# Total vegetation cover soil protection Region:NRM Hunter NSW

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: March 2007

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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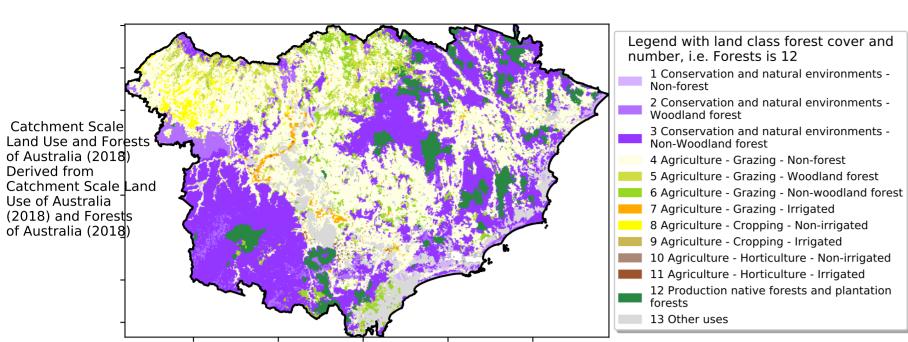




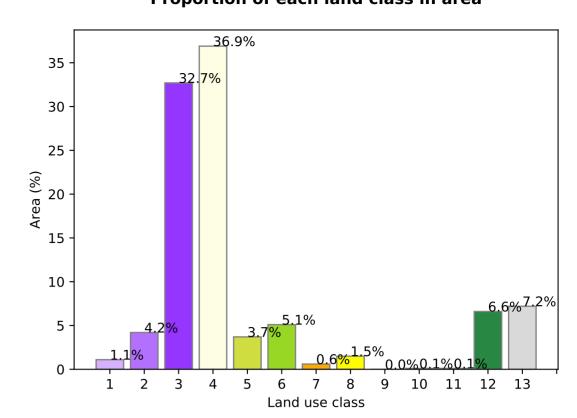


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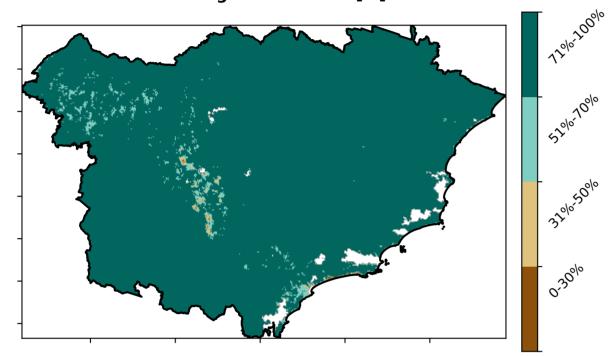
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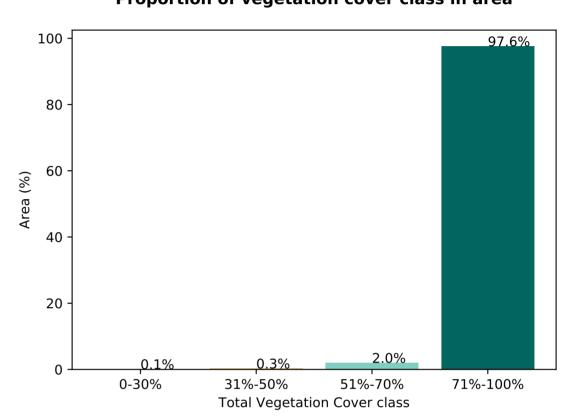
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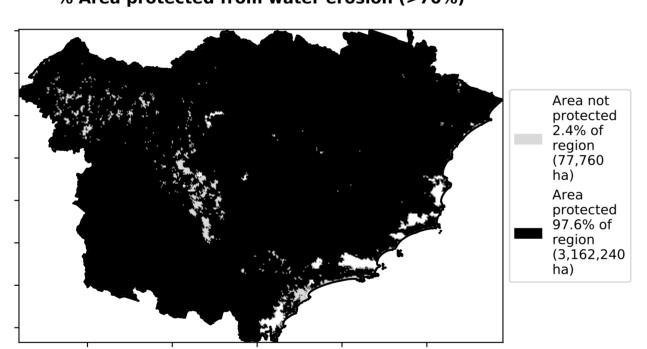
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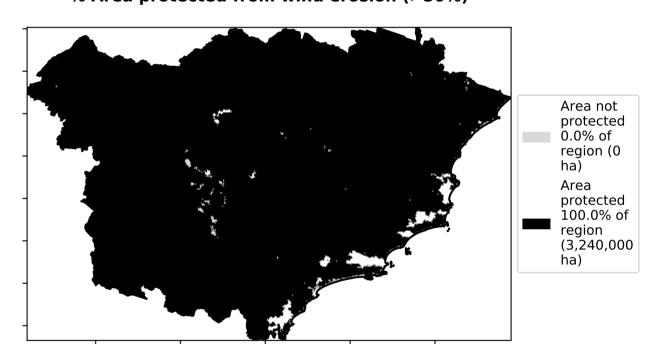
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



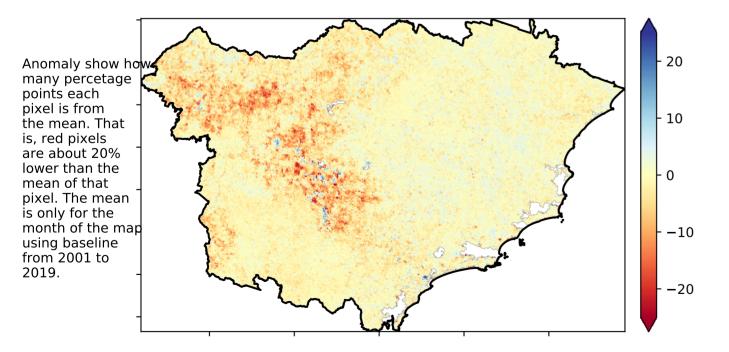
# % Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

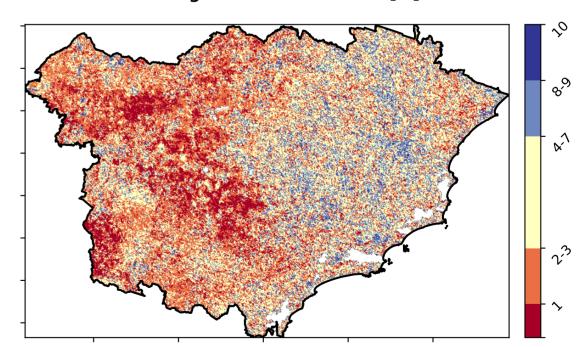


# Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]



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





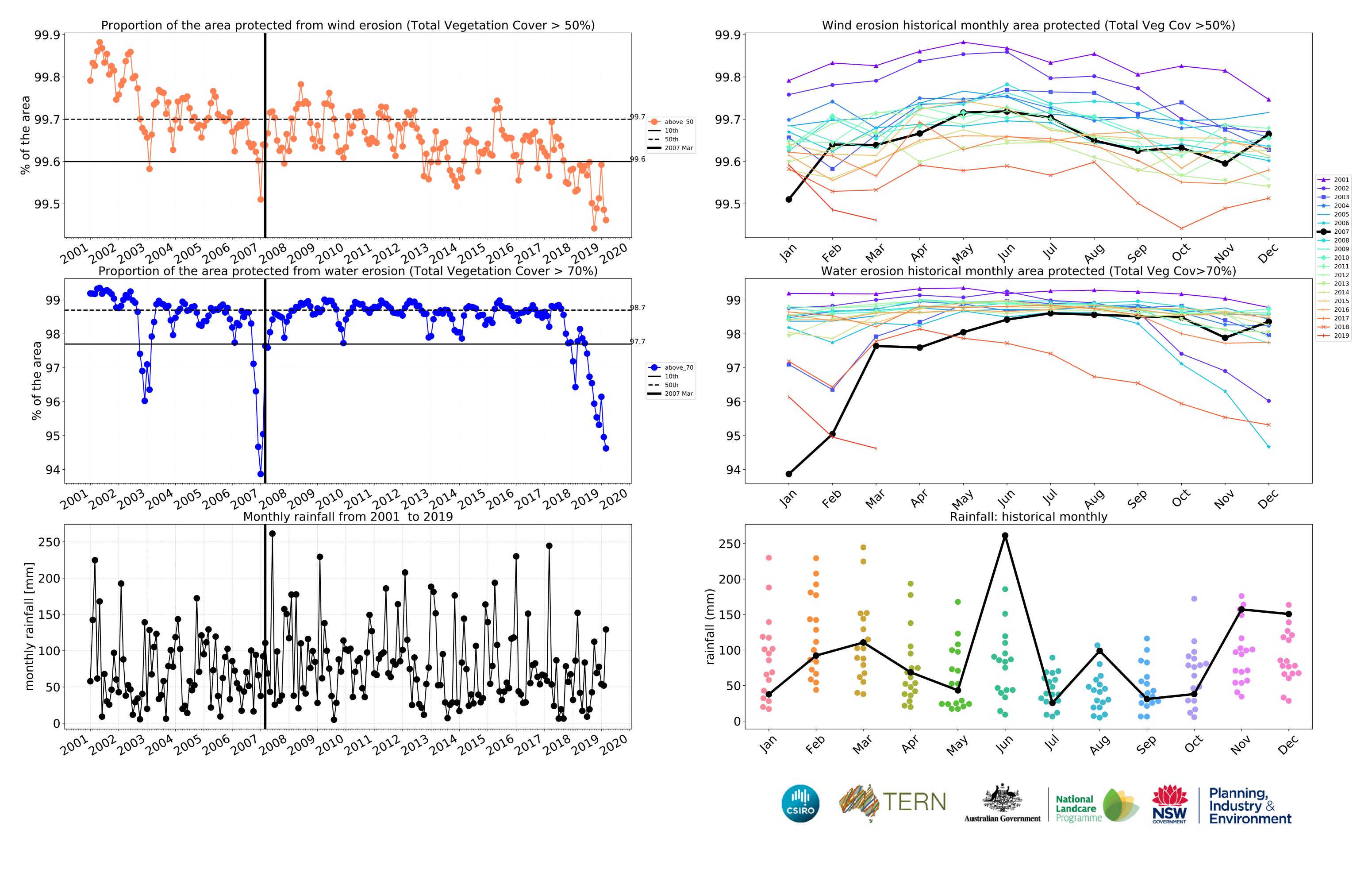


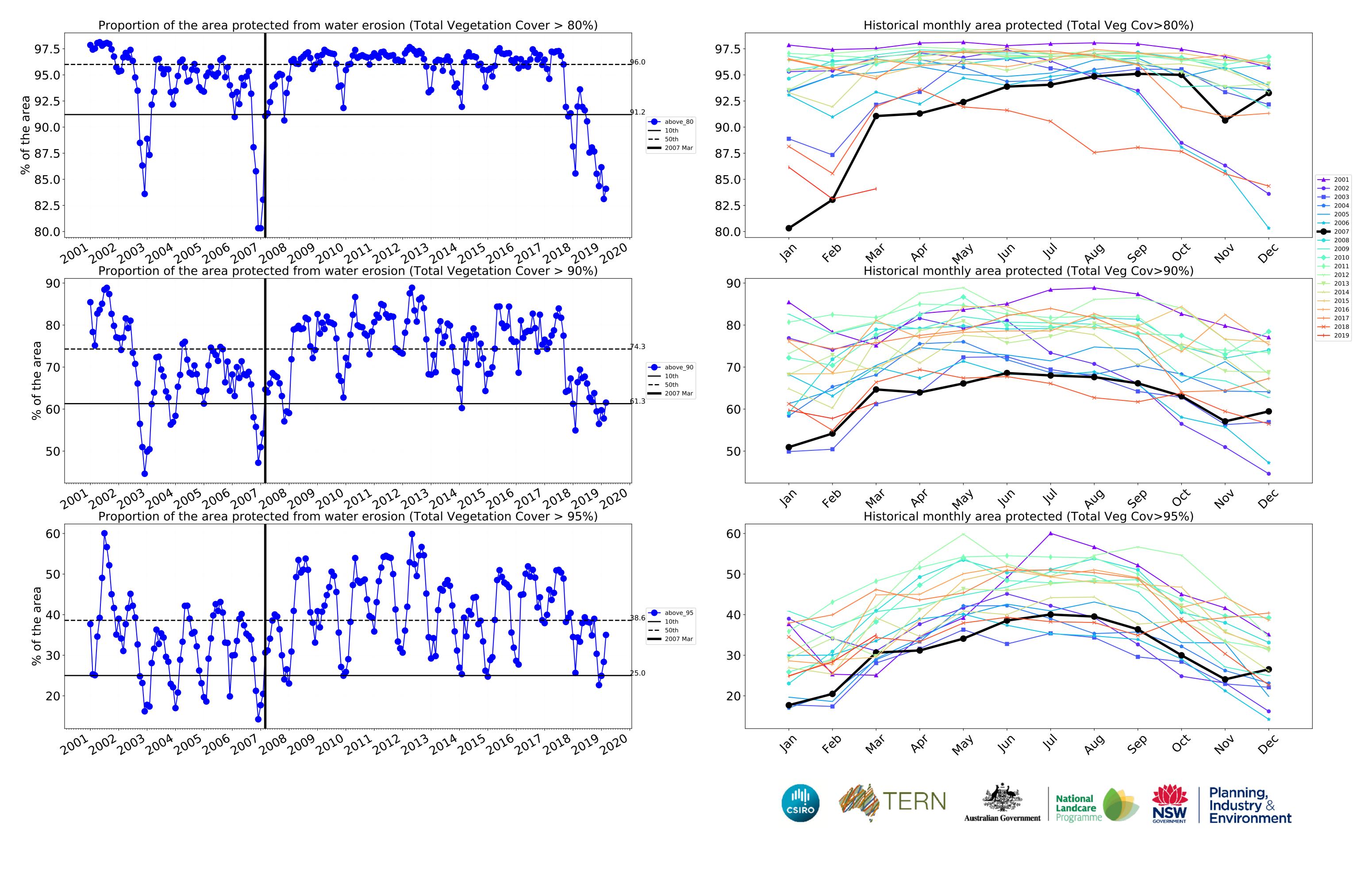






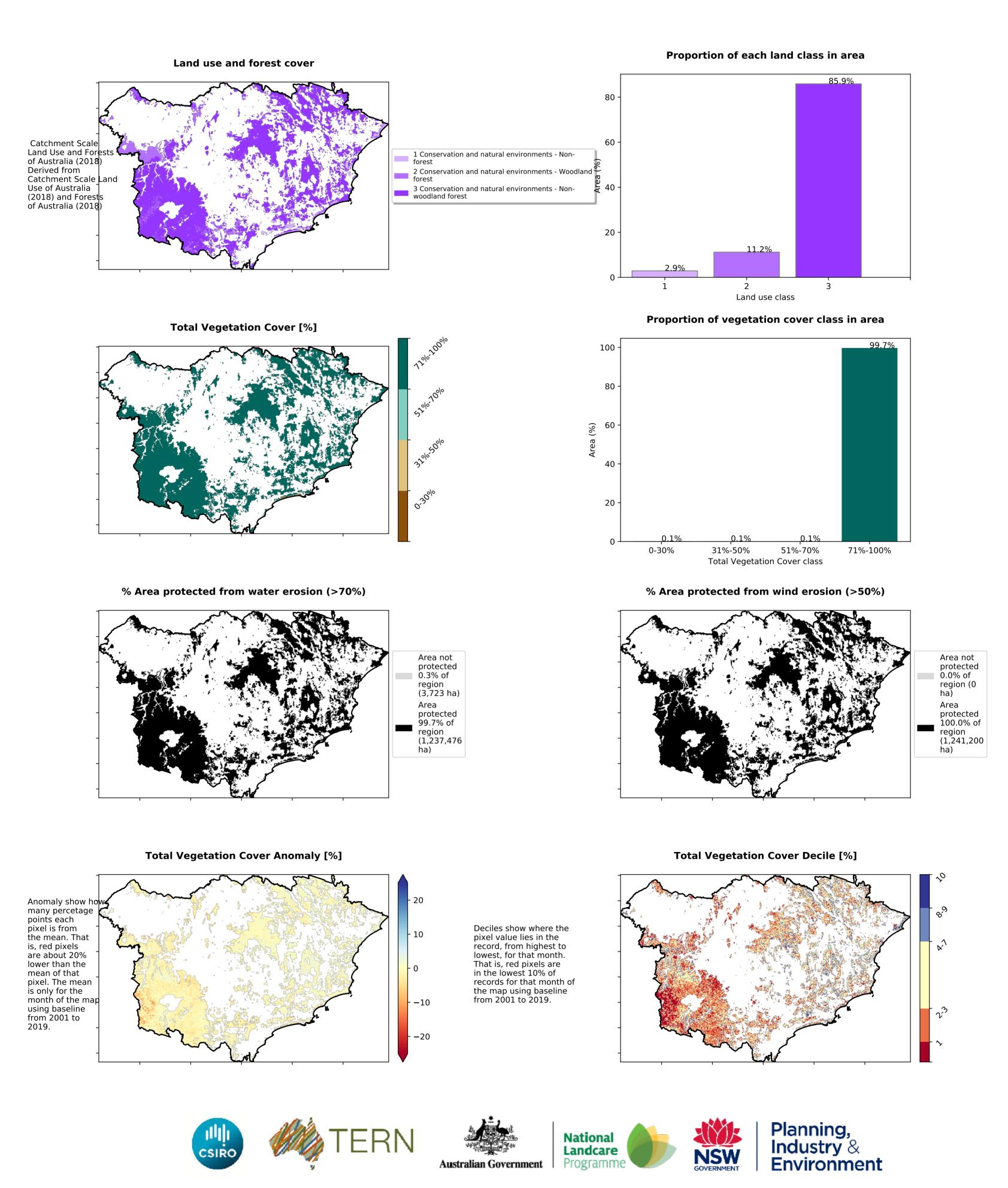




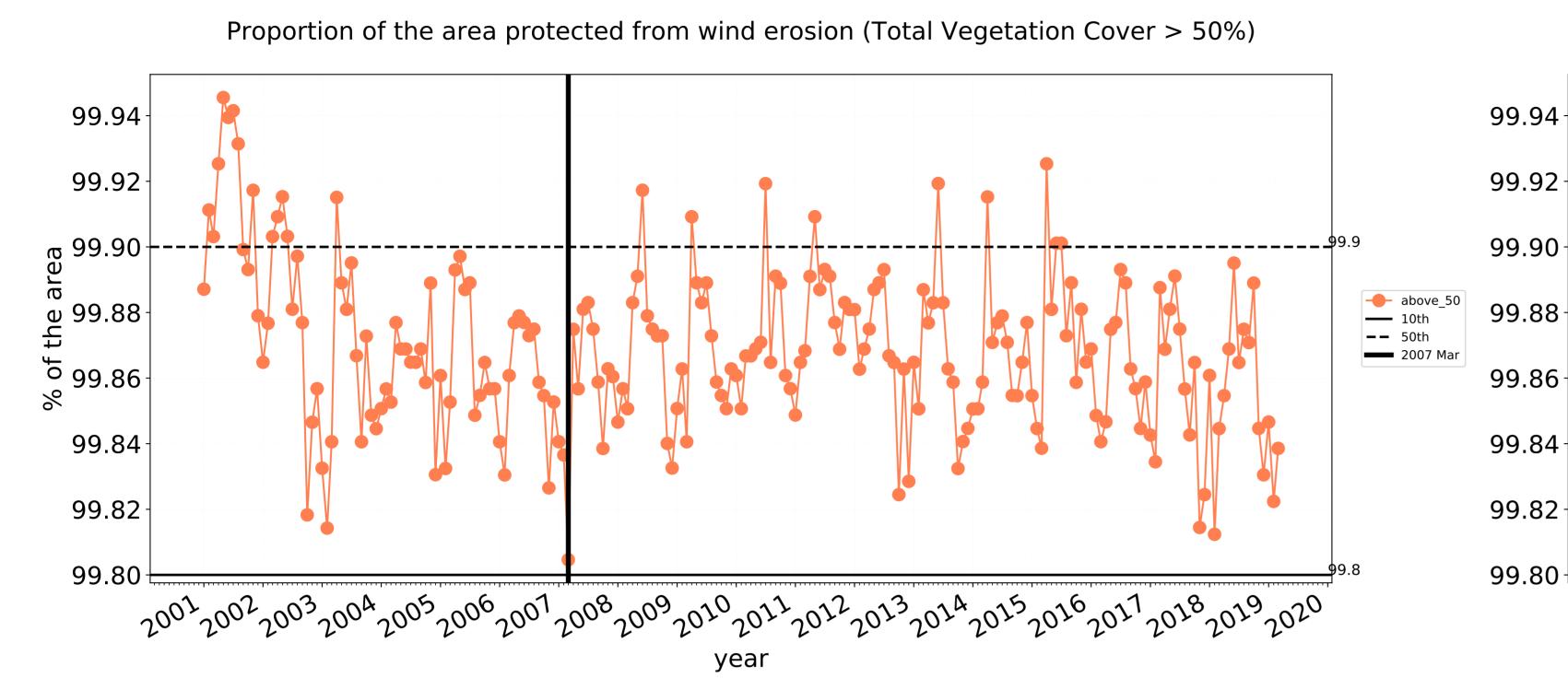


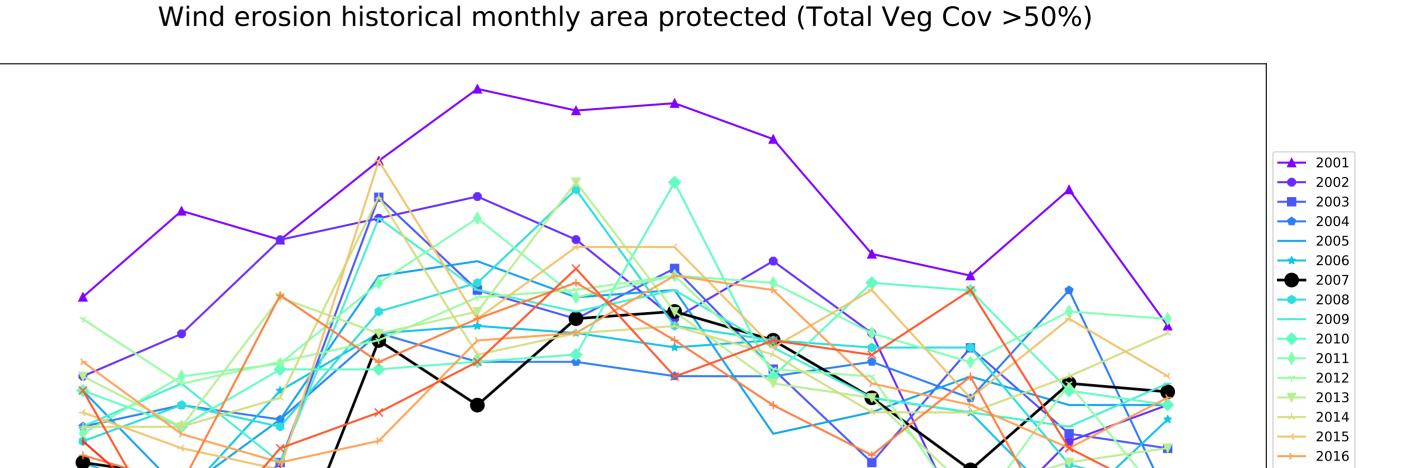
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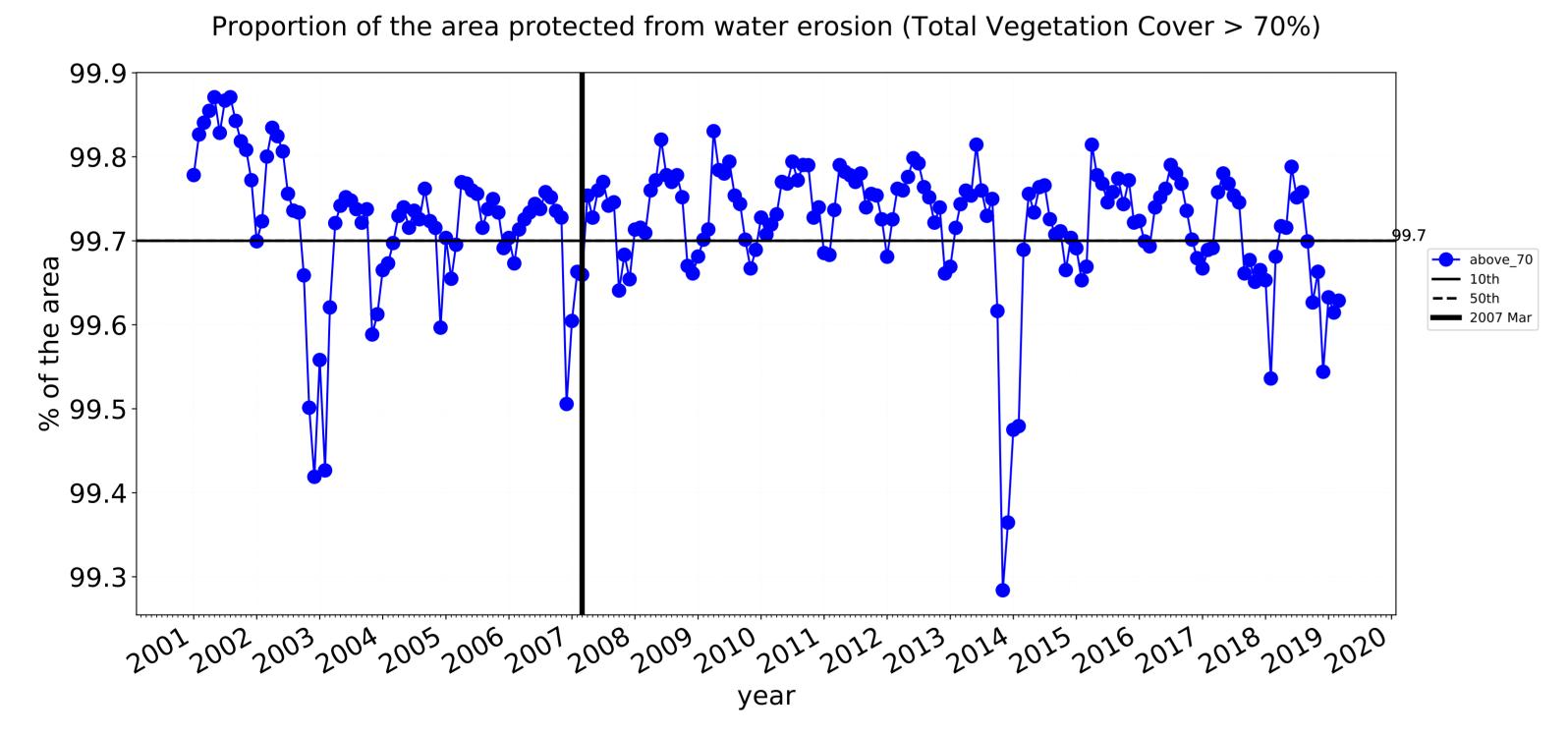


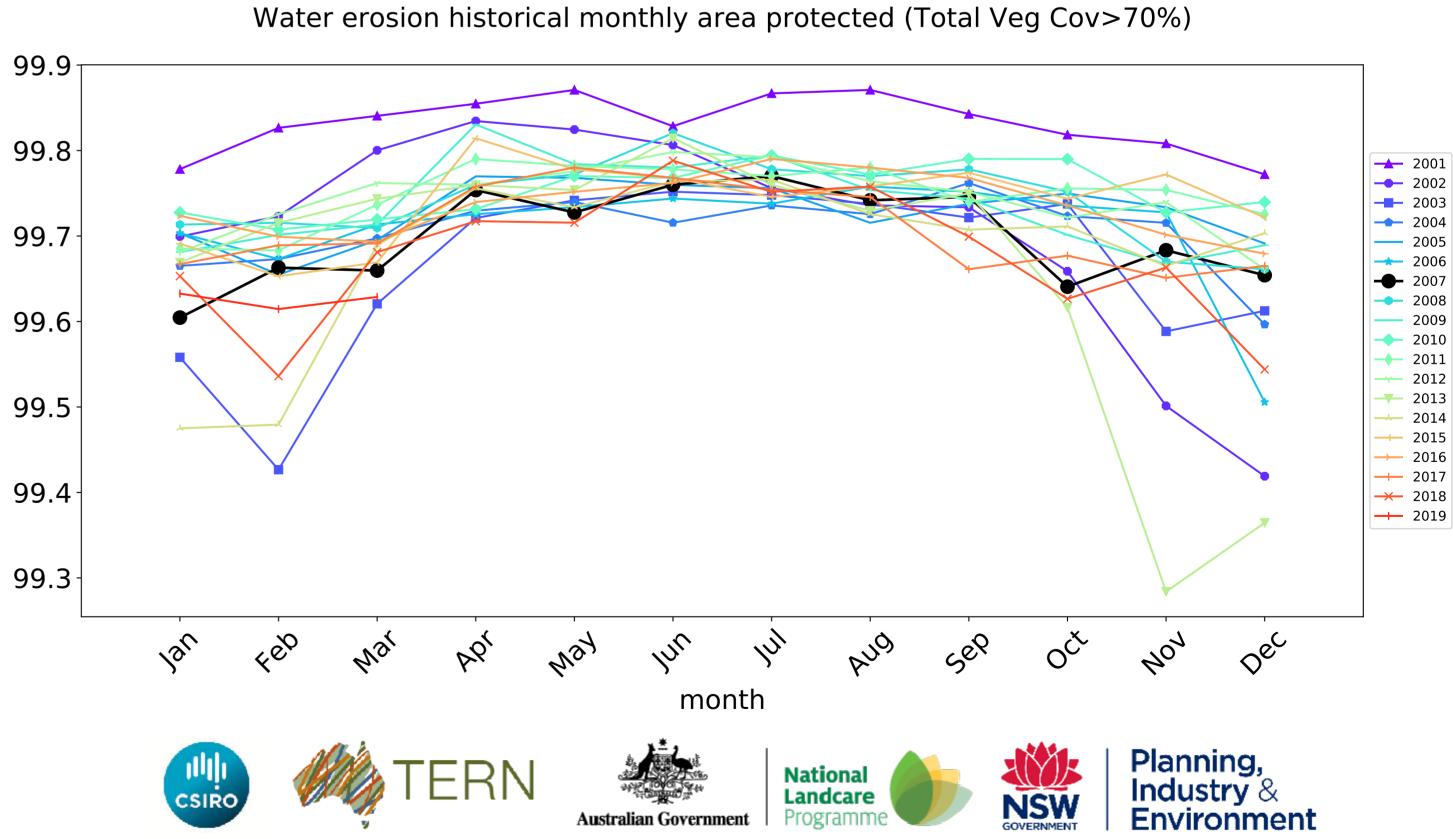
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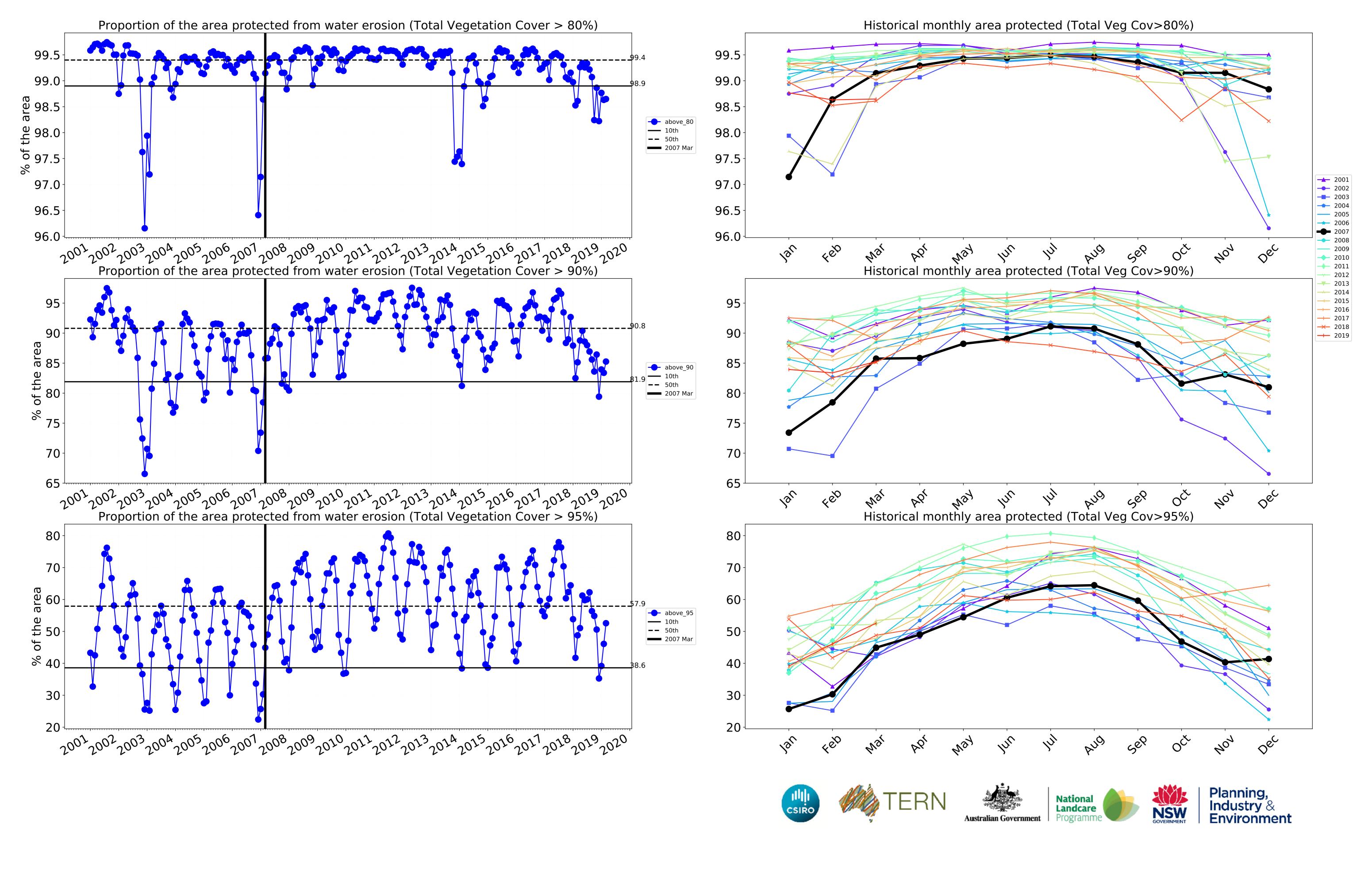


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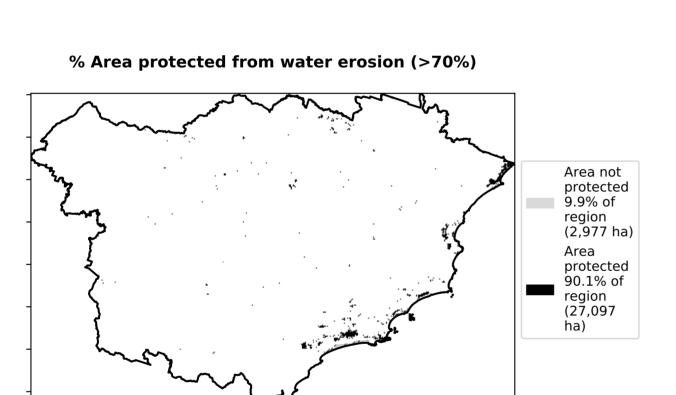
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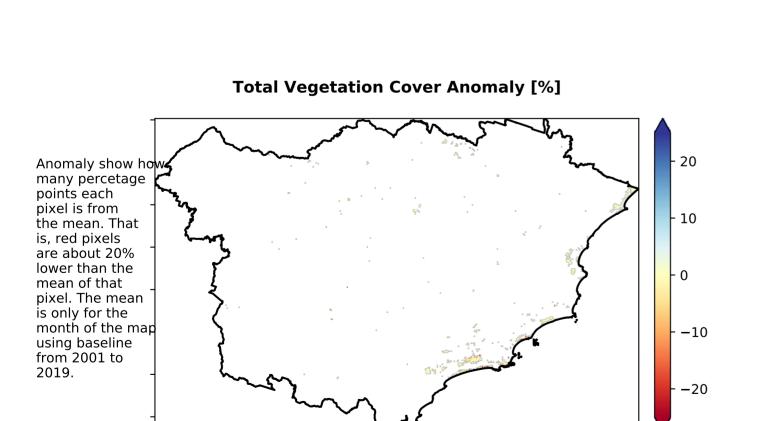


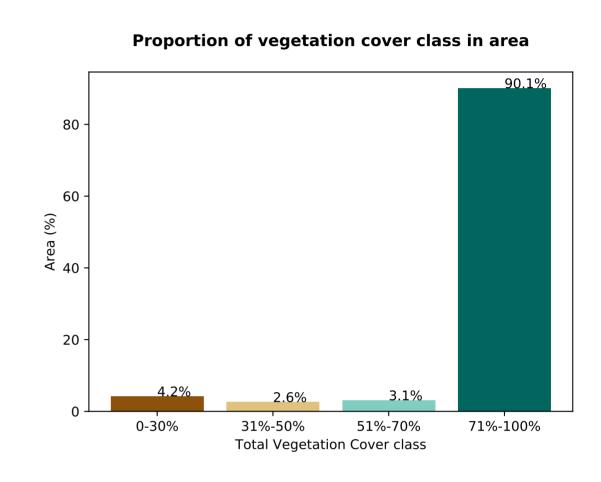
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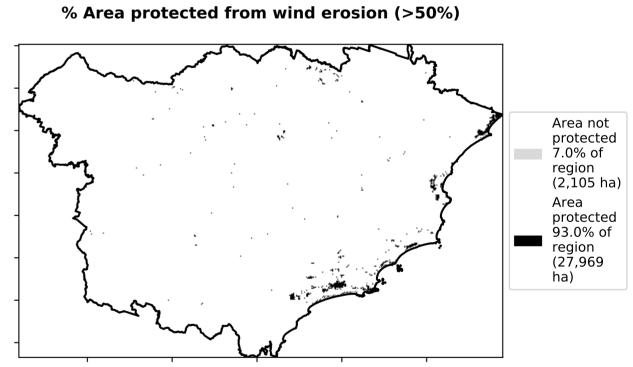
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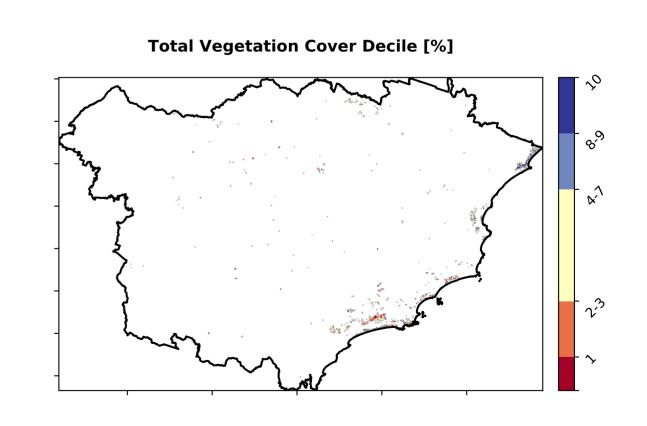
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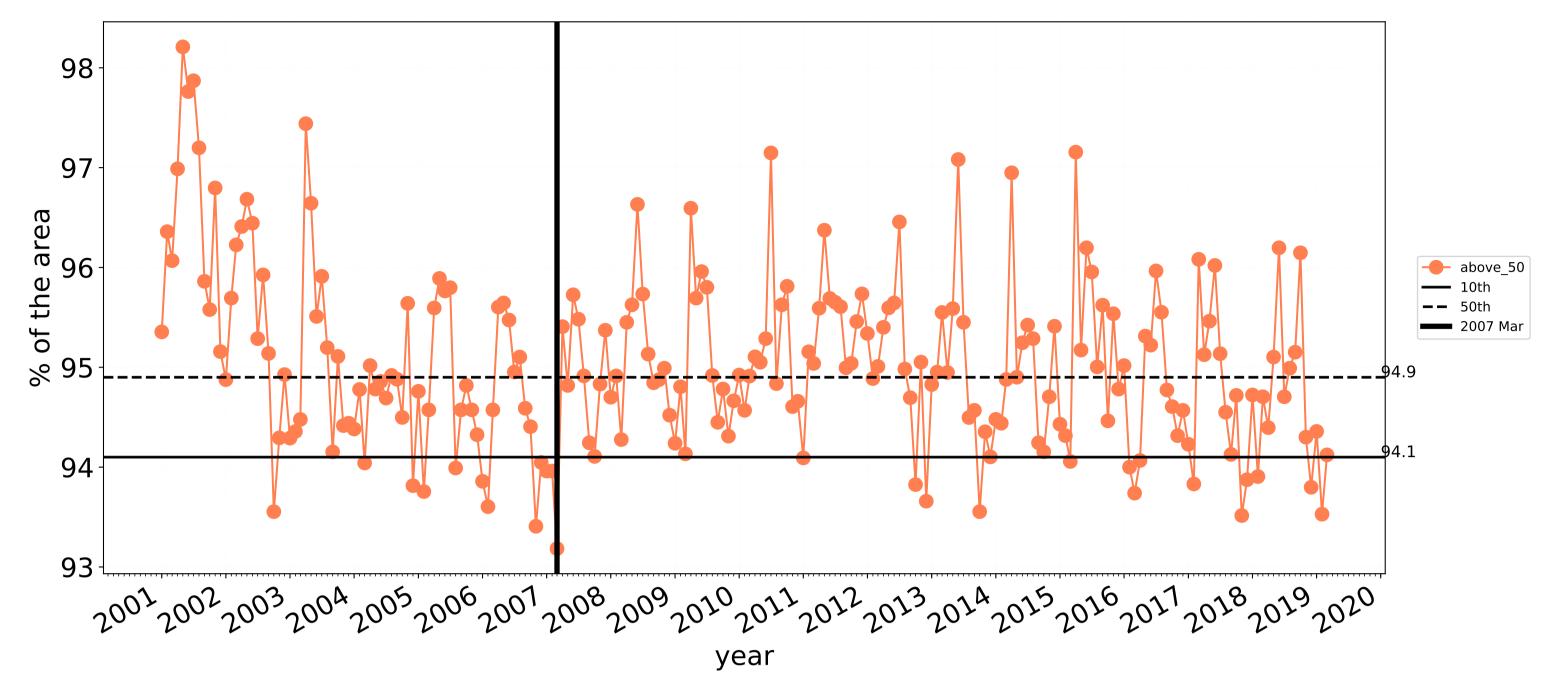




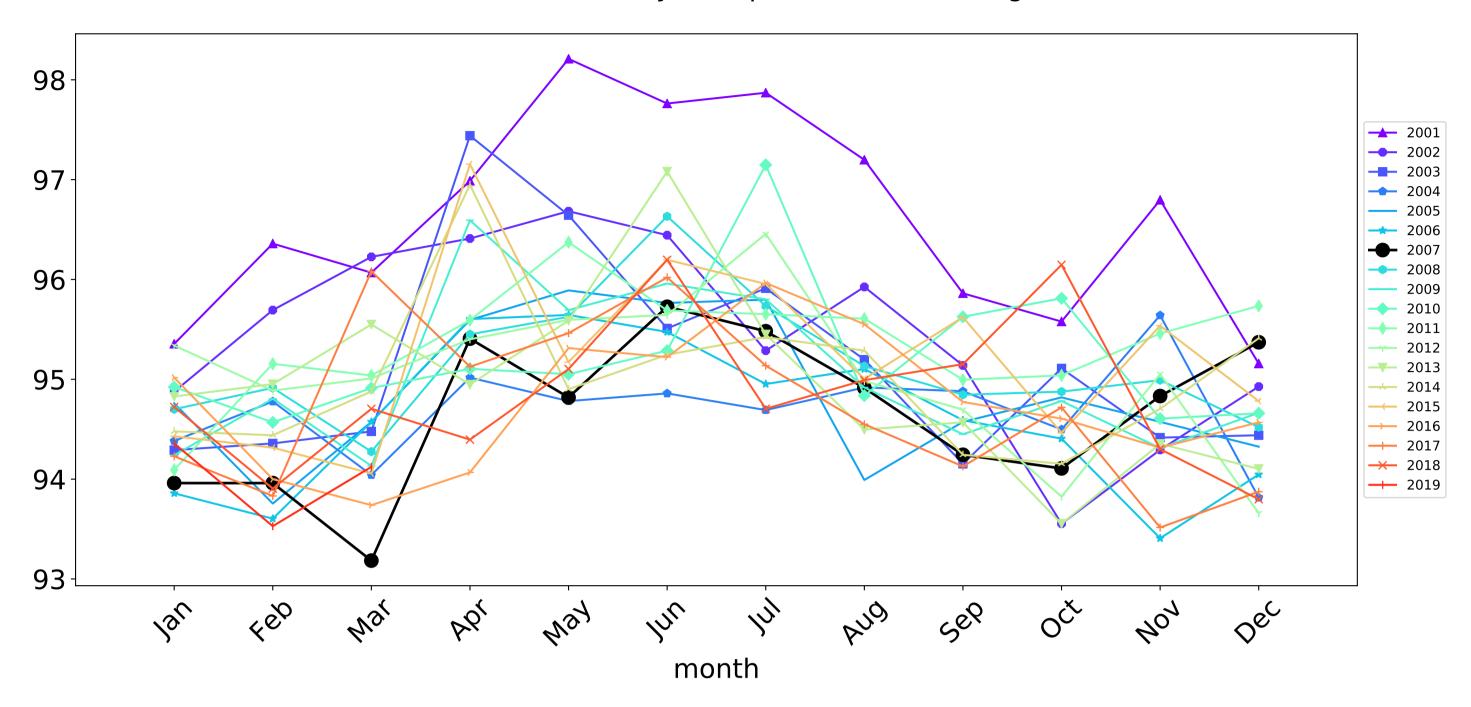


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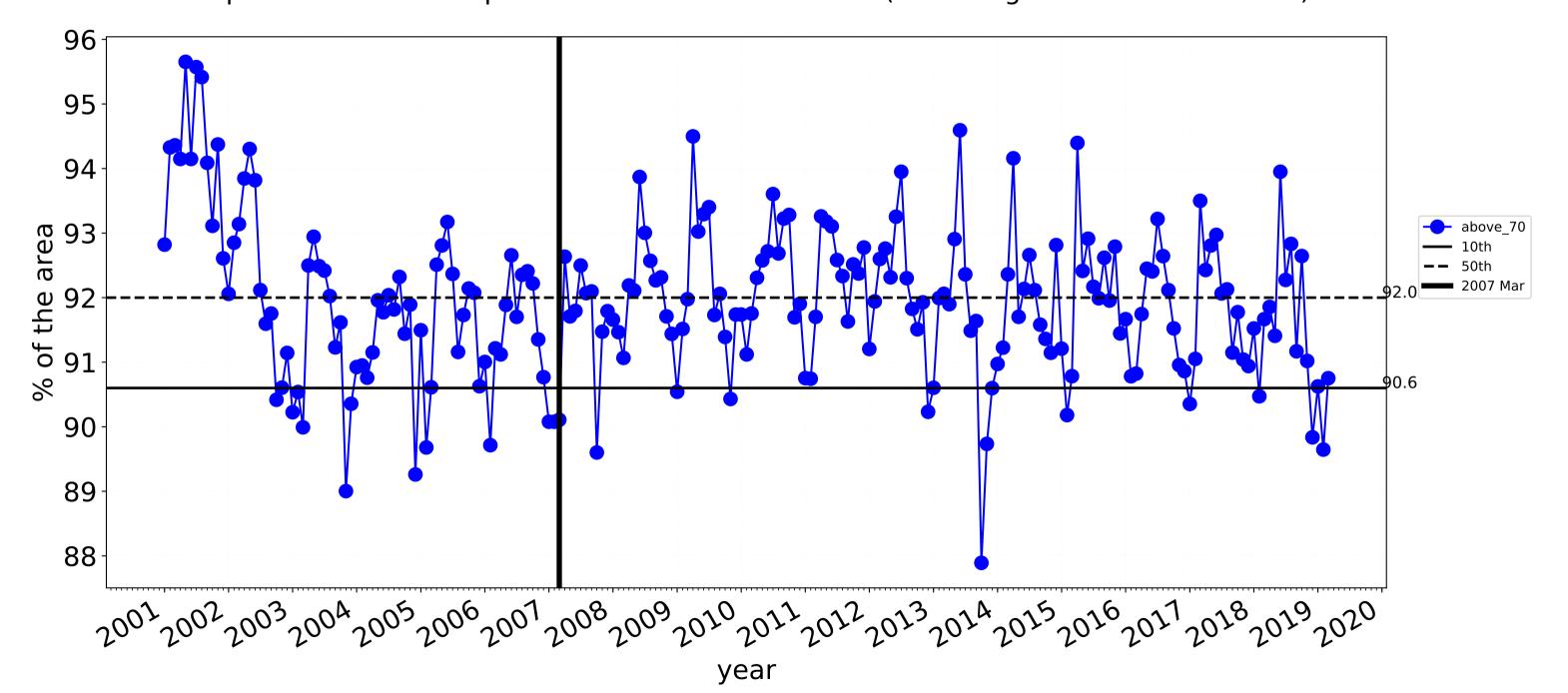




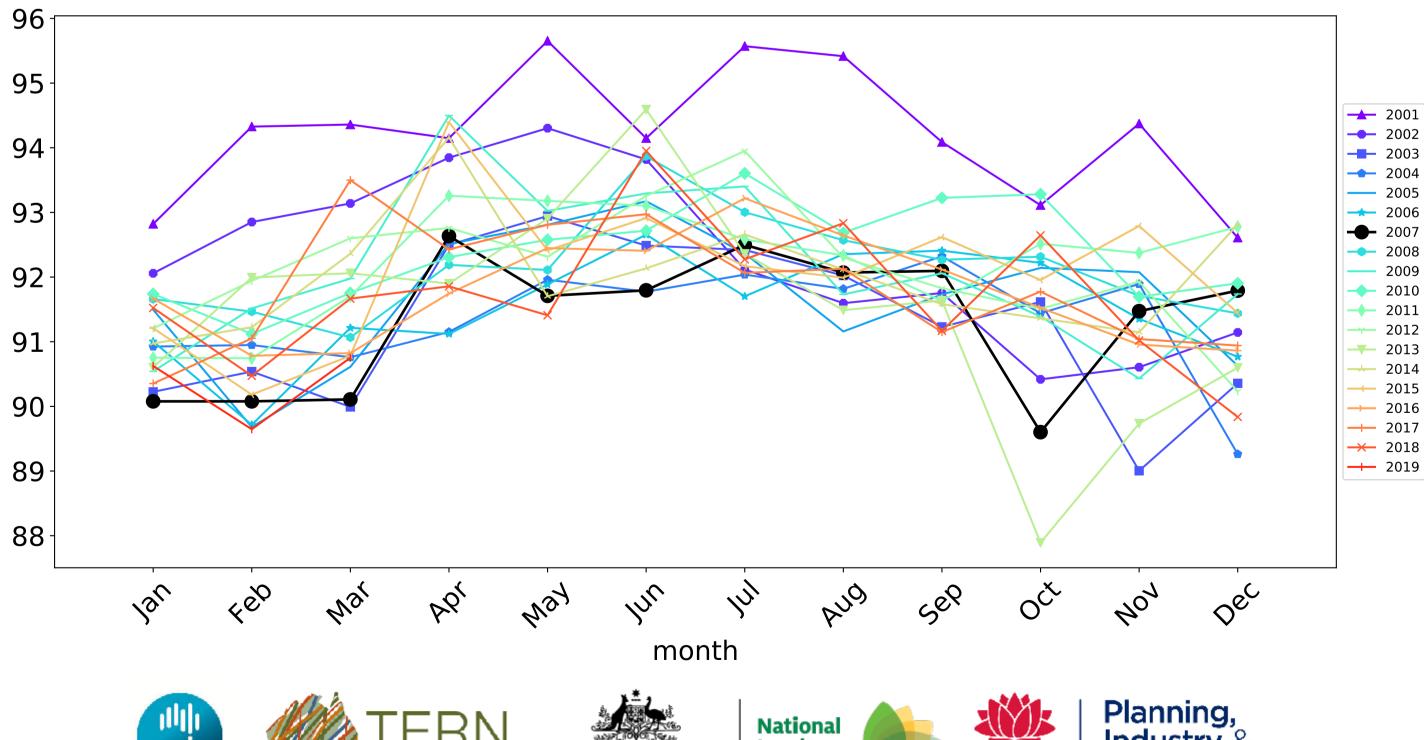
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Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)



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





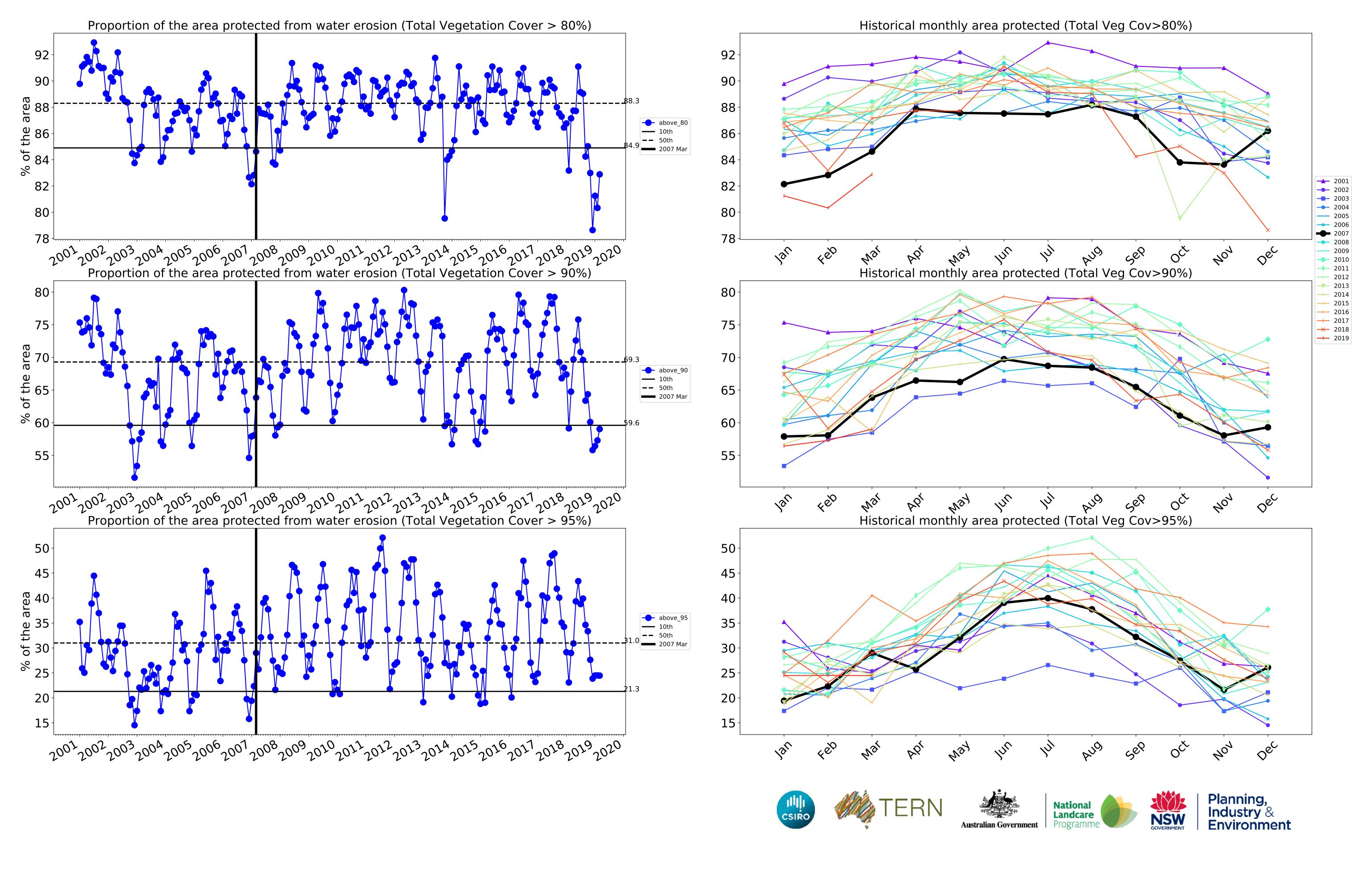




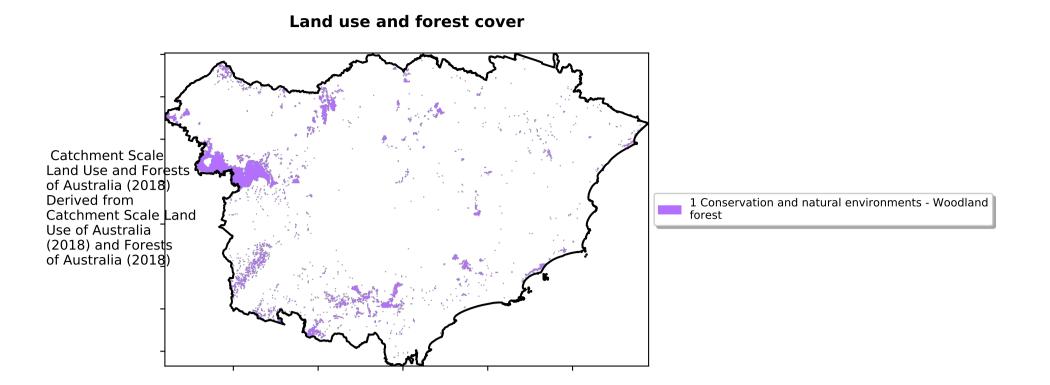






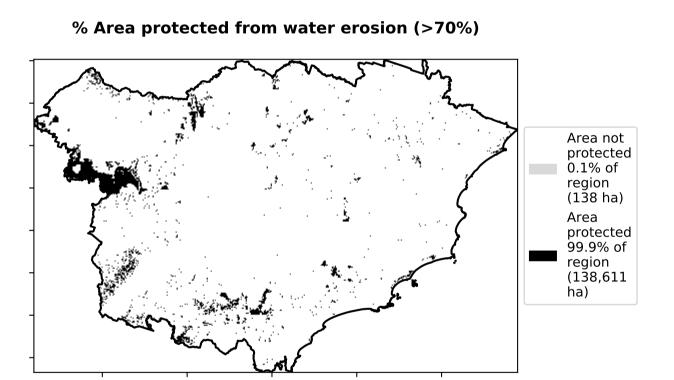


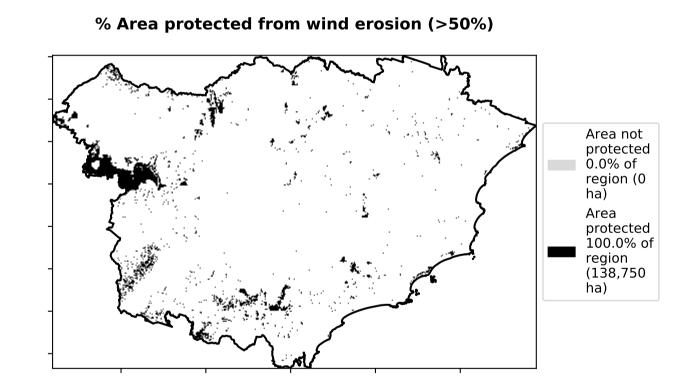
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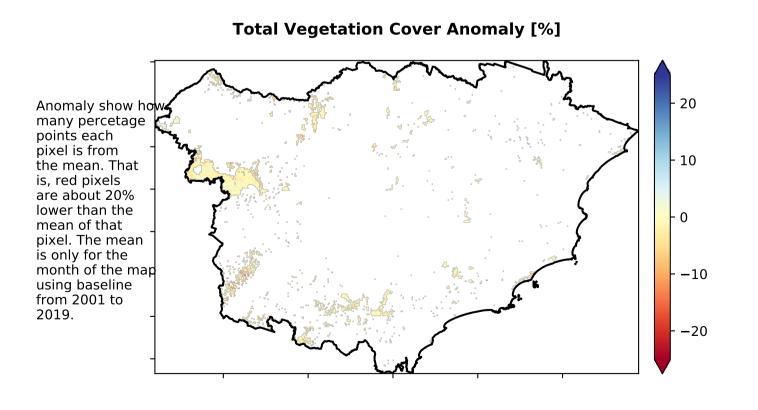


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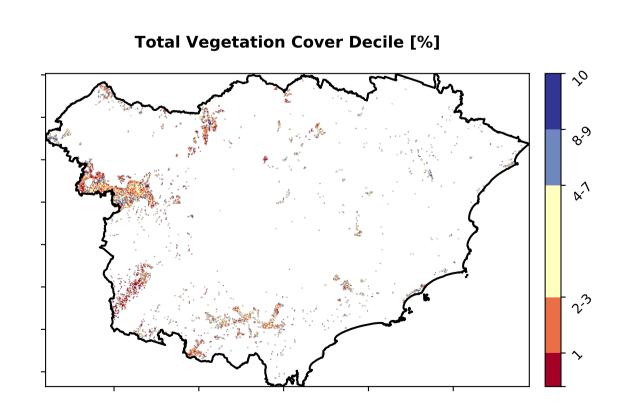
# Proportion of vegetation cover class in area 100 - 99.9% 80 - 99.9% 40 - 20 - 0.0% 0.0% 0.1% 0-30% 31%-50% 51%-70% 71%-100% Total Vegetation Cover class







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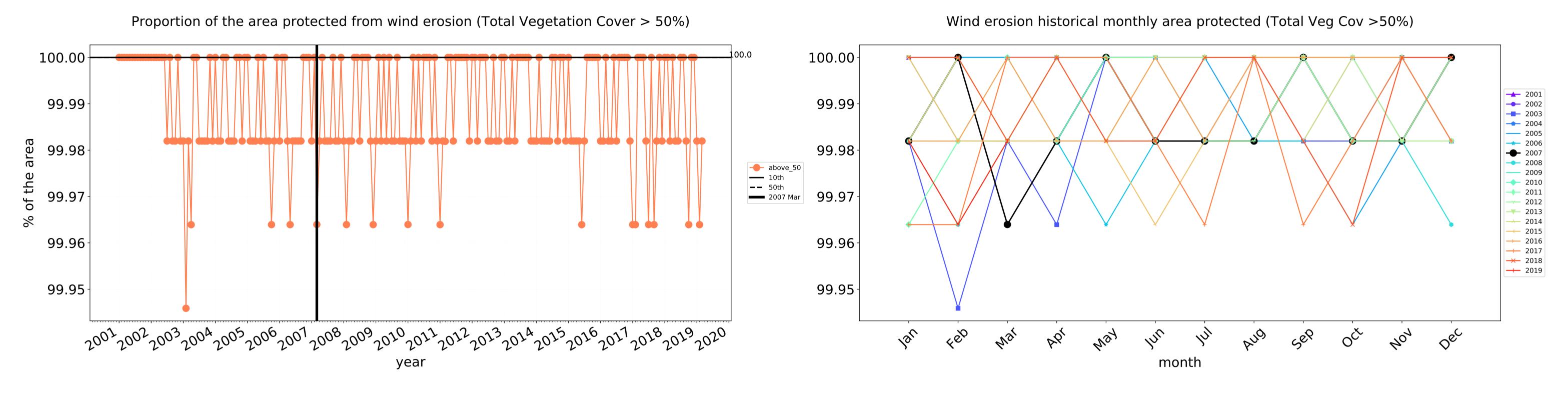


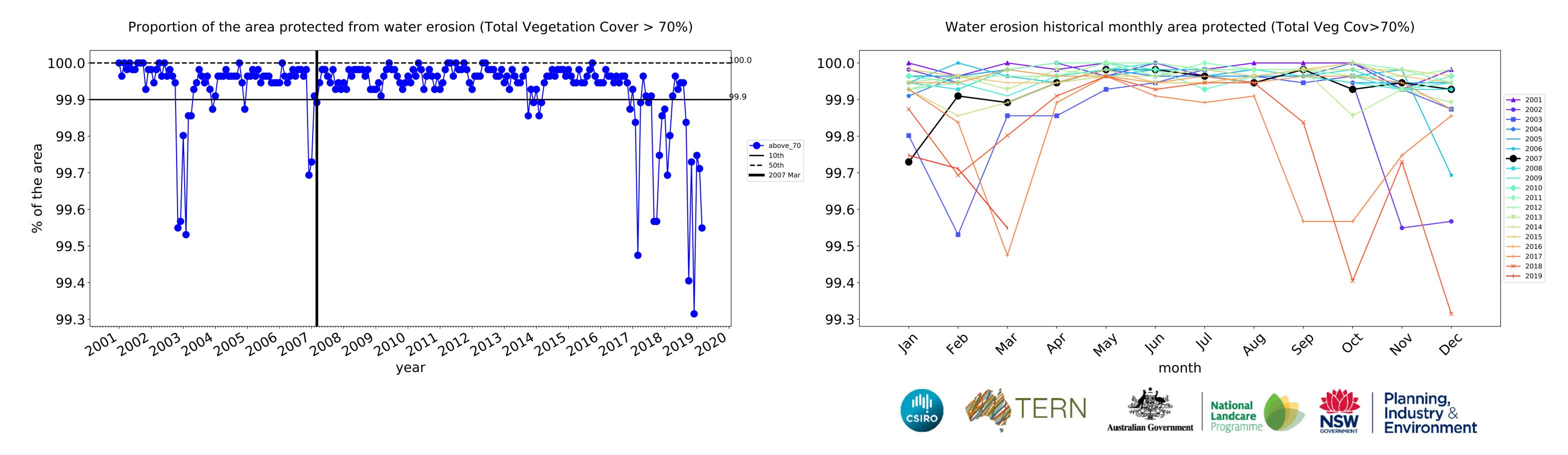


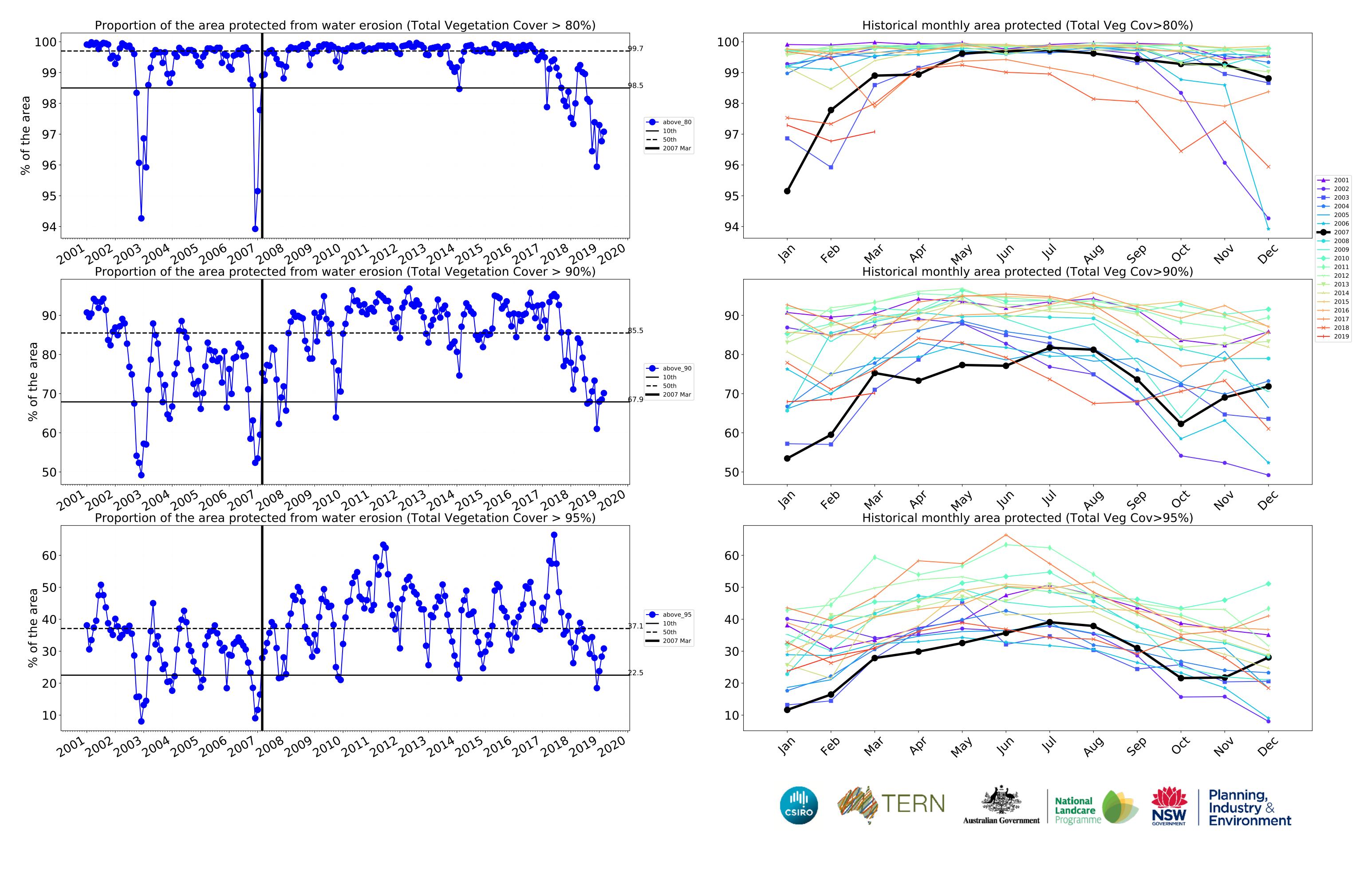


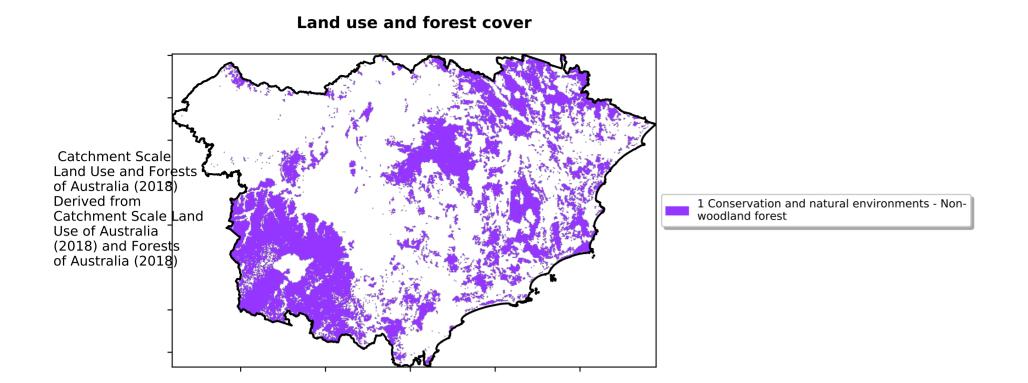


# Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest timeseries

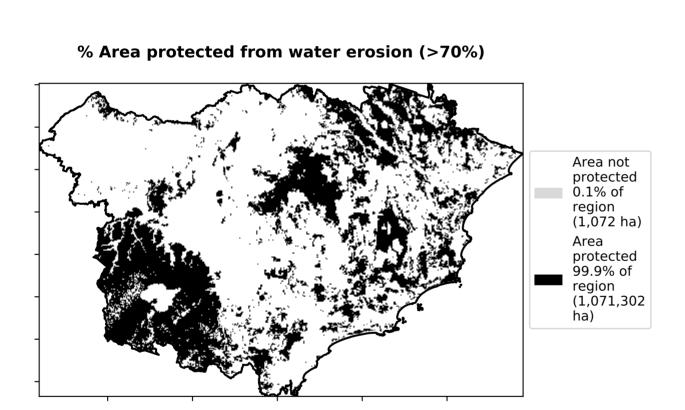


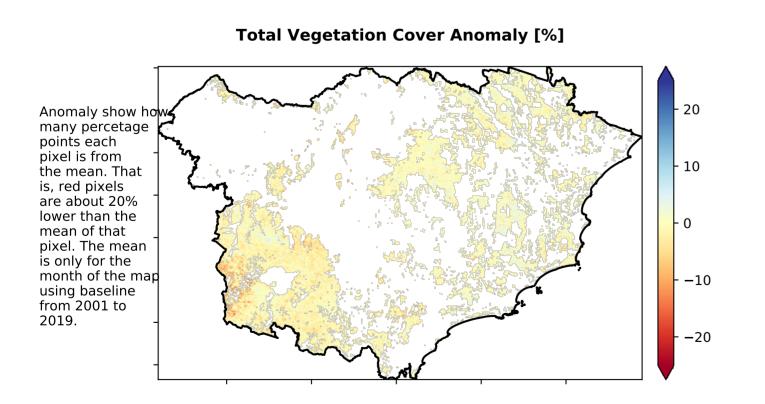




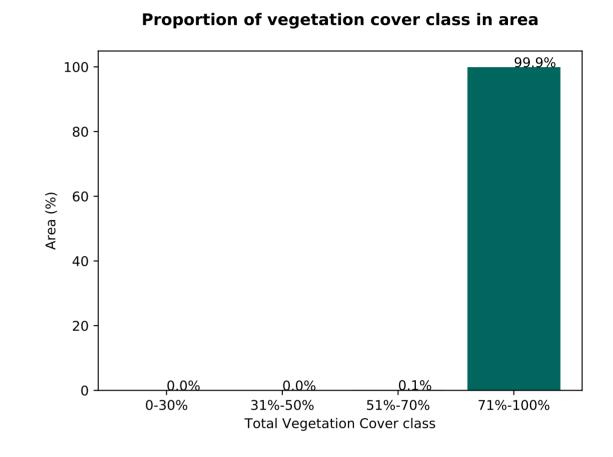


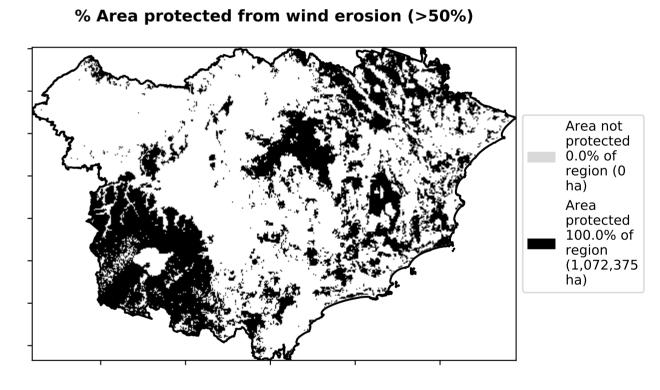
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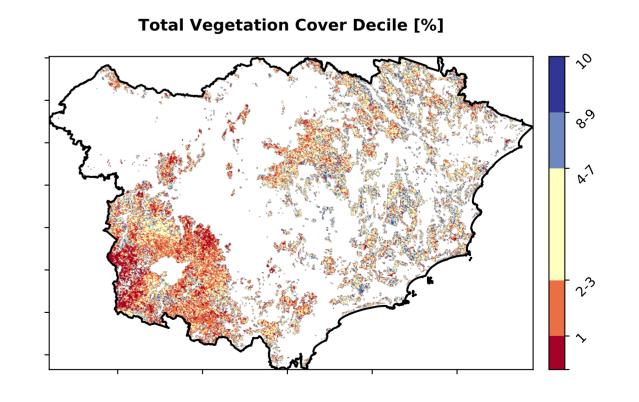




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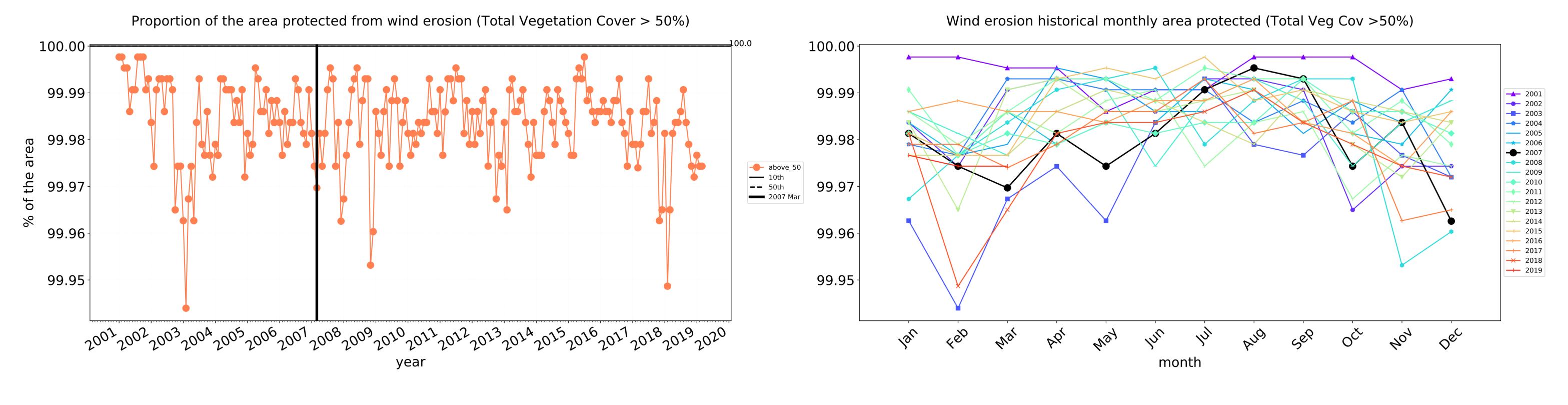


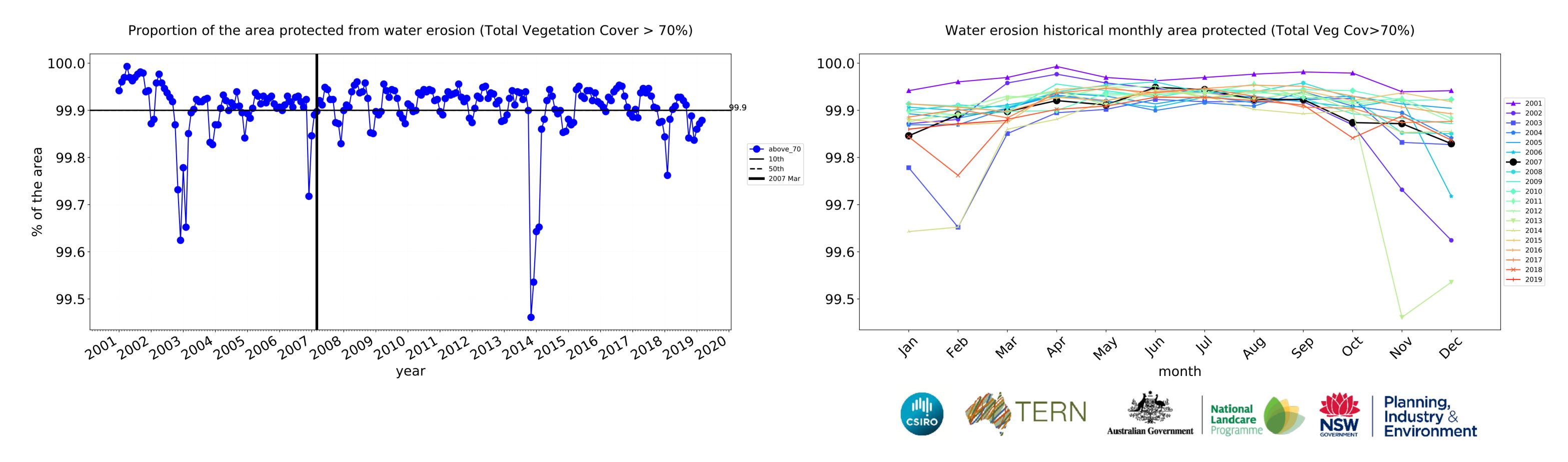


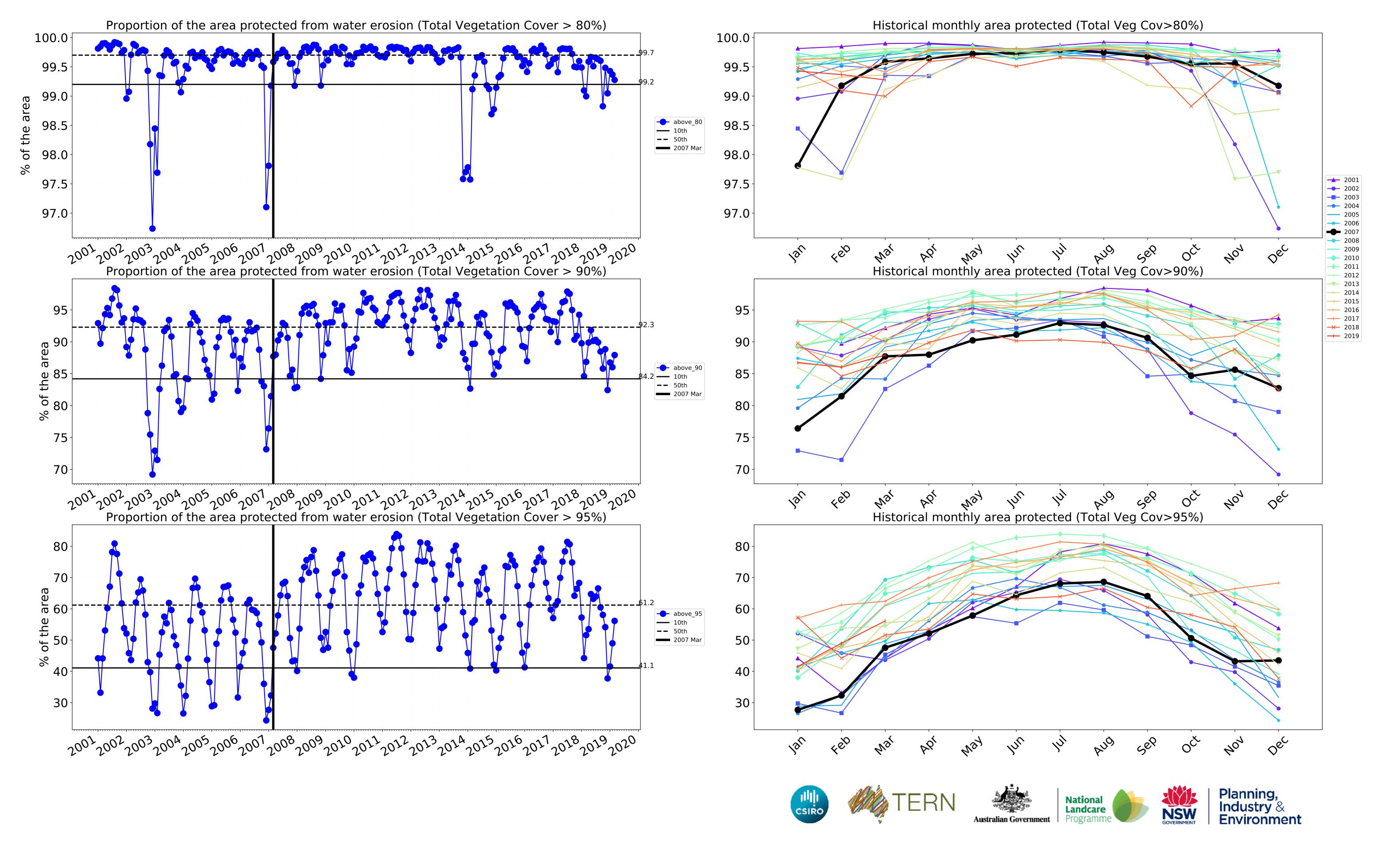




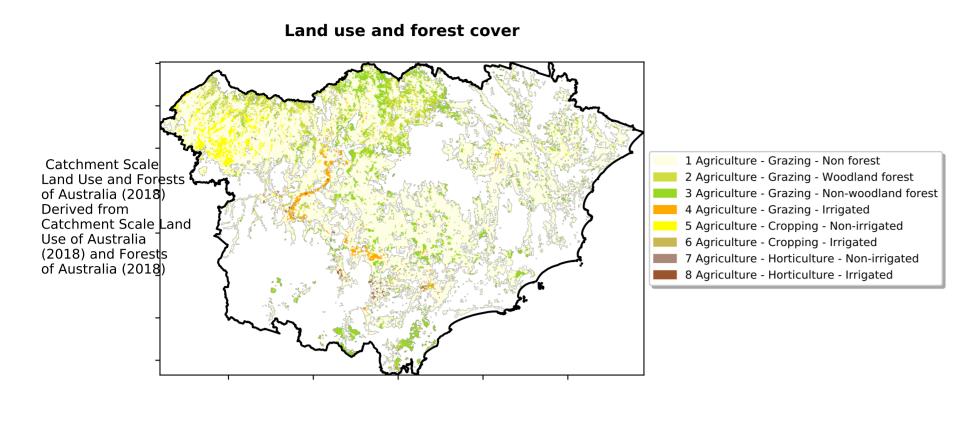
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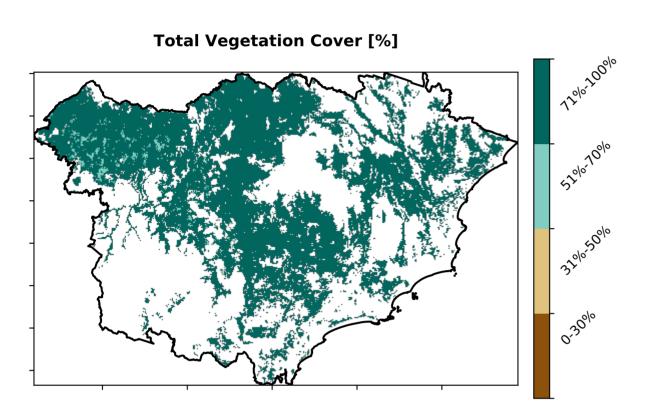


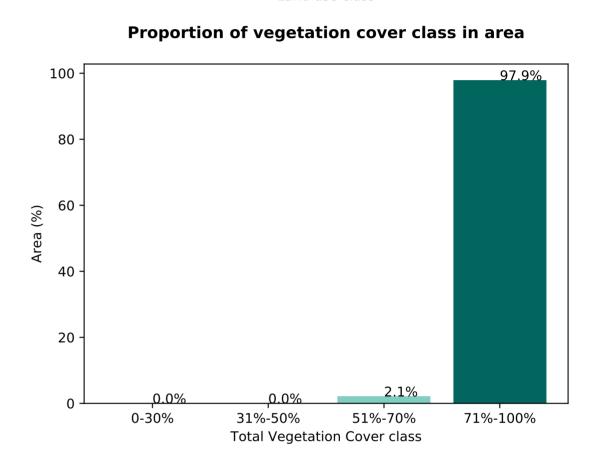


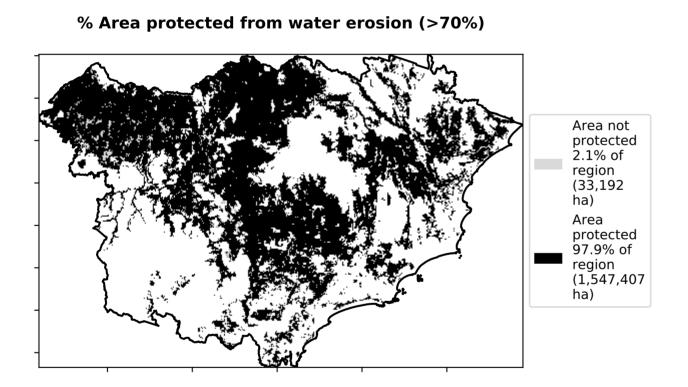
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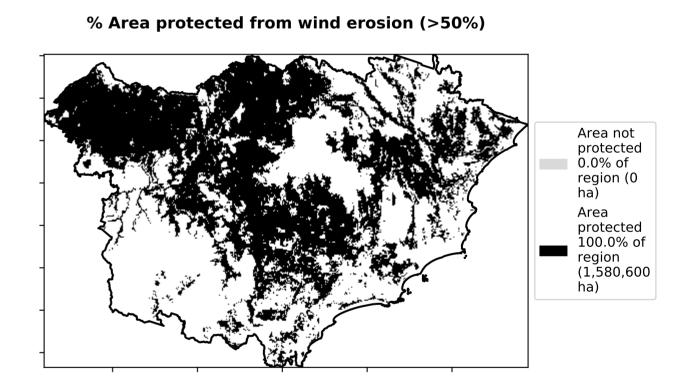


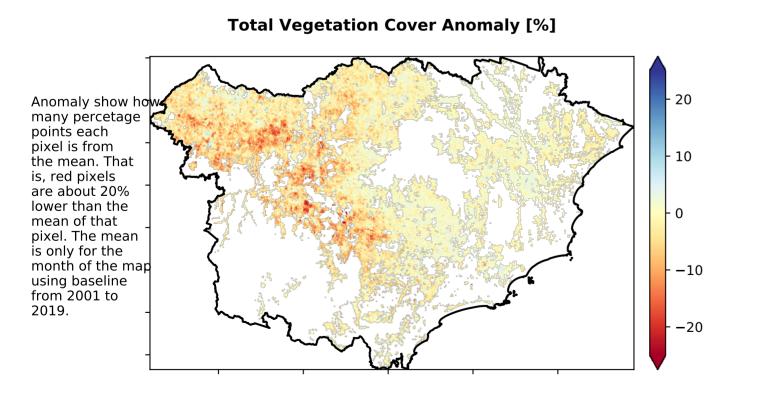
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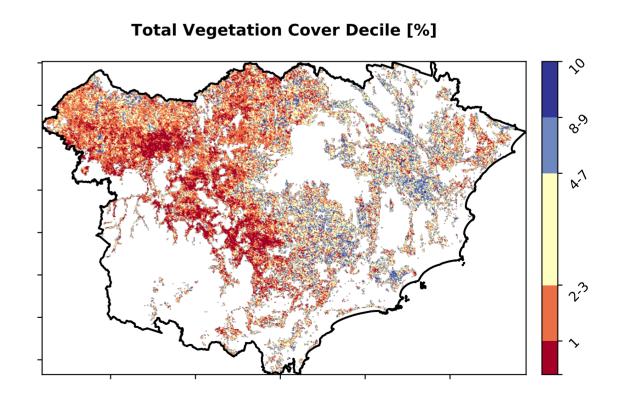








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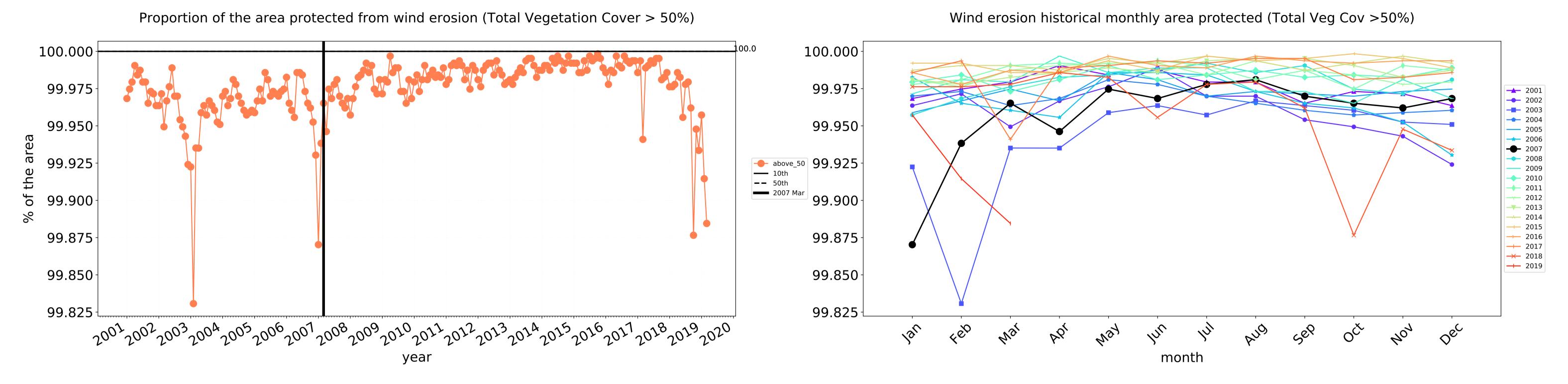


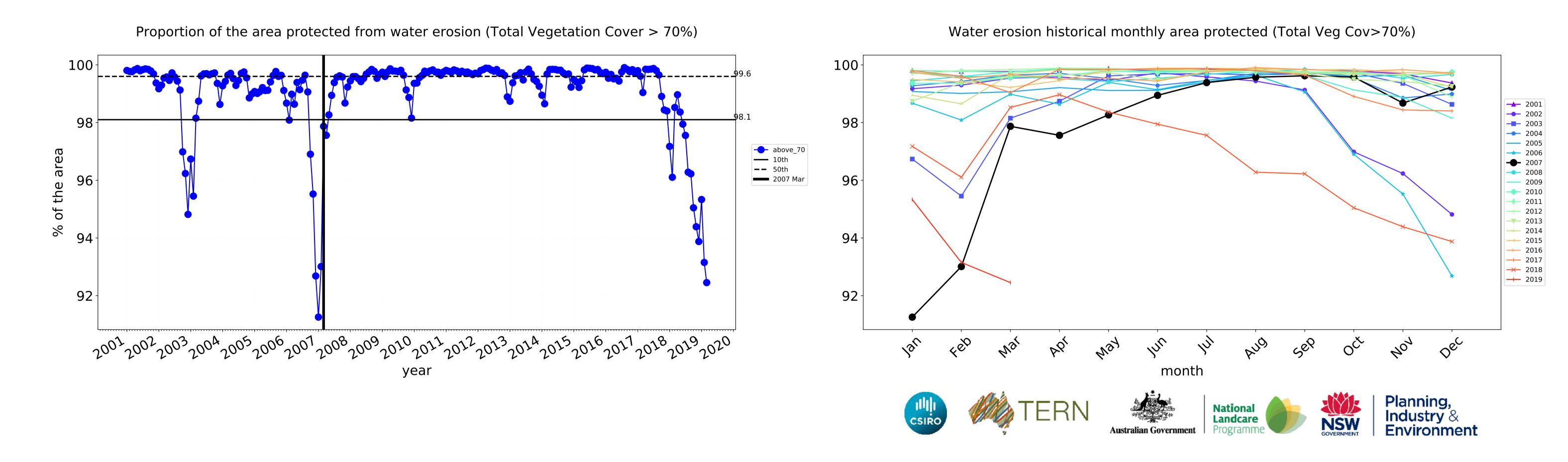


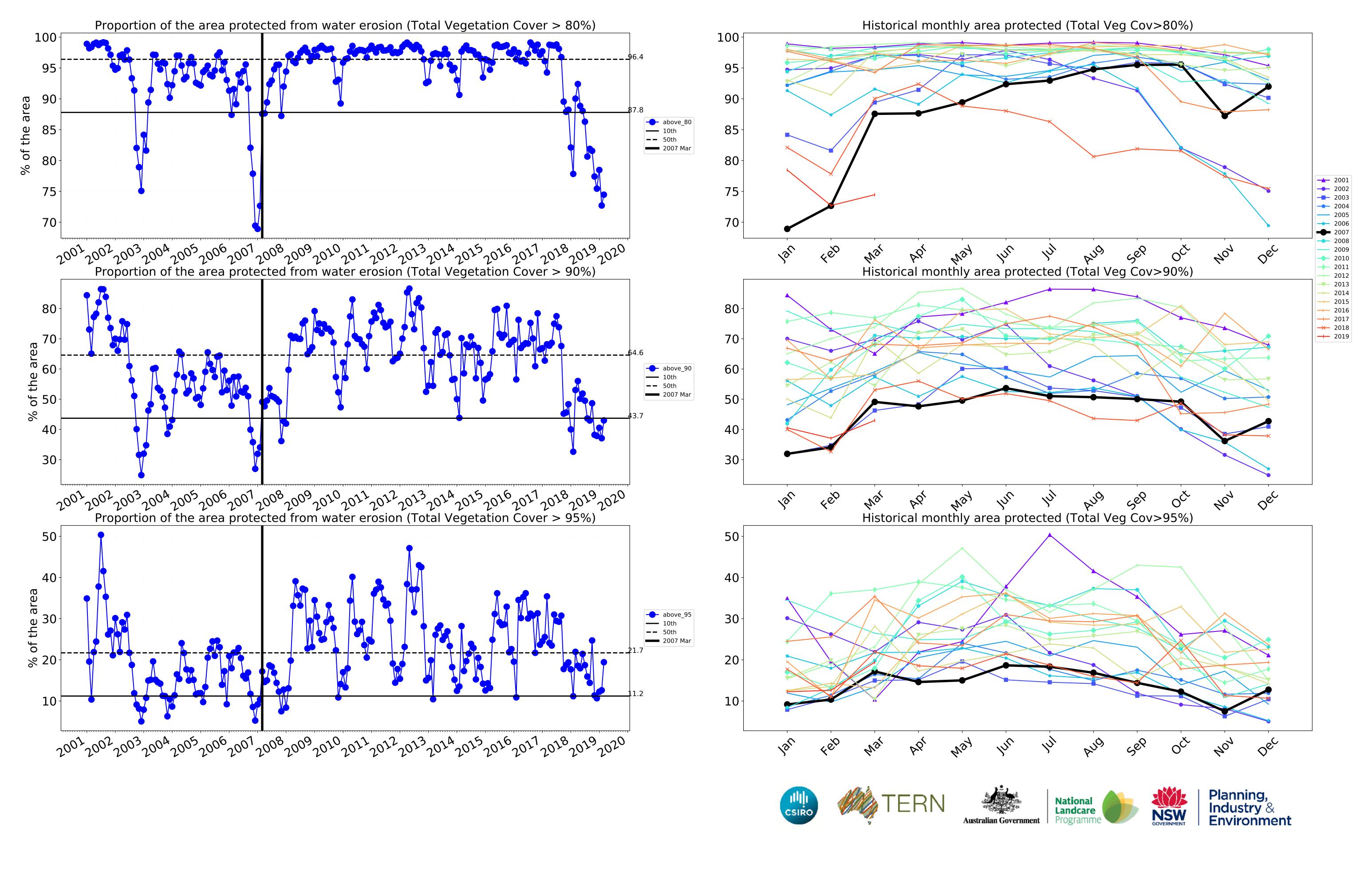




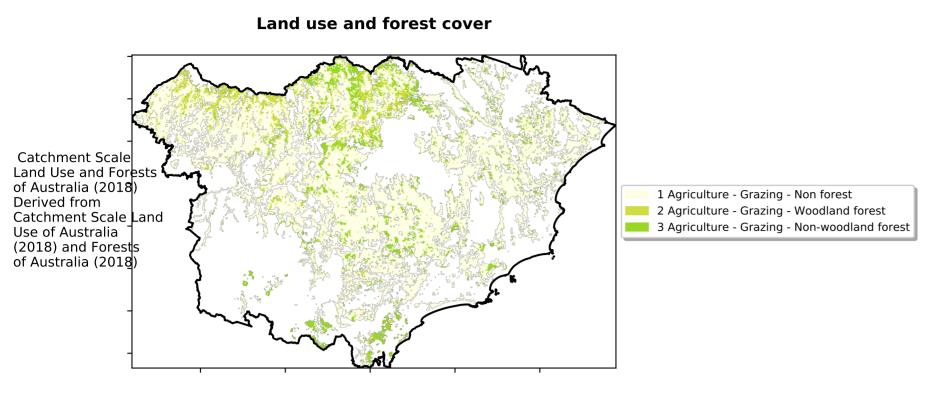
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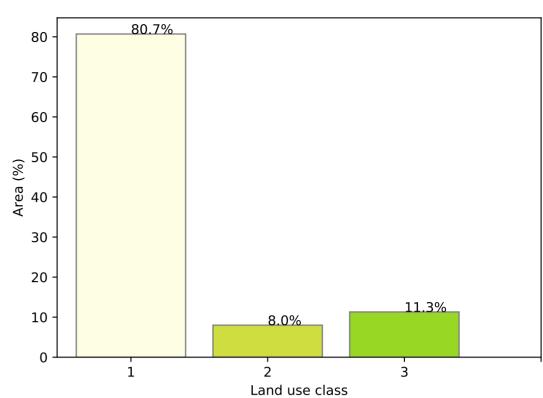




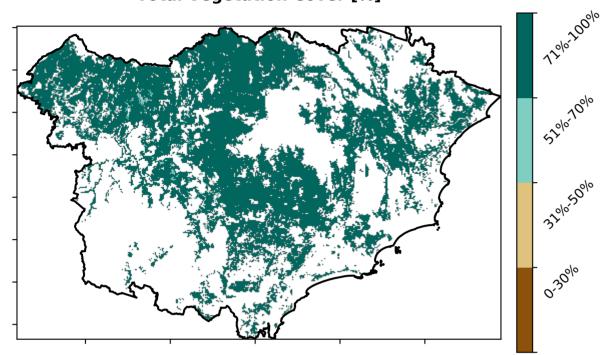
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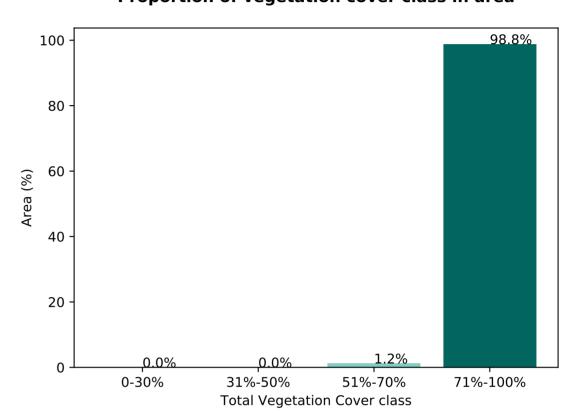
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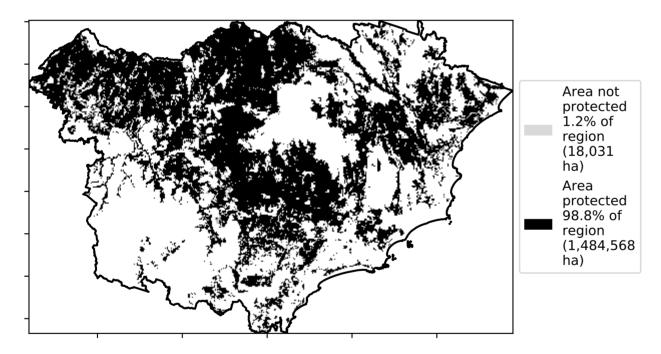




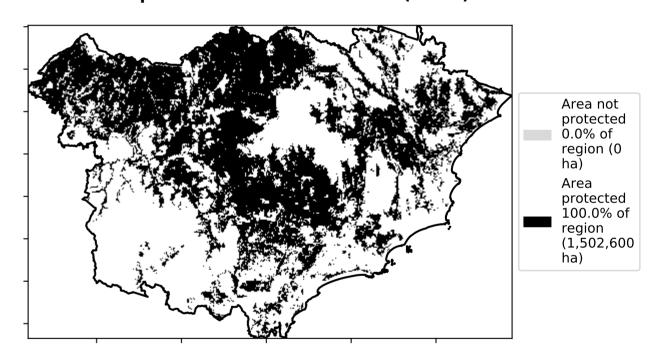
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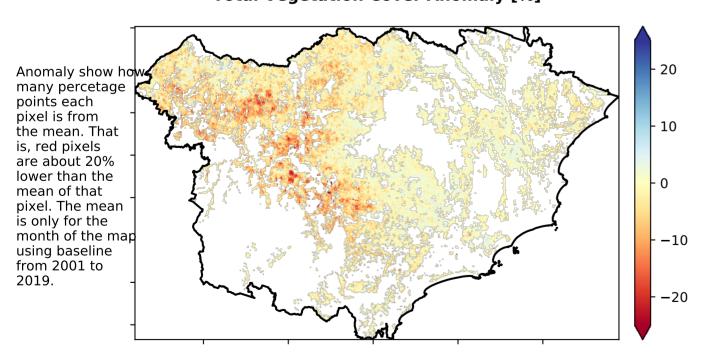
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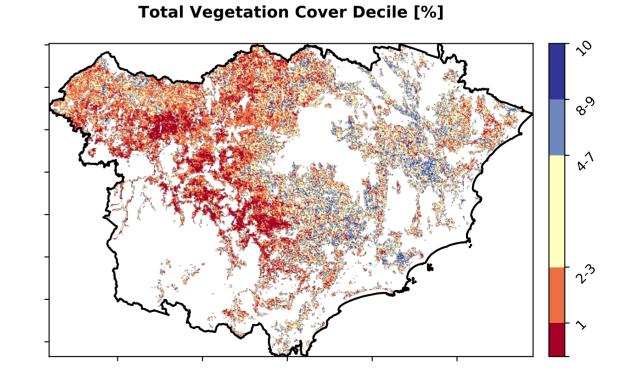
% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



# Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]



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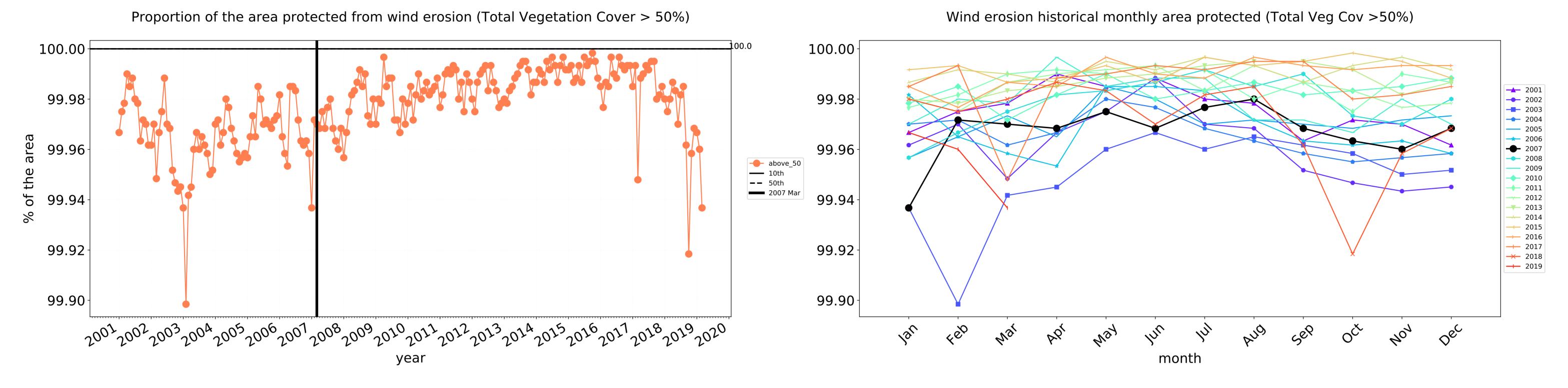


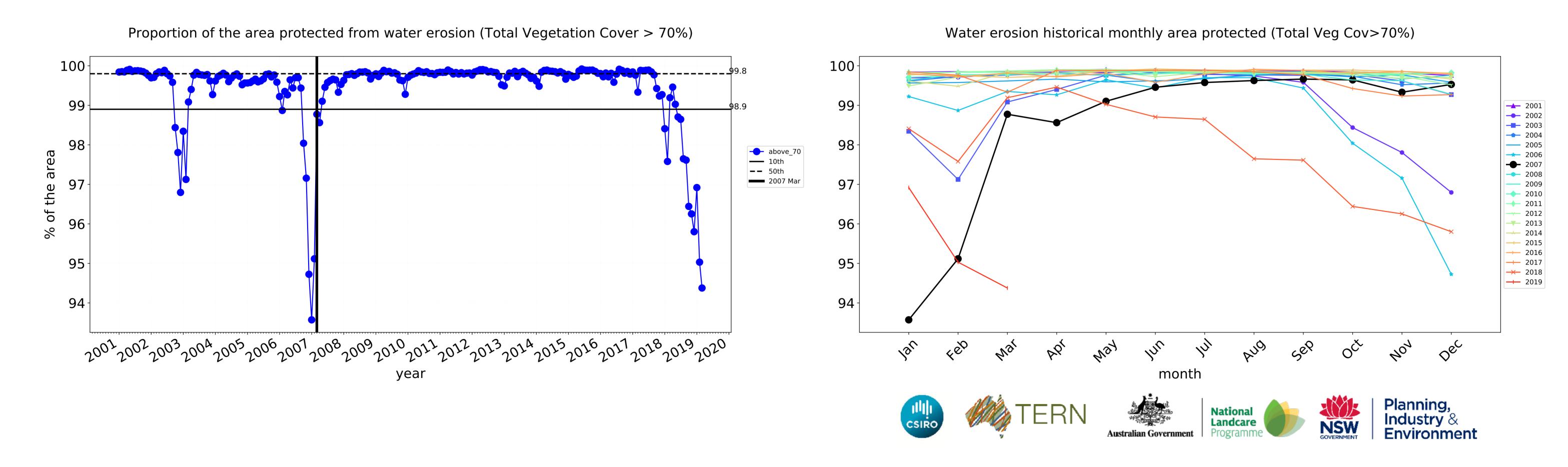


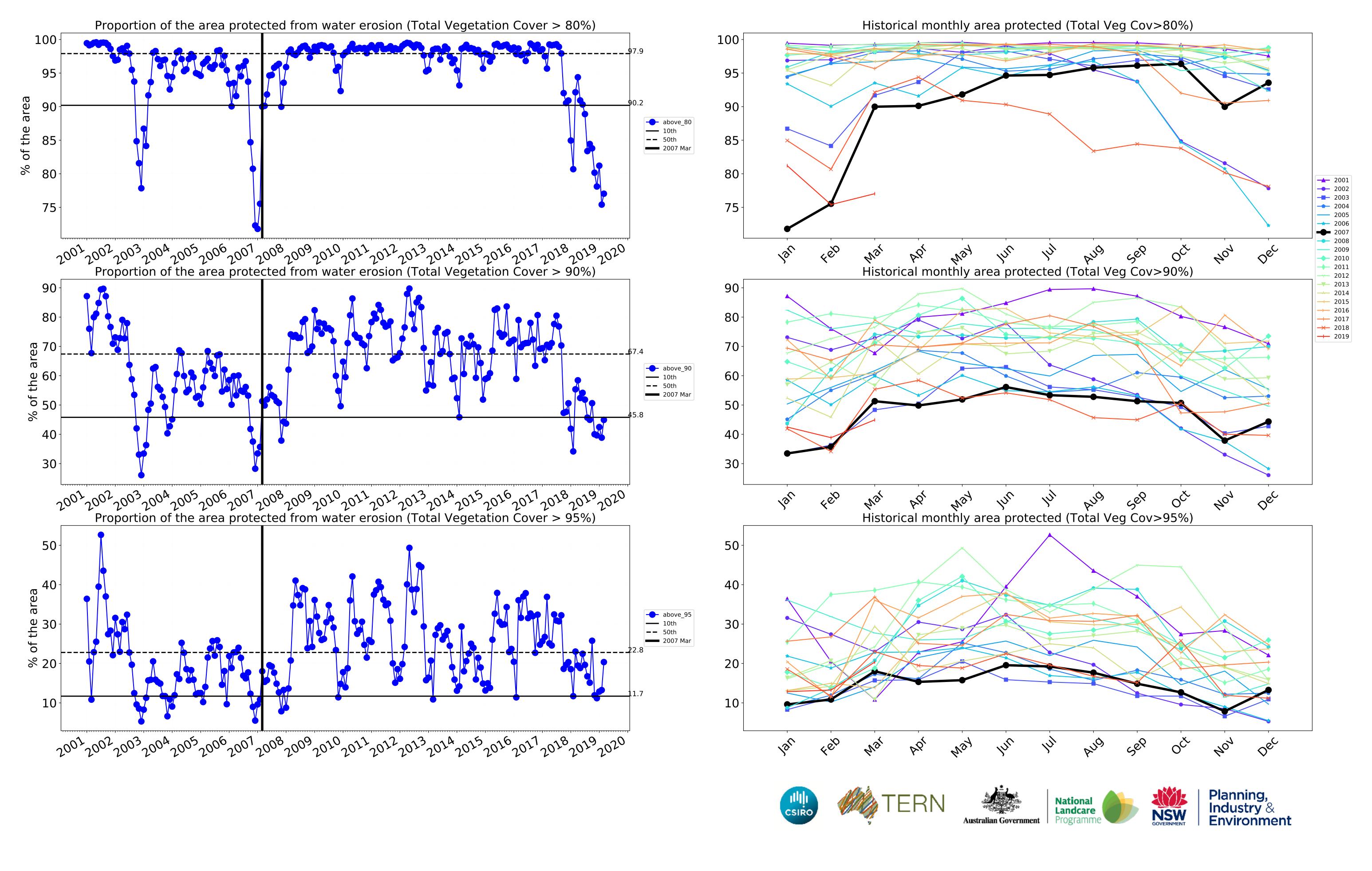




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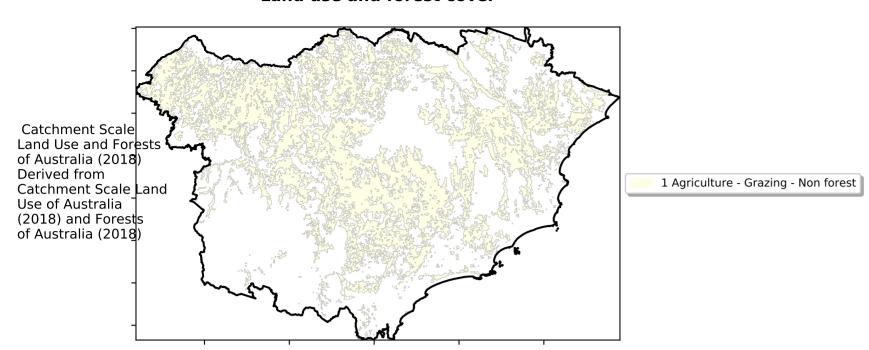




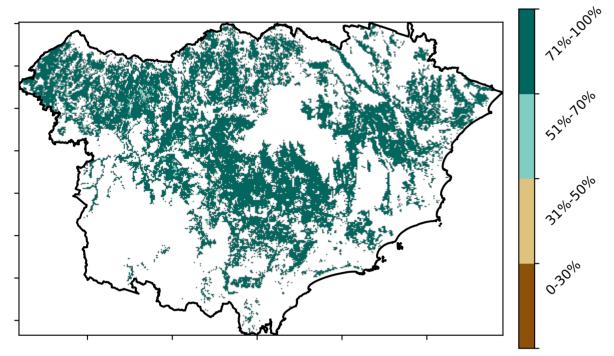


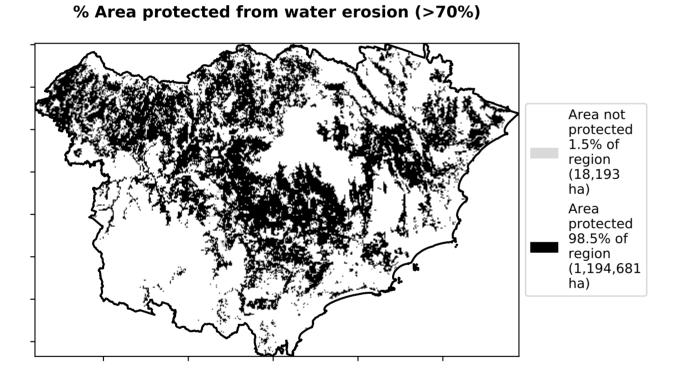
# **Grazing non forest**

# Land use and forest cover

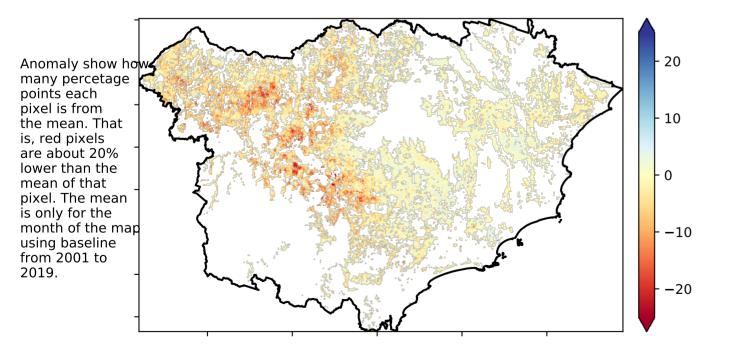


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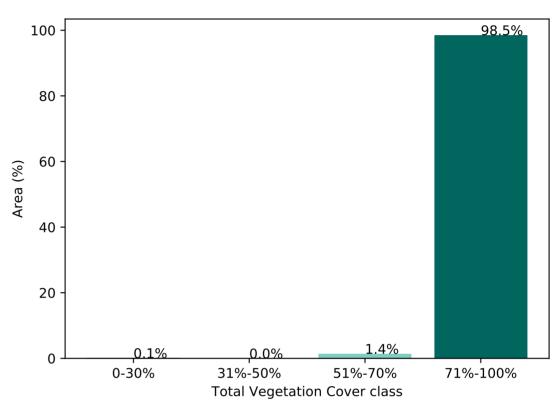


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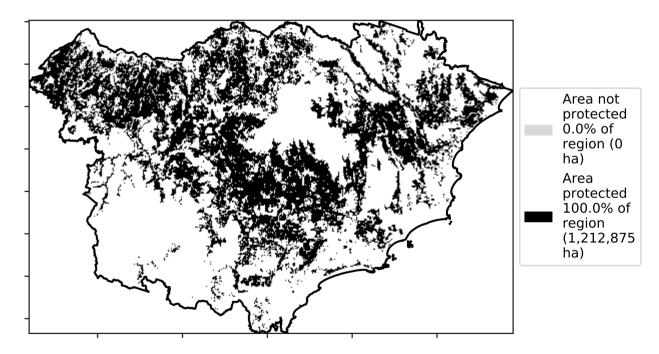


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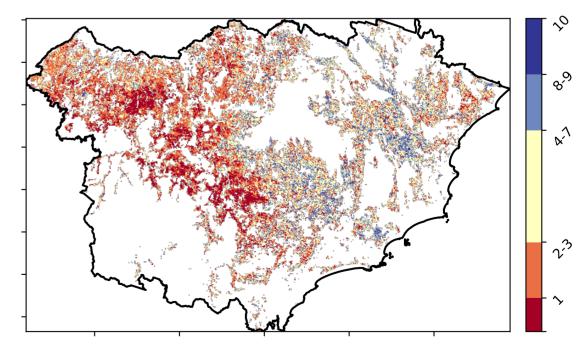
# **Proportion of vegetation cover class in area**



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



# Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]







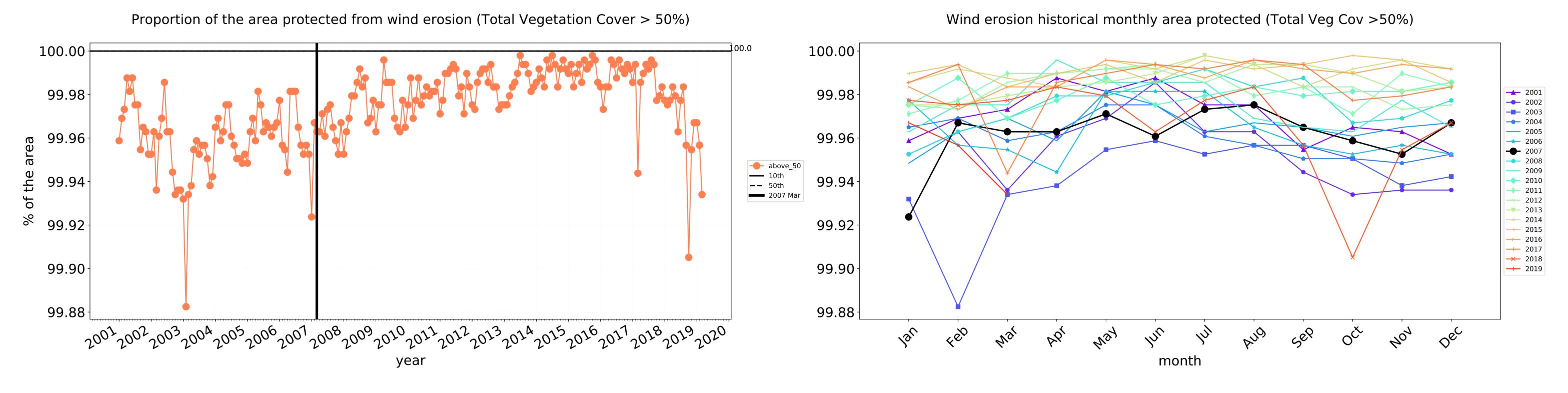


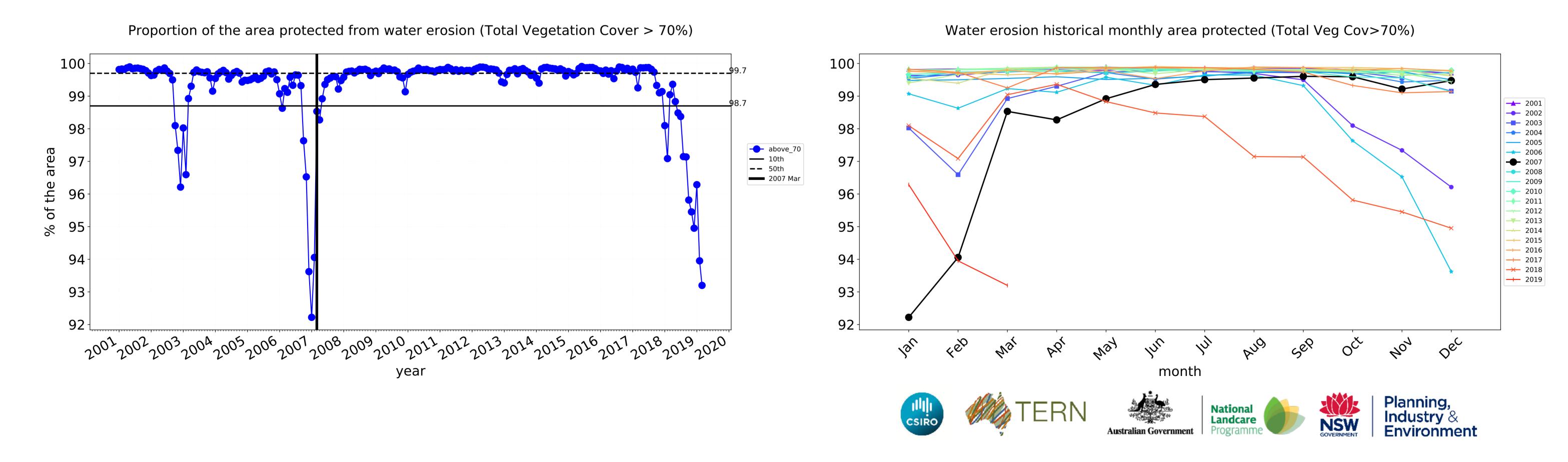


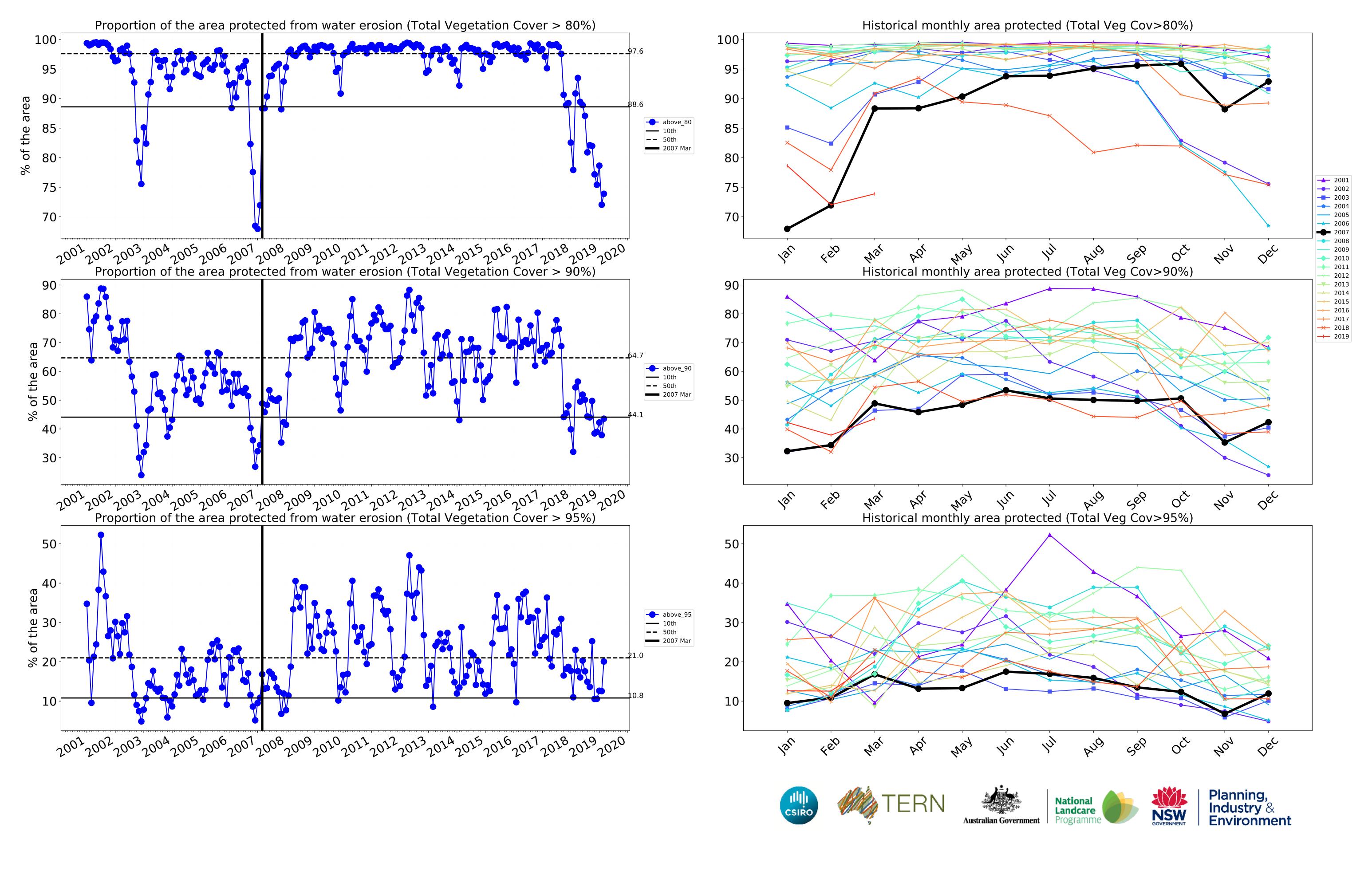




# **Grazing non forest timeseries**





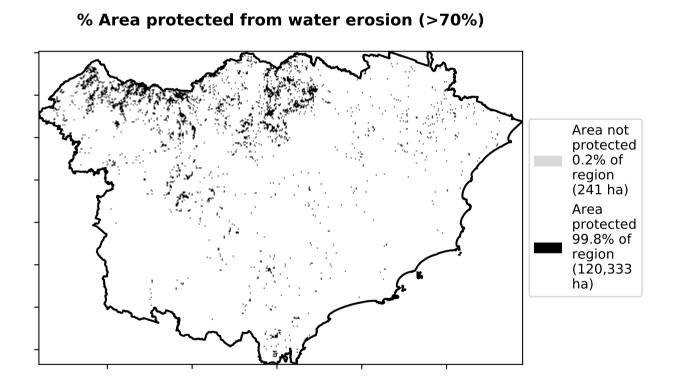


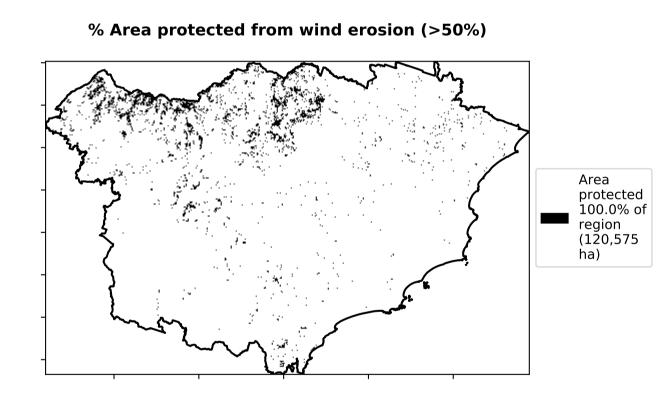
# **Grazing Woodland forest**

# **Land use and forest cover** Catchment Scale Land Use and Forests of Australia (2018) Derived from 1 Agriculture - Grazing - Woodland forest Catchment Scale Land Use of Australia (2018) and Forests of Australia (2018)

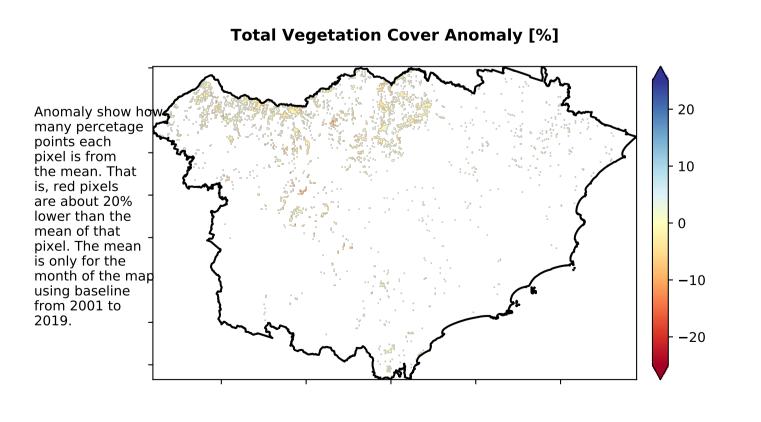
# **Total Vegetation Cover [%]**

# 99.8% 100 80 Area (%) 40 20 -0.2% 0-30% 31%-50% 51%-70% 71%-100% **Total Vegetation Cover class**

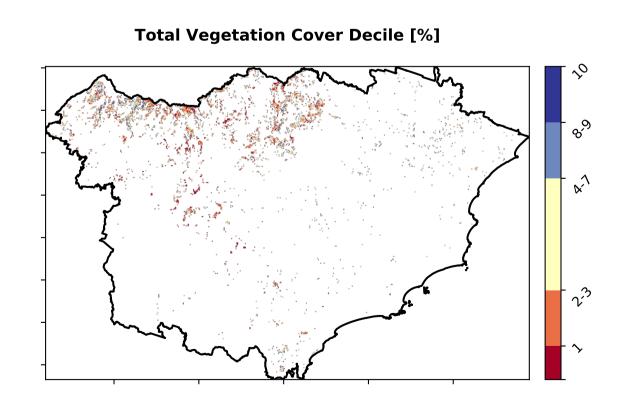




**Proportion of vegetation cover class in area** 



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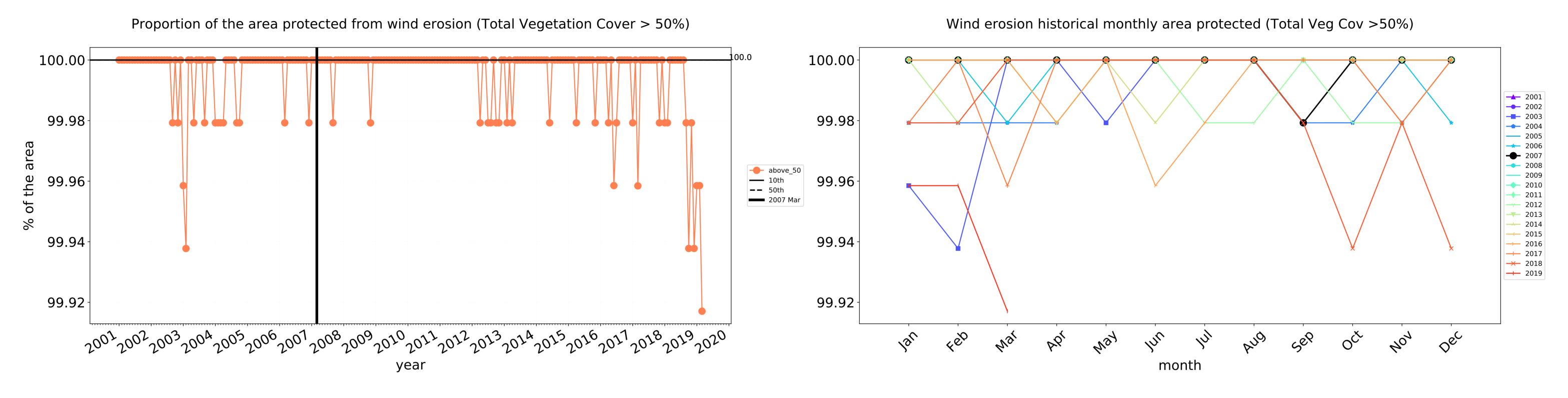


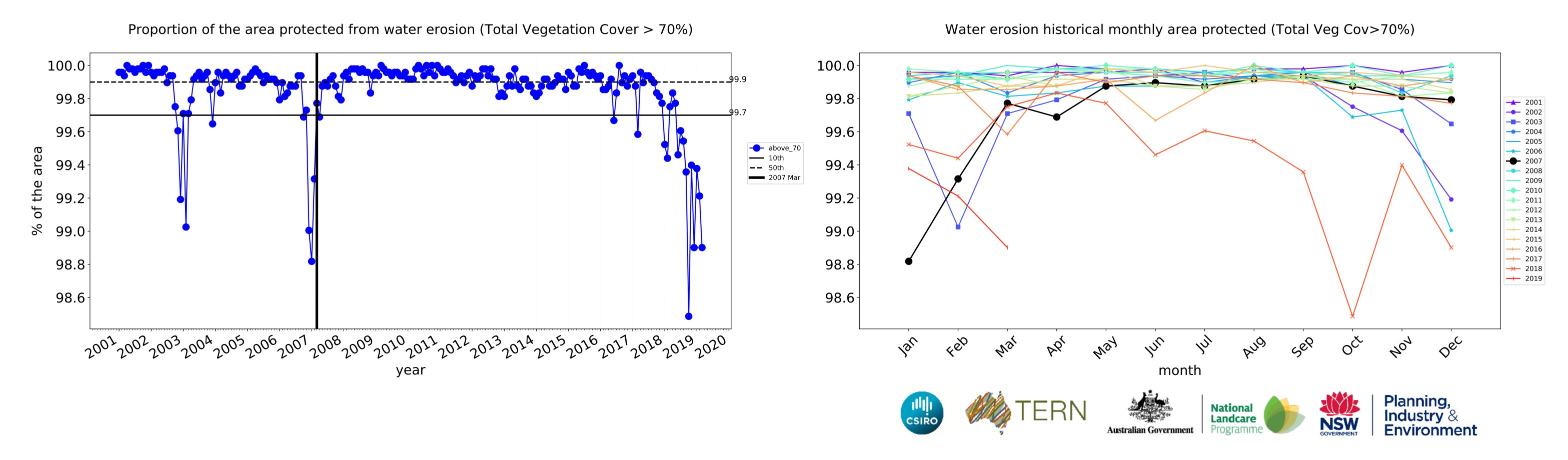


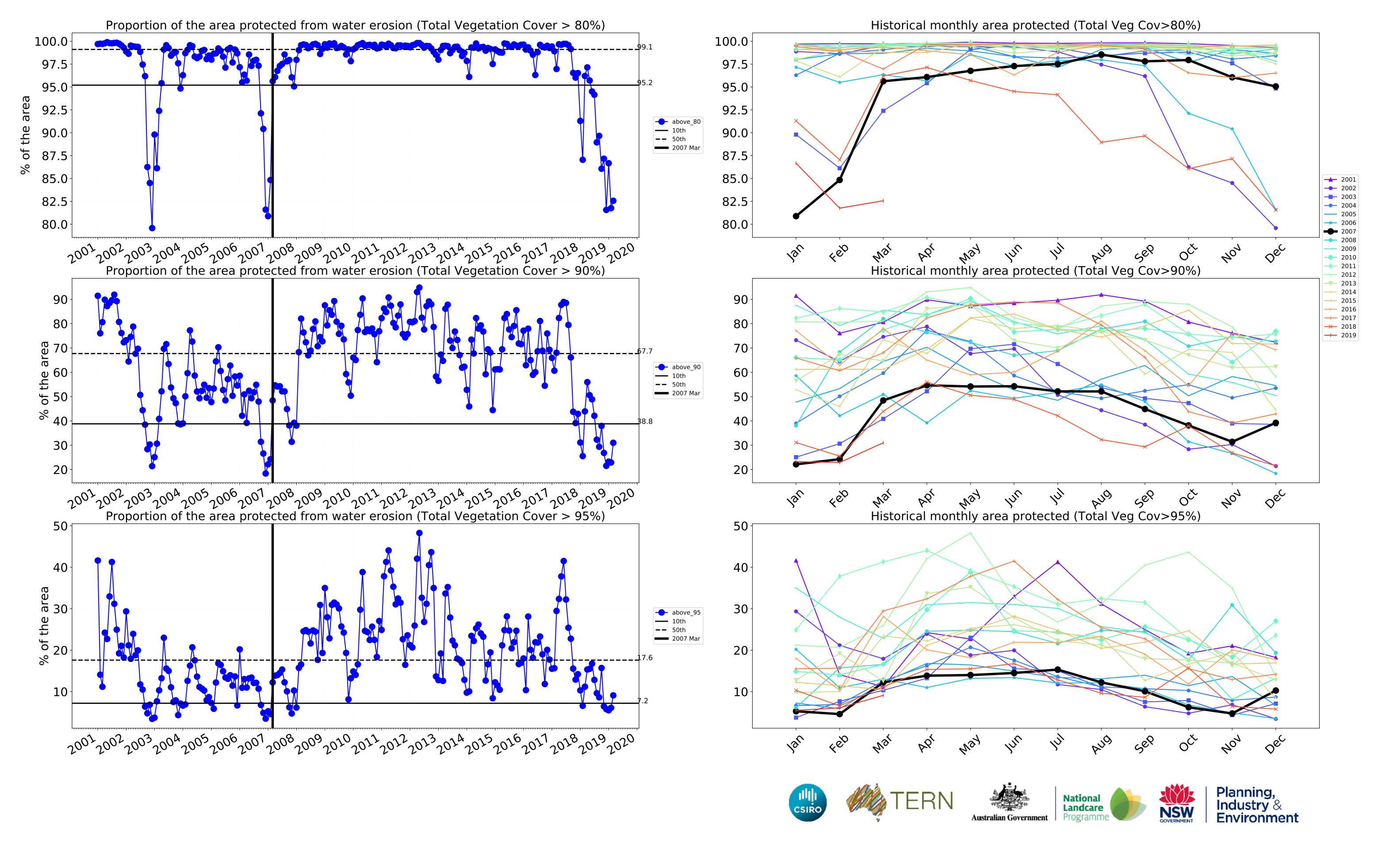




# **Grazing Woodland forest timeseries**



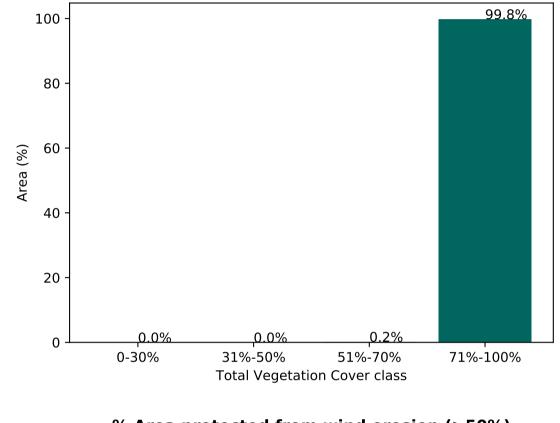




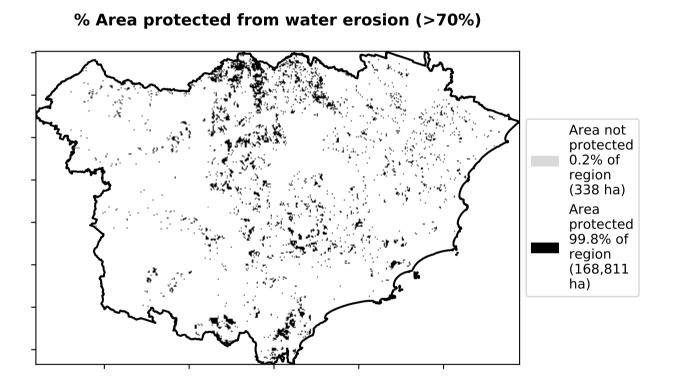
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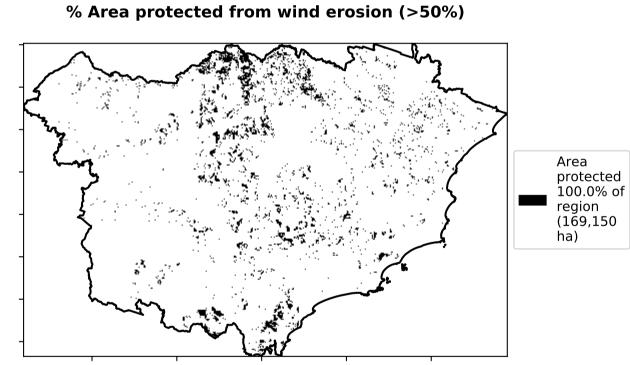
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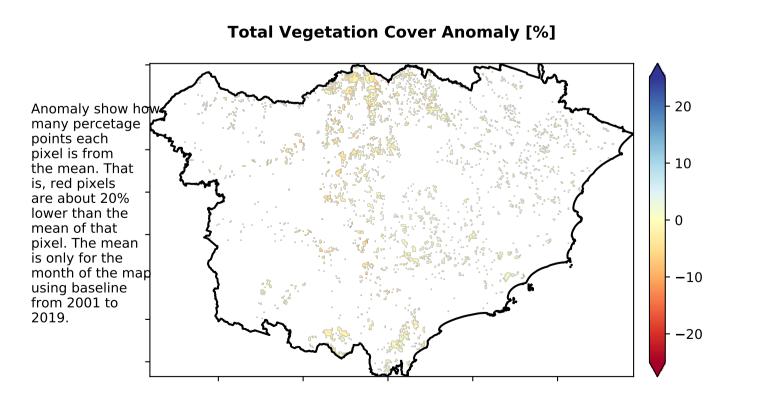
# **Total Vegetation Cover [%]**



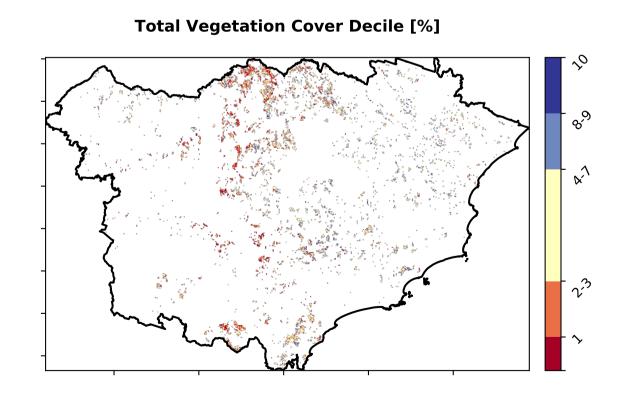
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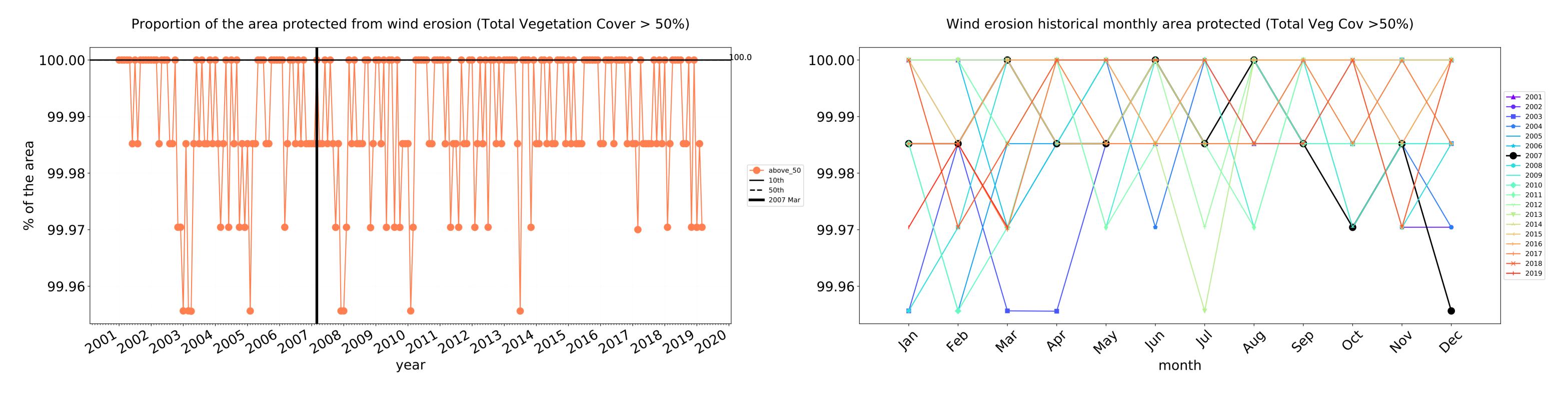


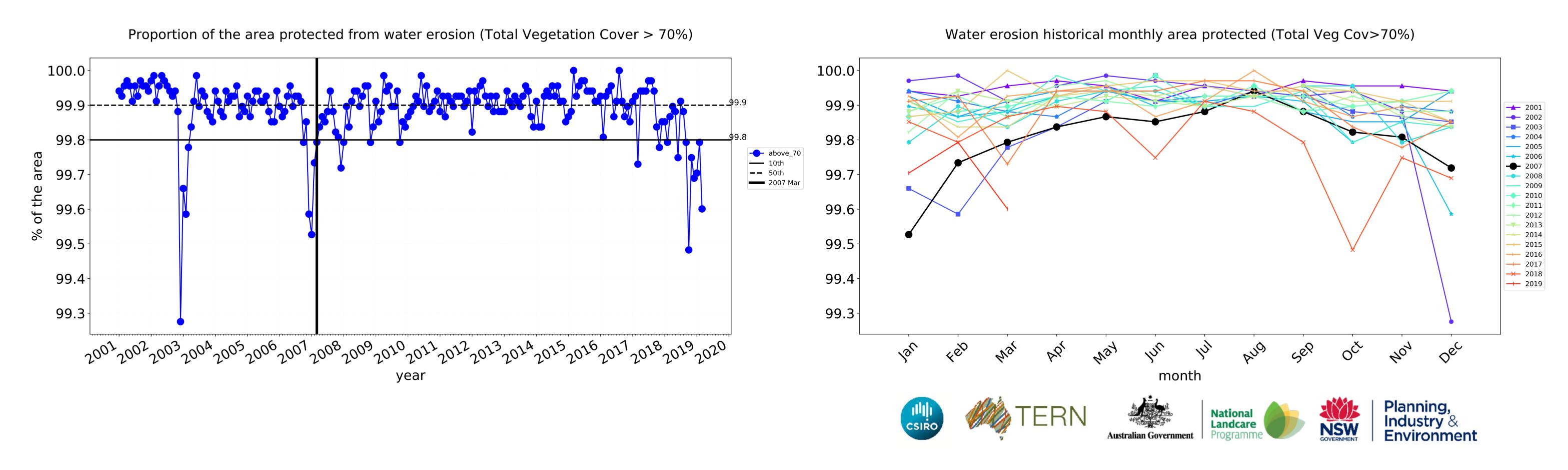


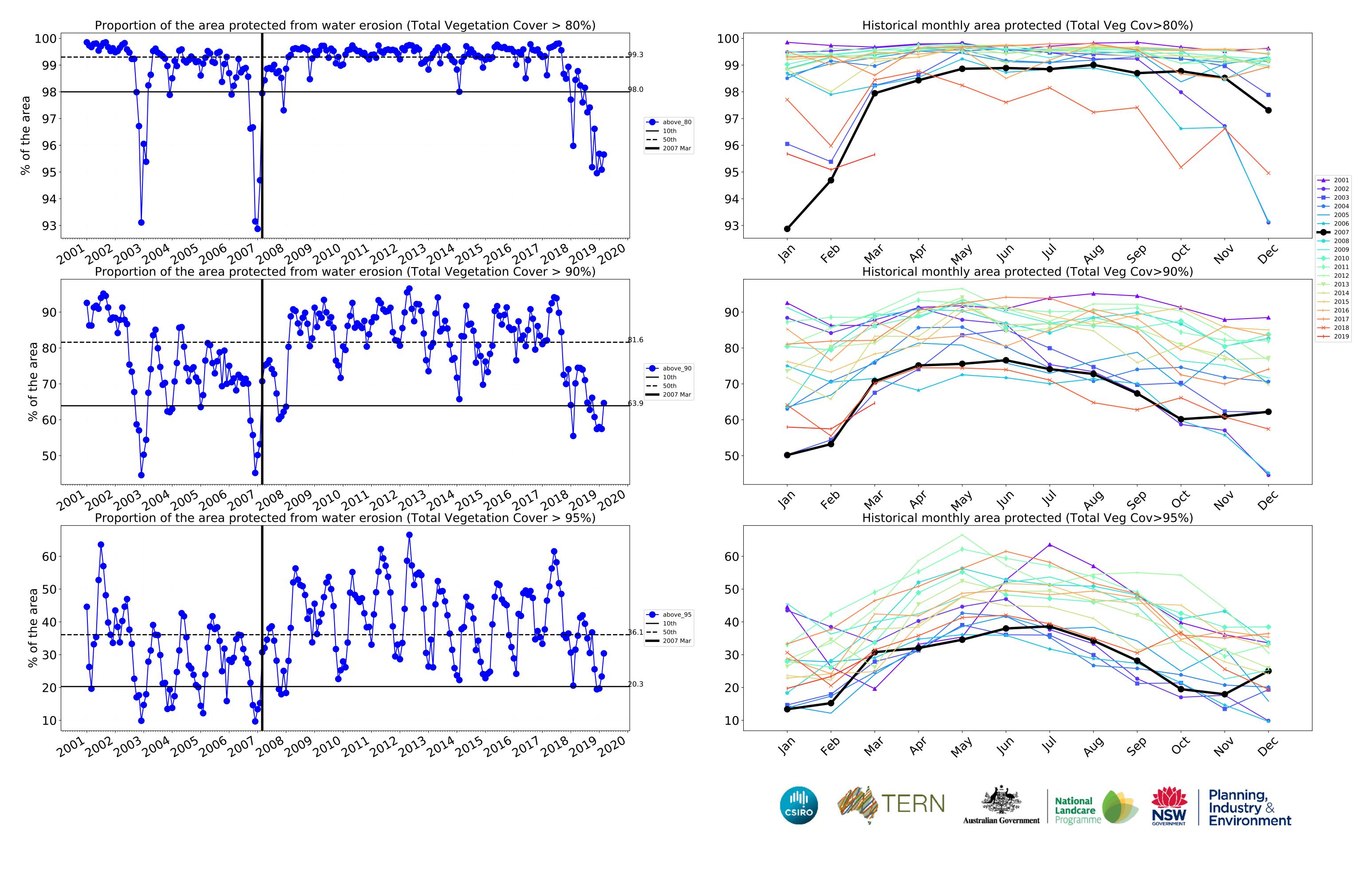






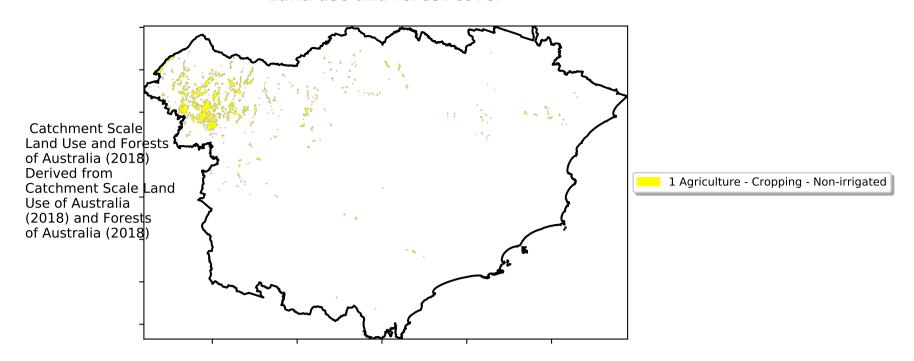




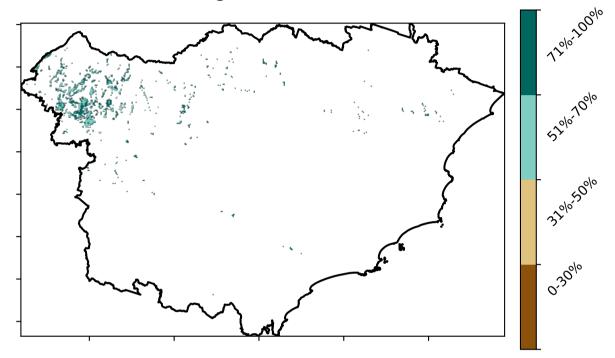


# **Cropping**

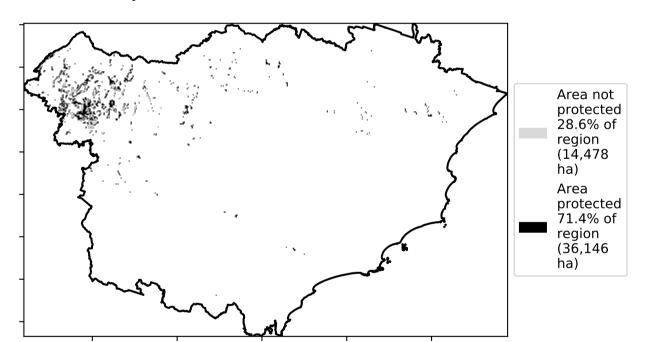
# Land use and forest cover



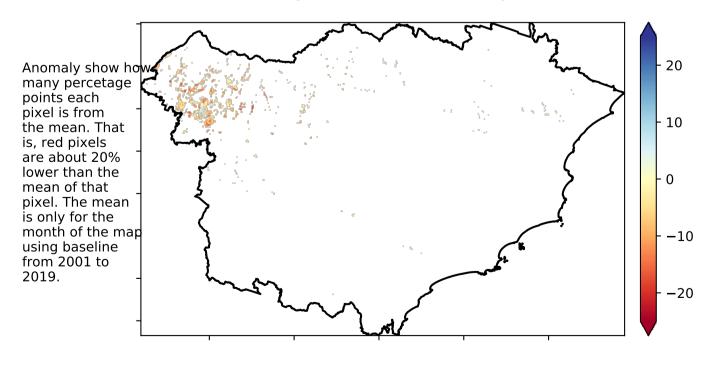
# Total Vegetation Cover [%]



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

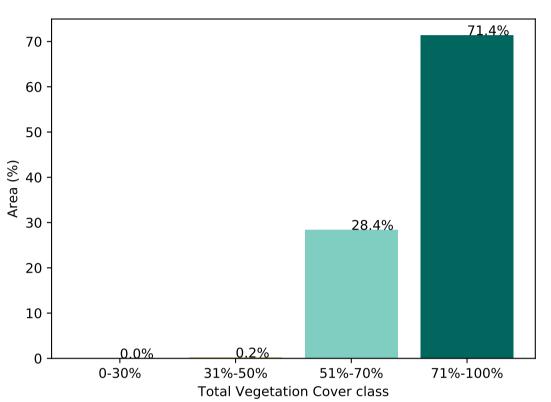


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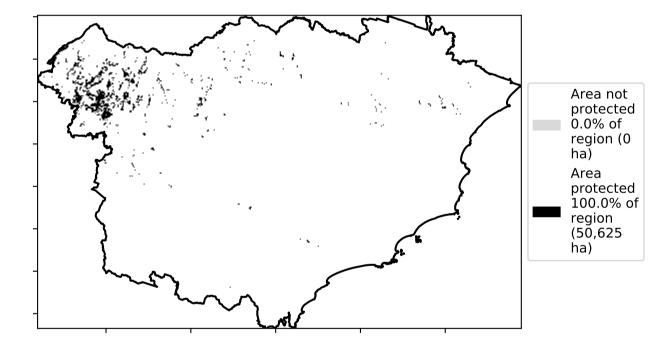


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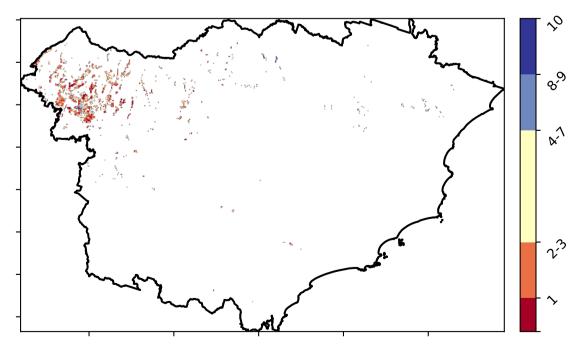
# **Proportion of vegetation cover class in area**



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



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







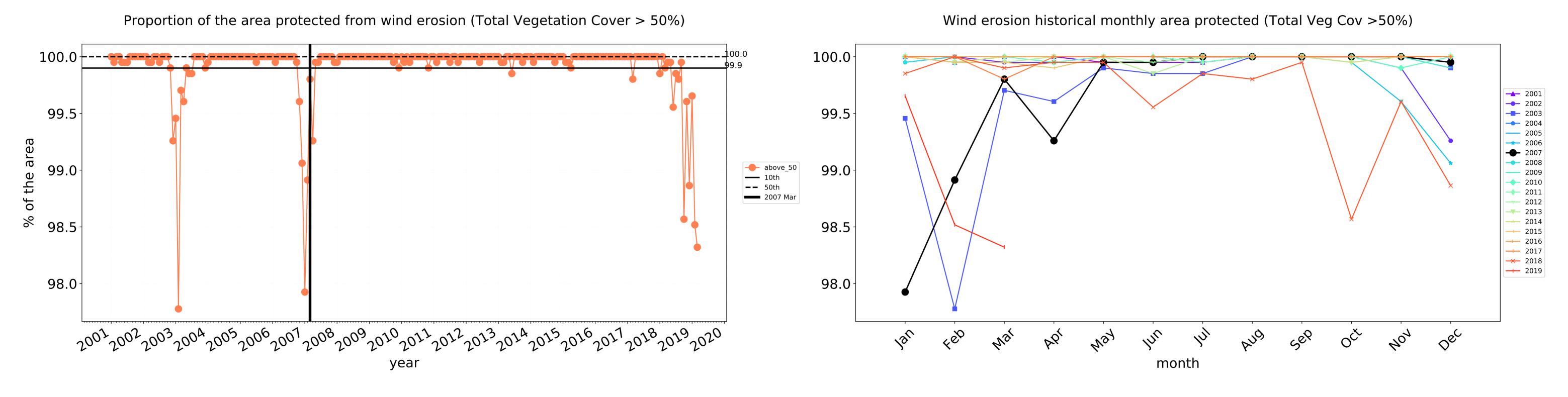


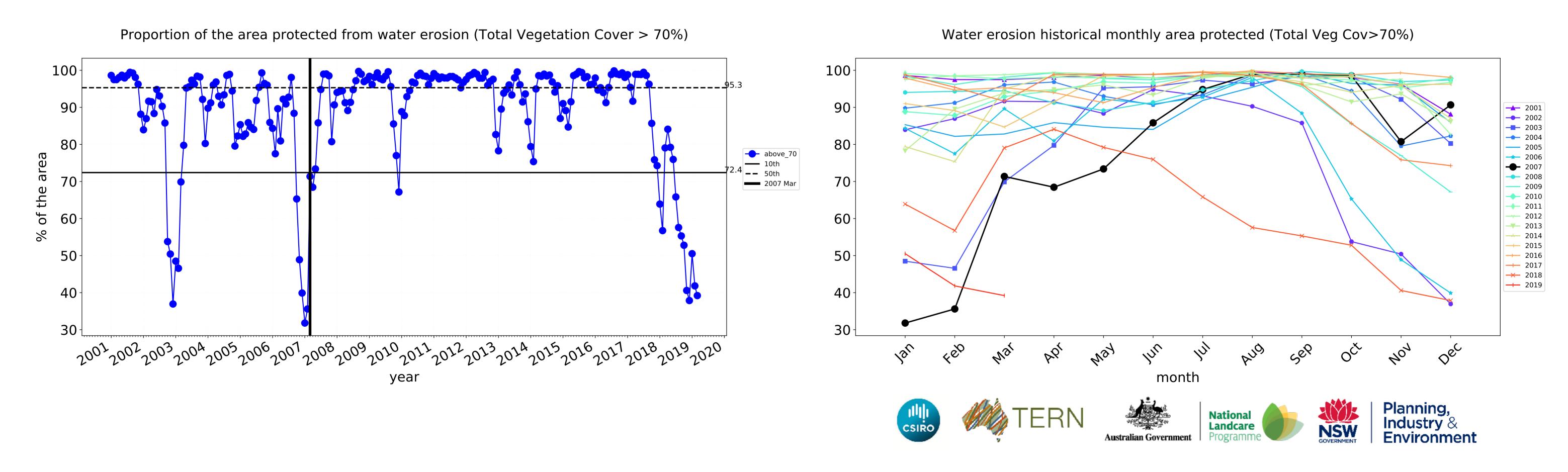


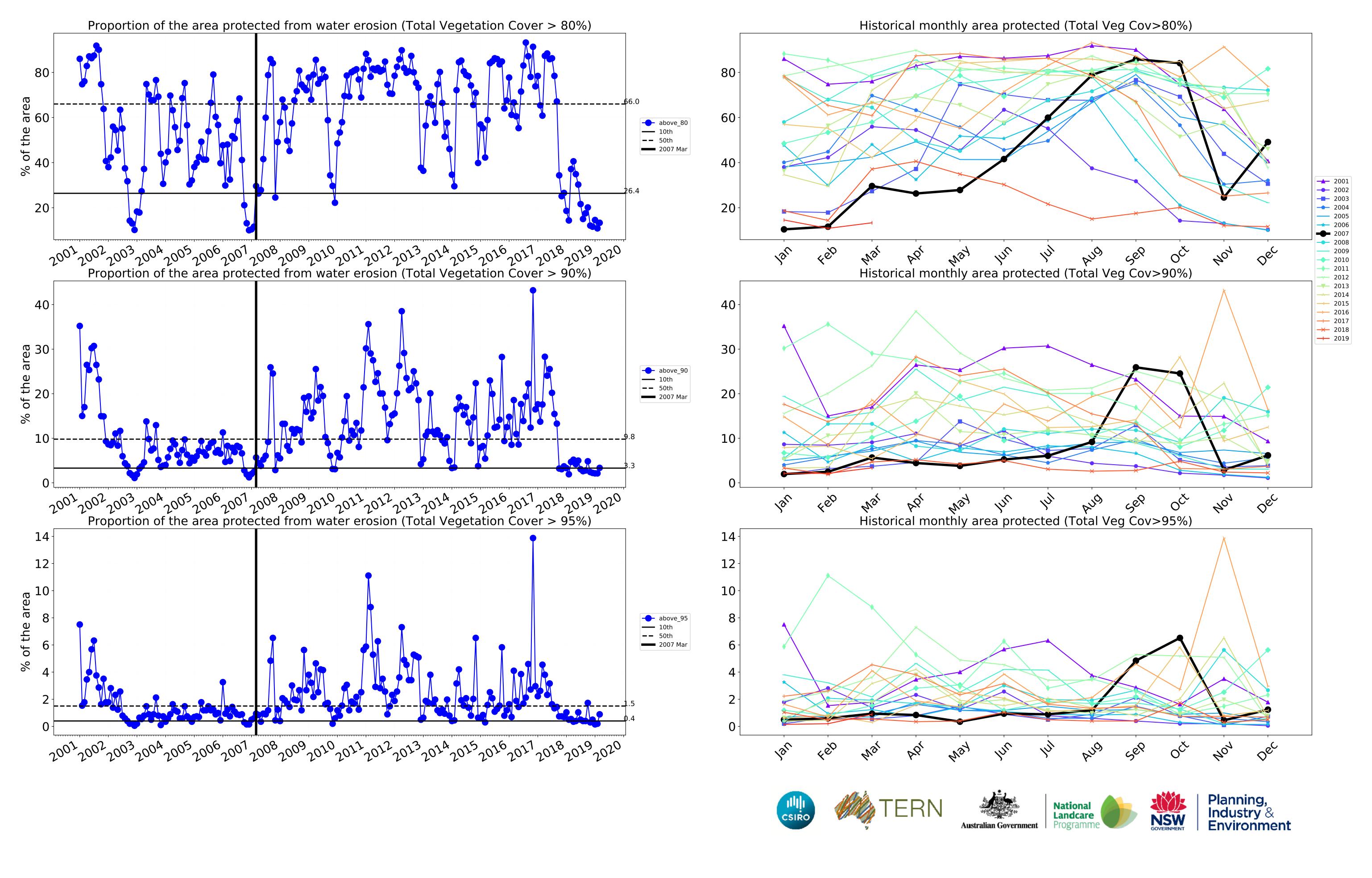




# **Cropping timeseries**





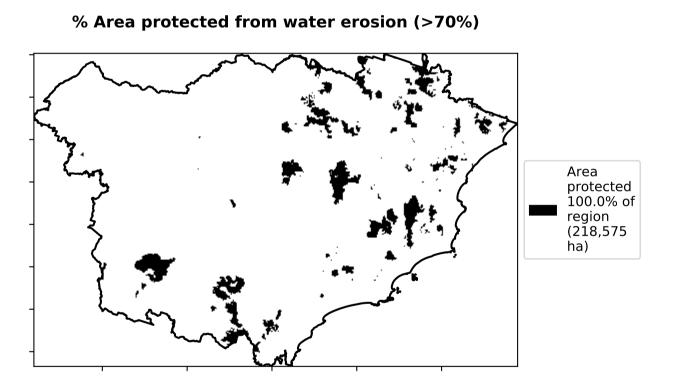


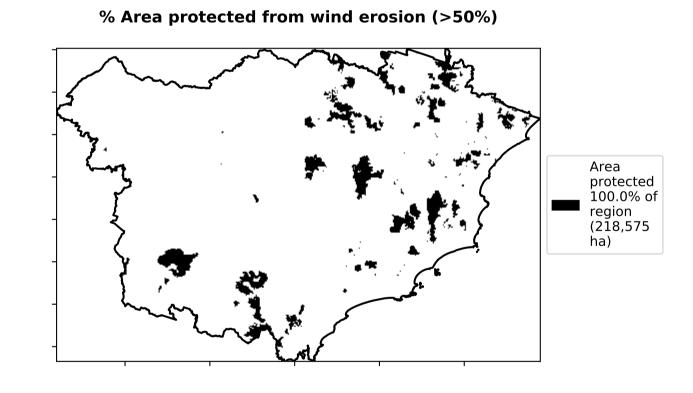
# **Production native forests and plantation forests**

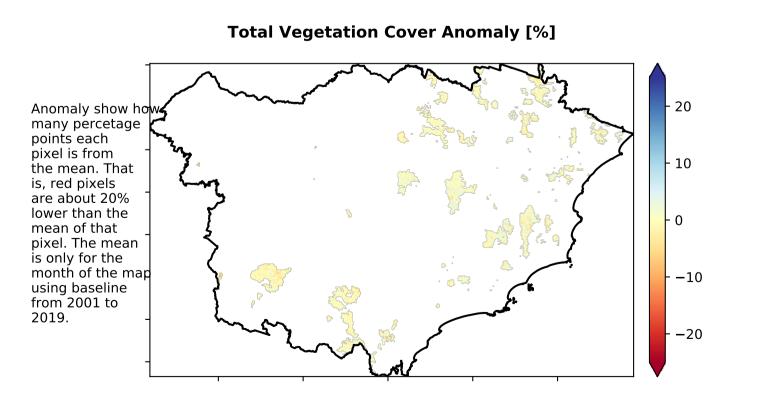
# Catchment Scale Land Use and Forests of Australia (2018) Derived from Catchment Scale Use of Australia (2018) and Forests of Australia (2018) I Production native forests and plantation forests of Australia (2018)

# Total Vegetation Cover [%]

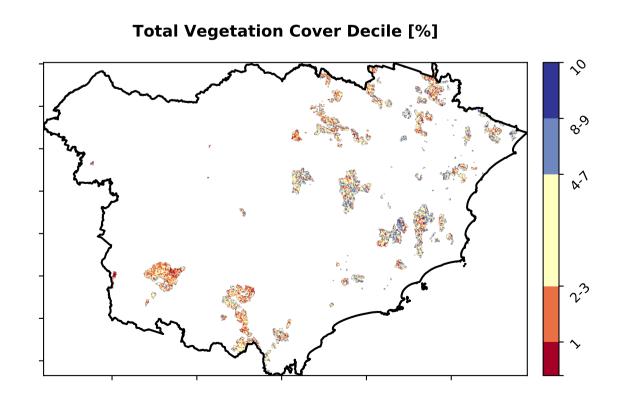
# Proportion of vegetation cover class in area 100 - 100.0% 80 - 20 - 20 - 0.0% 0.0% 0.0% 0.0% Total Vegetation Cover class







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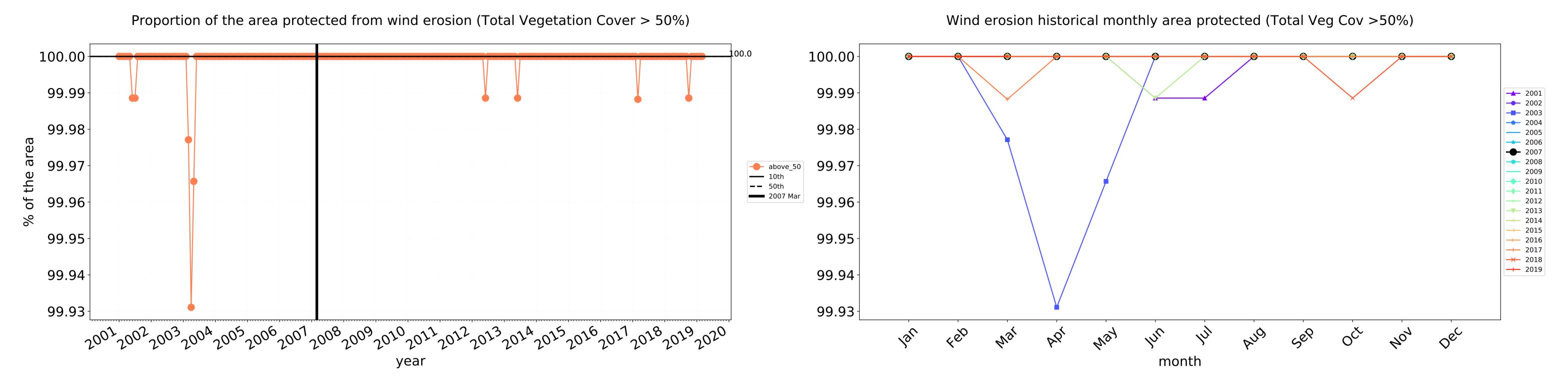


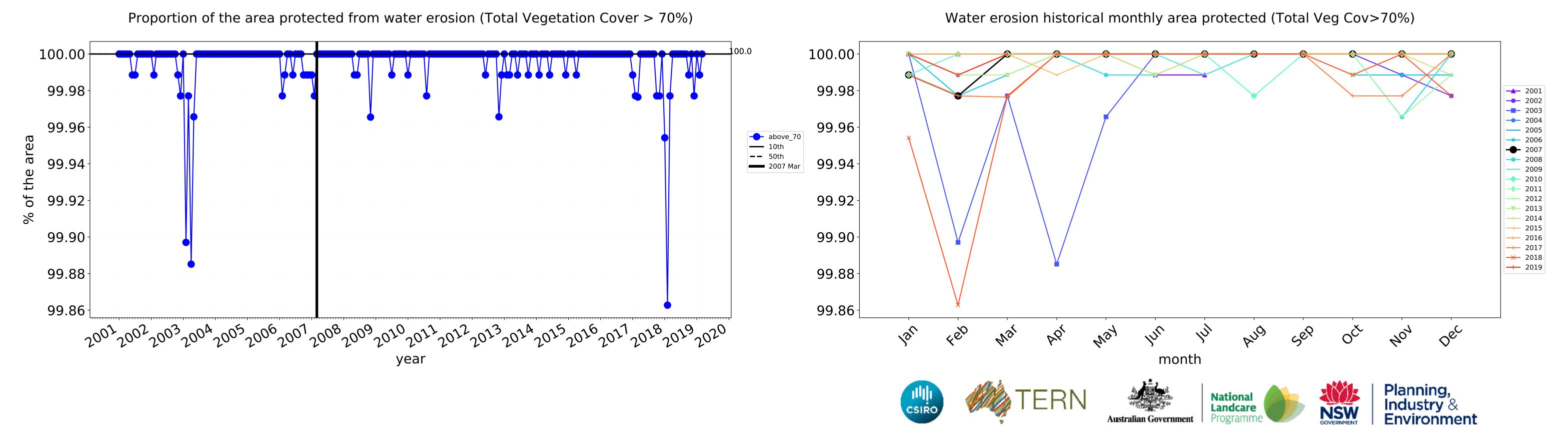


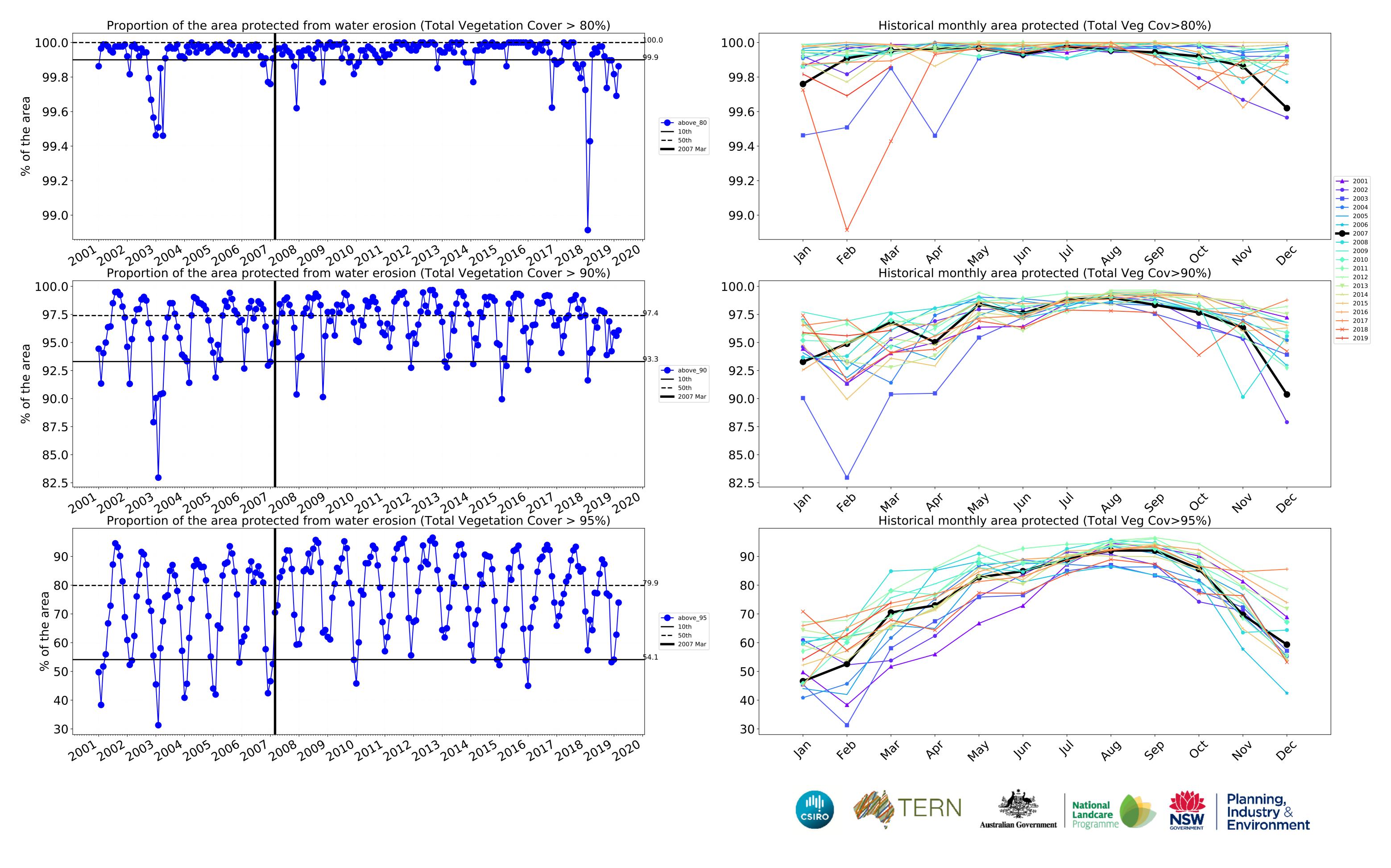




# **Production native forests and plantation forests timeseries**







# Hunter (3,240,000 ha and no data 60,425 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	3,240,000	99.9% 3,237,575	99.6% 3,228,301	97.6% 3,163,662	91.1% 2,950,299	64.7% 2,095,469	30.7% 993,081
Conservation and natural environments	1,241,200	99.9% 1,239,875	99.8% 1,238,775	99.7% 1,236,975	99.1% 1,230,600	85.8% 1,064,350	44.9% 557,450
Conservation and natural environments non forest	30,075	95.8% 28,800	93.2% 28,025	90.1% 27,100	84.6% 25,450	63.8% 19,200	29.0% 8,725
Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest	138,750	100.0% 138,750	100.0% 138,700	99.9% 138,600	98.9% 137,225	75.3% 104,450	27.9% 38,650
natural environments Forest (non woodland)	1,072,375	100.0% 1,072,325	100.0% 1,072,050	99.9% 1,071,275	99.6% 1,067,925	87.7% 940,700	47.6% 510,075
Agriculture	1,580,600	100.0% 1,580,525	100.0% 1,580,050	97.9% 1,546,925	87.6% 1,384,125	49.1% 776,150	17.2% 271,550
Grazing	1,502,600	100.0% 1,502,525	100.0% 1,502,150	98.8% 1,484,175	90.0% 1,352,175	51.3% 770,775	18.0% 270,850
Grazing non forest	1,212,875	100.0% 1,212,800	100.0% 1,212,425	98.5% 1,195,075	88.3% 1,071,200	48.9% 592,775	16.8% 204,075
Grazing Woodland forest	120,575	100.0% 120,575	100.0% 120,575	99.8% 120,300	95.6% 115,300	48.4% 58,375	12.2% 14,750
Grazing - Forest (non woodland)	169,150	100.0% 169,150	100.0% 169,150	99.8% 168,800	97.9% 165,675	70.7% 119,625	30.8% 52,025
Cropping	50,625	100.0% 50,625	99.8% 50,525	71.4% 36,125	29.6% 15,000	5.7% 2,875	0.9% 475
Production native forests and plantation forests	218,575	100.0% 218,575	100.0% 218,575	100.0% 218,575	100.0% 218,475	96.8% 211,650	70.5% 154,075











