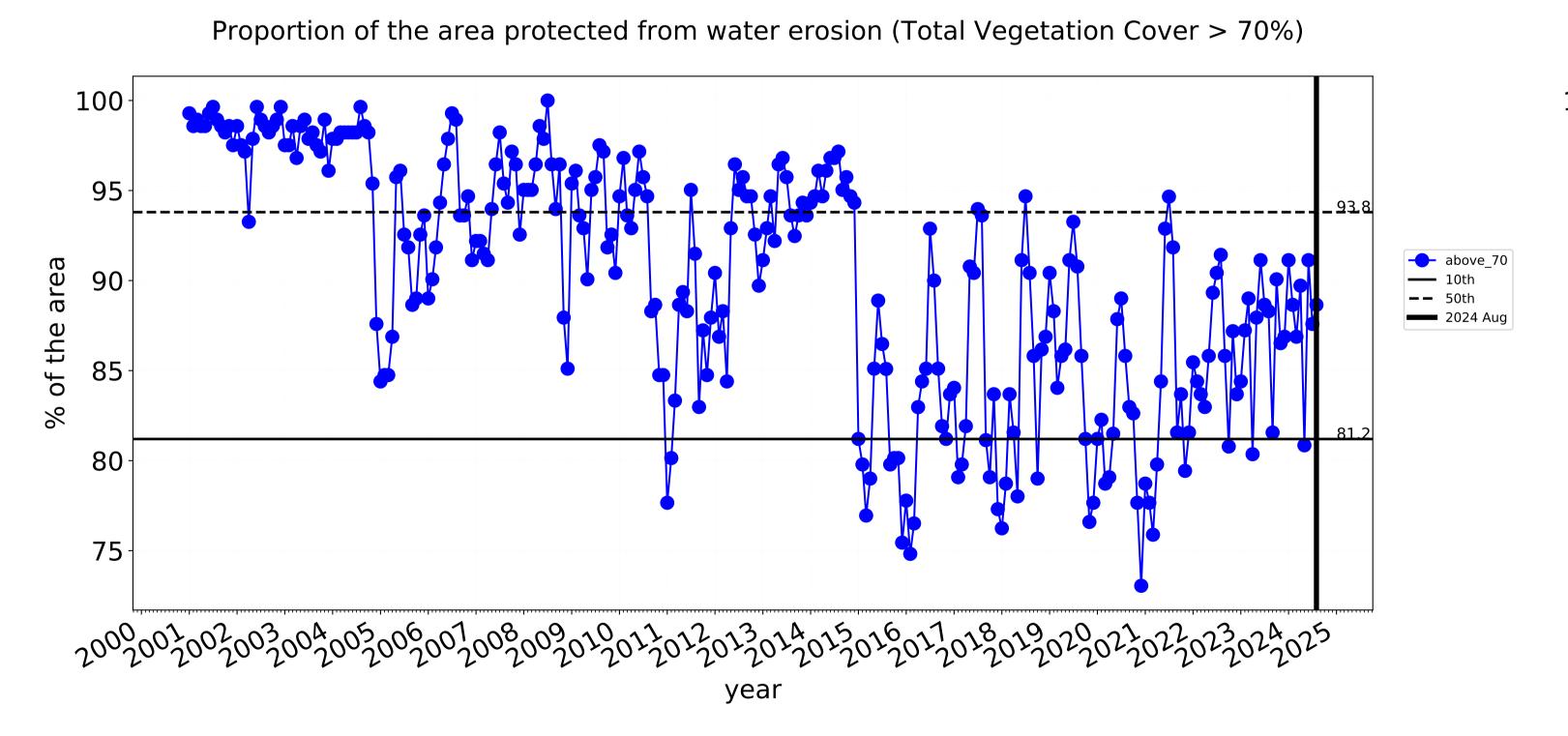
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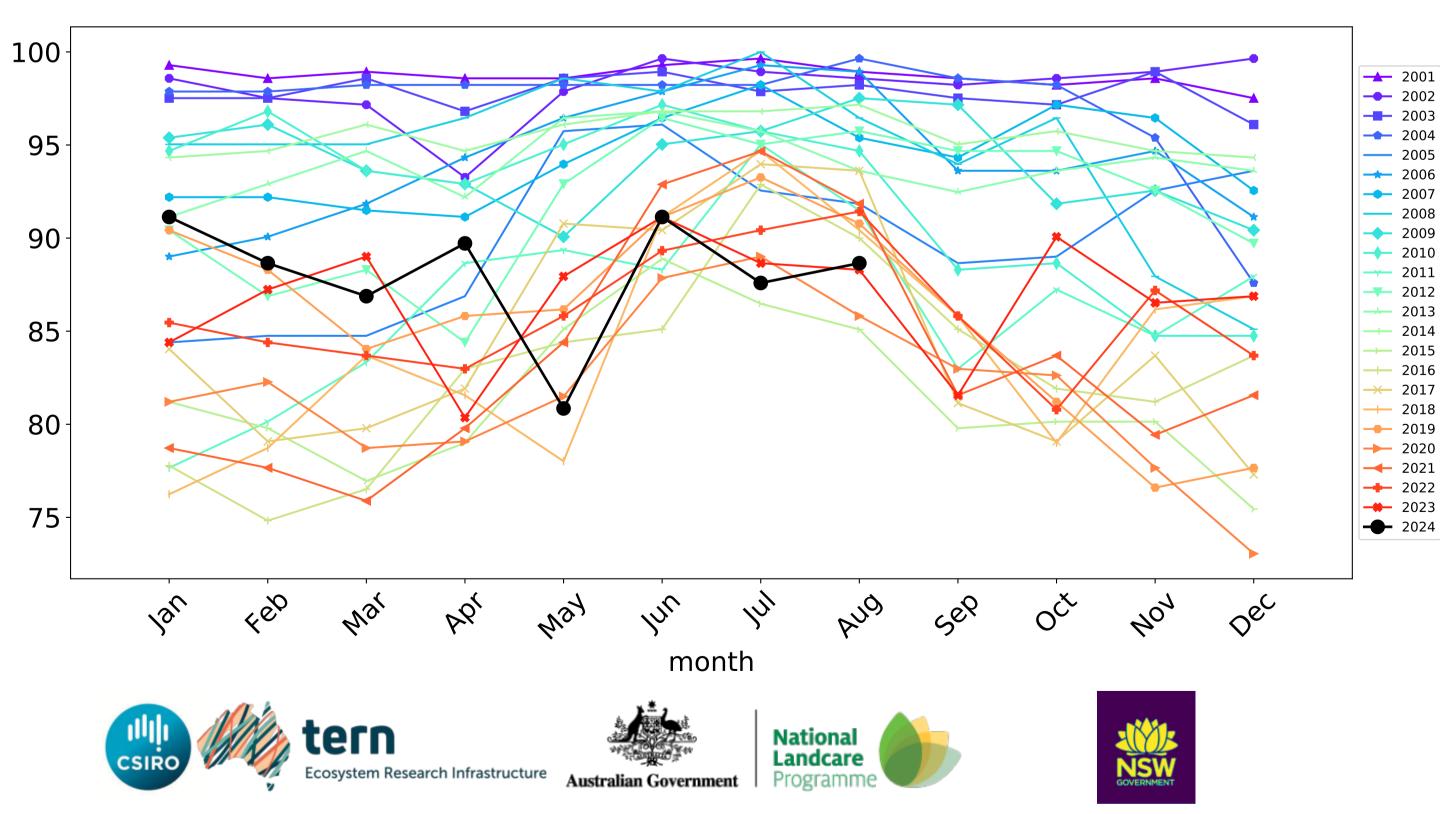


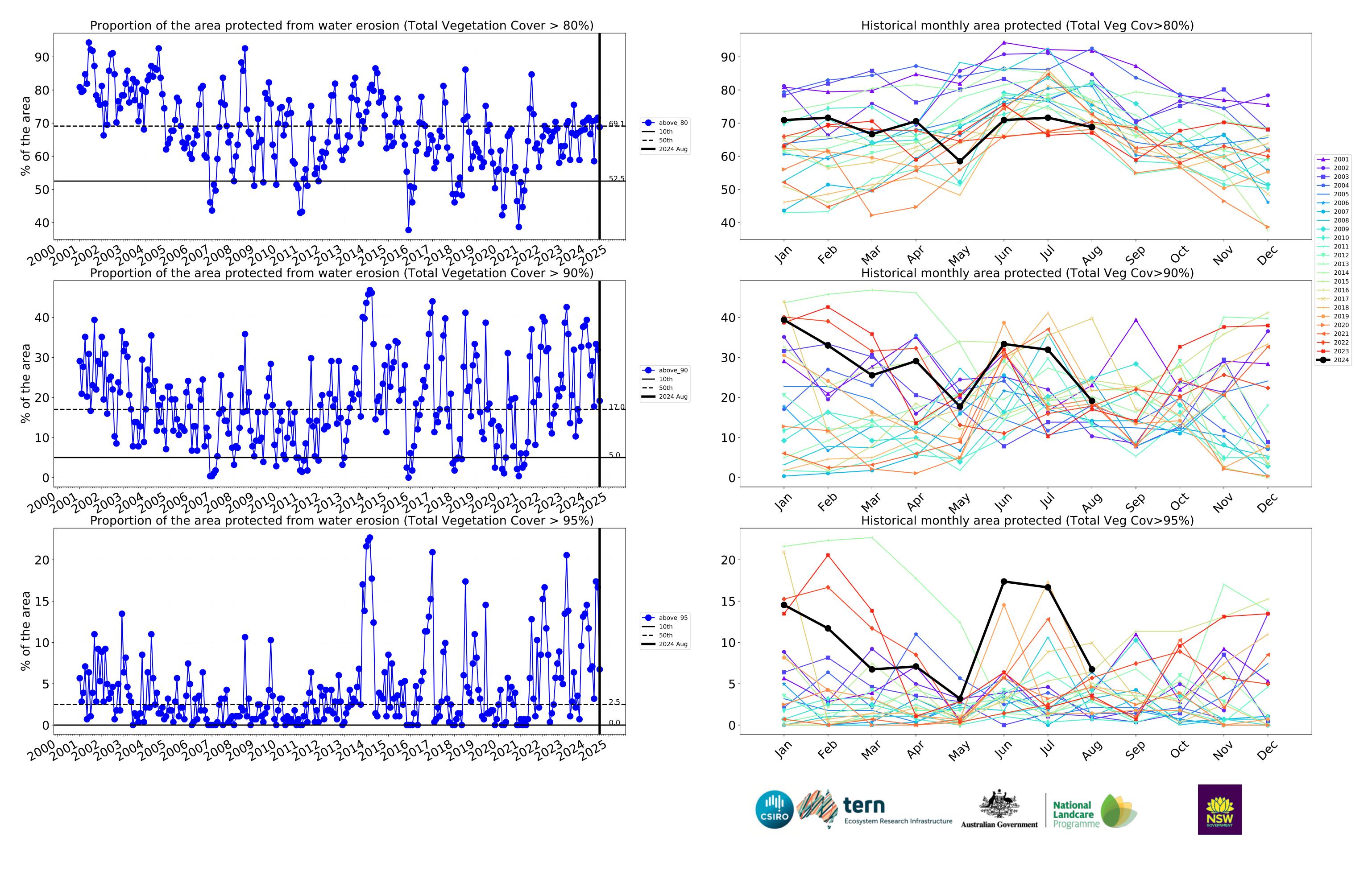


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Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)







# **Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest**

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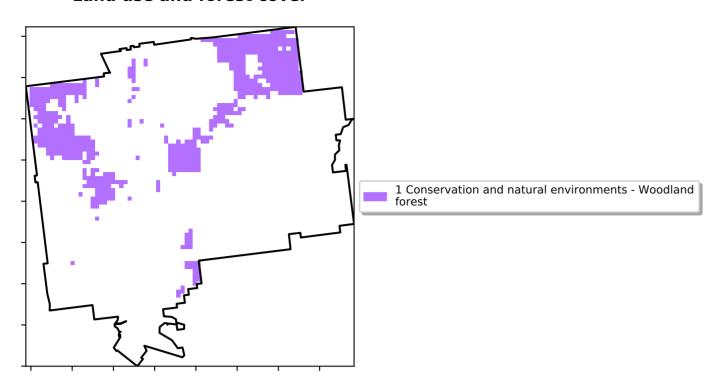
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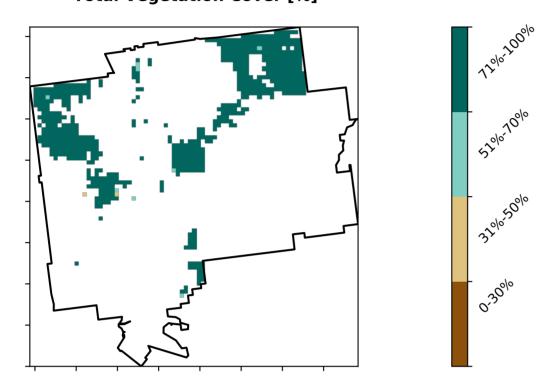
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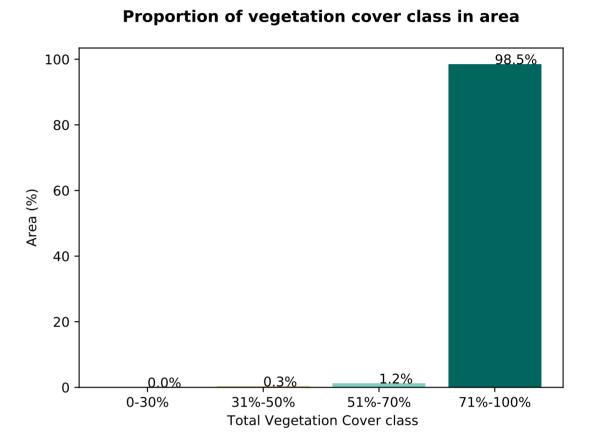
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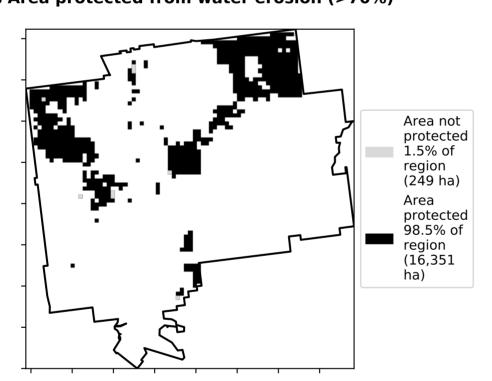


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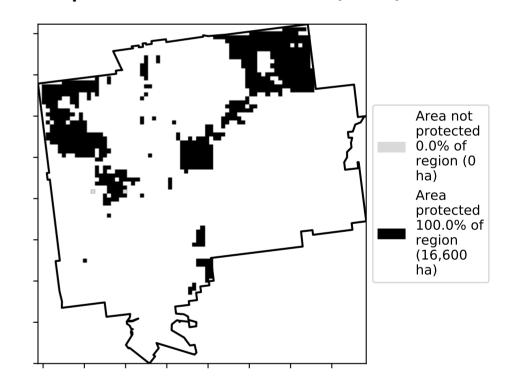




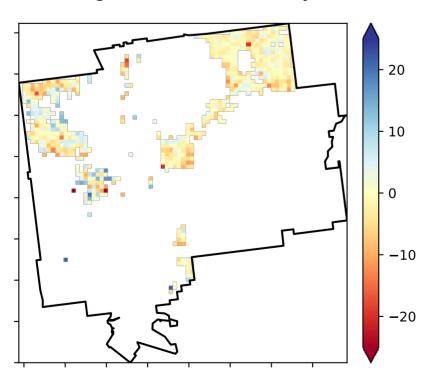
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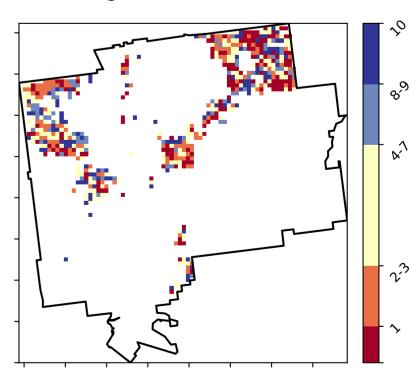


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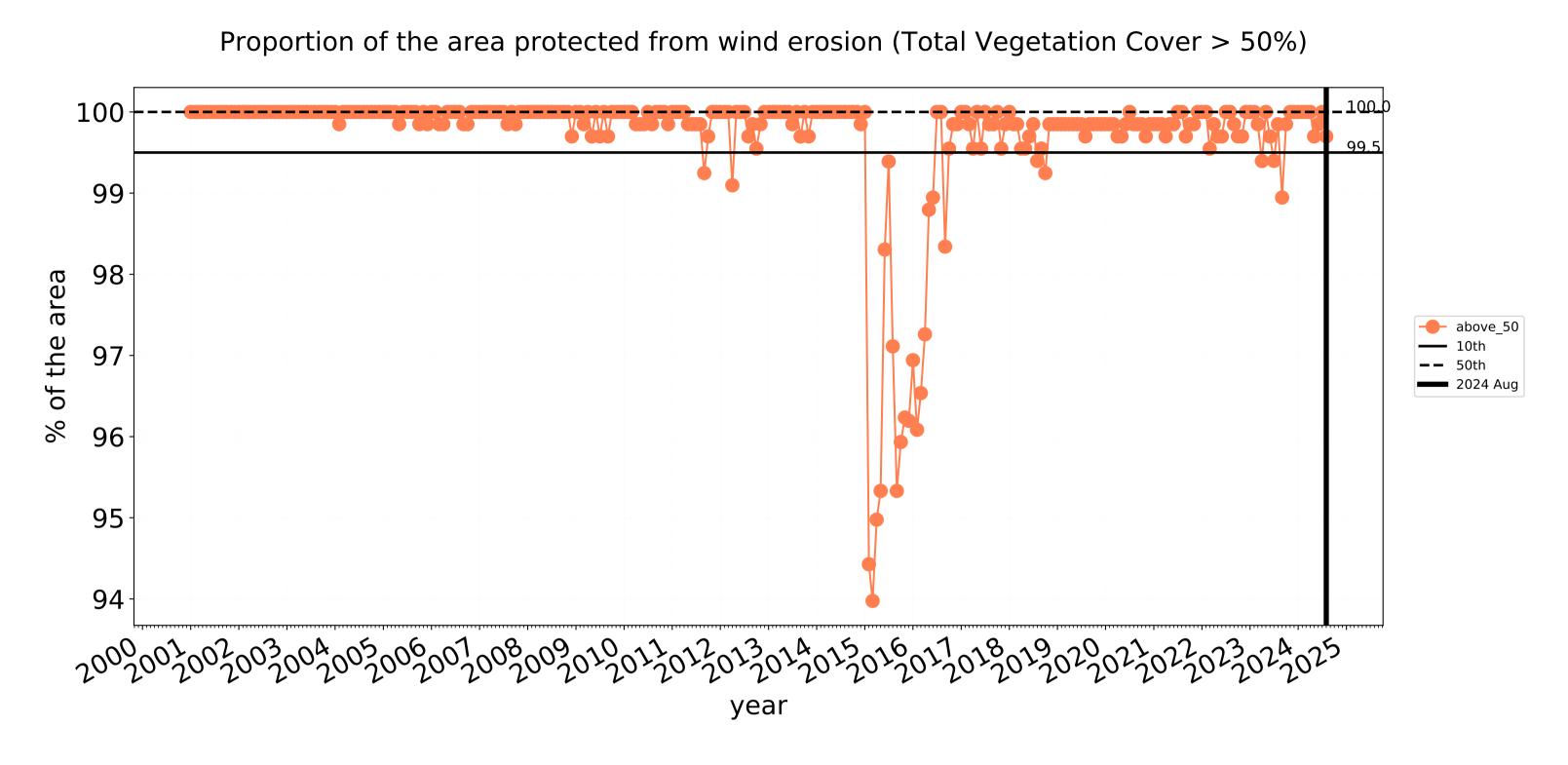


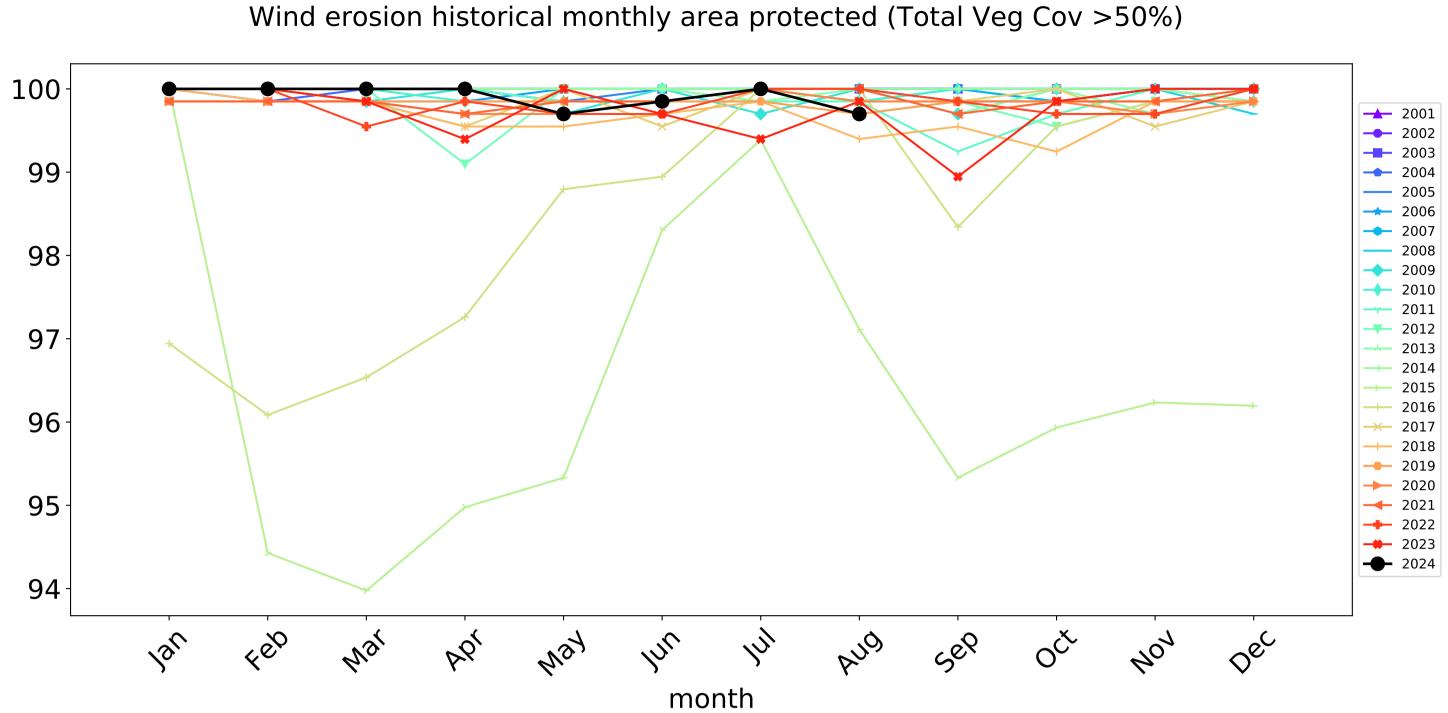


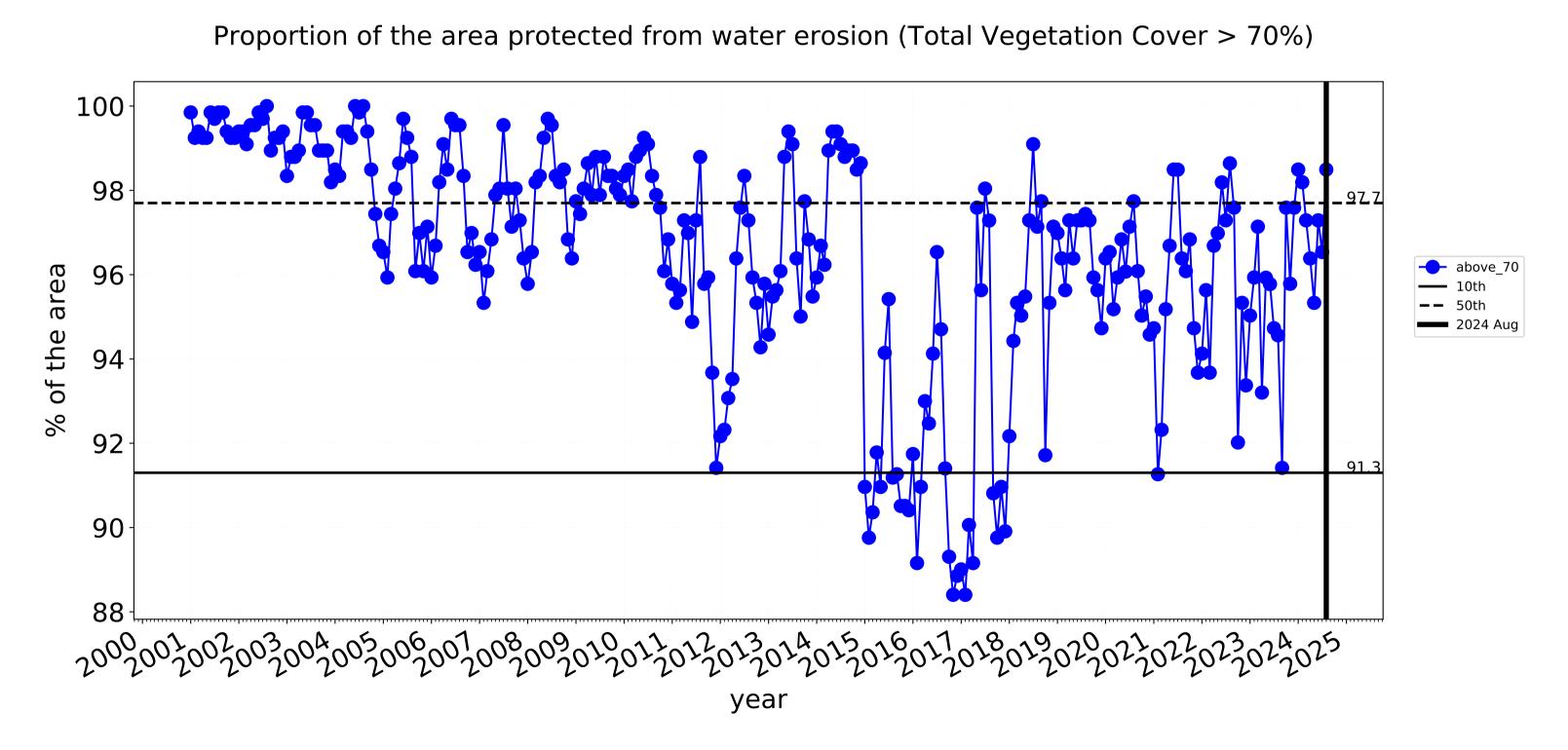


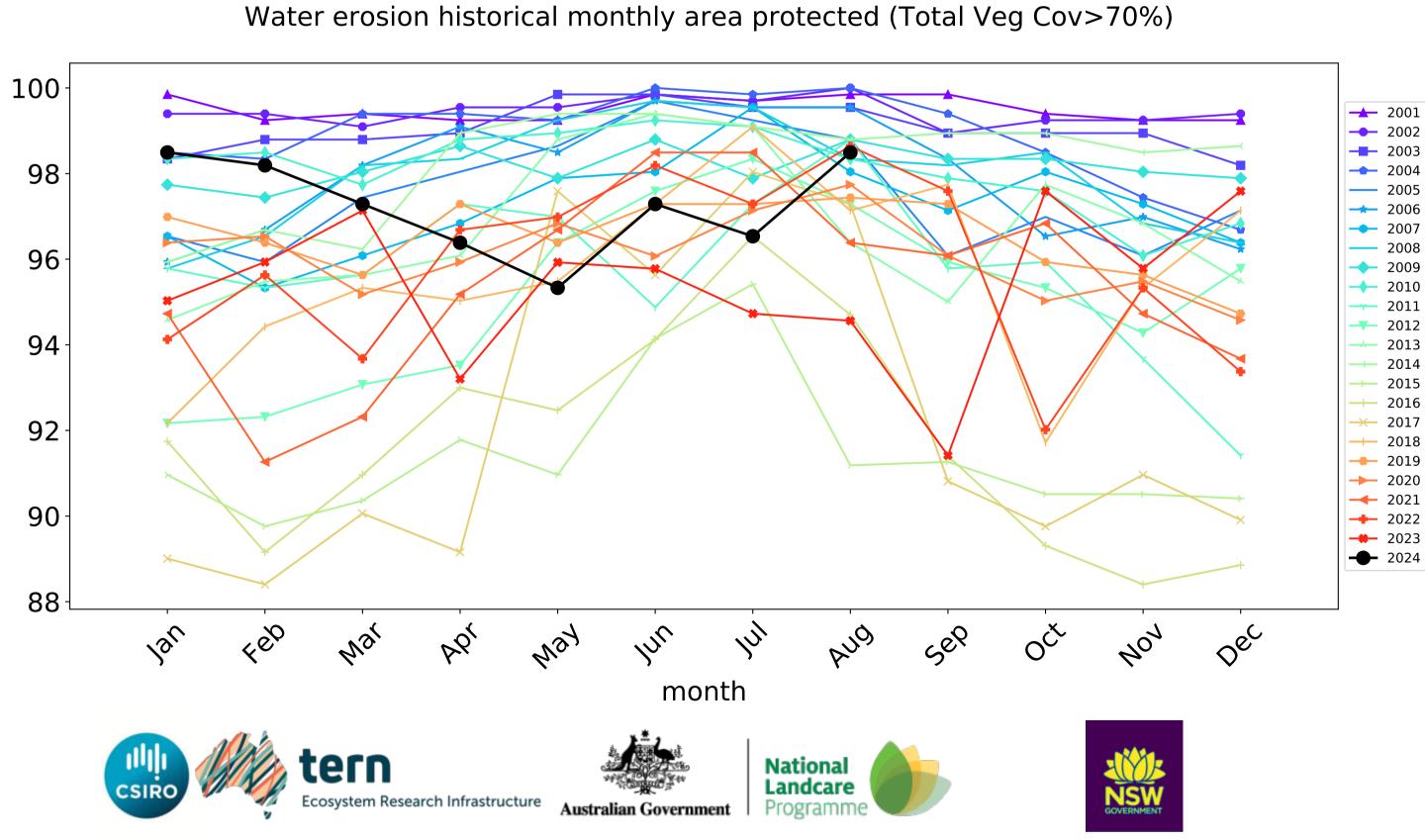


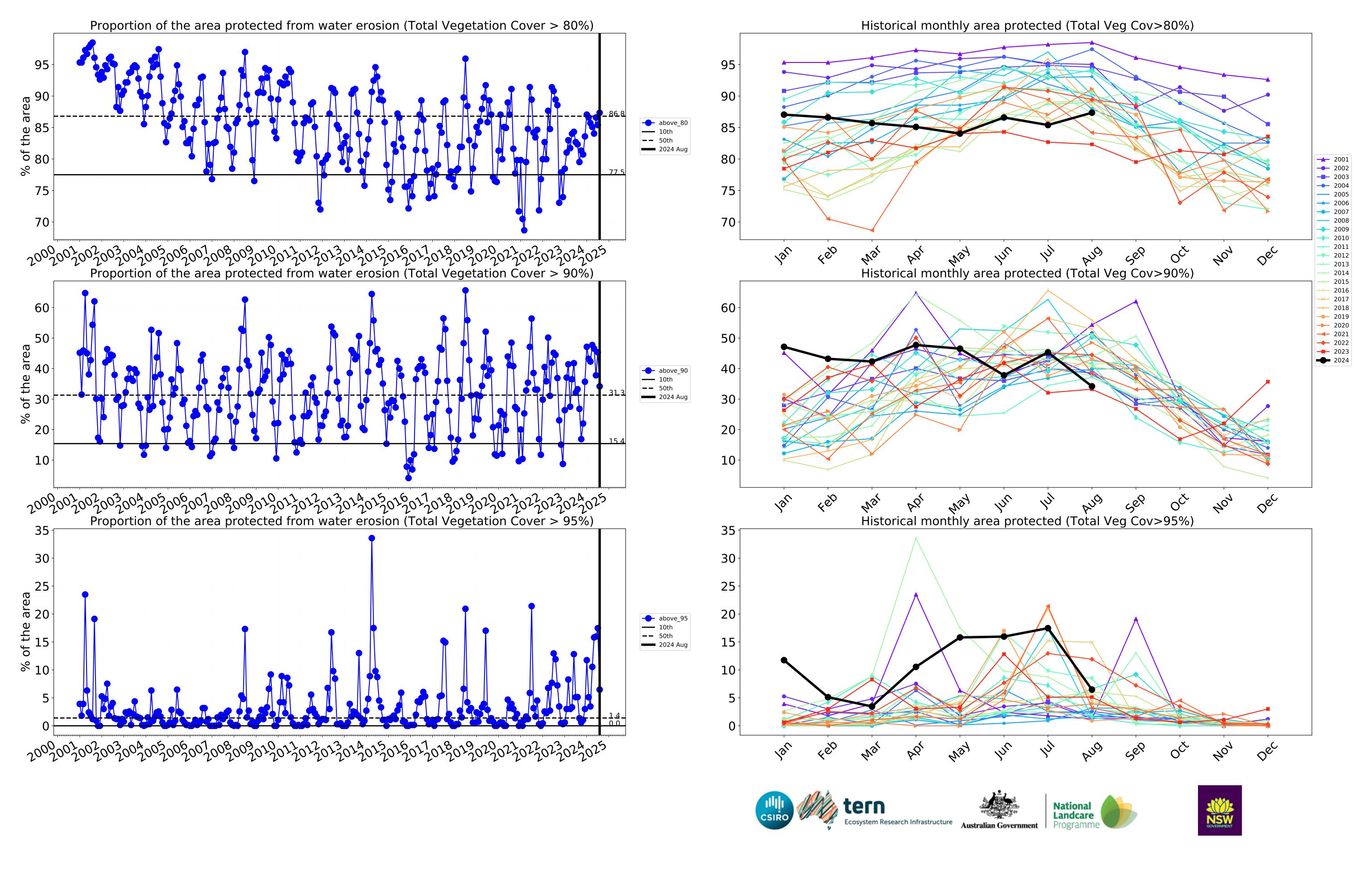
# **Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest timeseries**











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

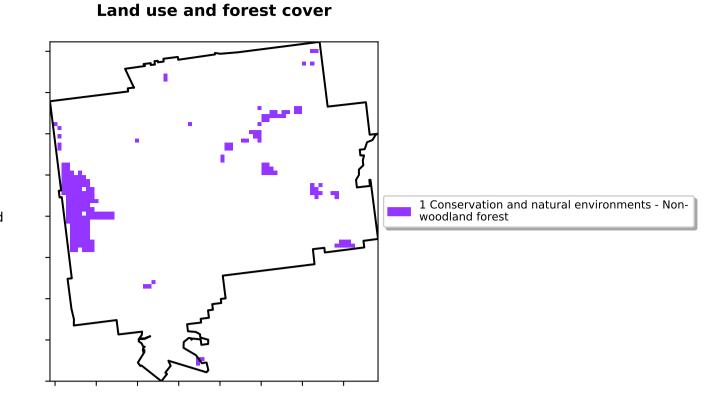
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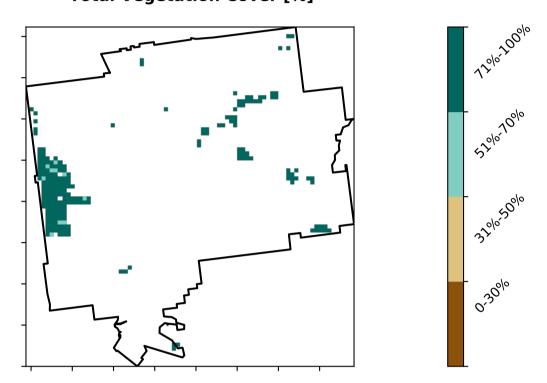
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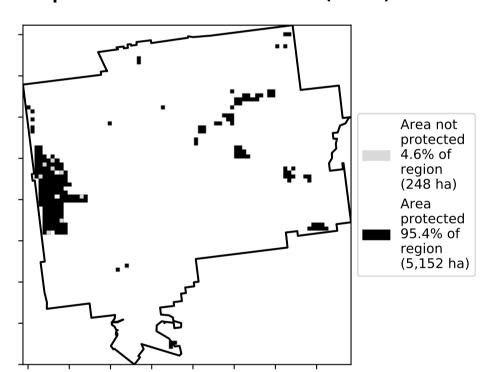
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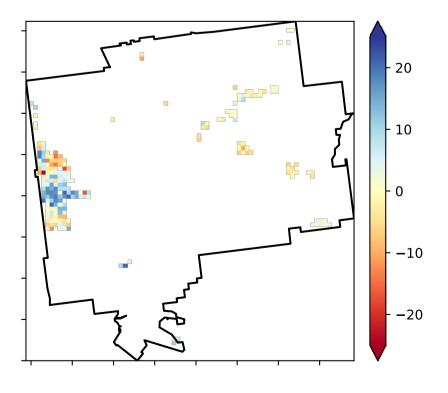
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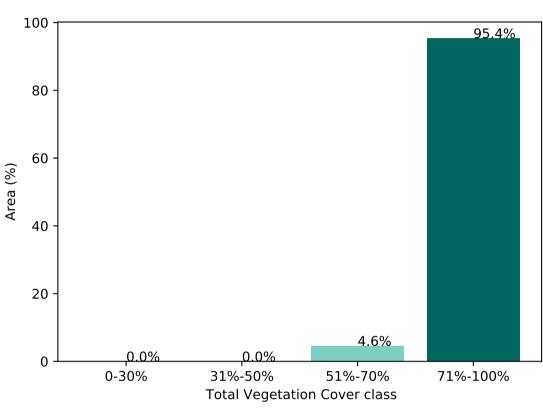


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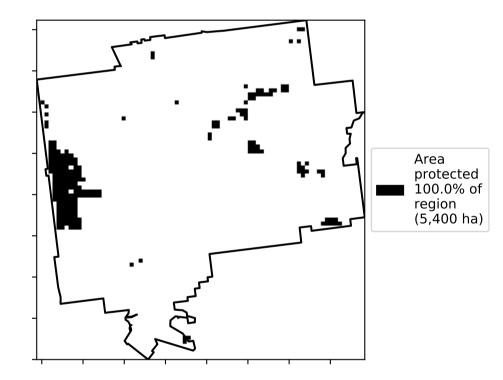


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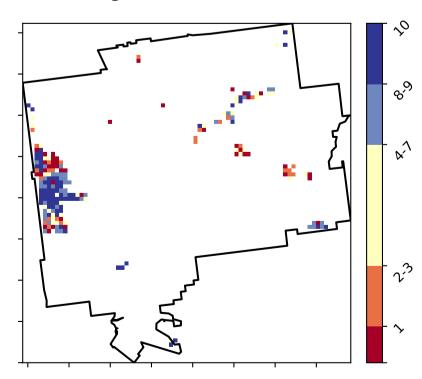
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Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]







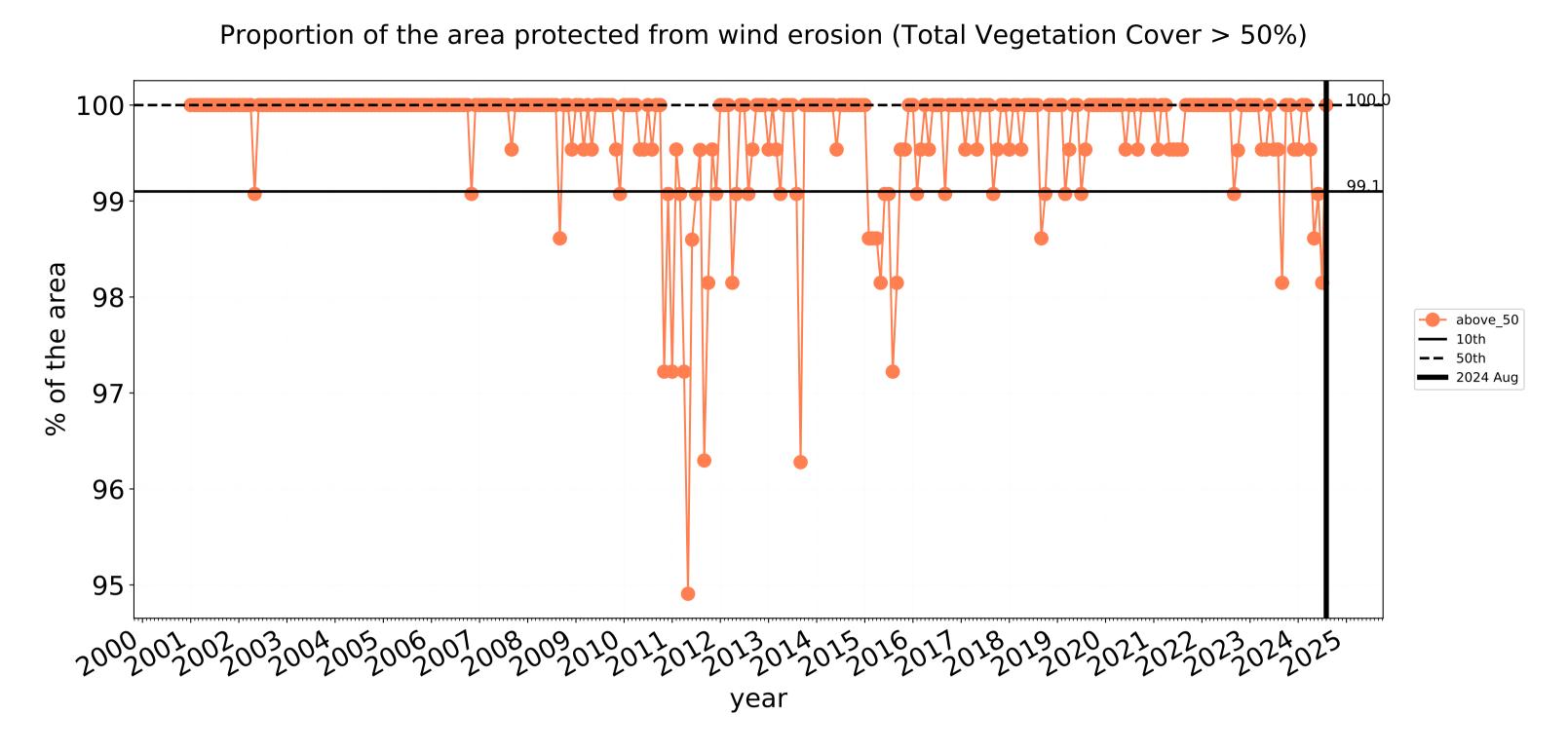


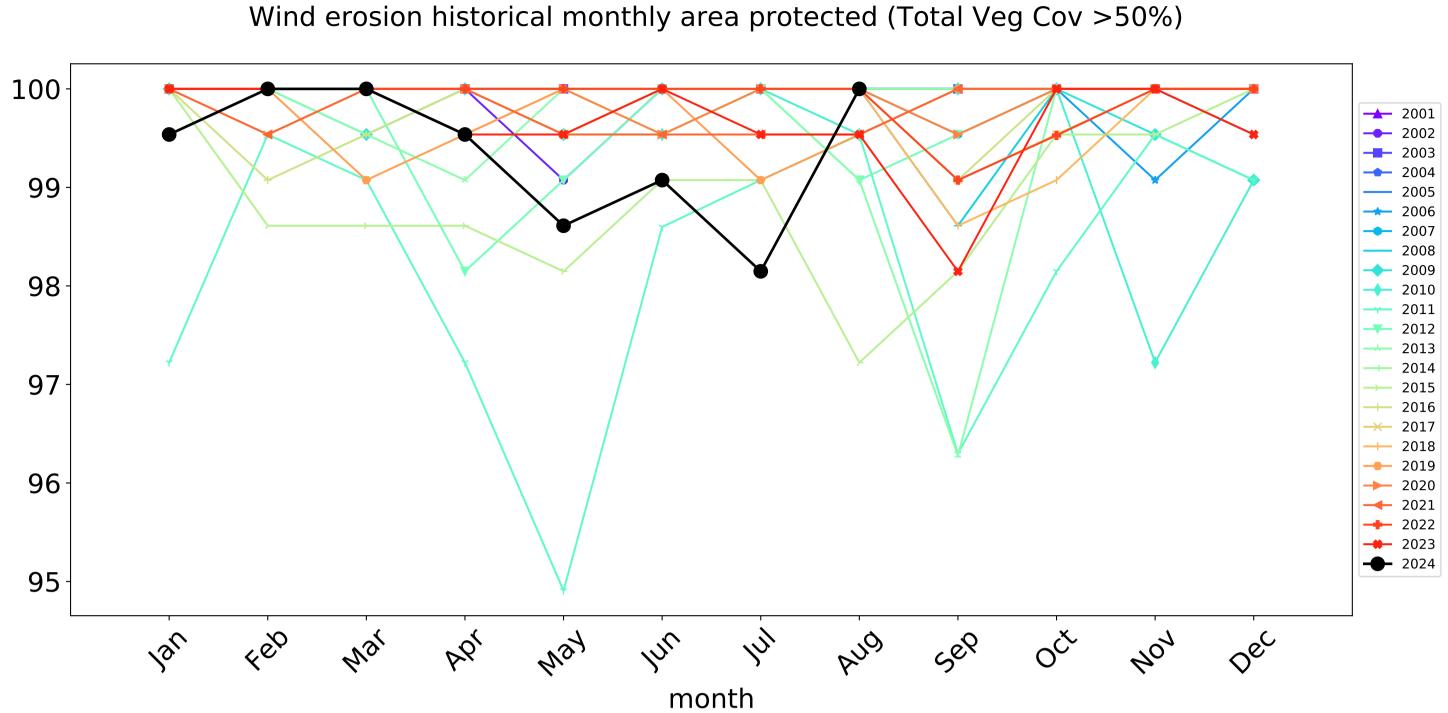


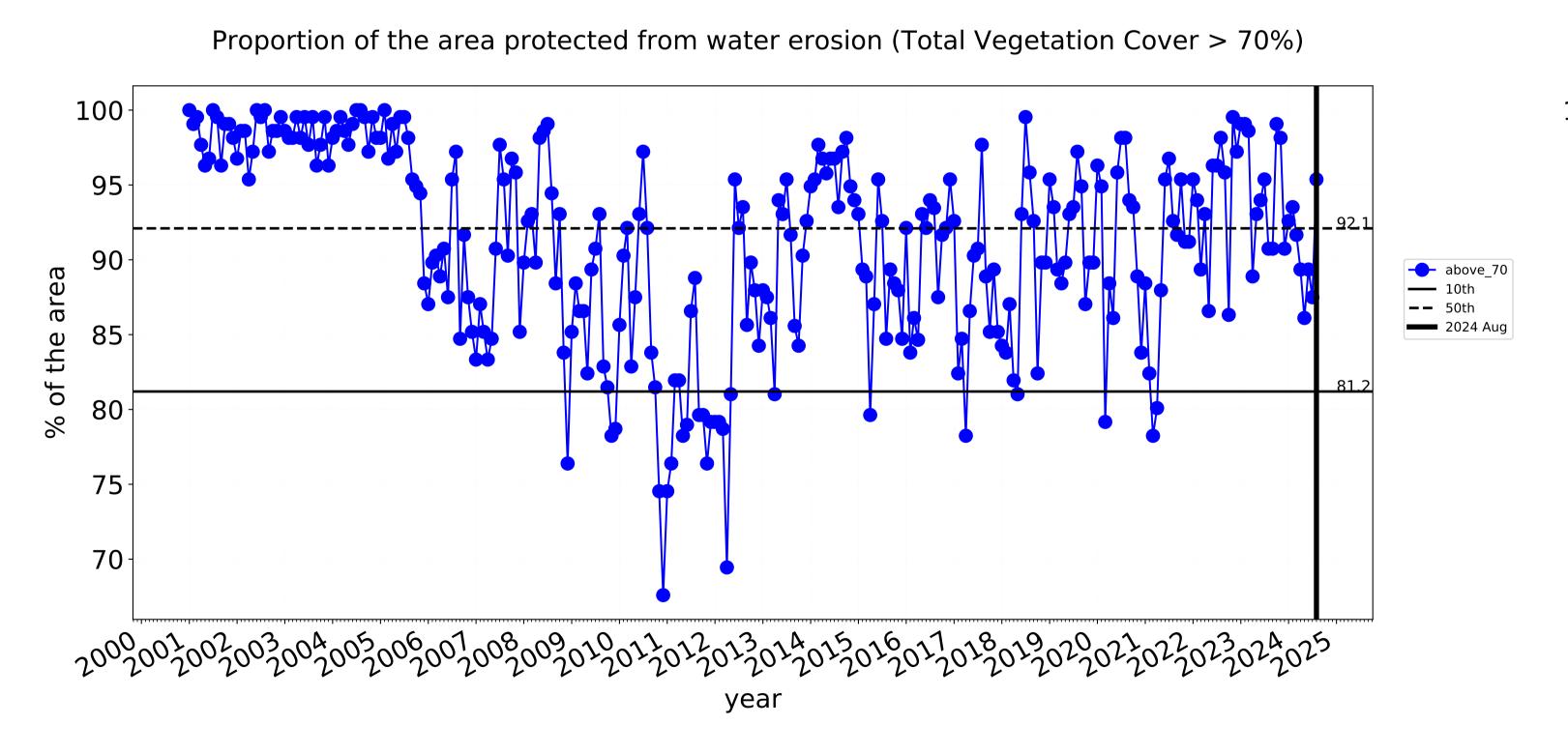


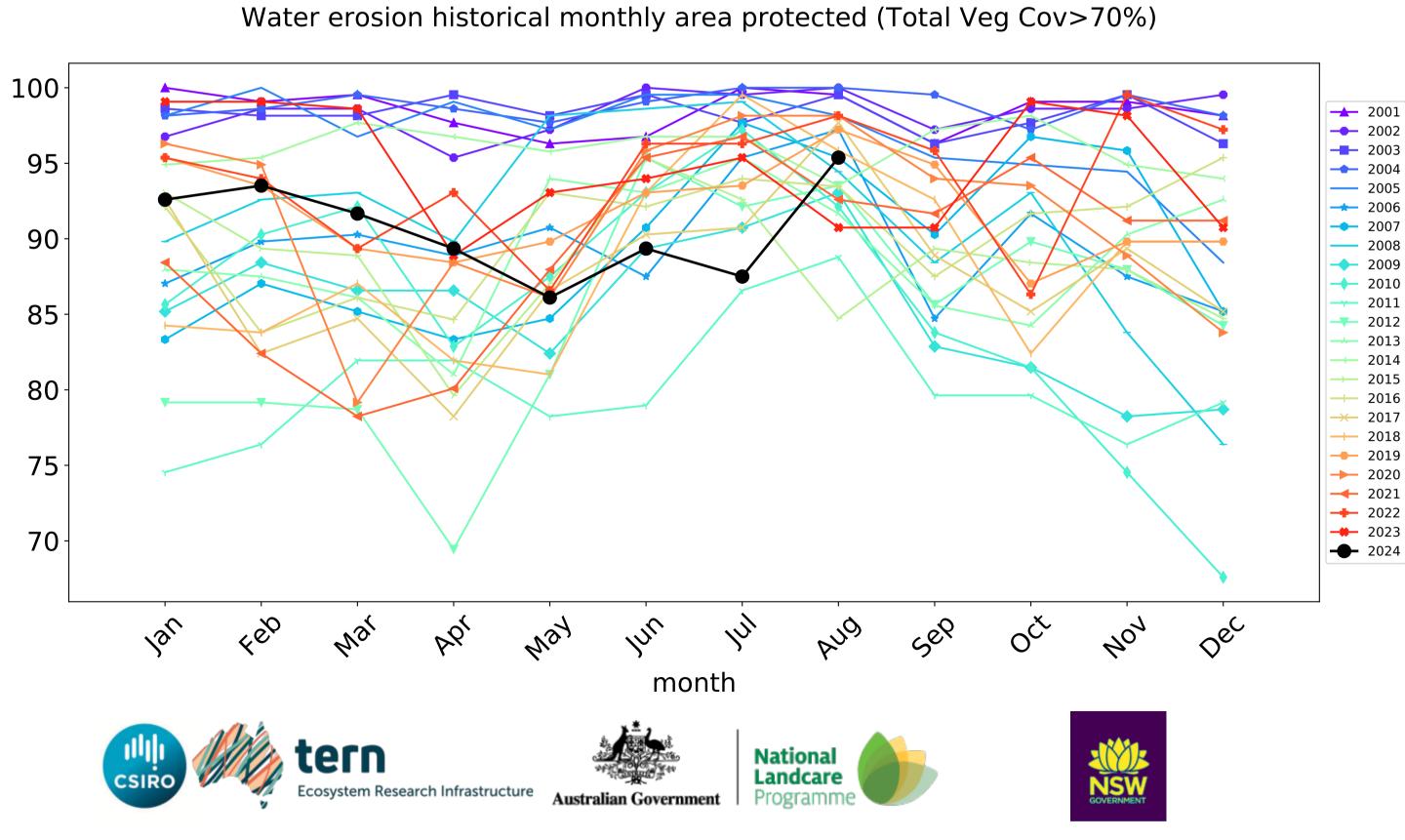


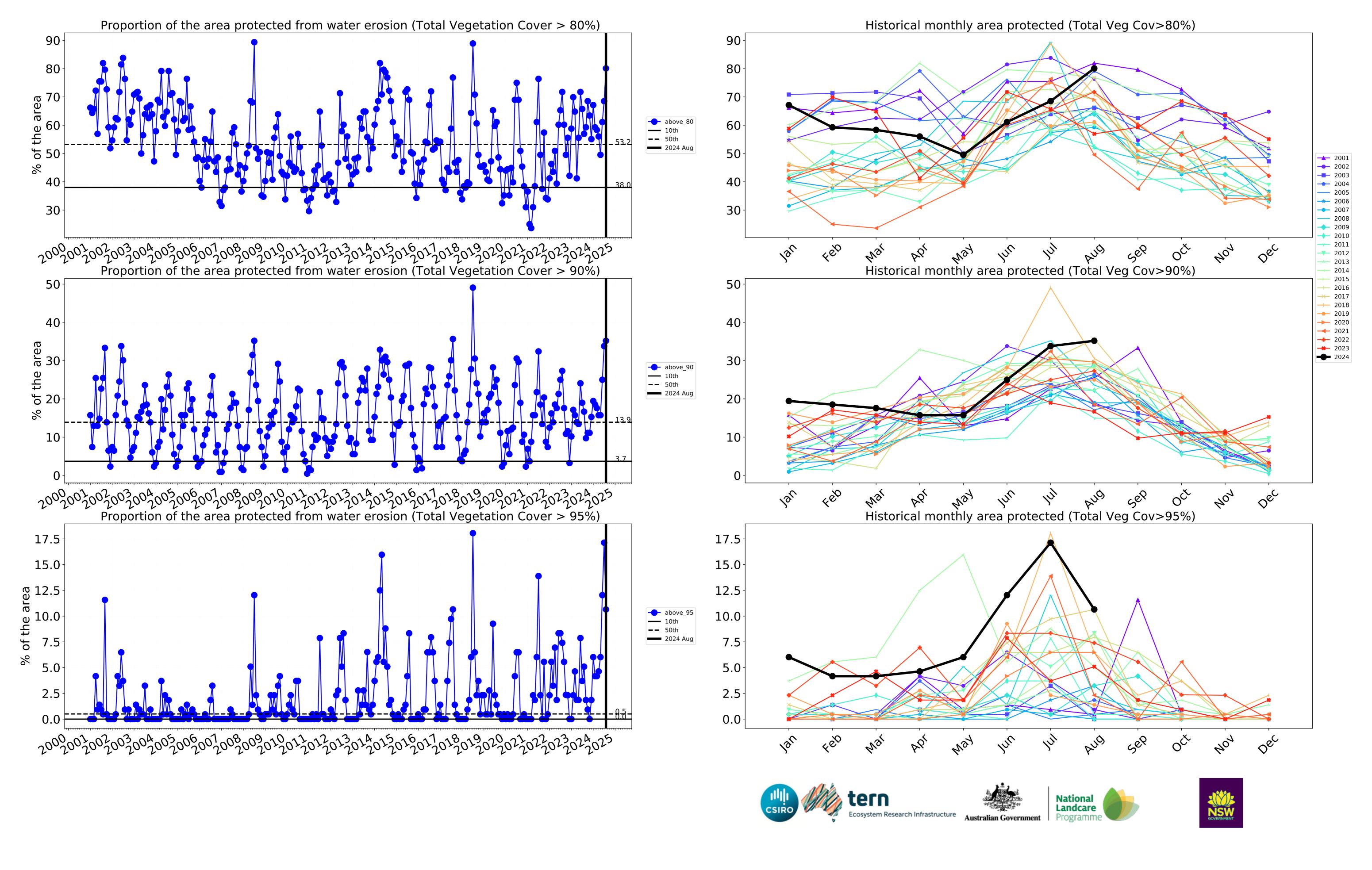
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# **Agriculture**

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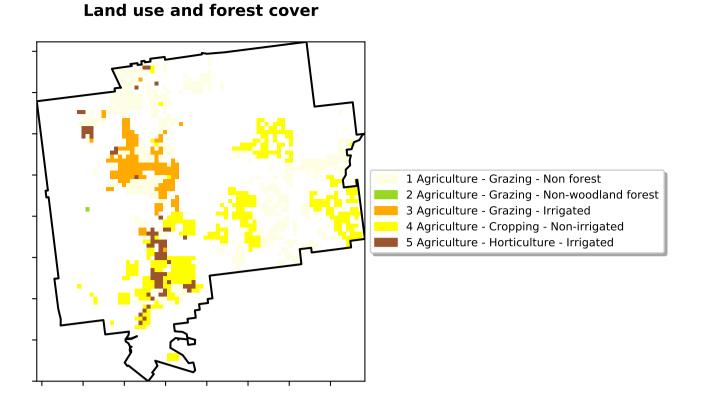
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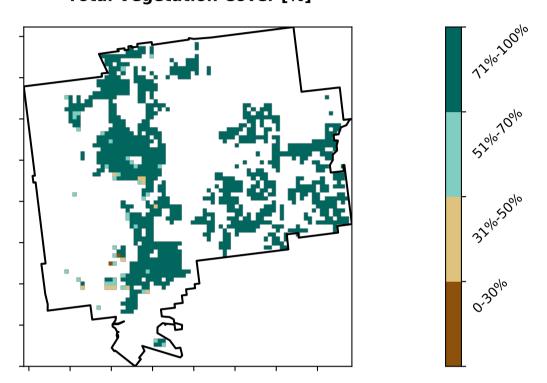
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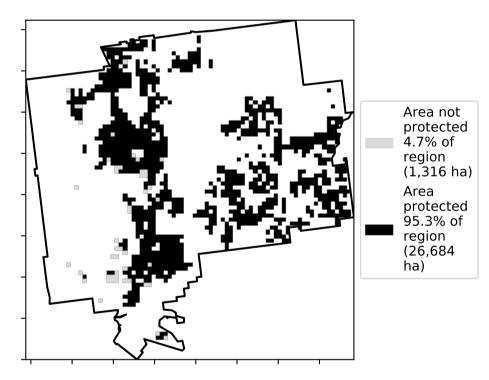
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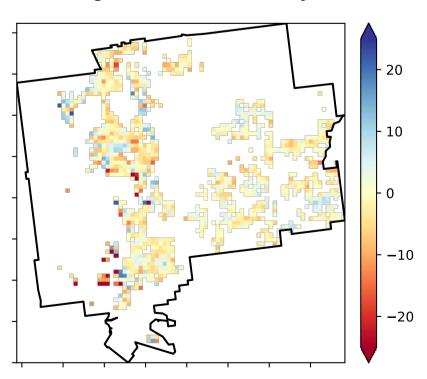
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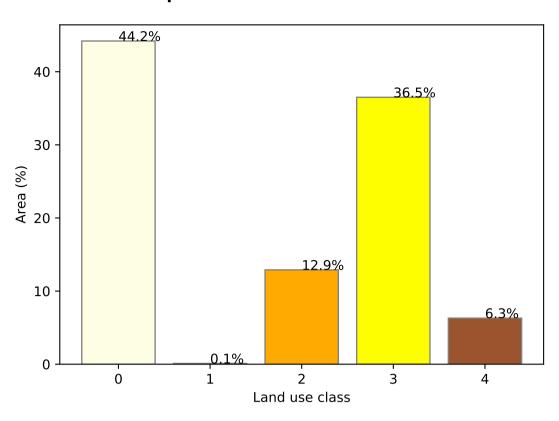


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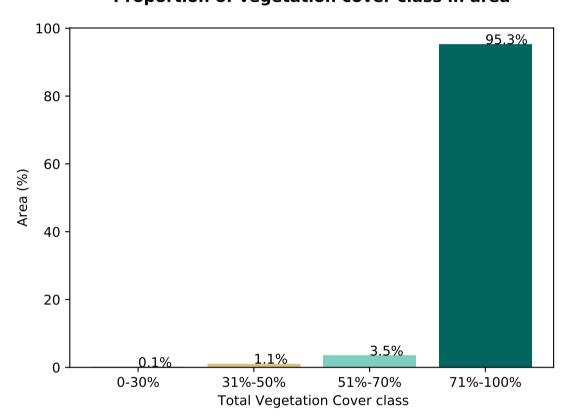


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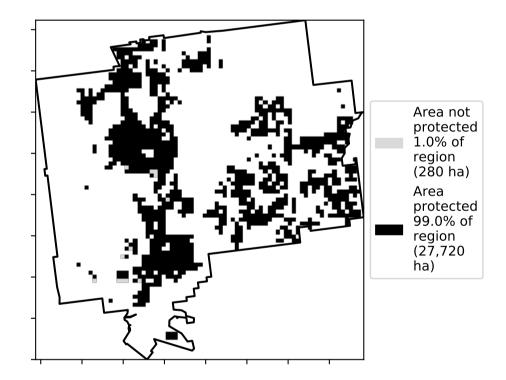
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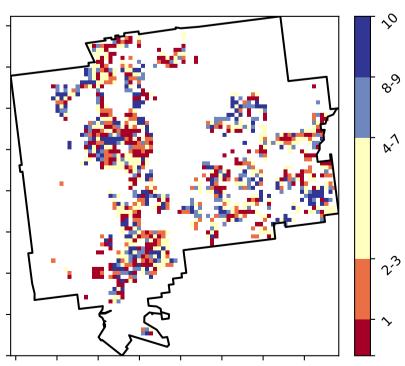


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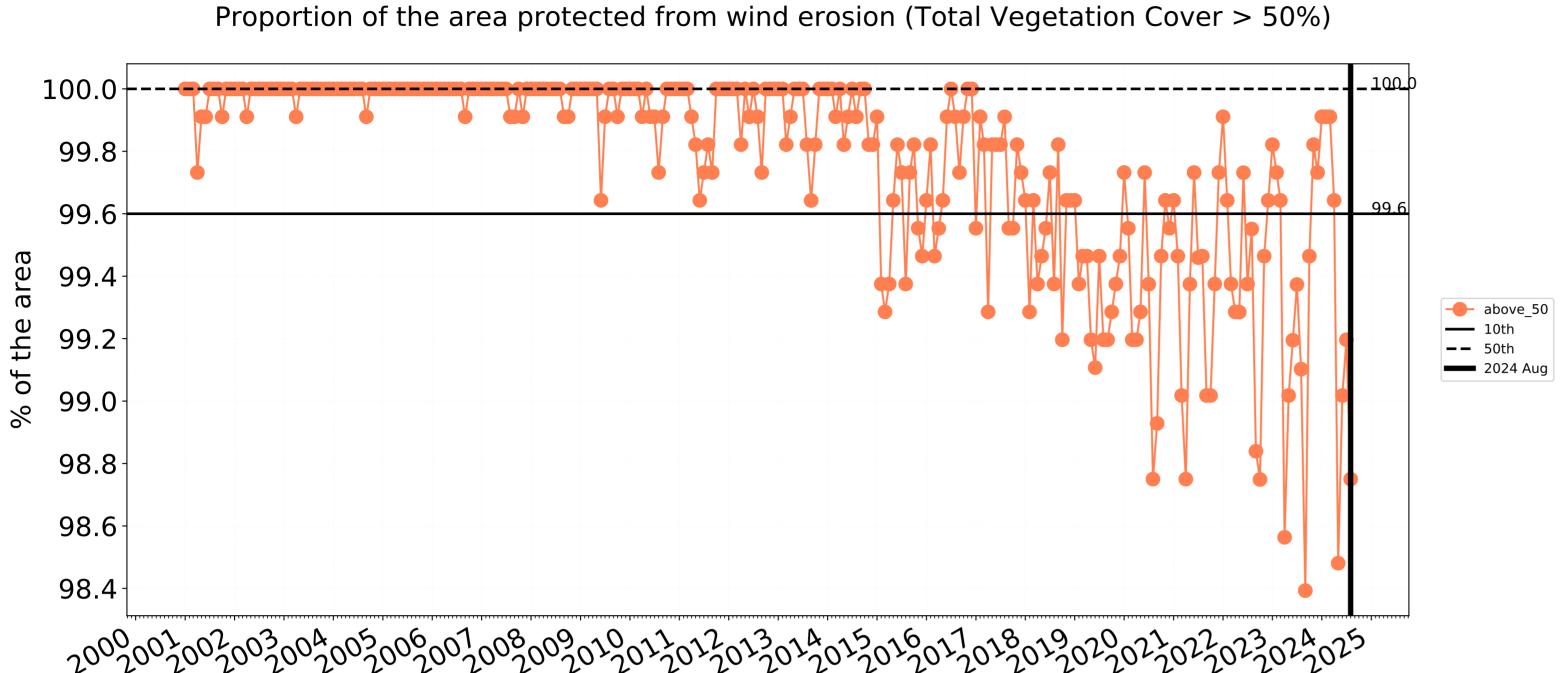




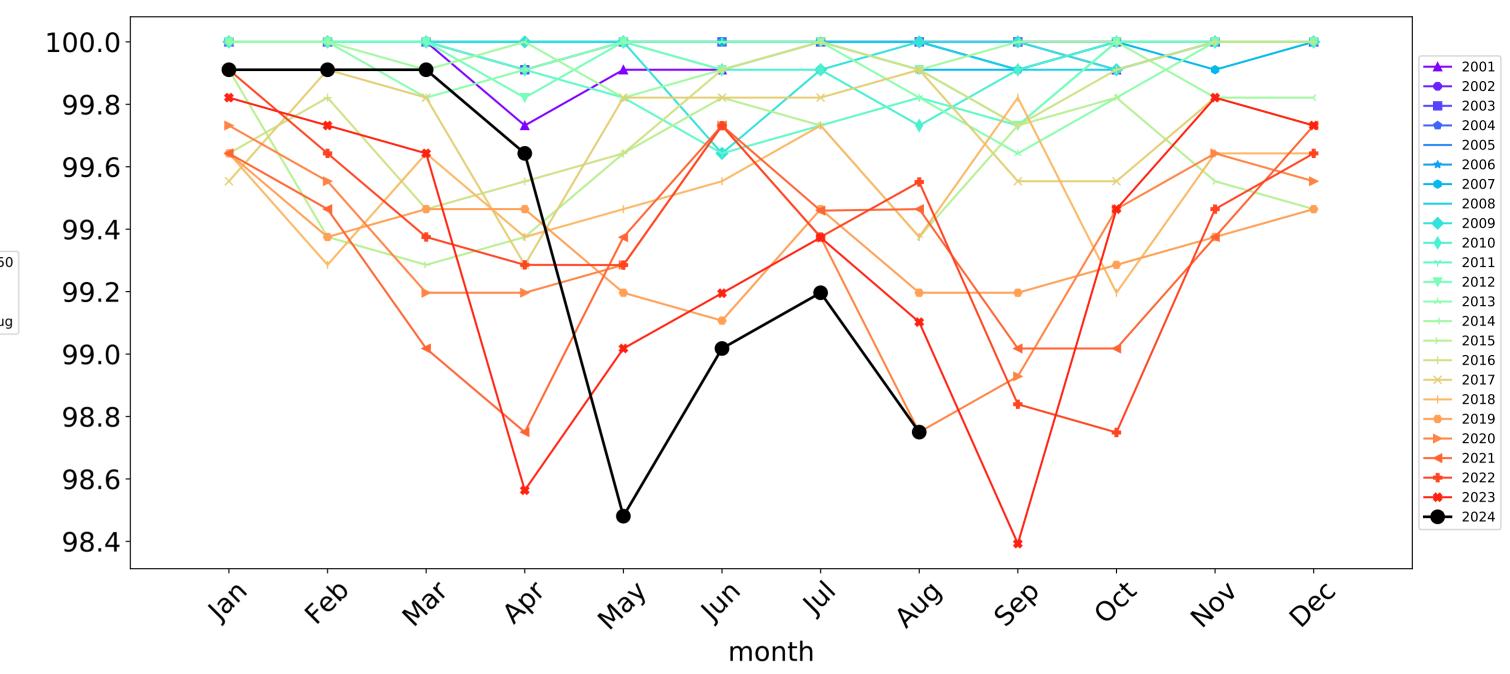


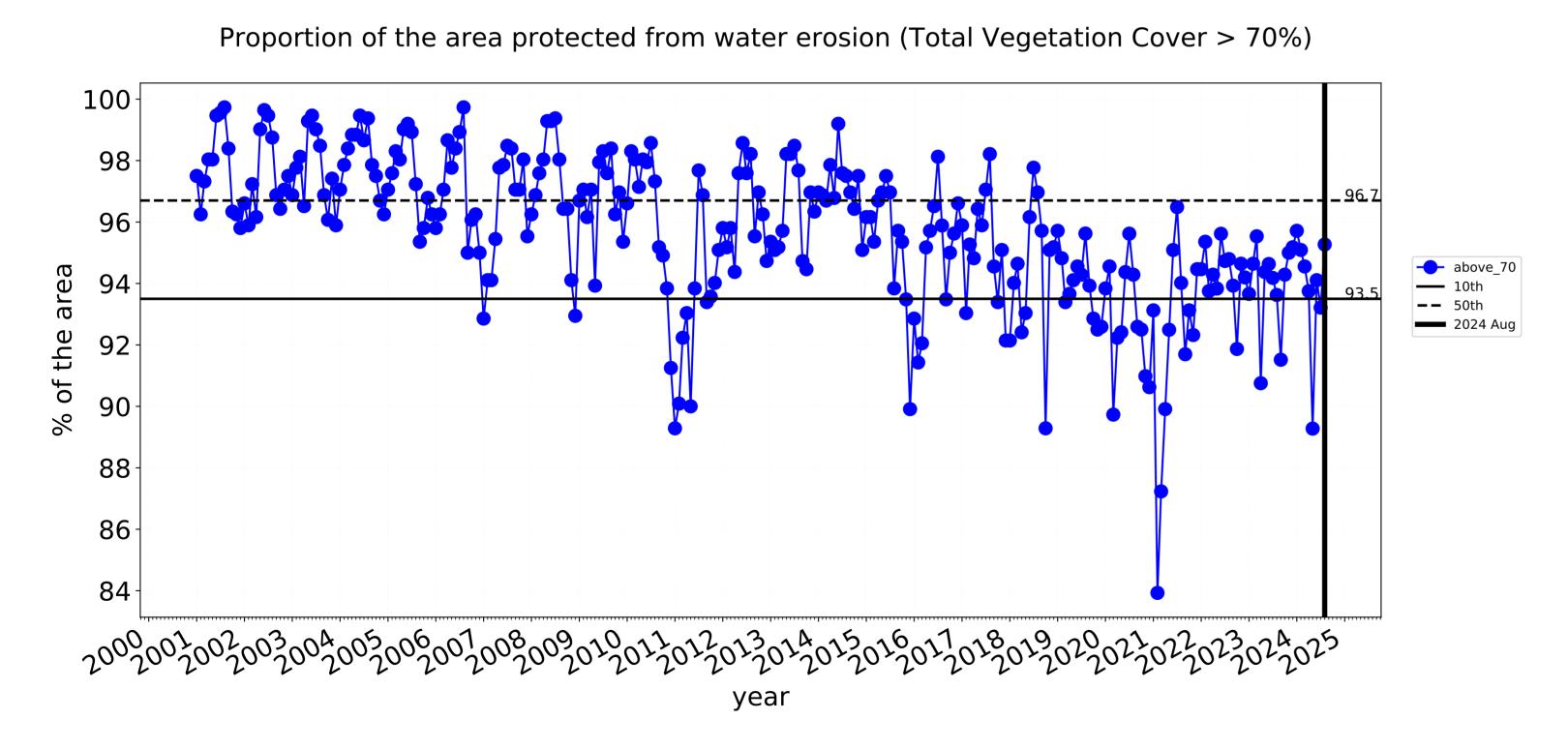


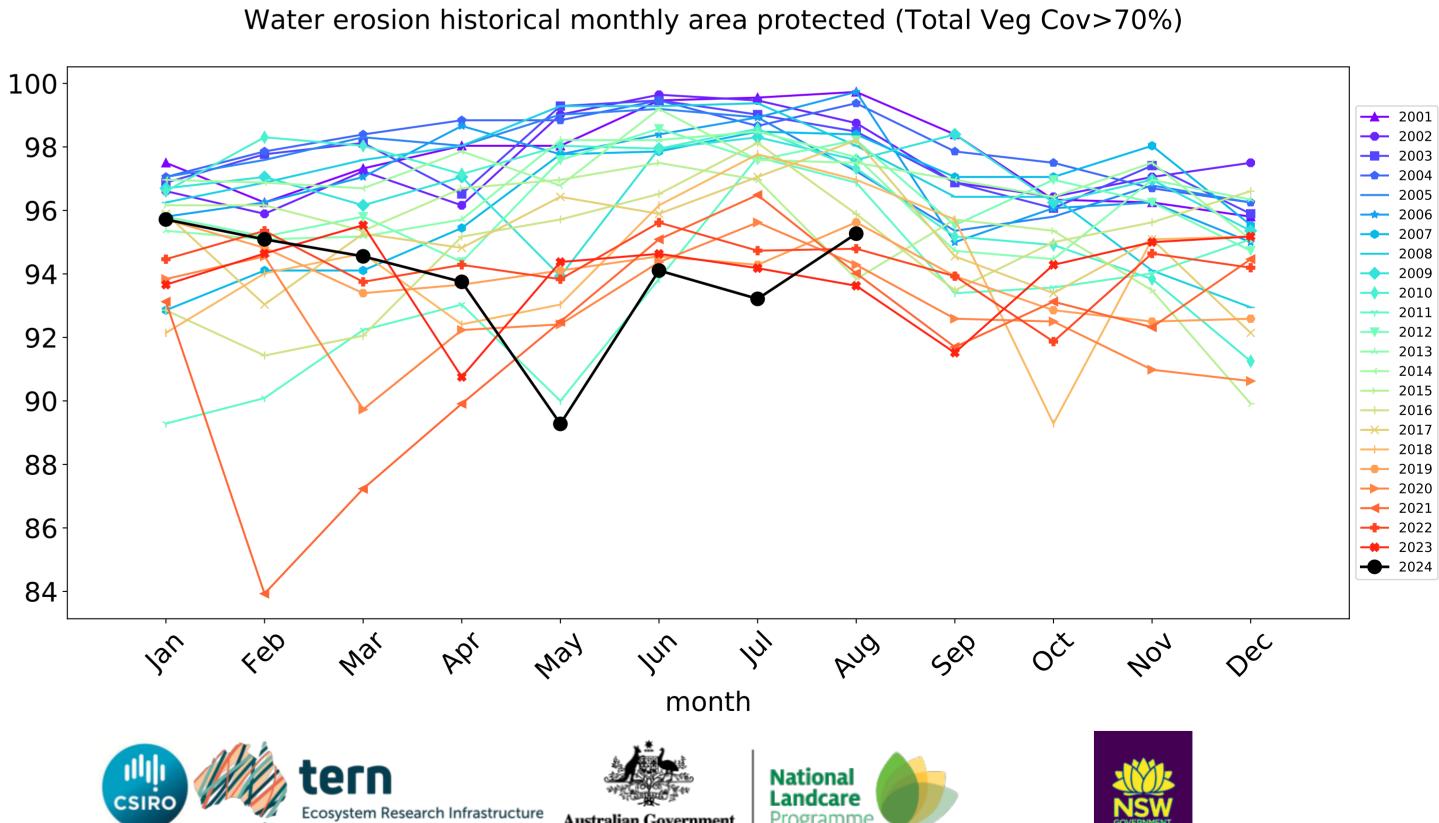
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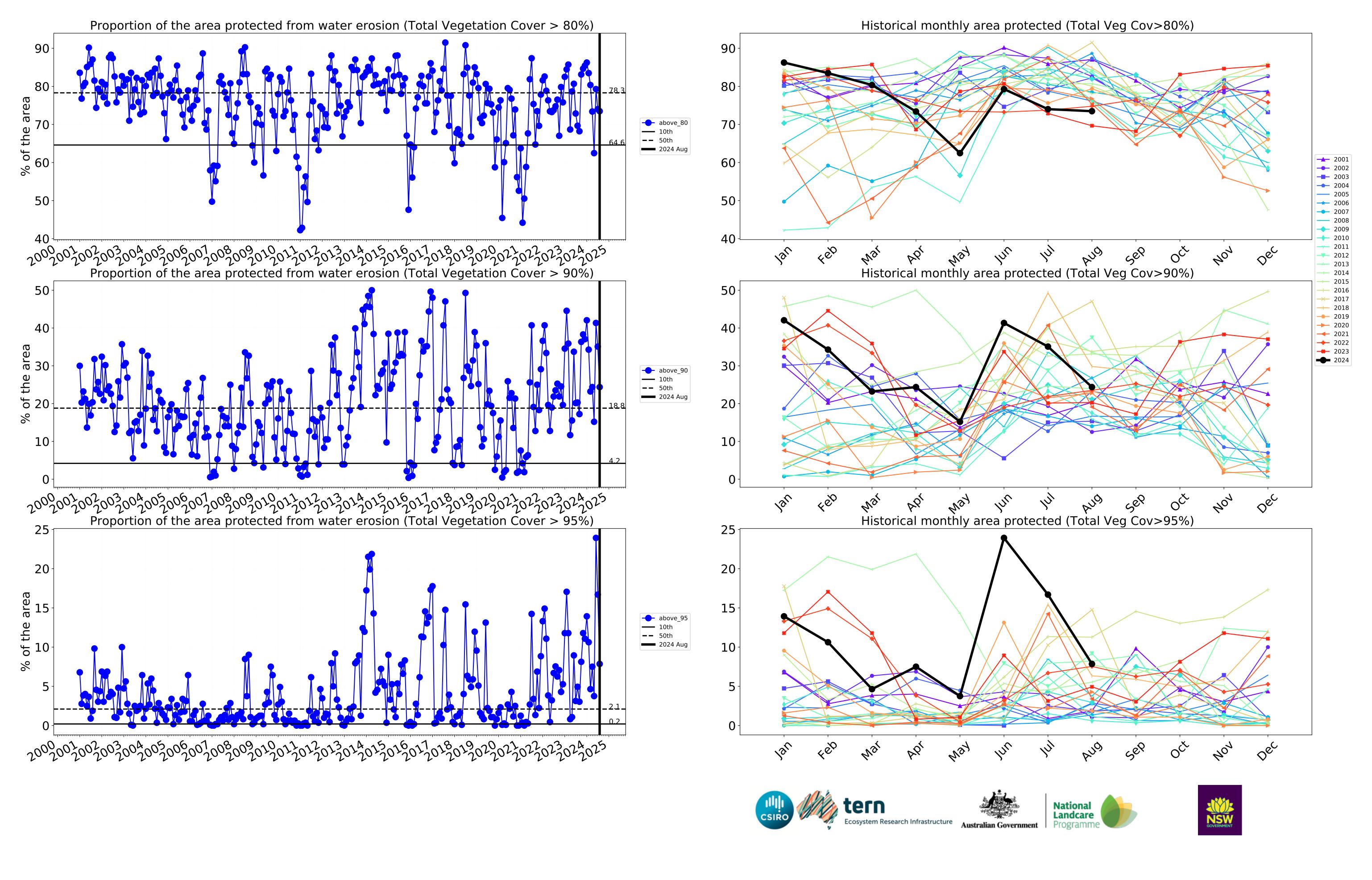


# Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)









# **Grazing**

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Catchment Scale Land

Use of Australia (2018) and Forests

of Australia (2018)

Anomaly show how many percetage points each

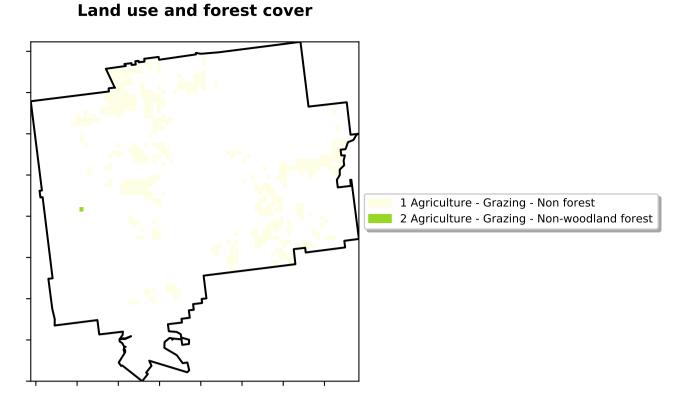
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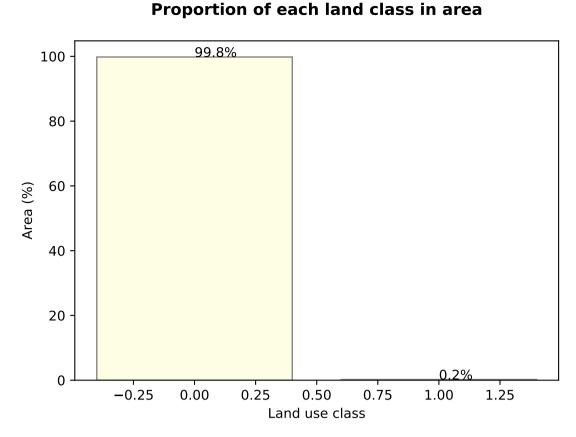
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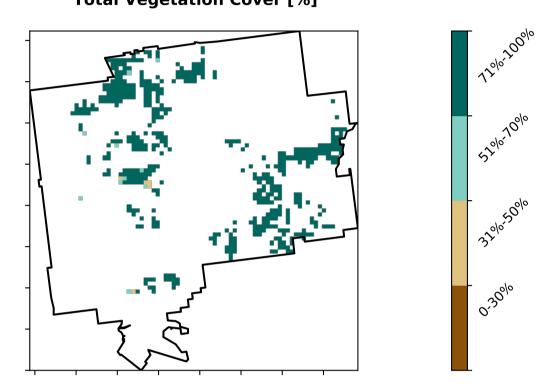
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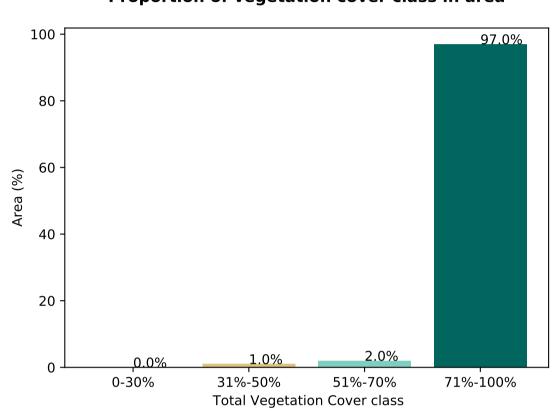




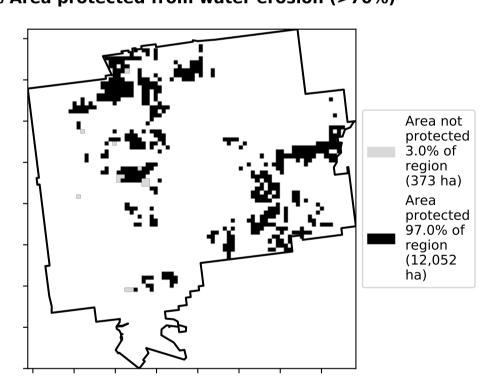
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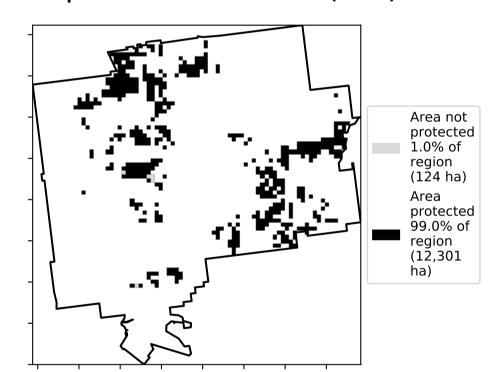
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



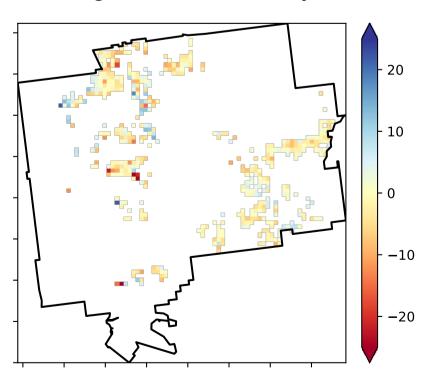
# % Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



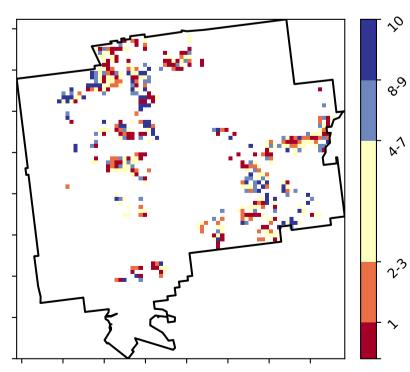
% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



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



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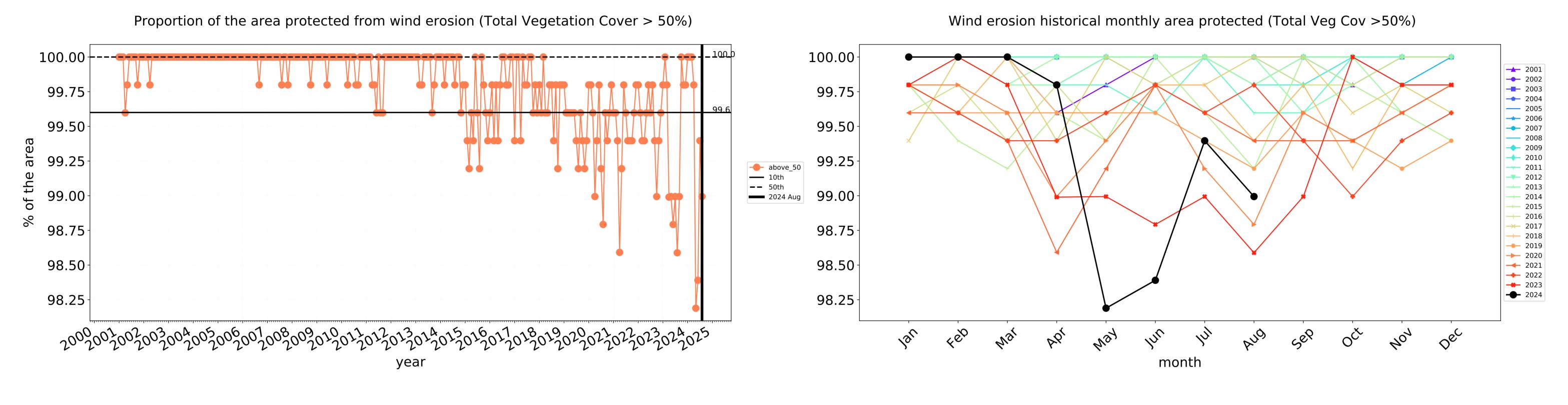


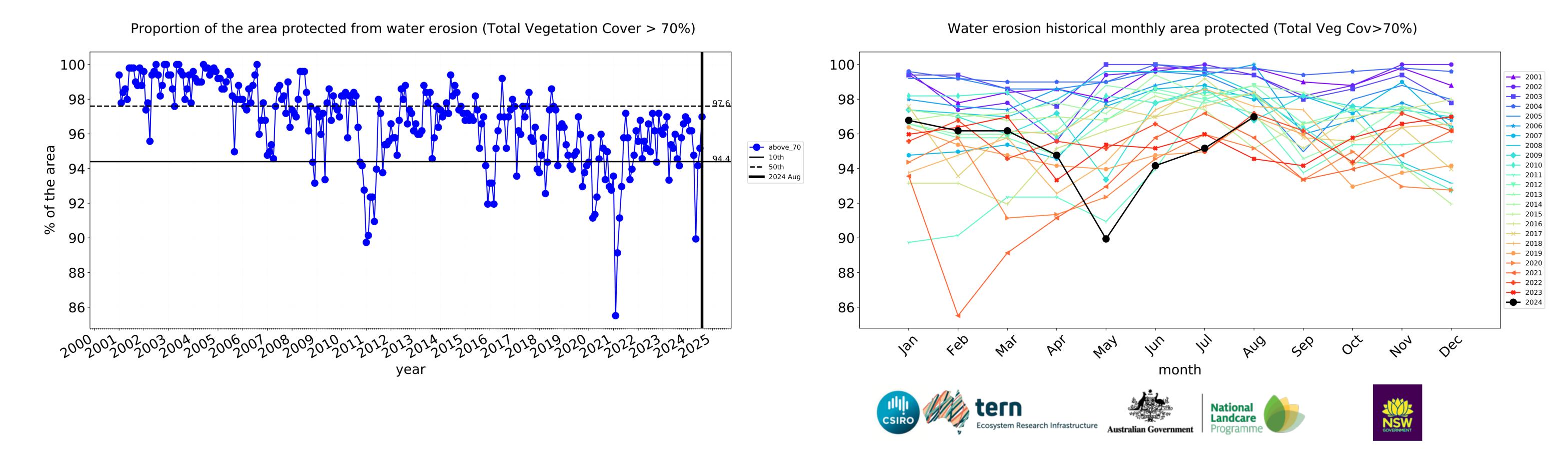


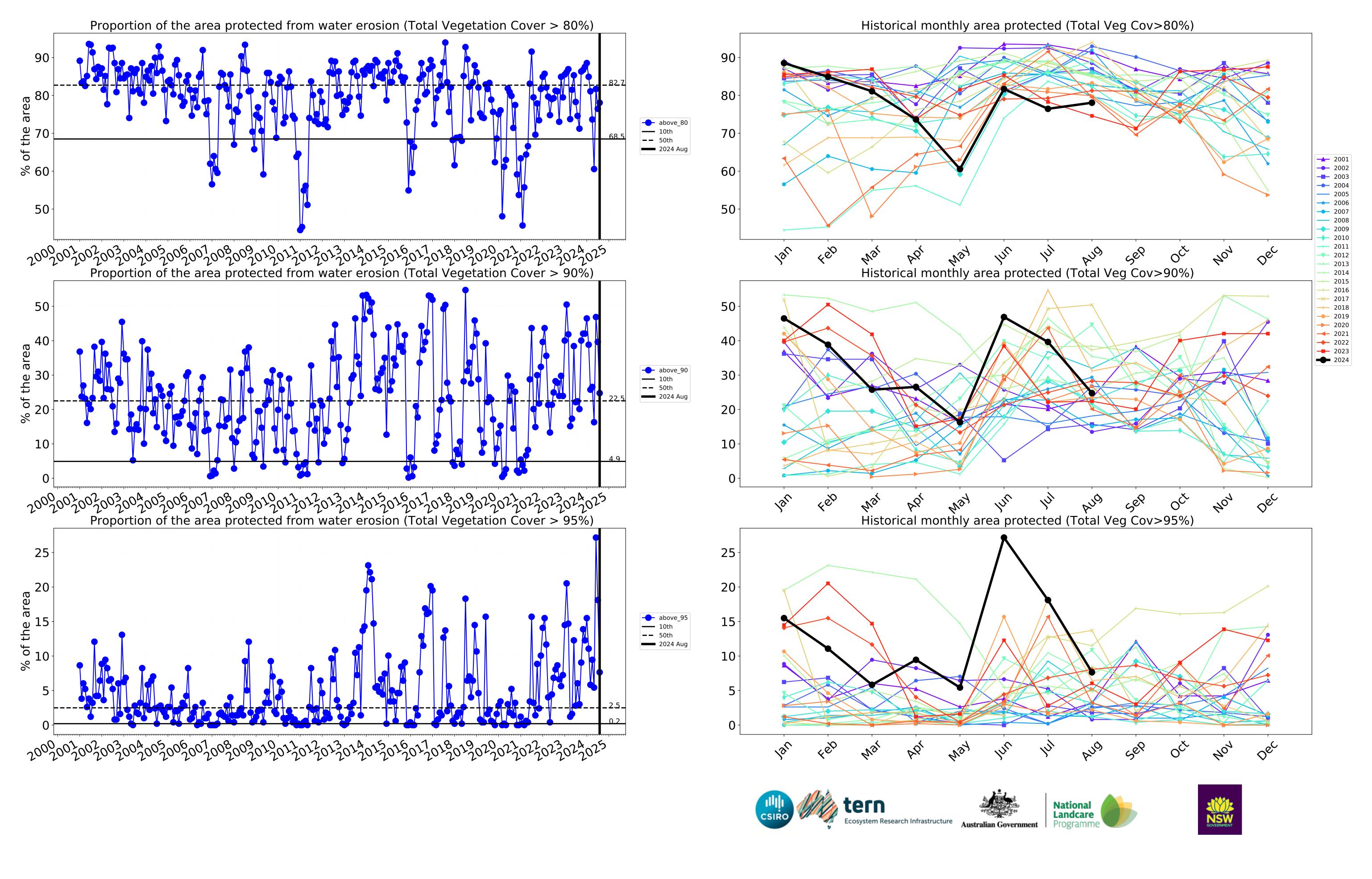




# **Grazing timeseries**







# **Grazing non forest**

#### Land use and forest cover

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Anomaly show how many percetage points each

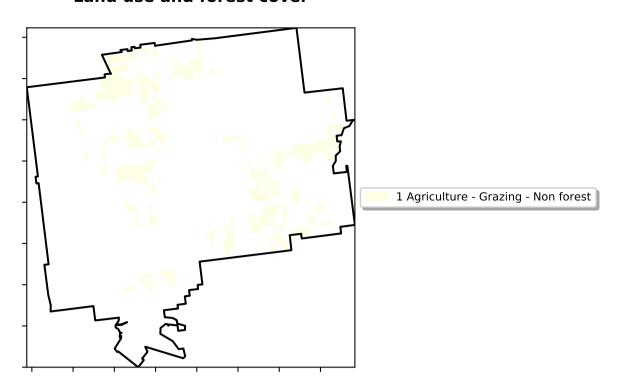
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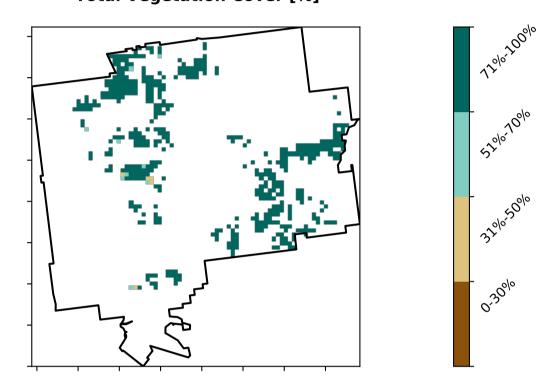
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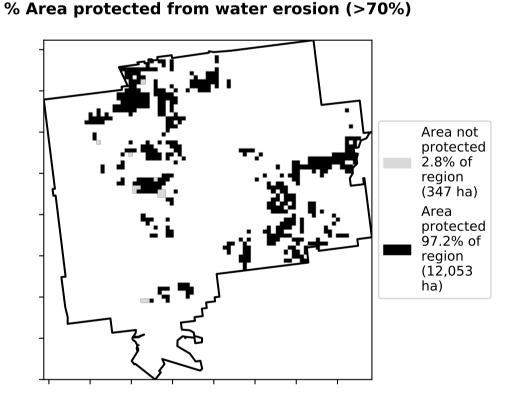
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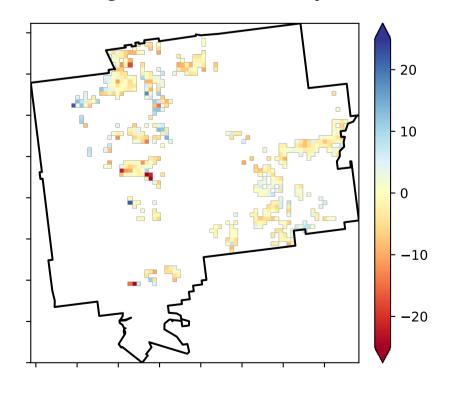
#### **Total Vegetation Cover [%]**



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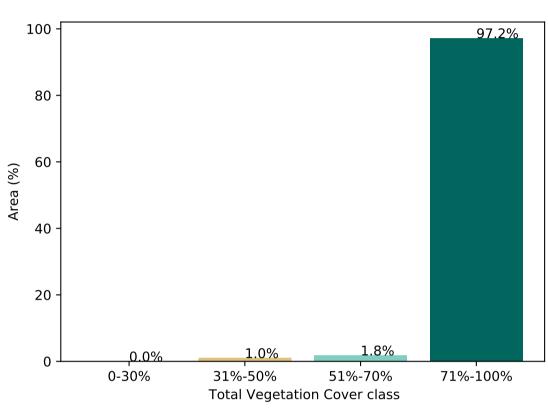


# **Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]**

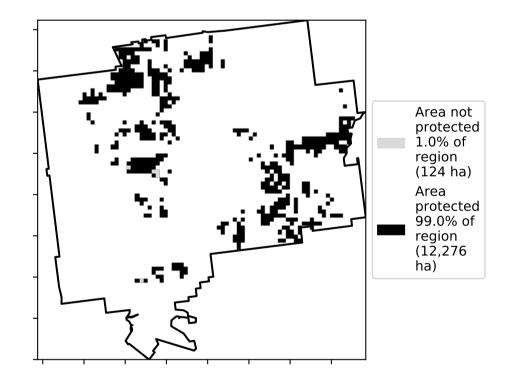


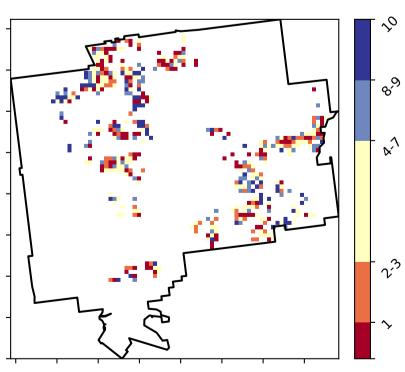
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#### **Proportion of vegetation cover class in area**



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





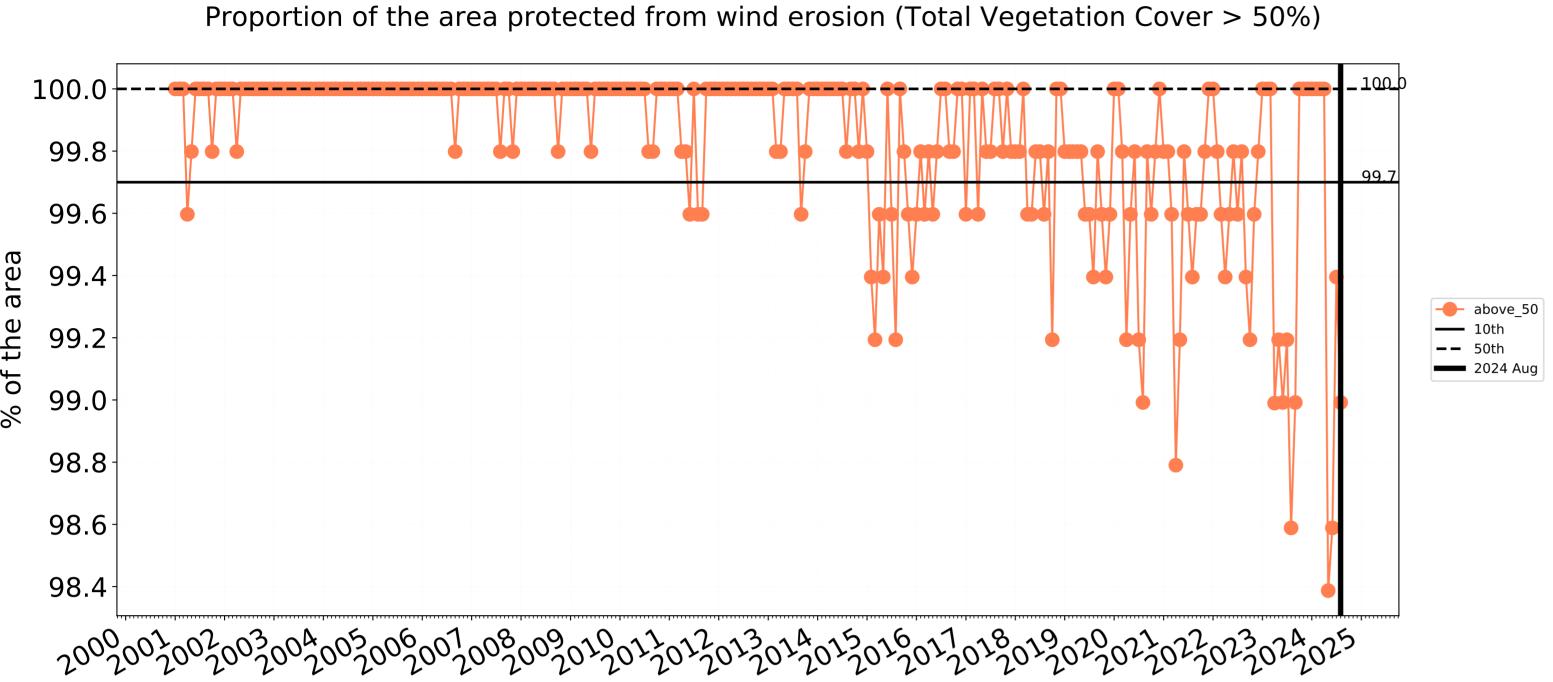


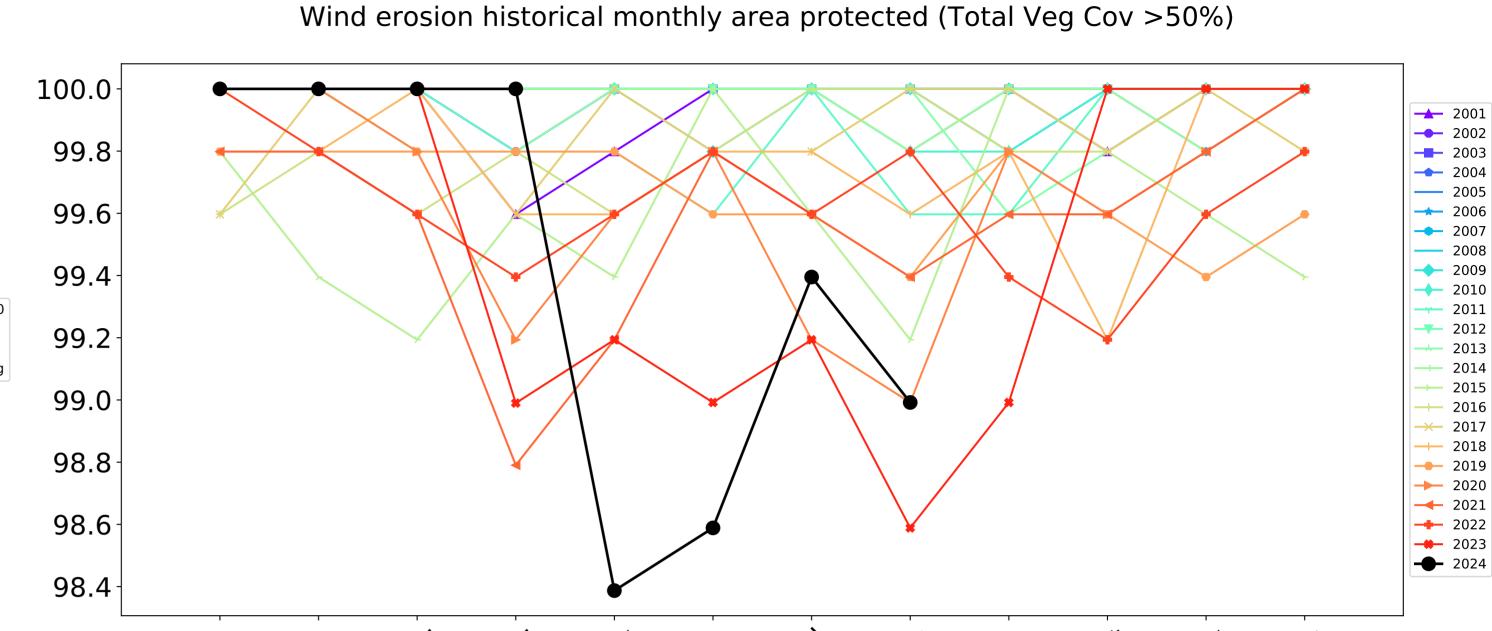




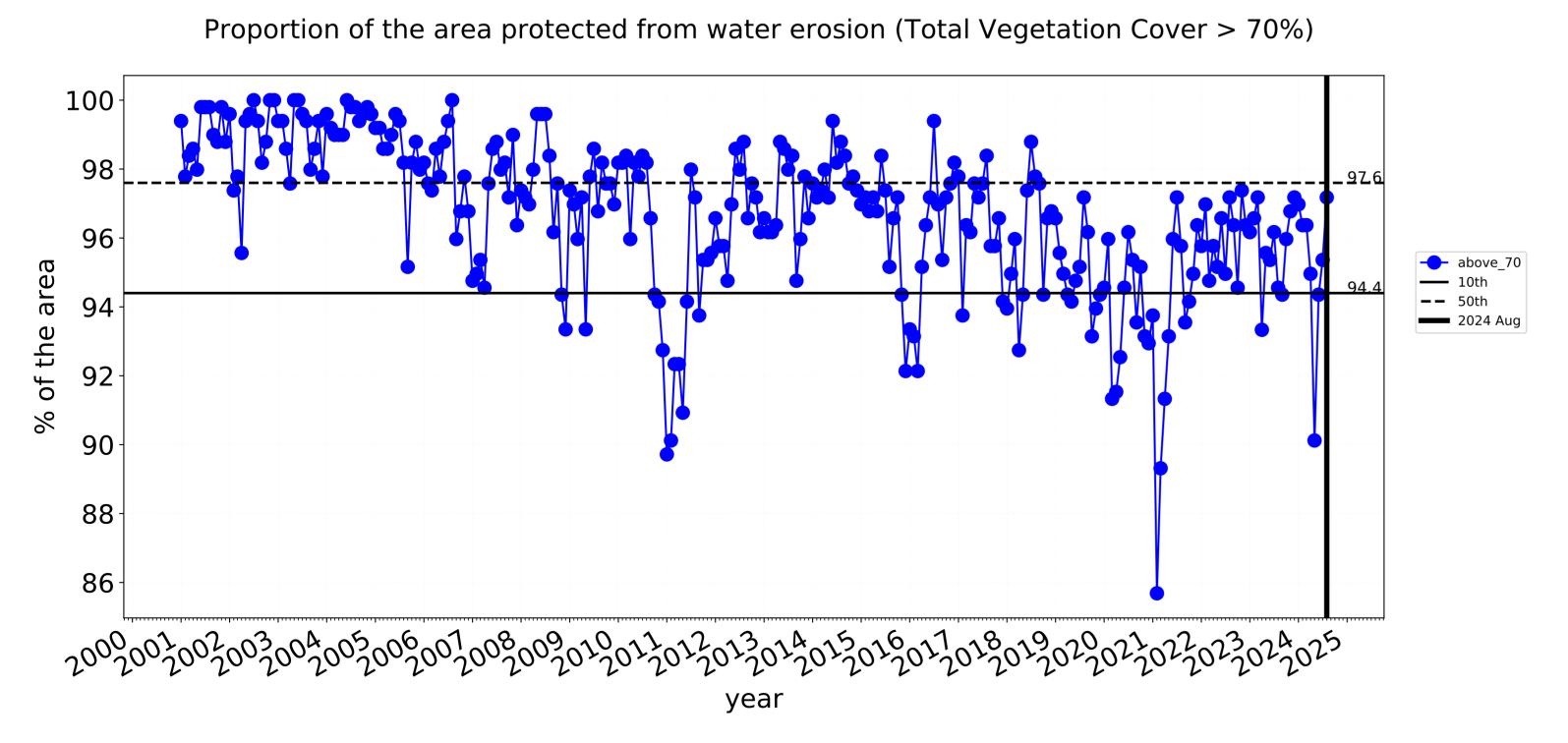


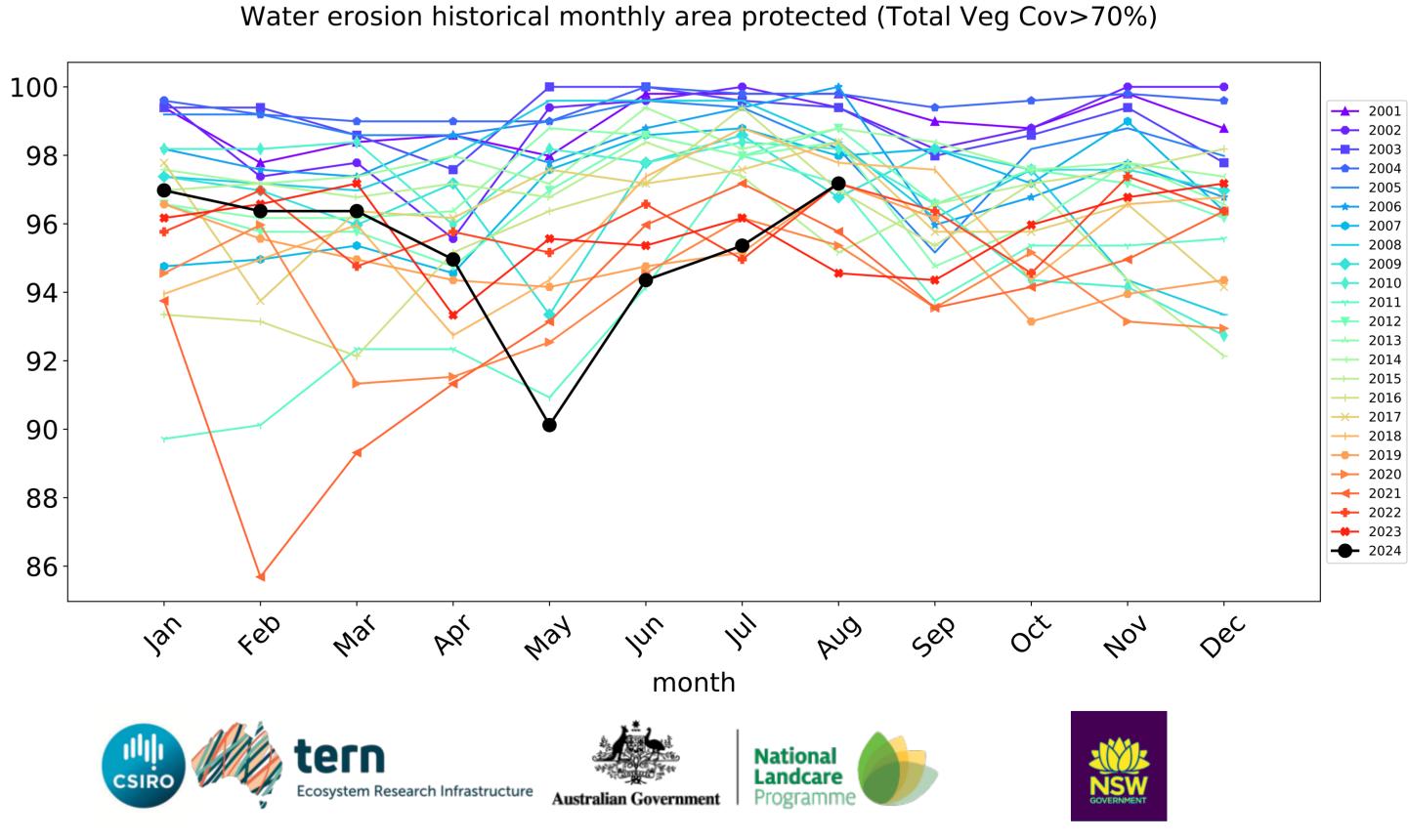
# **Grazing non forest timeseries**

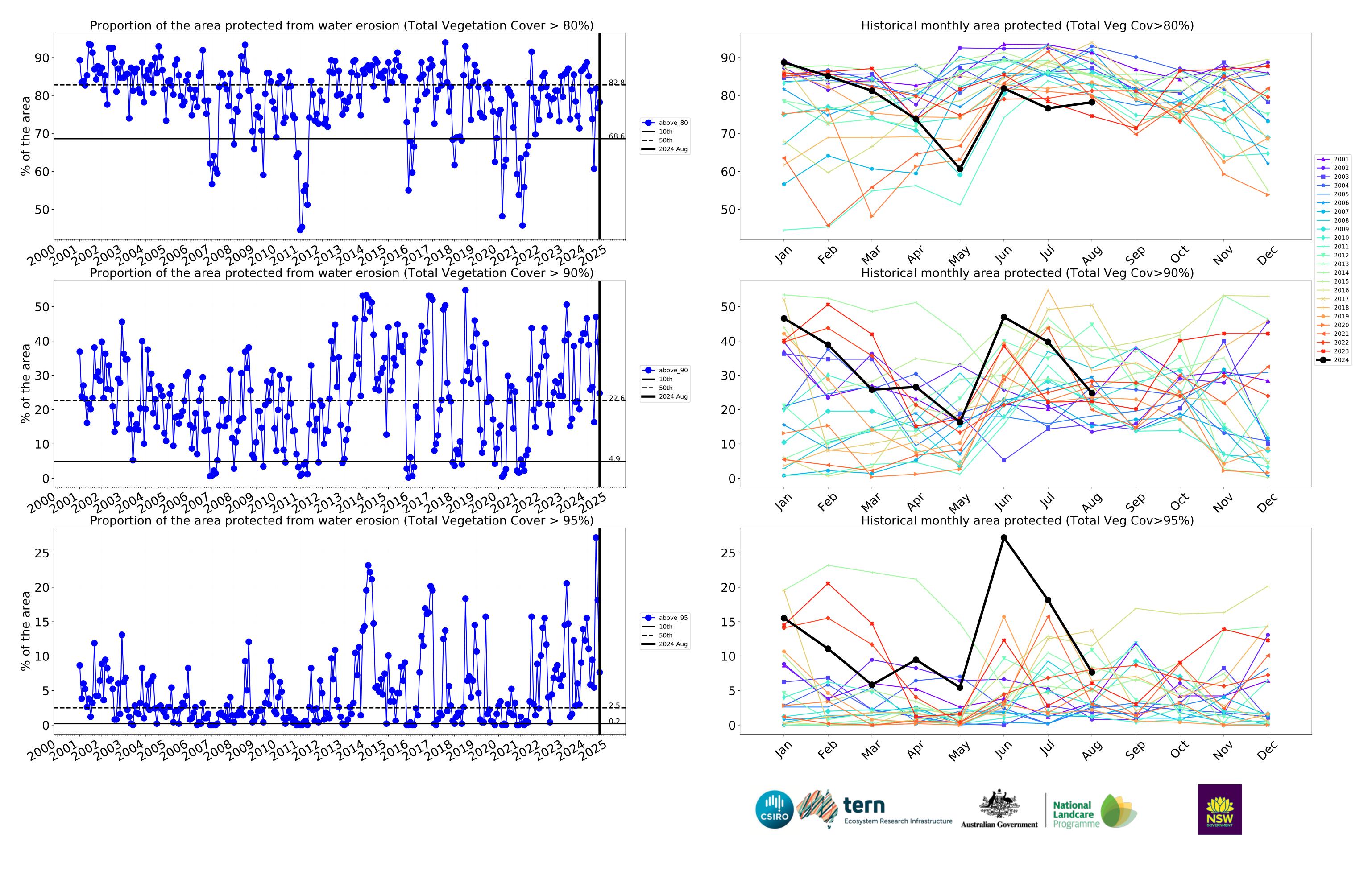




month







# **Cropping**

#### Land use and forest cover

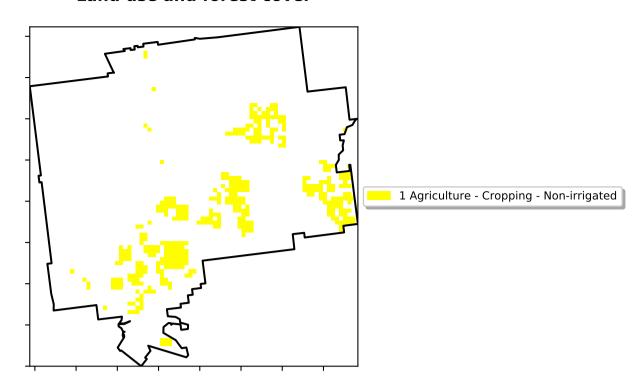
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Anomaly show how many percetage points each

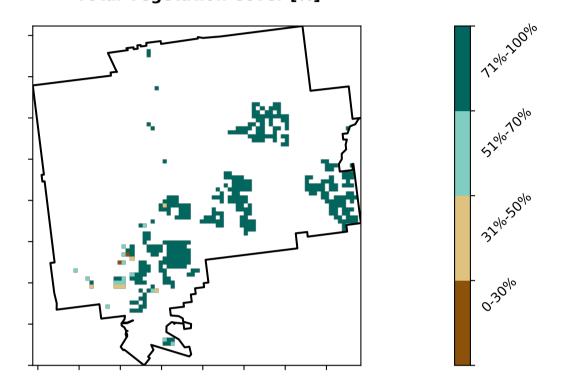
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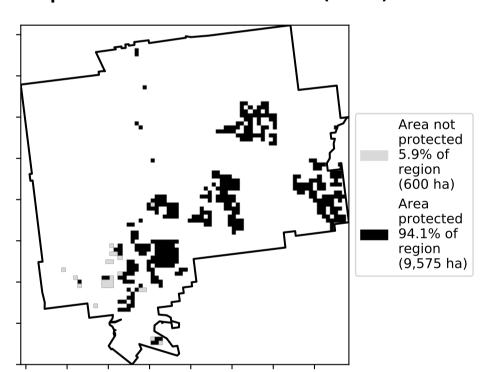
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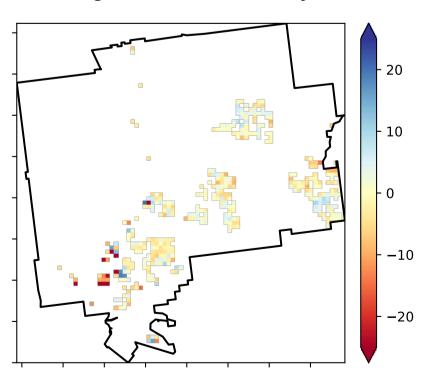
# **Total Vegetation Cover [%]**



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

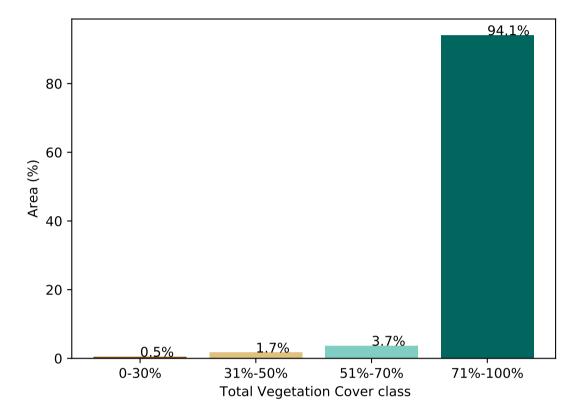


# **Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]**

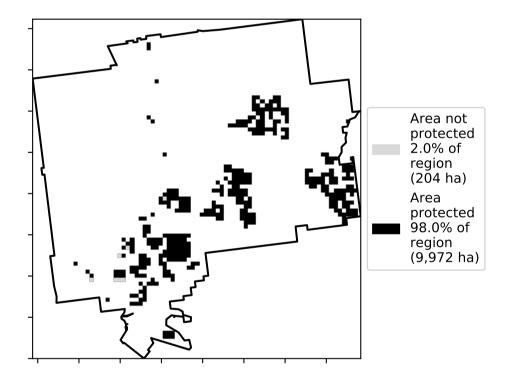


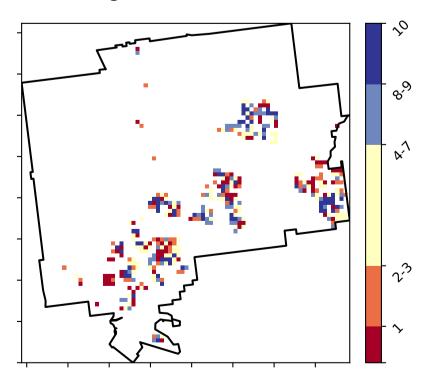
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# Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



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





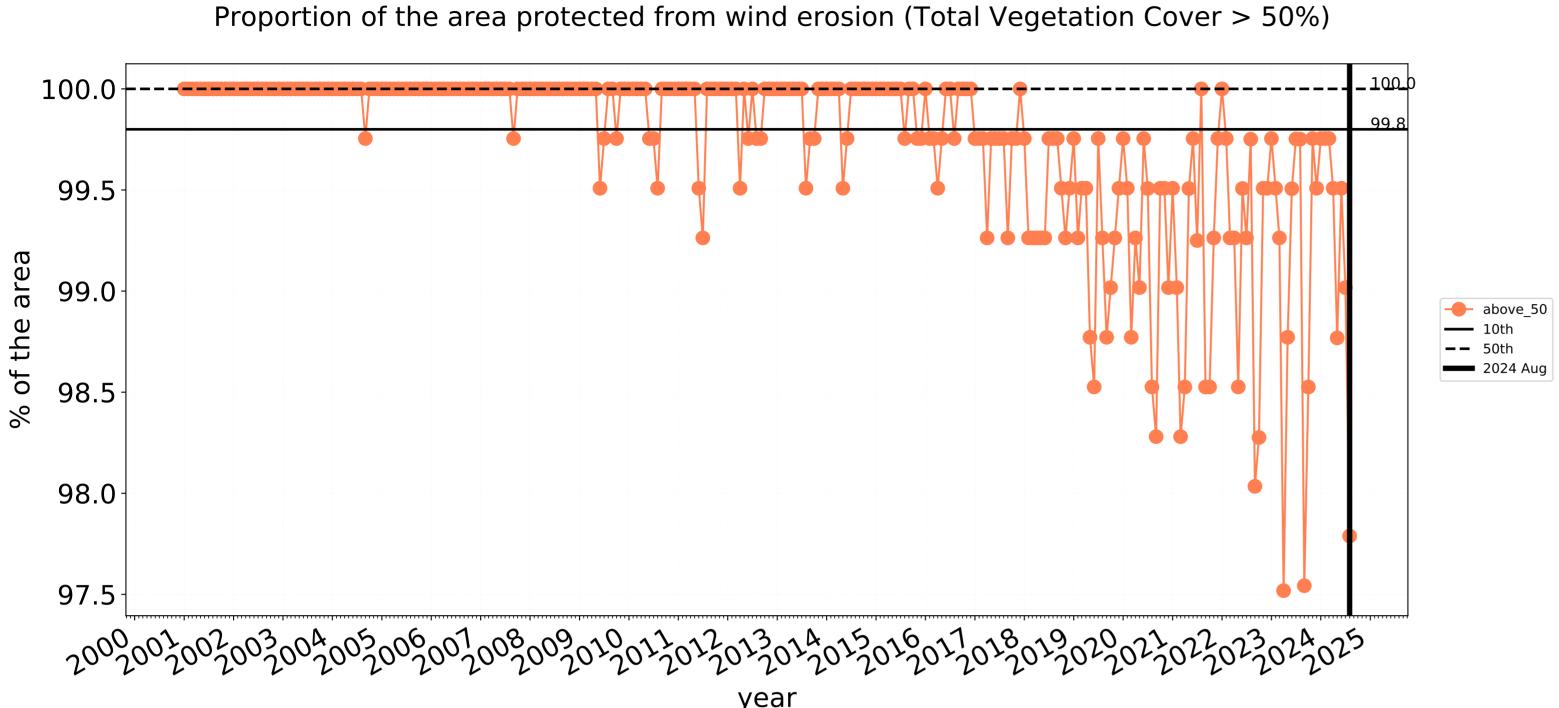


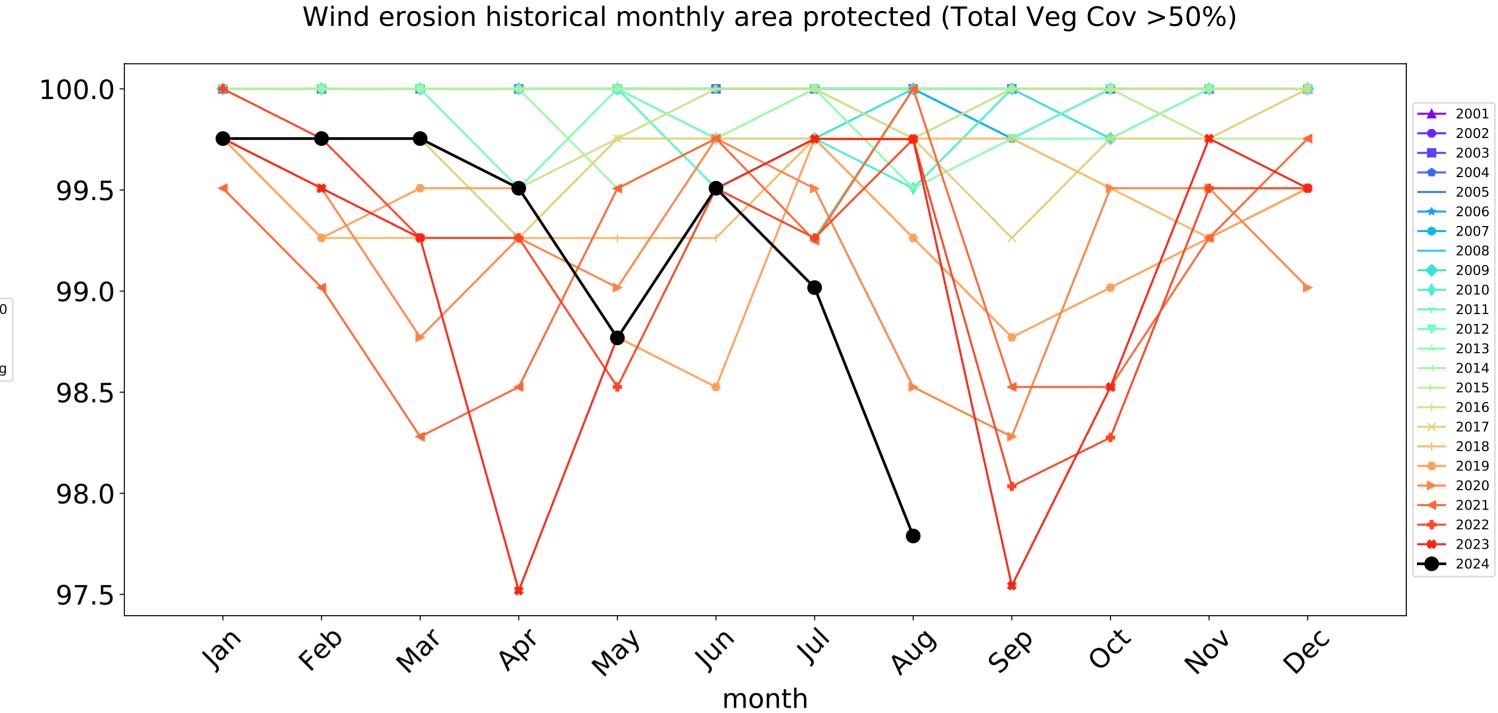


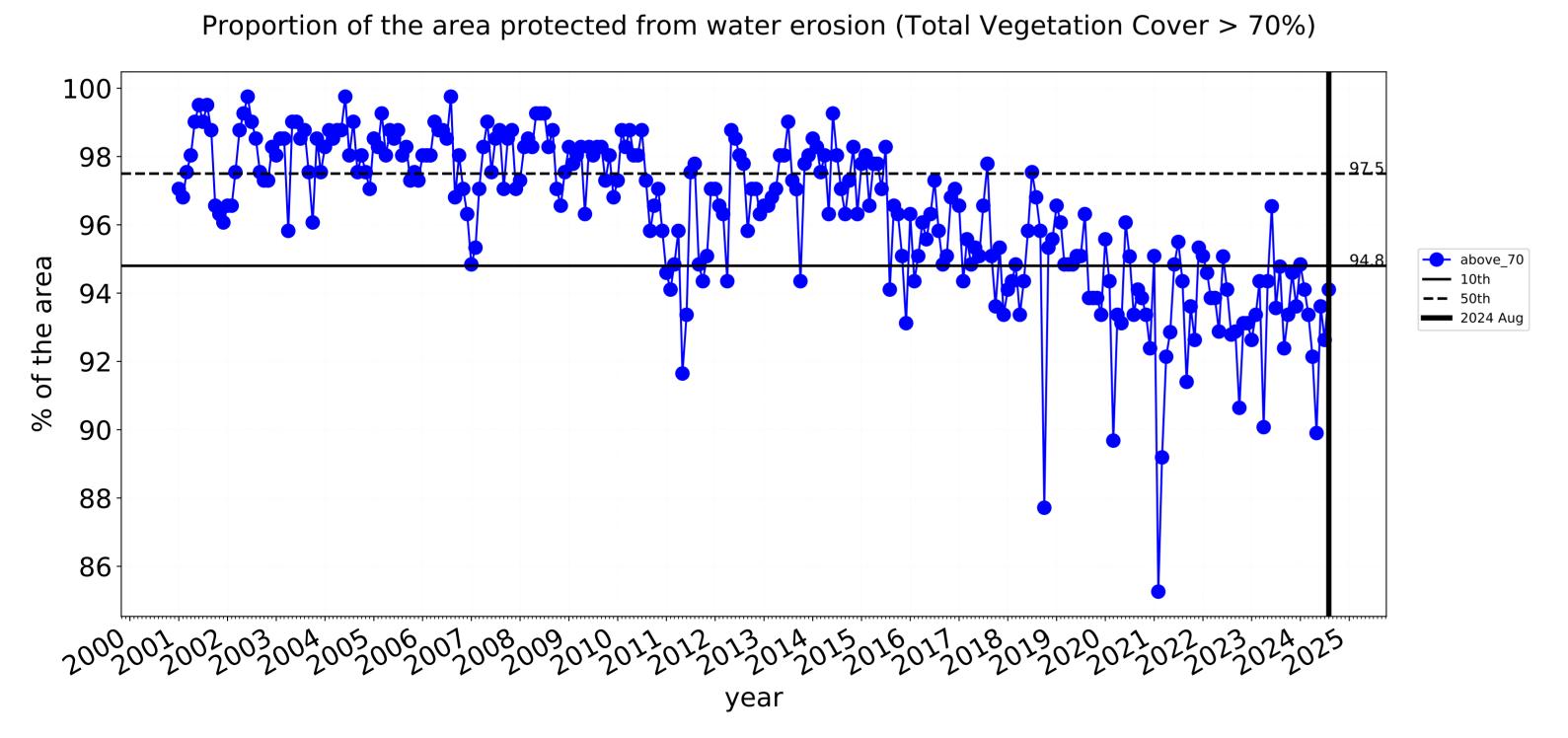


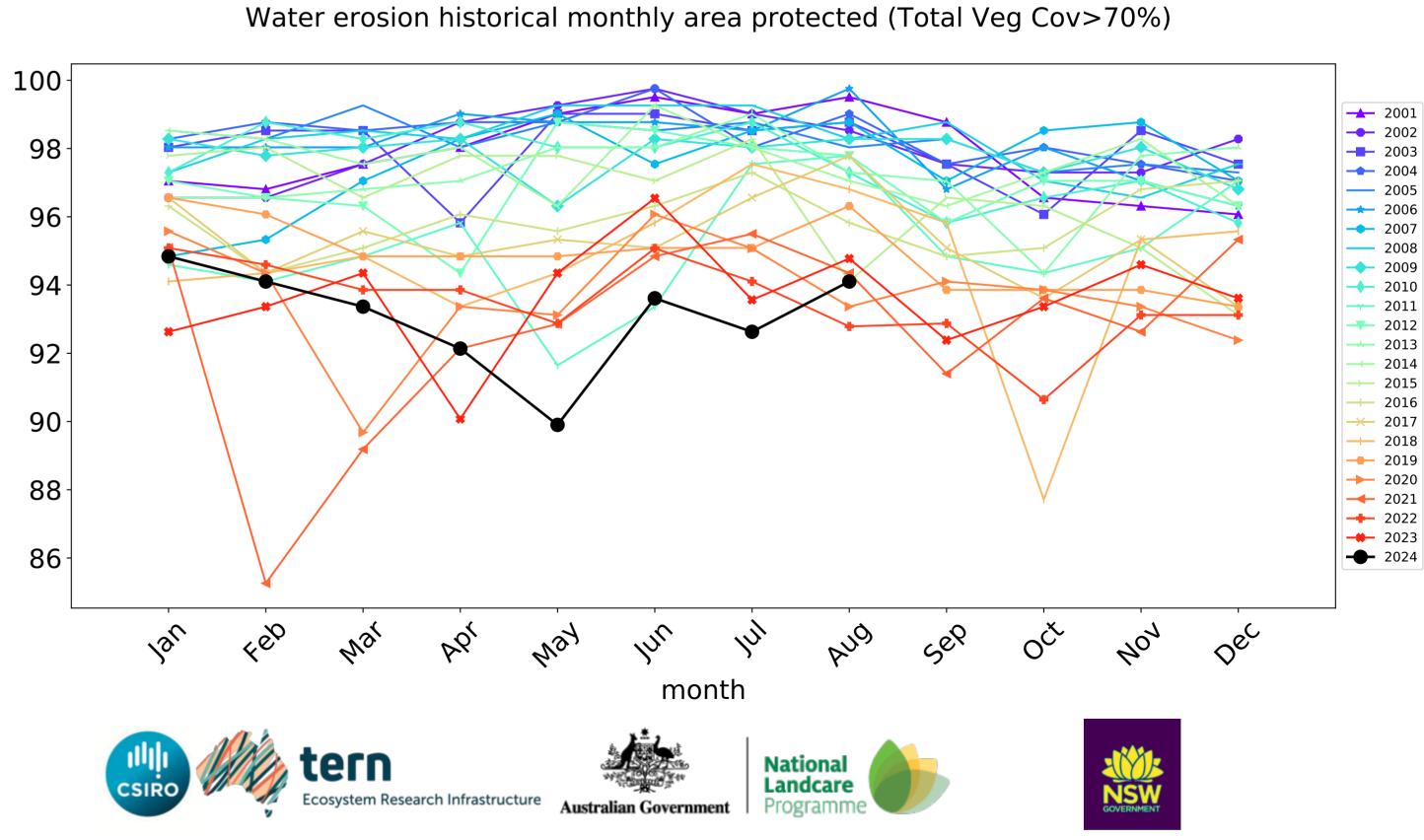


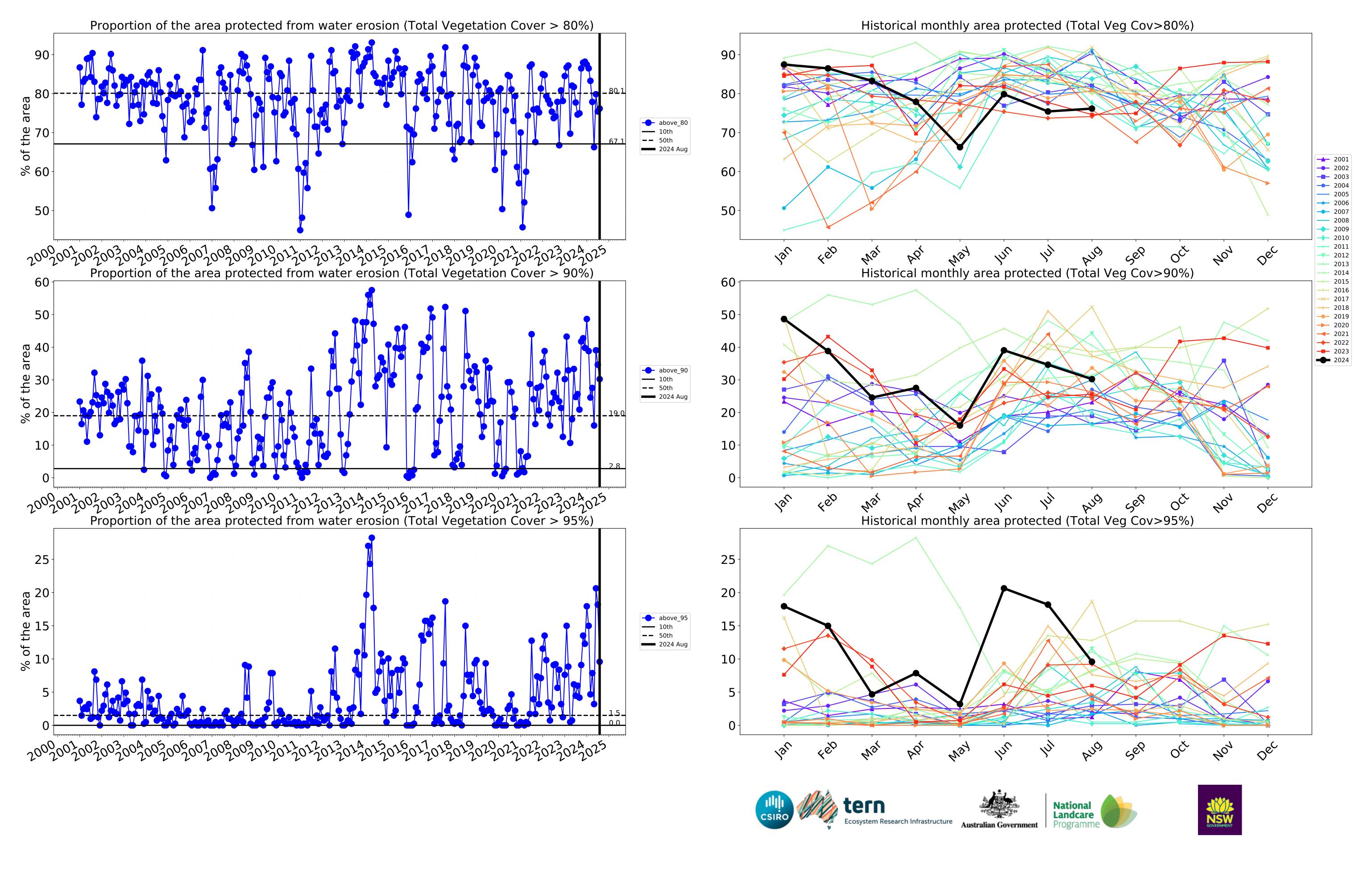
# **Cropping timeseries**











# Irrigation

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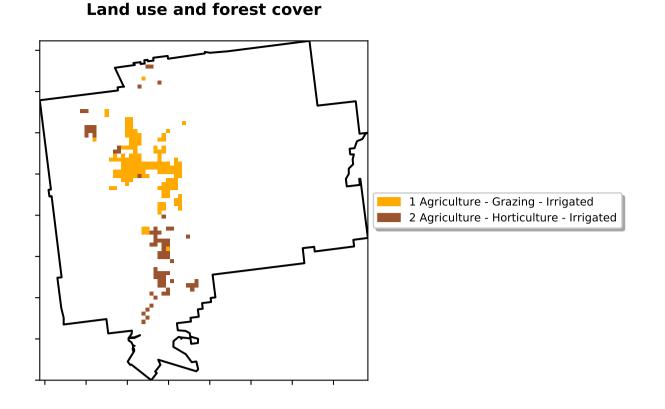
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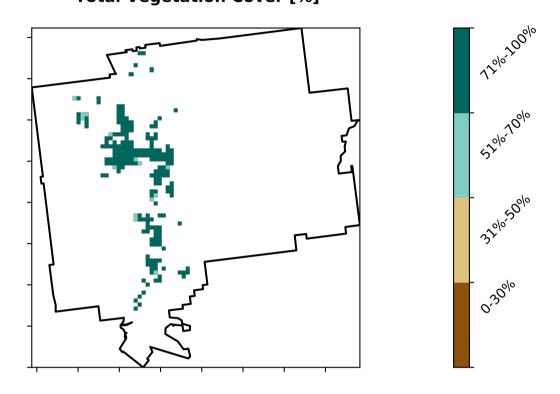
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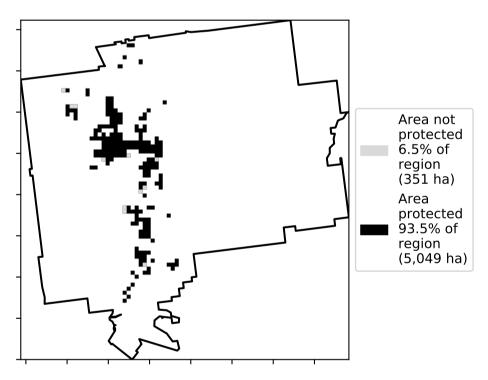
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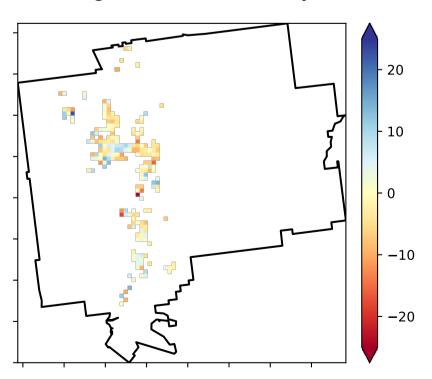
# **Total Vegetation Cover [%]**



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

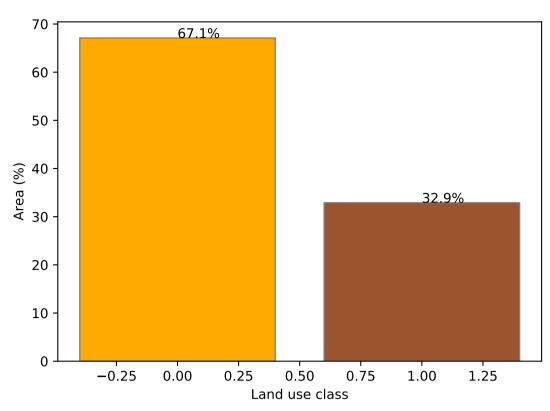


# **Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]**

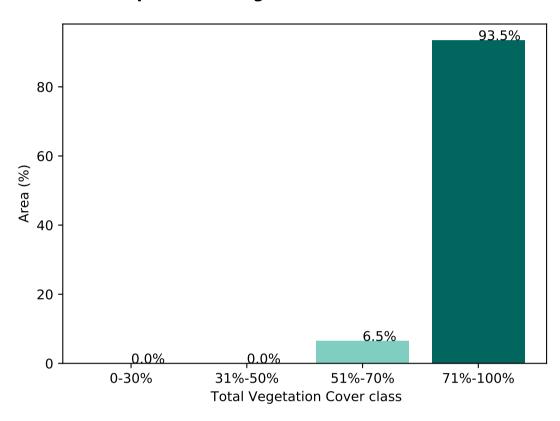


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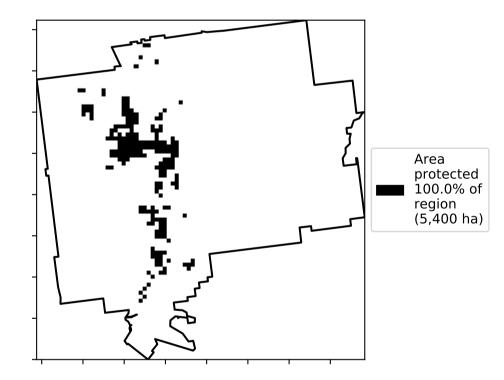
#### **Proportion of each land class in area**

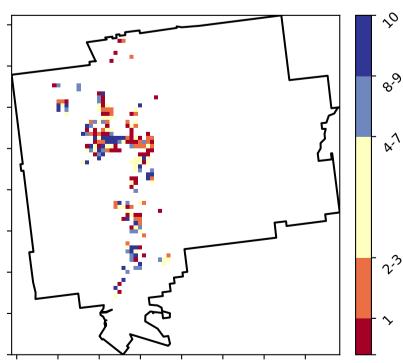


### Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



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









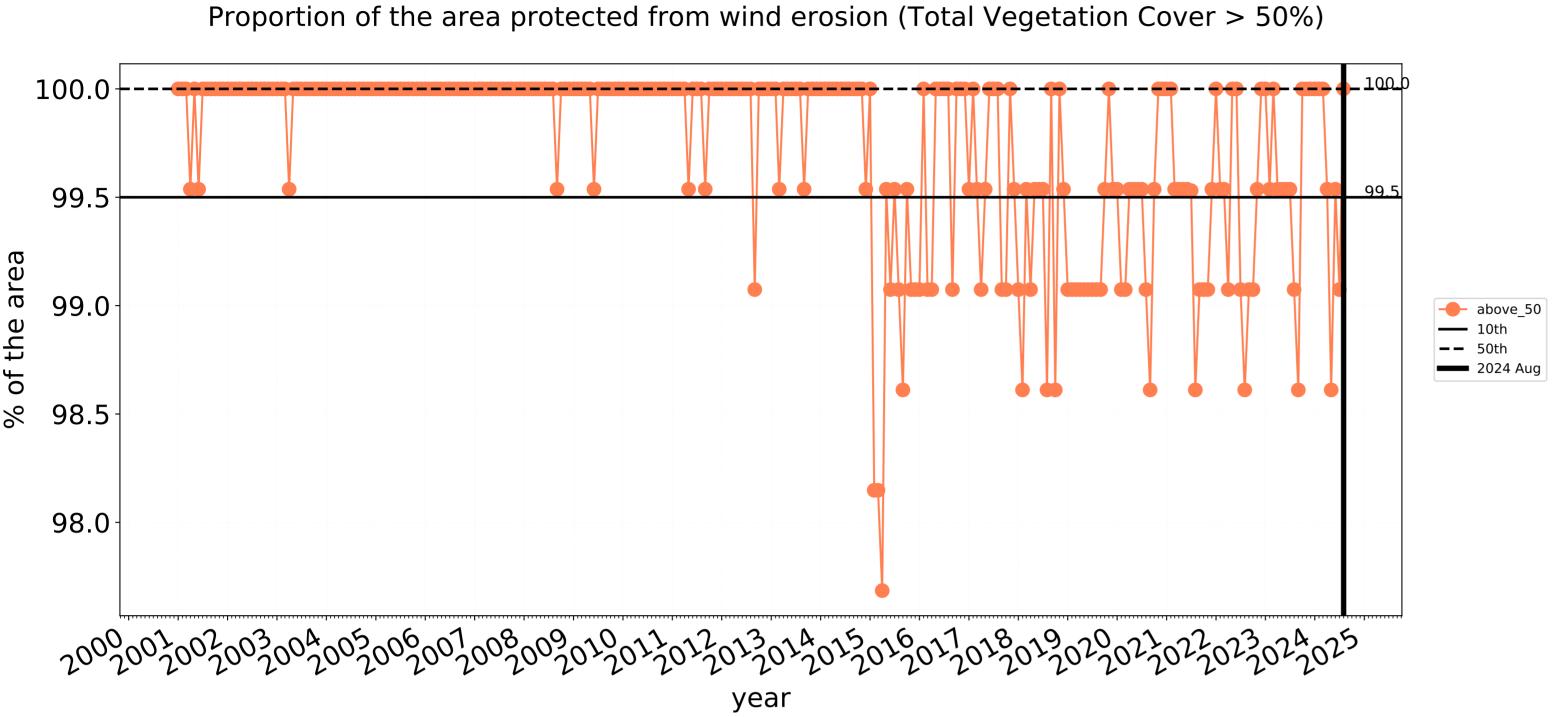


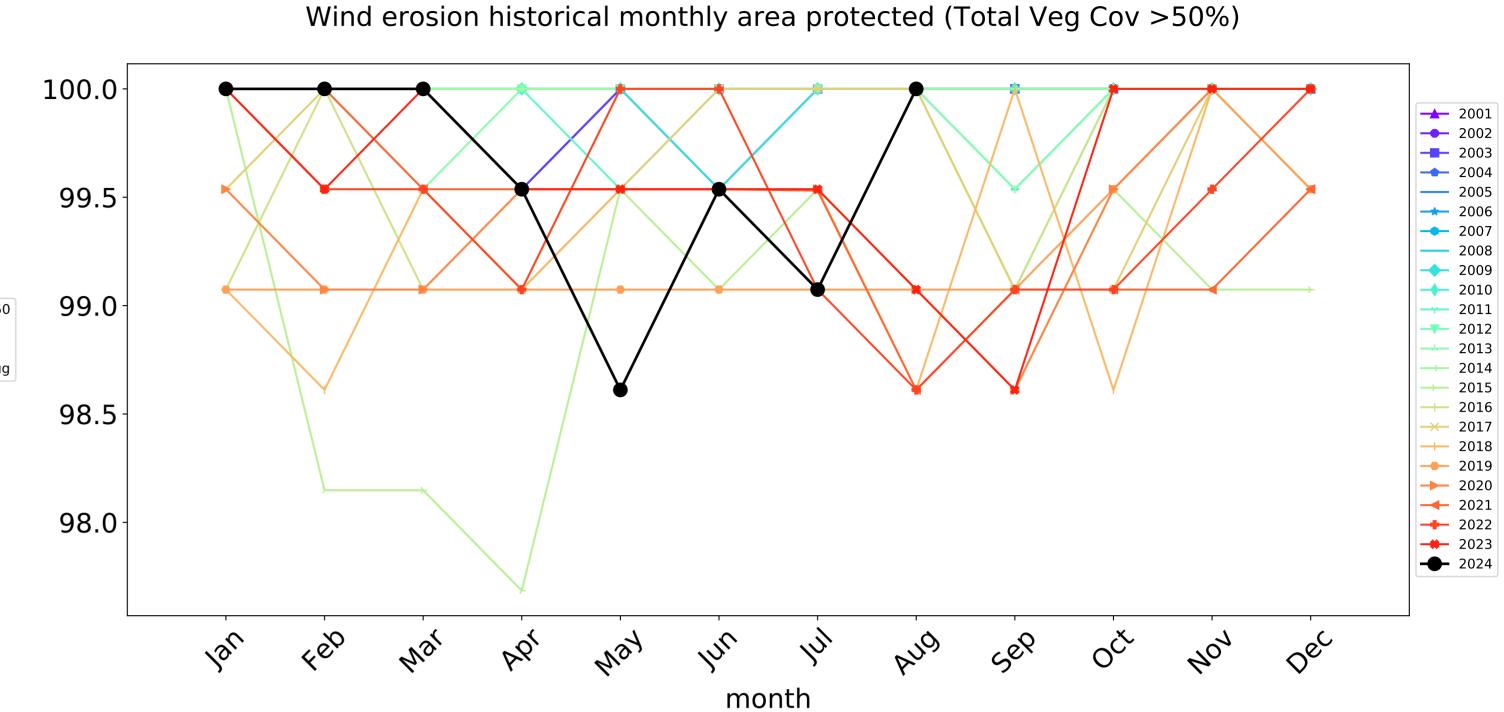


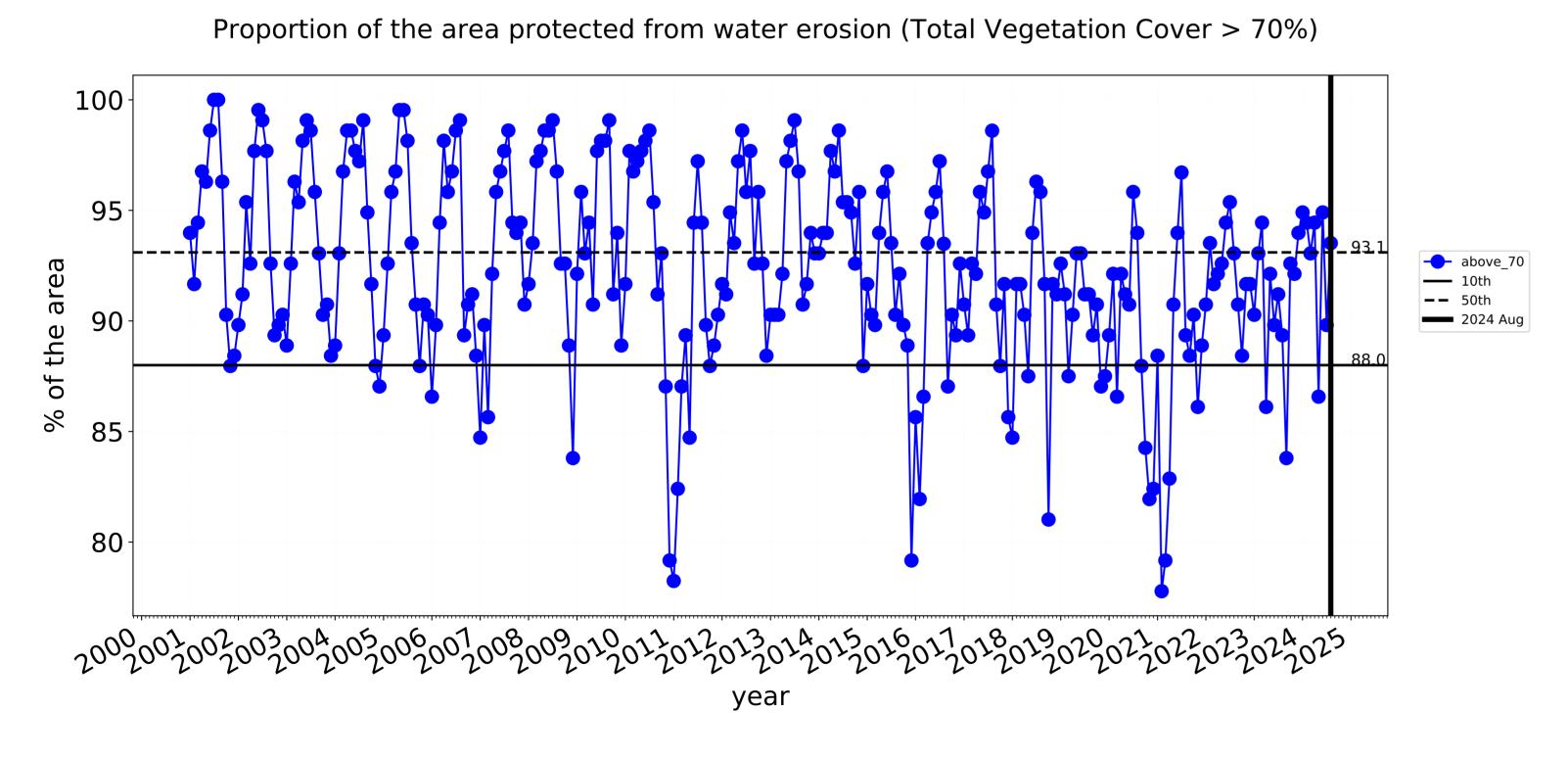


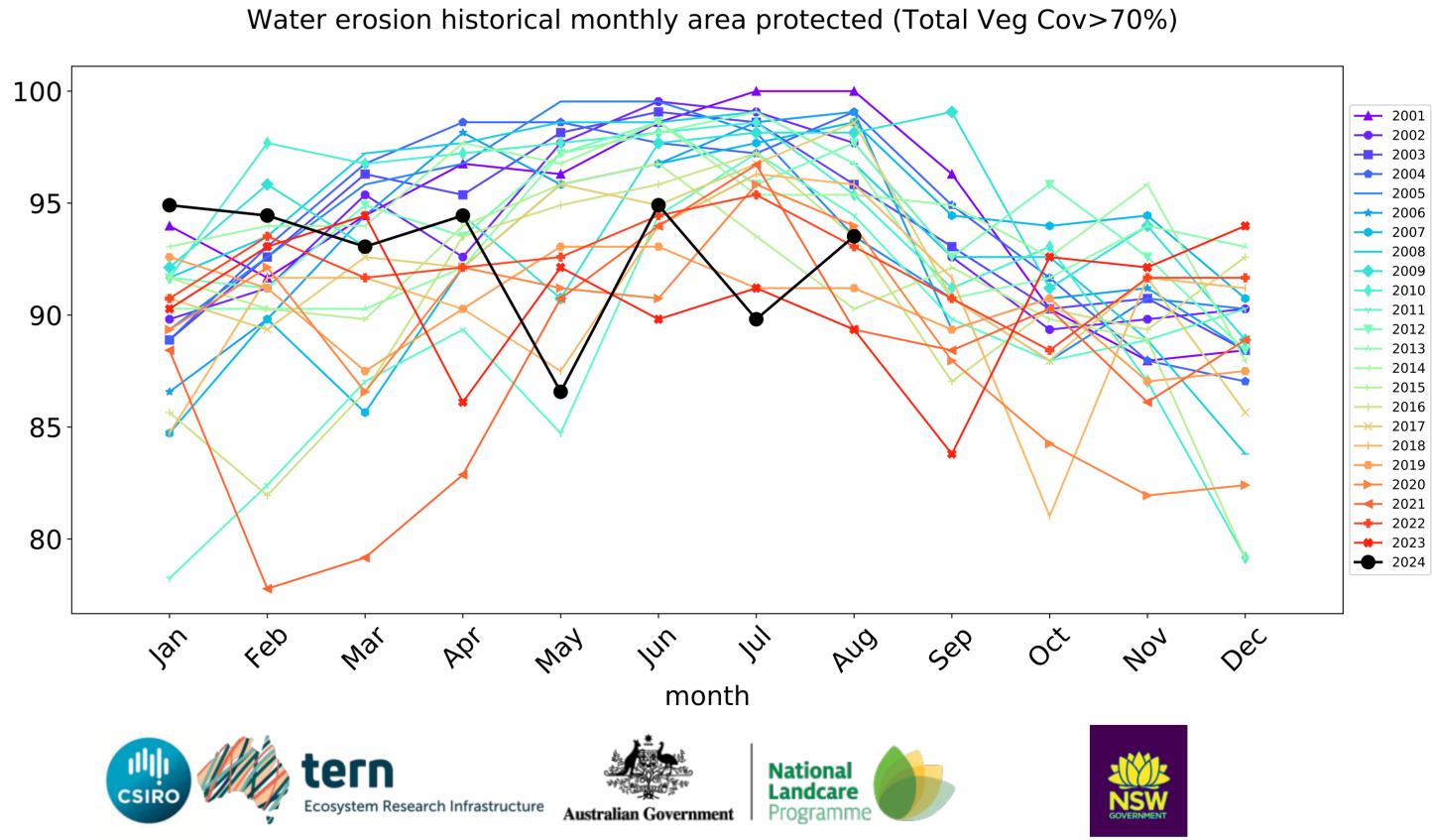


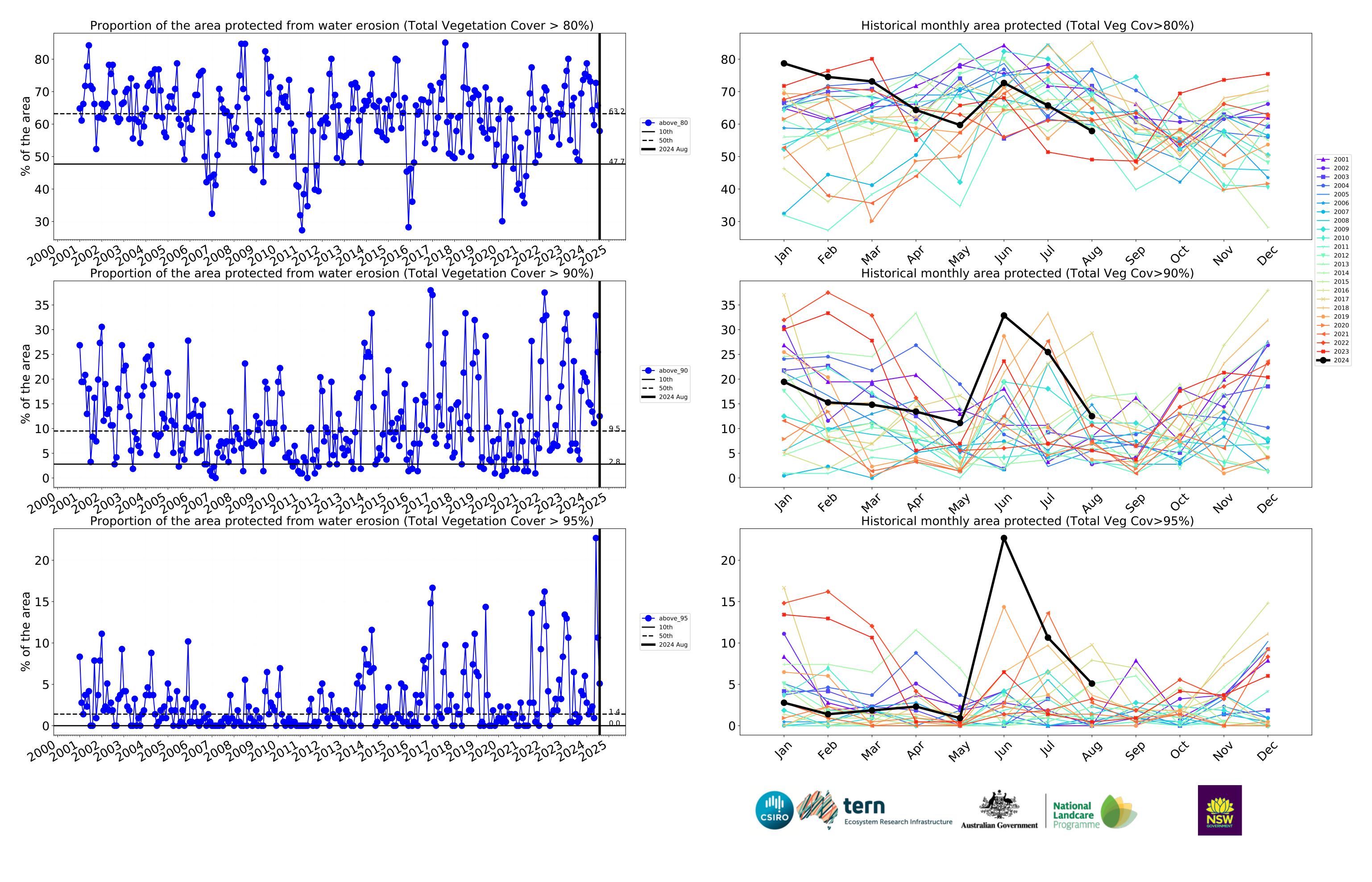
# Irrigation timeseries











# **Production native forests and plantation forests**

#### Land use and forest cover

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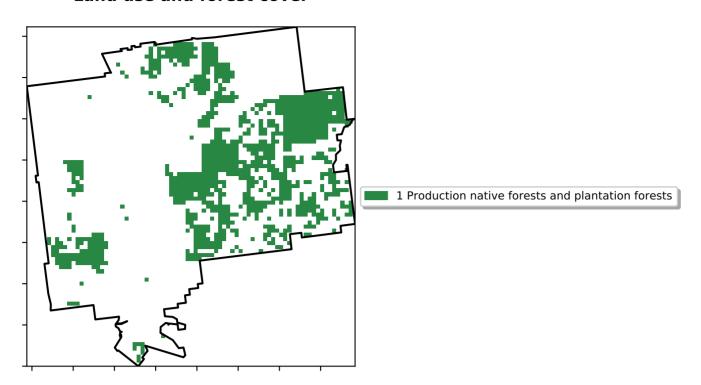
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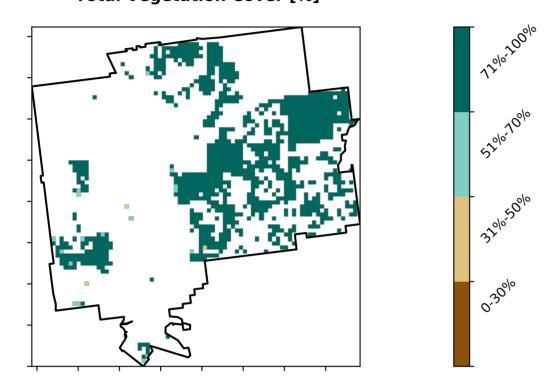
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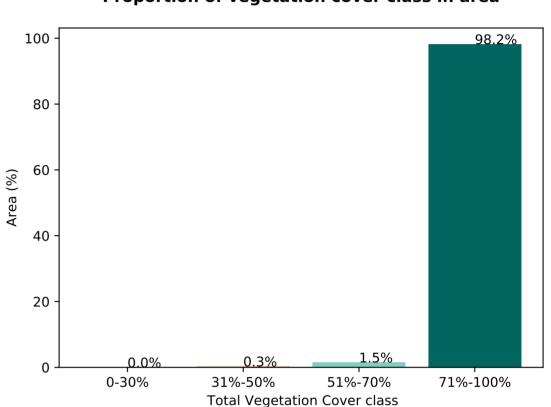
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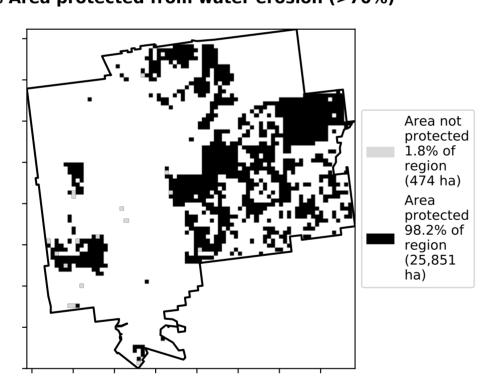
# **Total Vegetation Cover [%]**



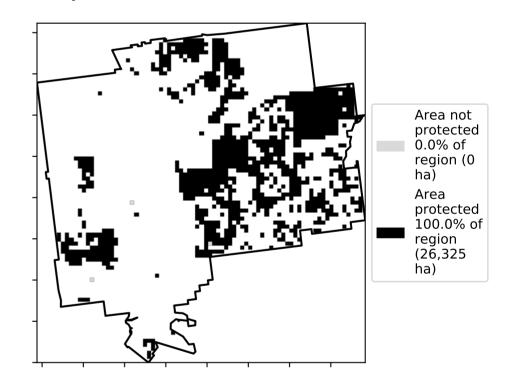
# Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



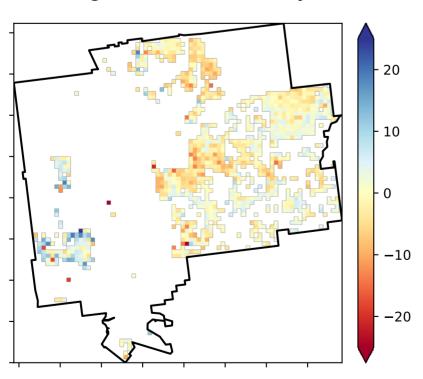
# % Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



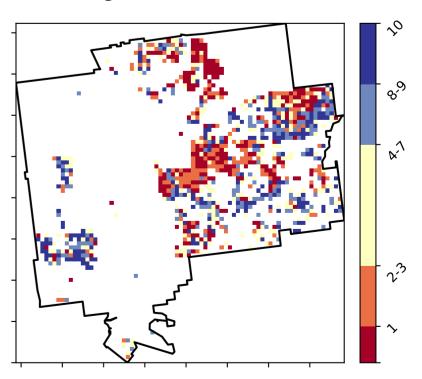
% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



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



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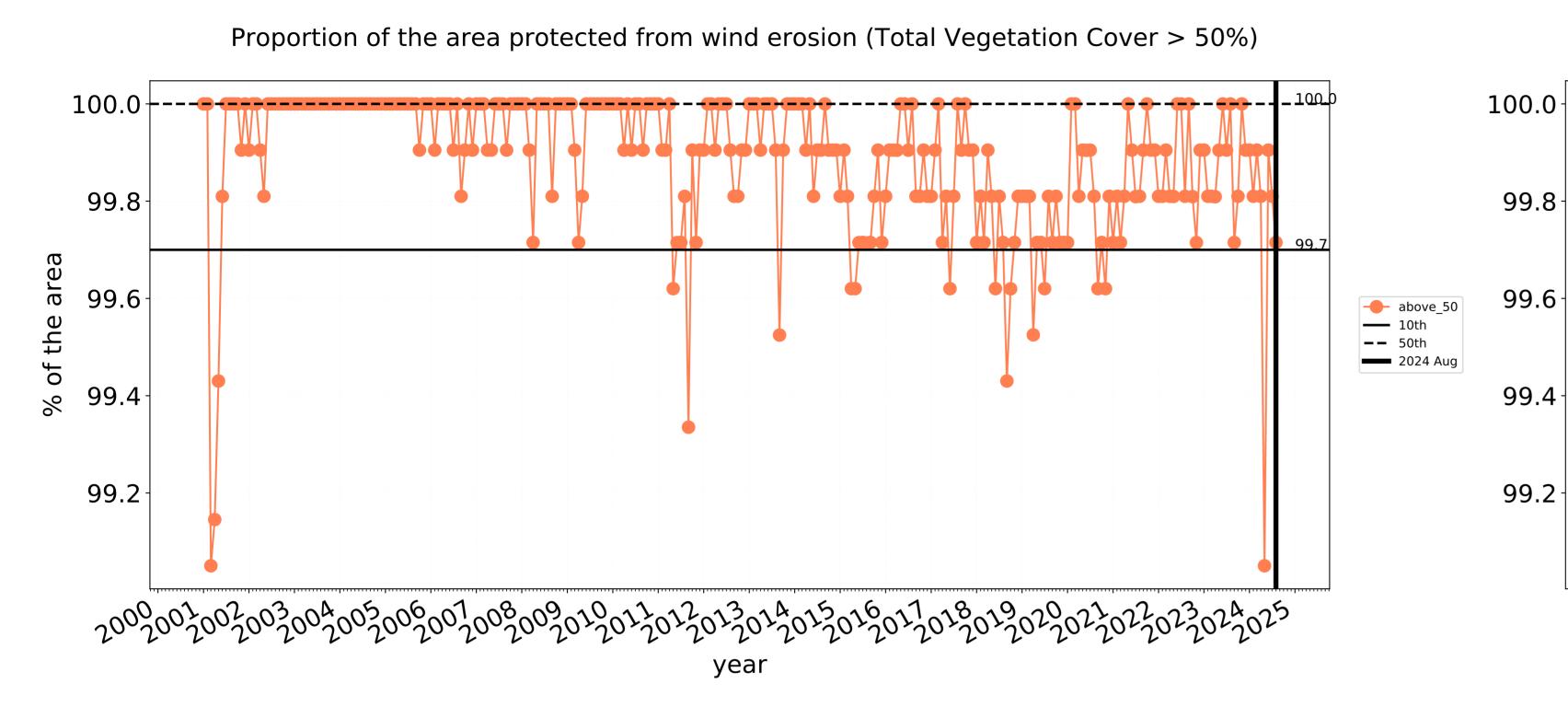


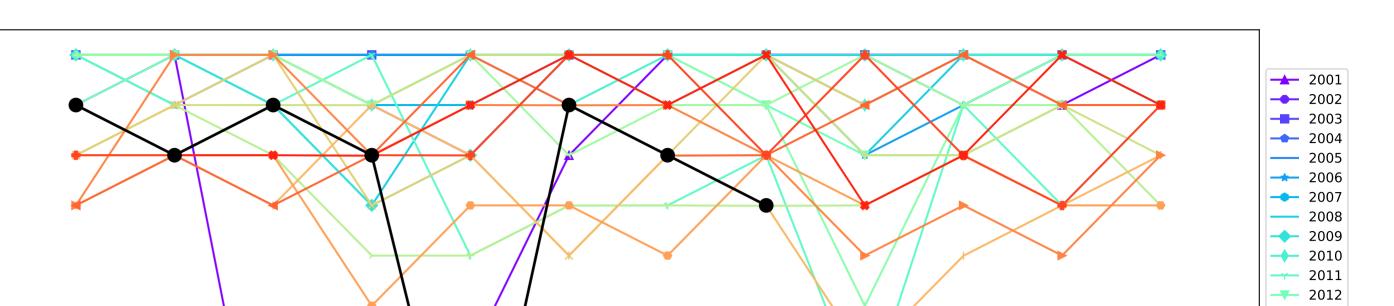






# **Production native forests and plantation forests timeseries**





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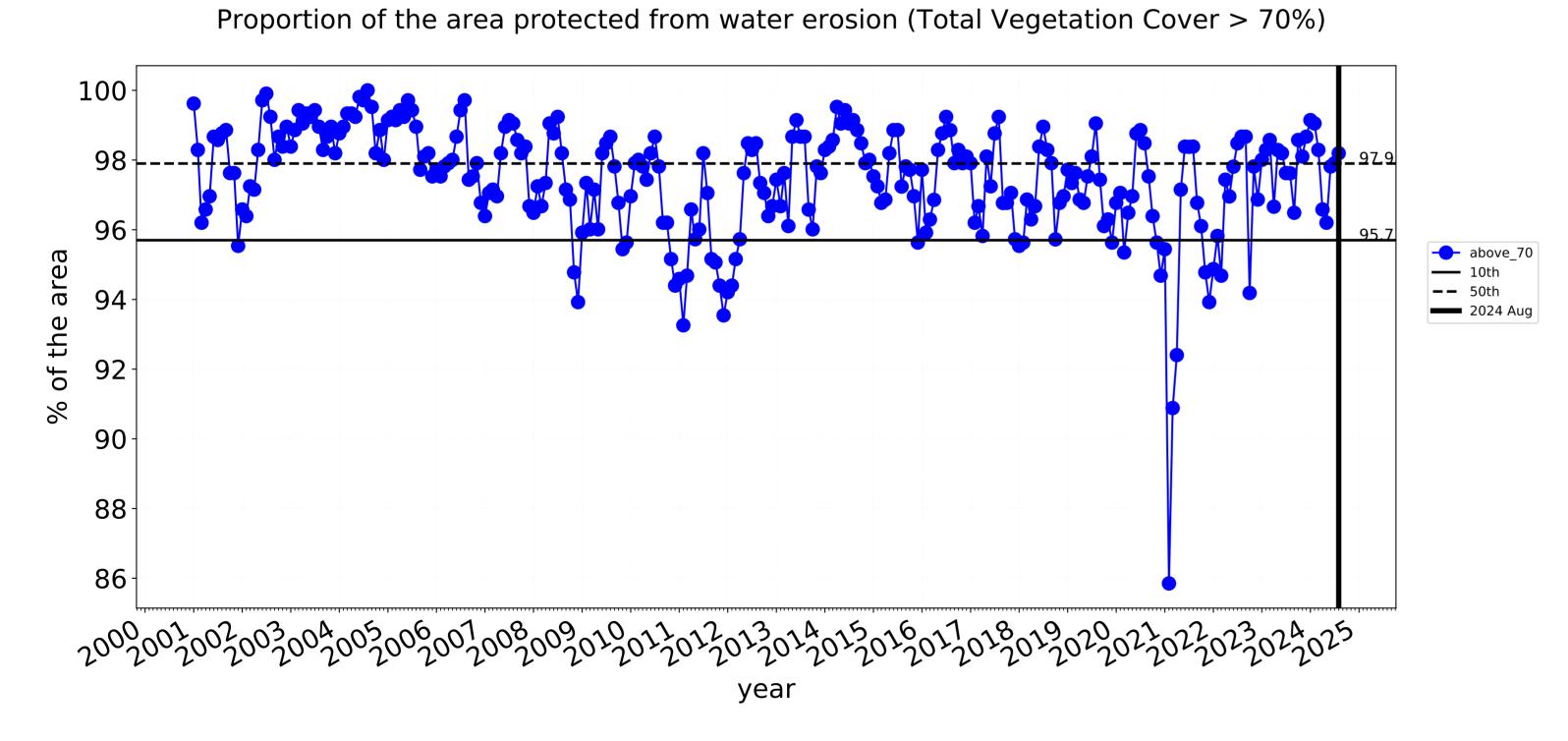
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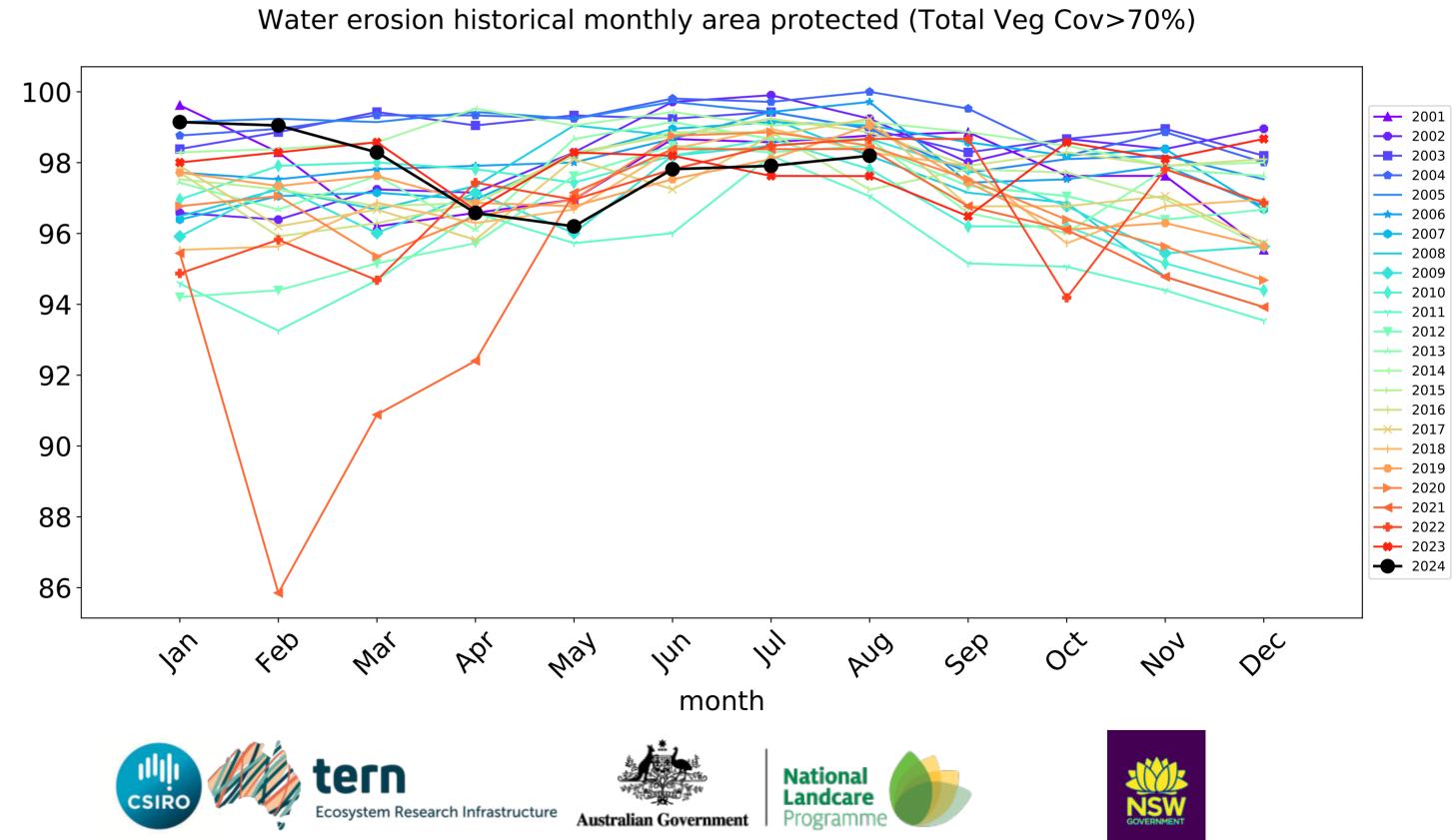
2016
2017
2018
2019

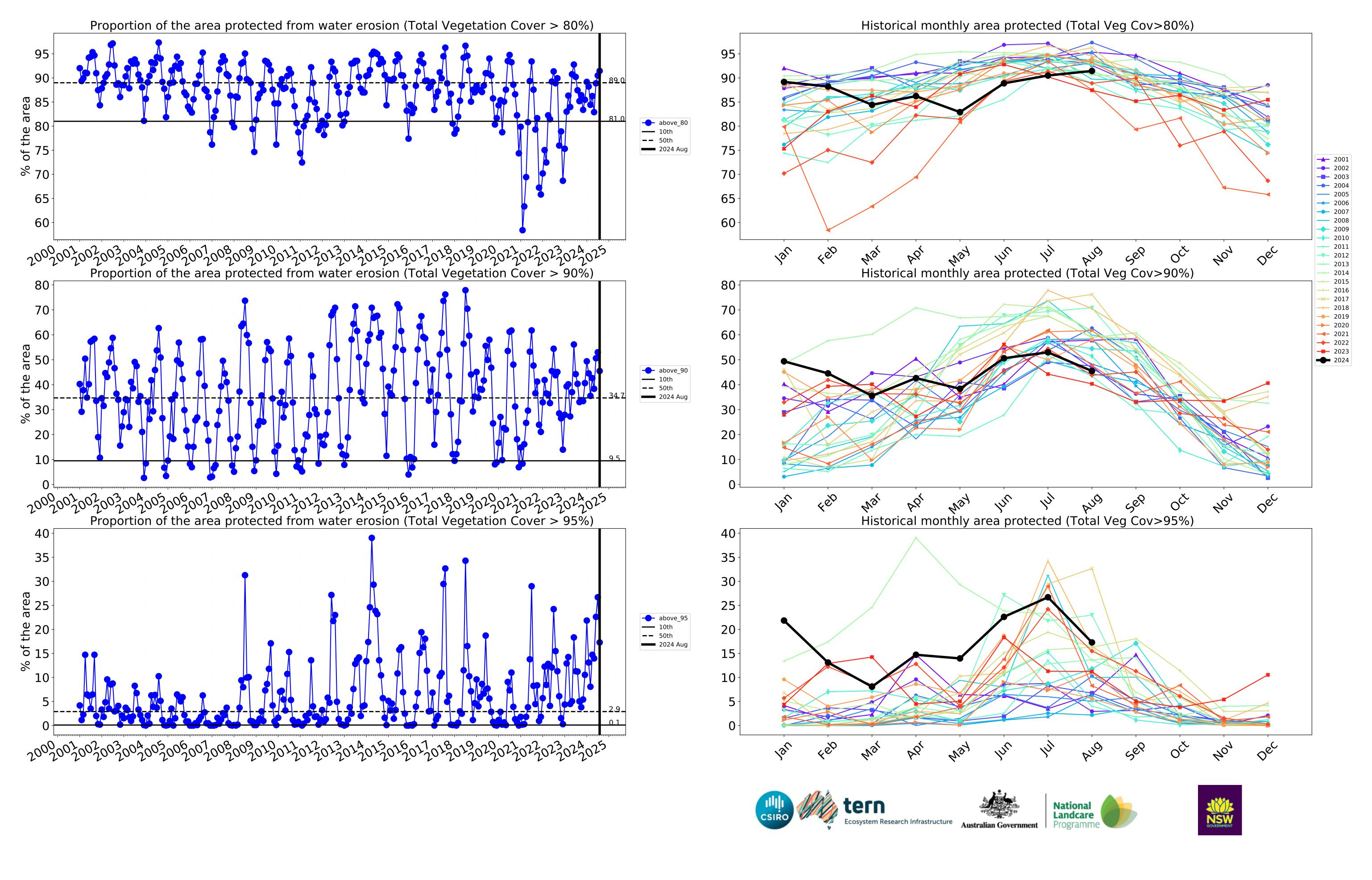
2022 2023 2024

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

month







# Swan\_(C) (104,200 ha and no data 97 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	104,200	99.9% 104,050	97.8% 101,925	90.6% 94,375	74.5% 77,600	29.3% 30,575	9.5% 9,925
Conservation and natural environments	29,050	100.0% 29,050	99.4% 28,875	95.5% 27,750	81.5% 23,675	30.7% 8,925	7.3% 2,125
Conservation and natural environments non forest	7,050	100.0% 7,050	98.2% 6,925	88.7% 6,250	68.8% 4,850	19.1% 1,350	6.7% 475
Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest	16,600	100.0% 16,600	99.7% 16,550	98.5% 16,350	87.3% 14,500	34.2% 5,675	6.5% 1,075
Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)	5,400	100.0% 5,400	100.0% 5,400	95.4% 5,150	80.1% 4,325	35.2% 1,900	10.6% 575
Agriculture	28,000	99.8% 27,950	98.8% 27,650	95.3% 26,675	73.5% 20,575	24.4% 6,825	7.9% 2,200
Grazing	12,425	100.0% 12,425	99.0% 12,300	97.0% 12,050	78.1% 9,700	24.7% 3,075	7.6% 950
Grazing non forest	12,400	100.0% 12,400	99.0% 12,275	97.2% 12,050	78.2% 9,700	24.8% 3,075	7.7% 950
Cropping	10,175	99.5% 10,125	97.8% 9,950	94.1% 9,575	76.2% 7,750	30.2% 3,075	9.6% 975
Irrigation	5,400	100.0% 5,400	100.0% 5,400	93.5% 5,050	57.9% 3,125	12.5% 675	5.1% 275
Production native forests and plantation forests	26,325	100.0% 26,325	99.7% 26,250	98.2% 25,850	91.5% 24,075	45.5% 11,975	17.3% 4,550







