### **Total vegetation cover soil protection Region:NRM Riverina 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: February 2021

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

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

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

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

Erosion protection: Wind erosion 50% total vegetation cover

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

- Map: water erosion protection (>70% cover) percentage area and hectares.
- Map: wind erosion protection (>50% cover) percentage area and hectares.

Comparison with previous years:

- Map: anomaly comparing this month to the average cover from the same month in previous years.
- Map: deciles rank of month against the same month in previous years.

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

### **Erosion protection**

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

### Rainfall

• Millimetres rainfall each month (black line).

Each time series is also stacked by year. The black line shows the current year of data.

Water erosion protection for higher rainfall and steeper slopes:

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

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

### **Acknowledgment of data:**

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

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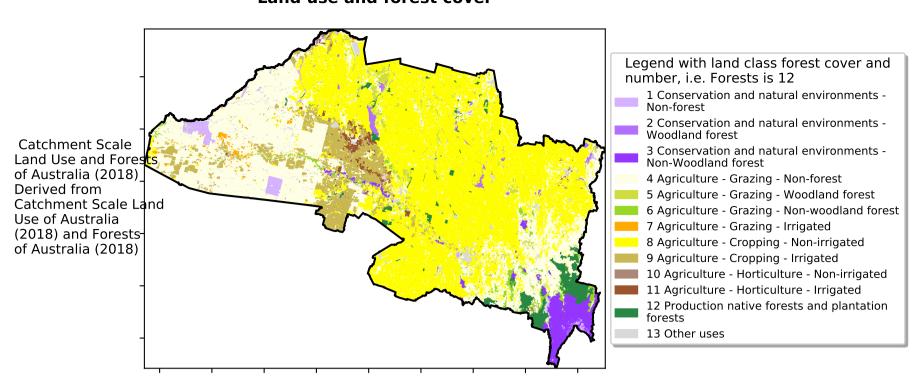




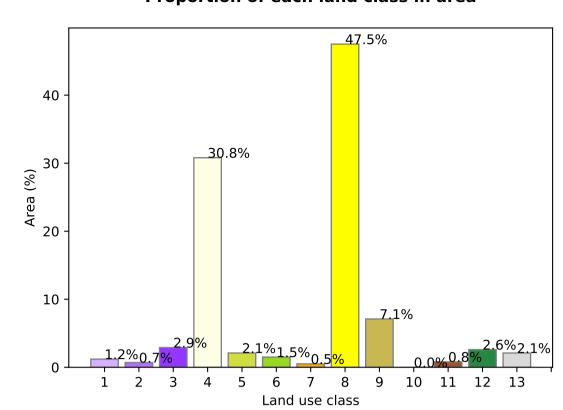


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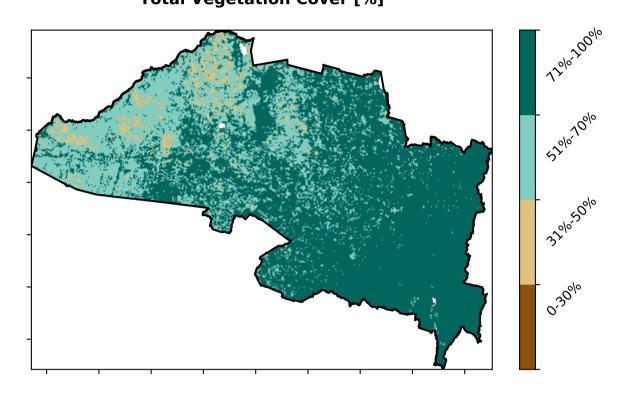
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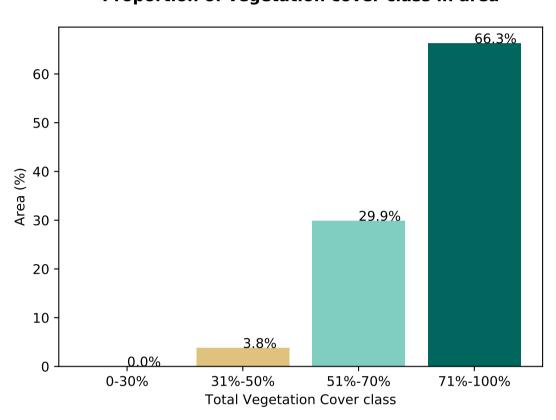
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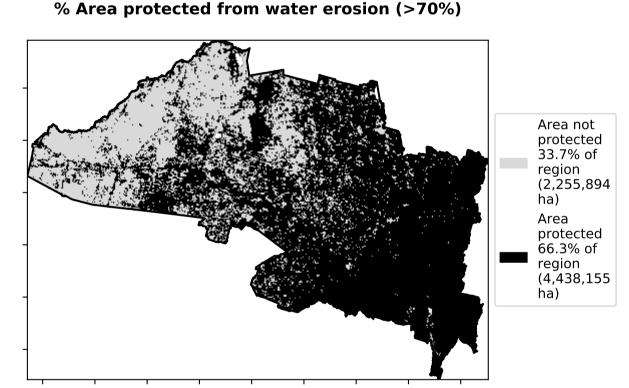
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Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



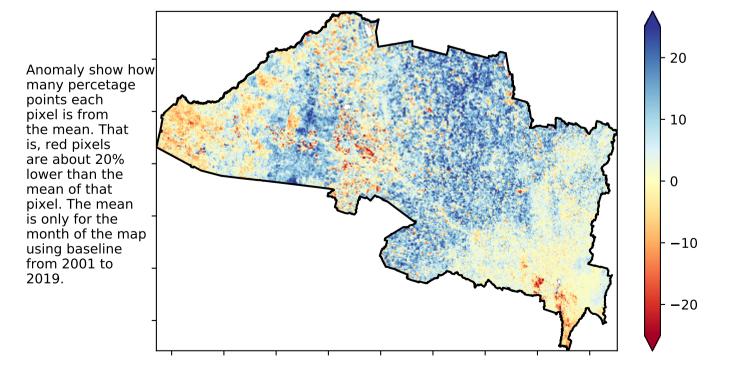
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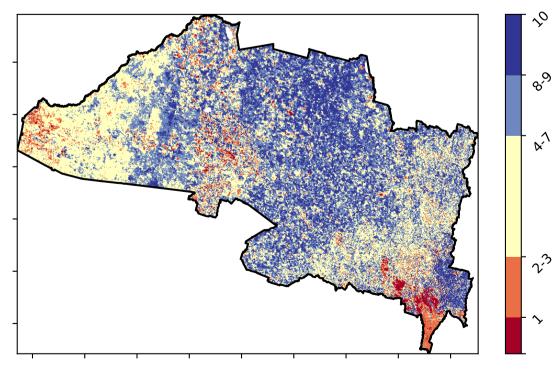


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### **Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]**

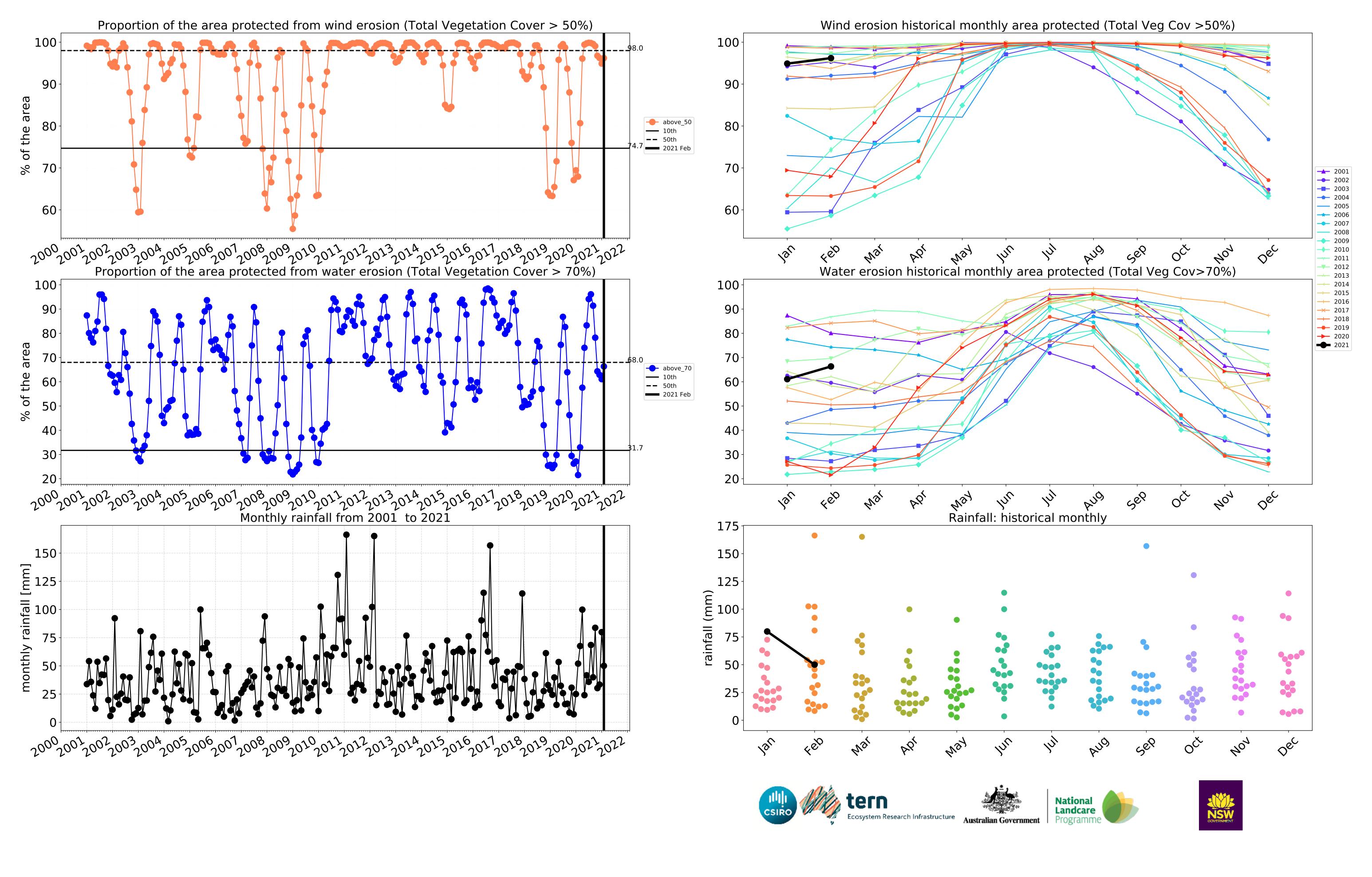




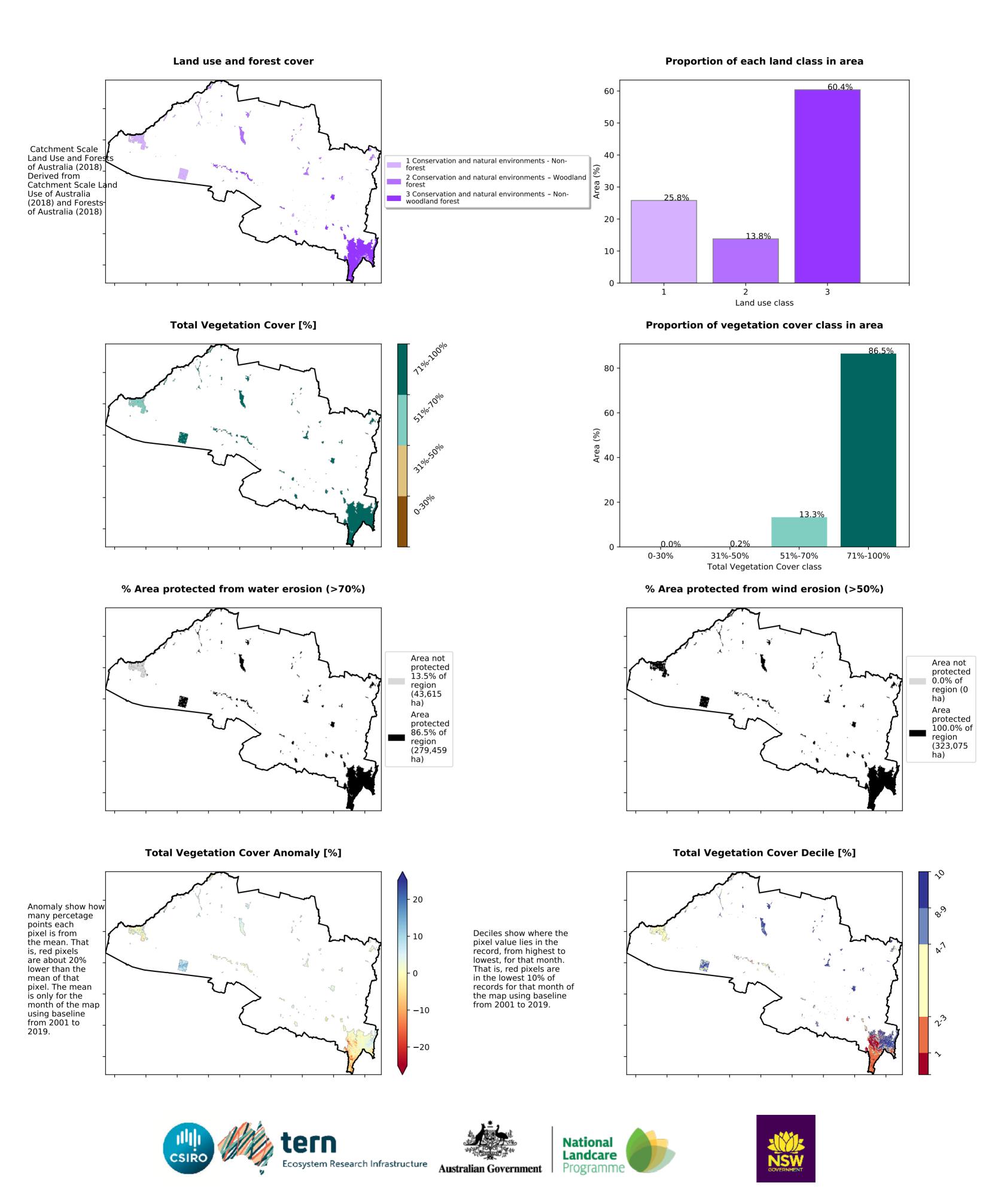




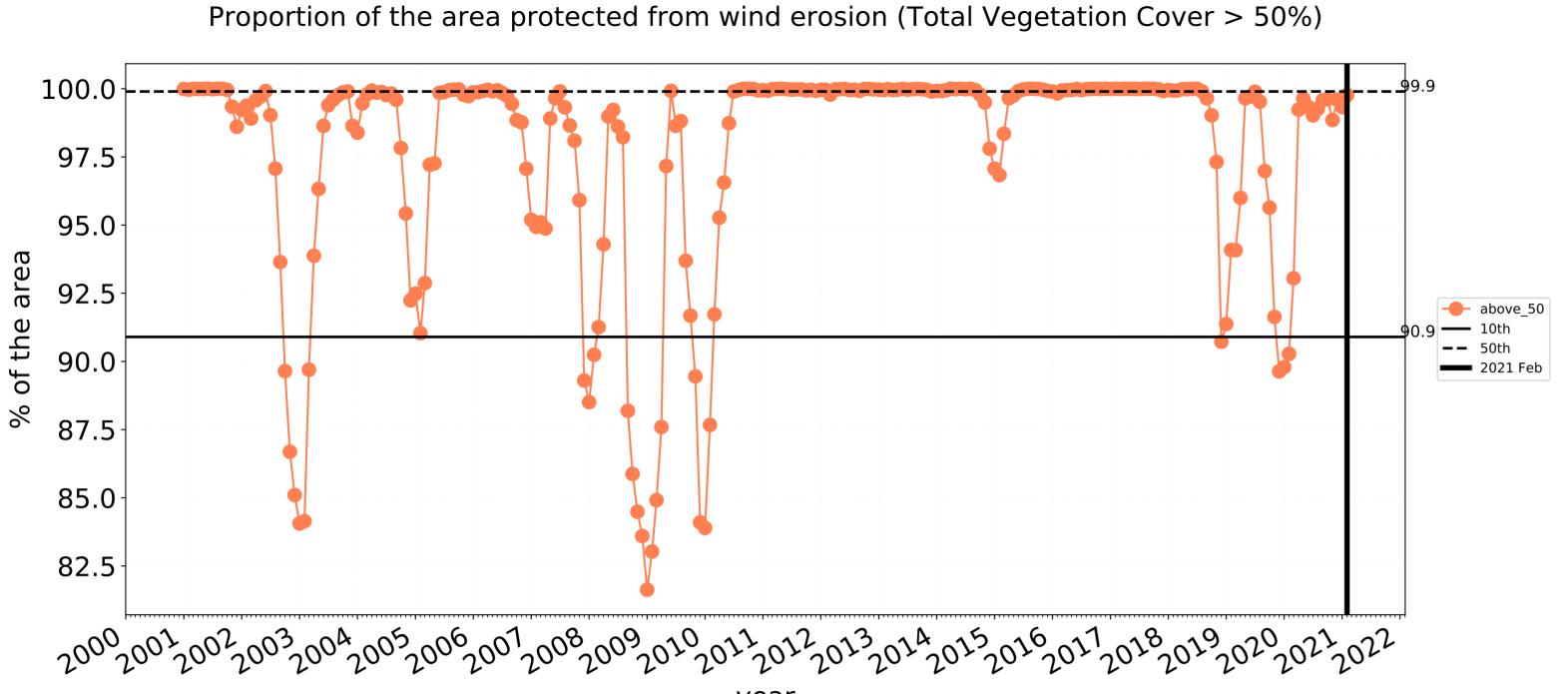




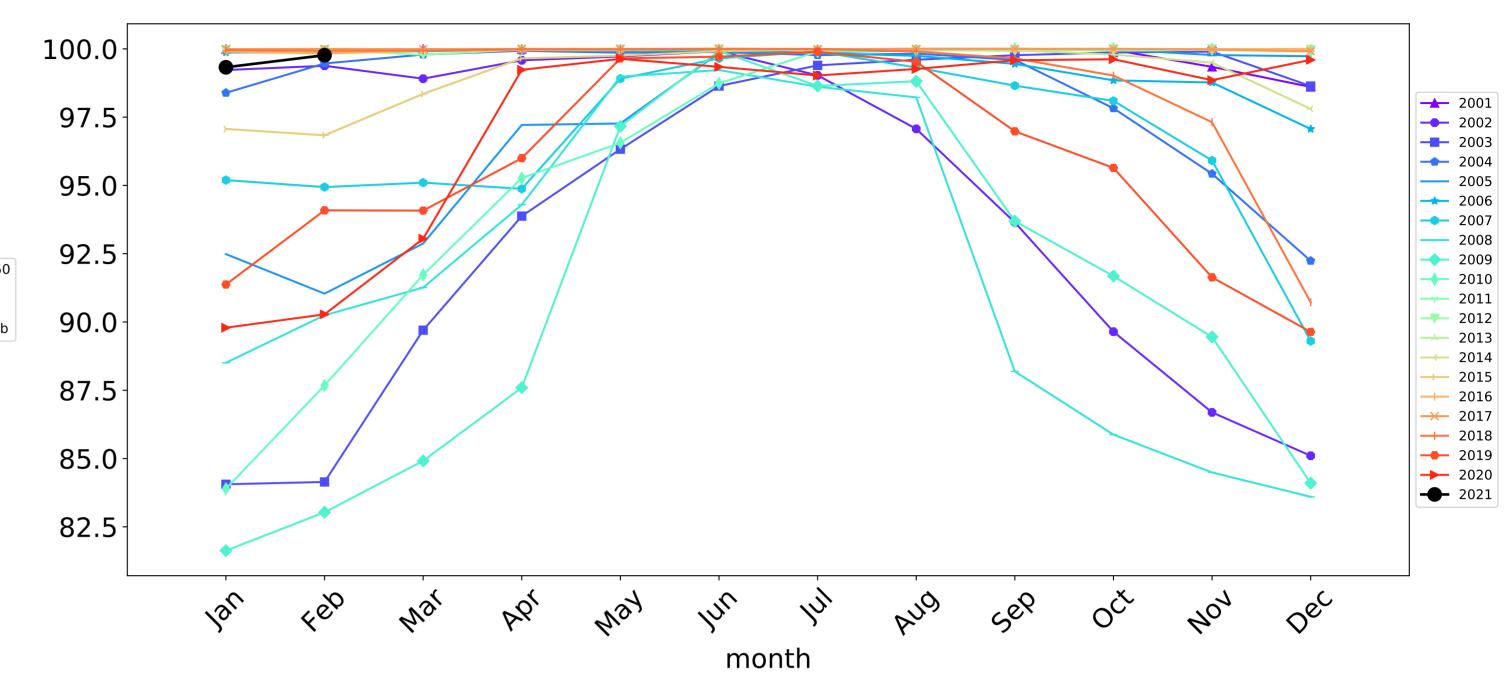
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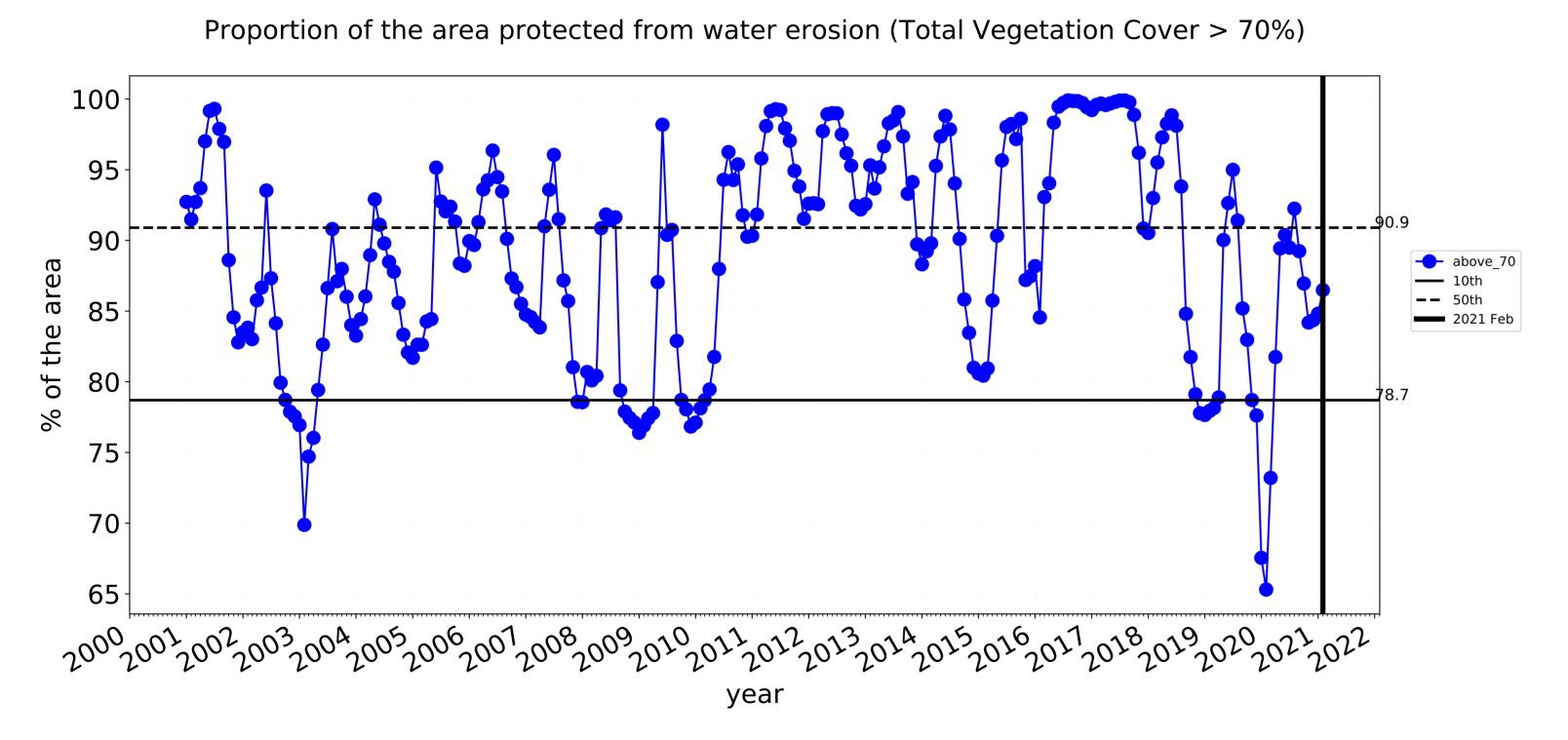


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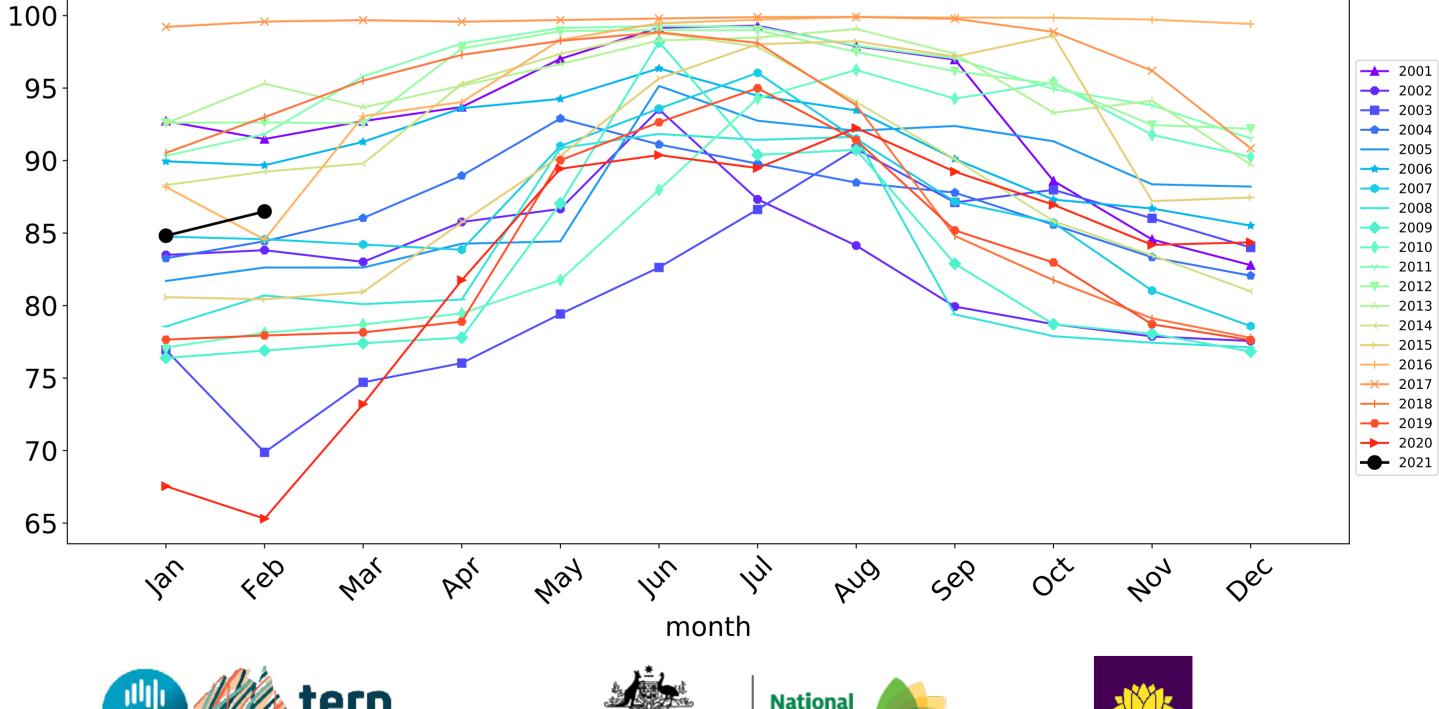








### Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)







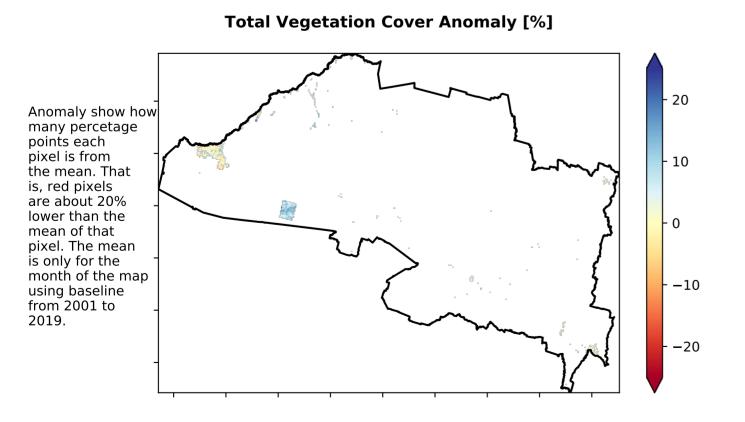


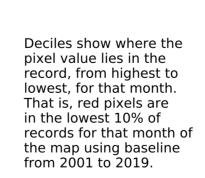
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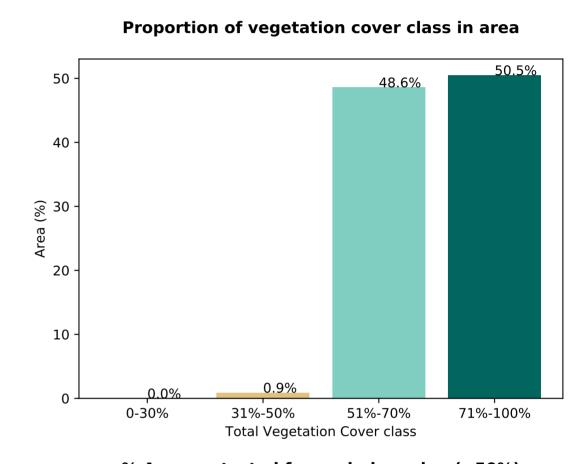
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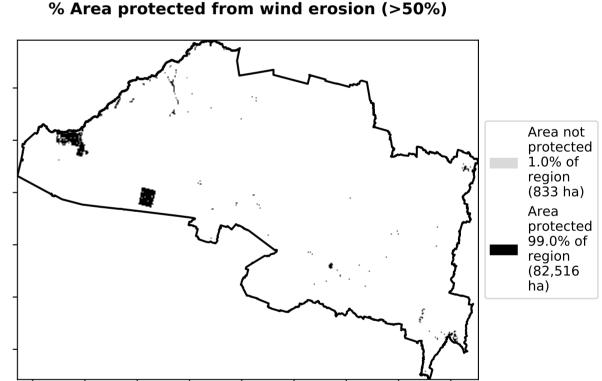
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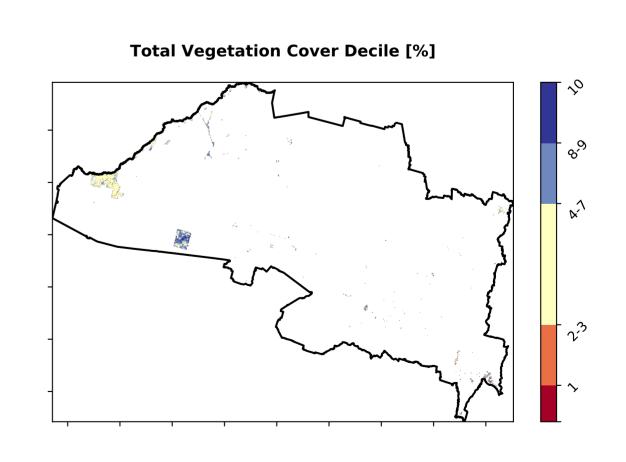
## % Area protected from water erosion (>70%) Area not protected 49.5% of region (41,258 ha) Area protected 50.5% of region (42,091 ha)











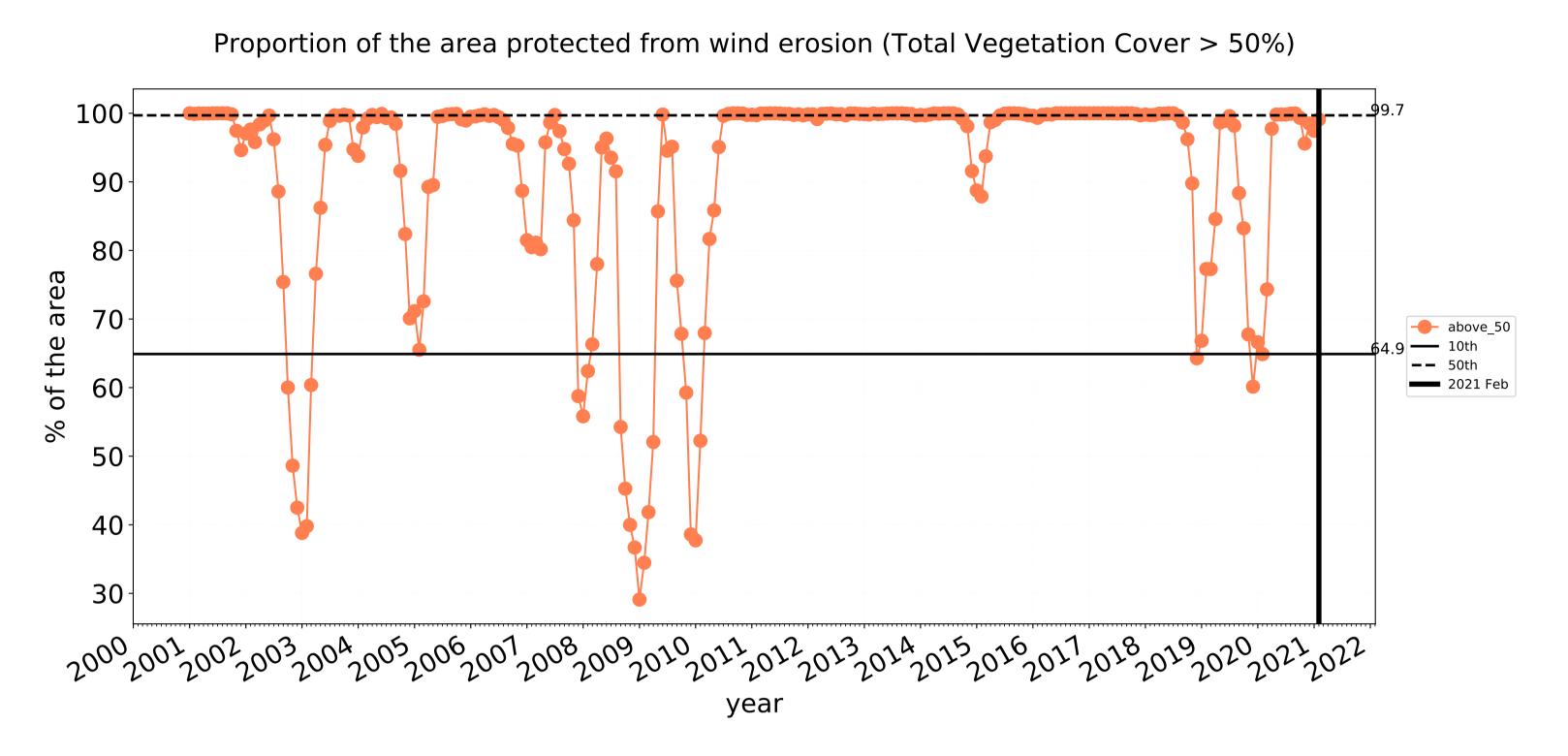


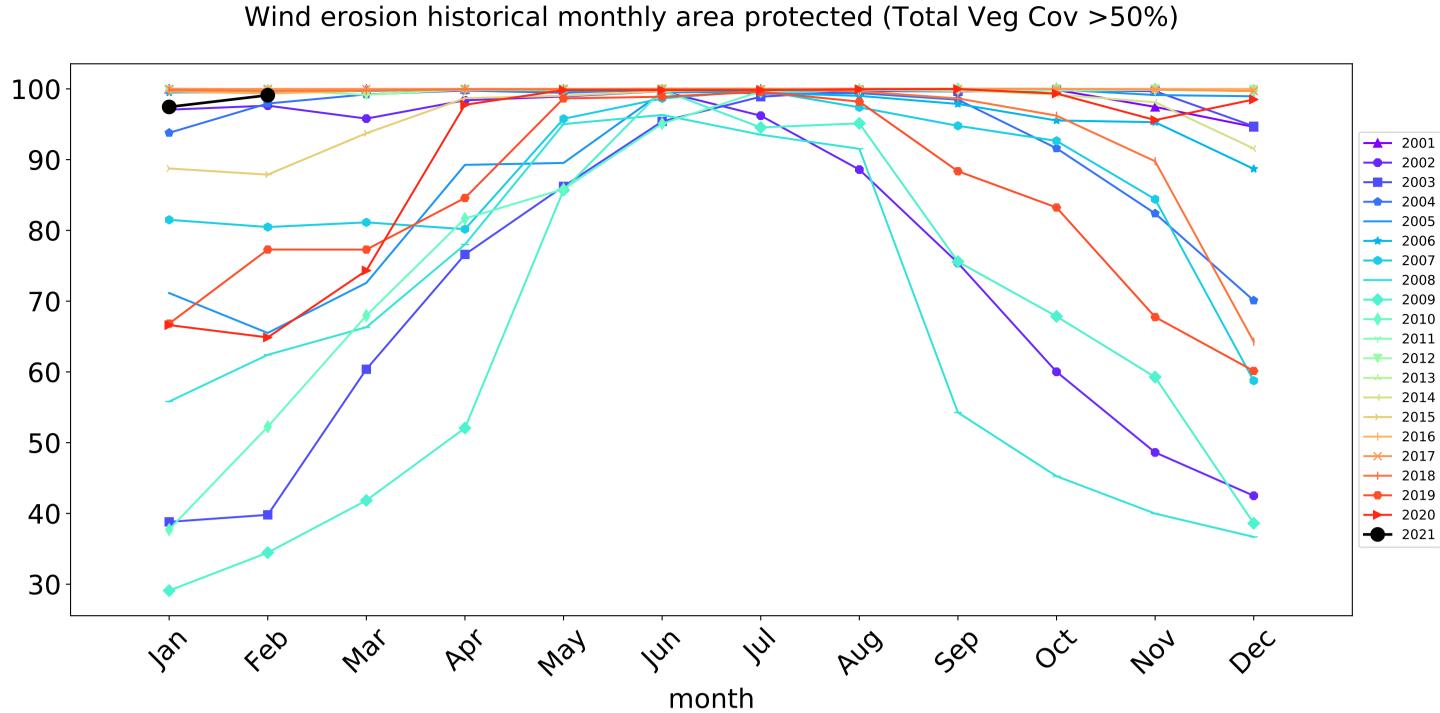


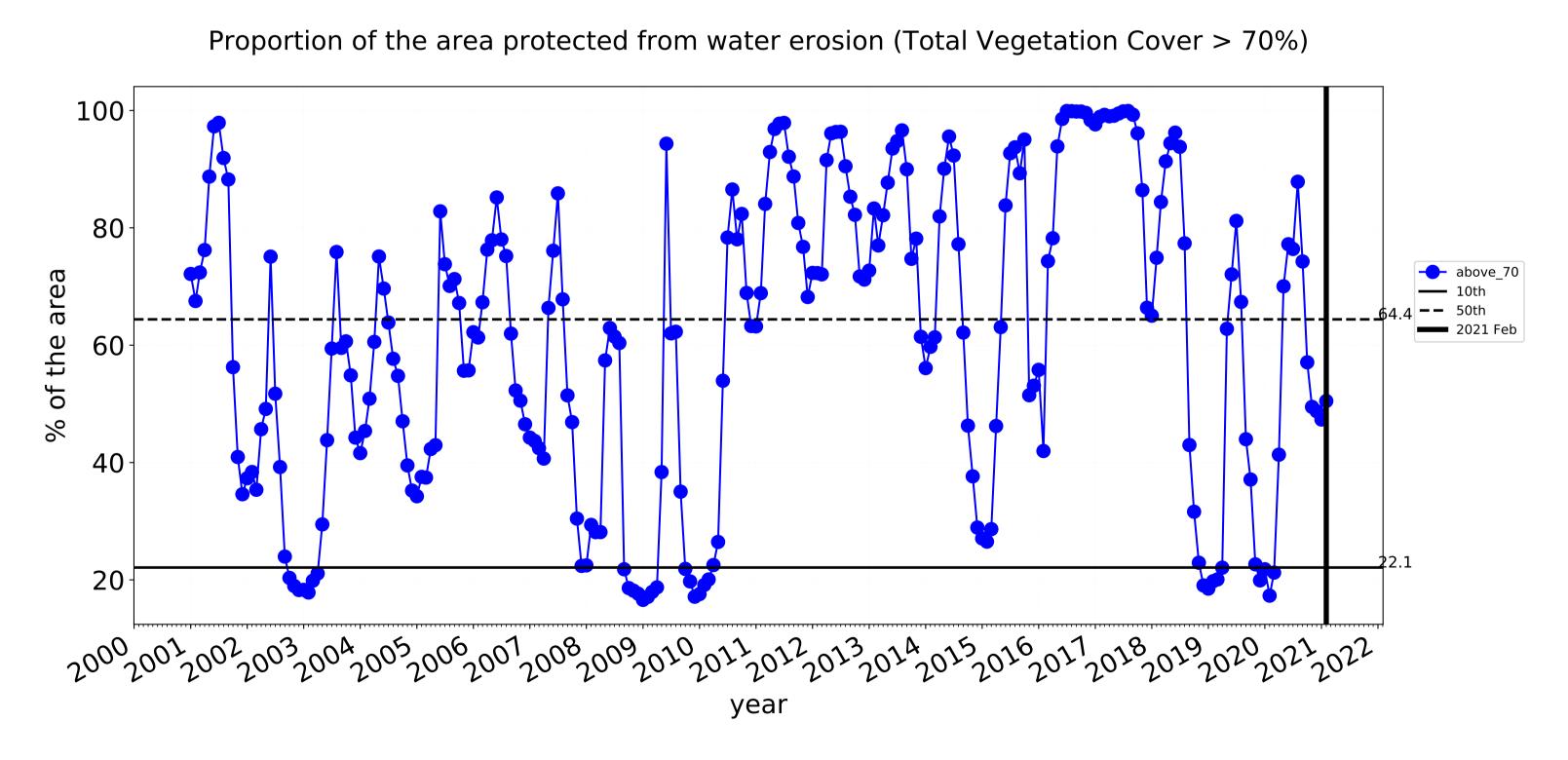


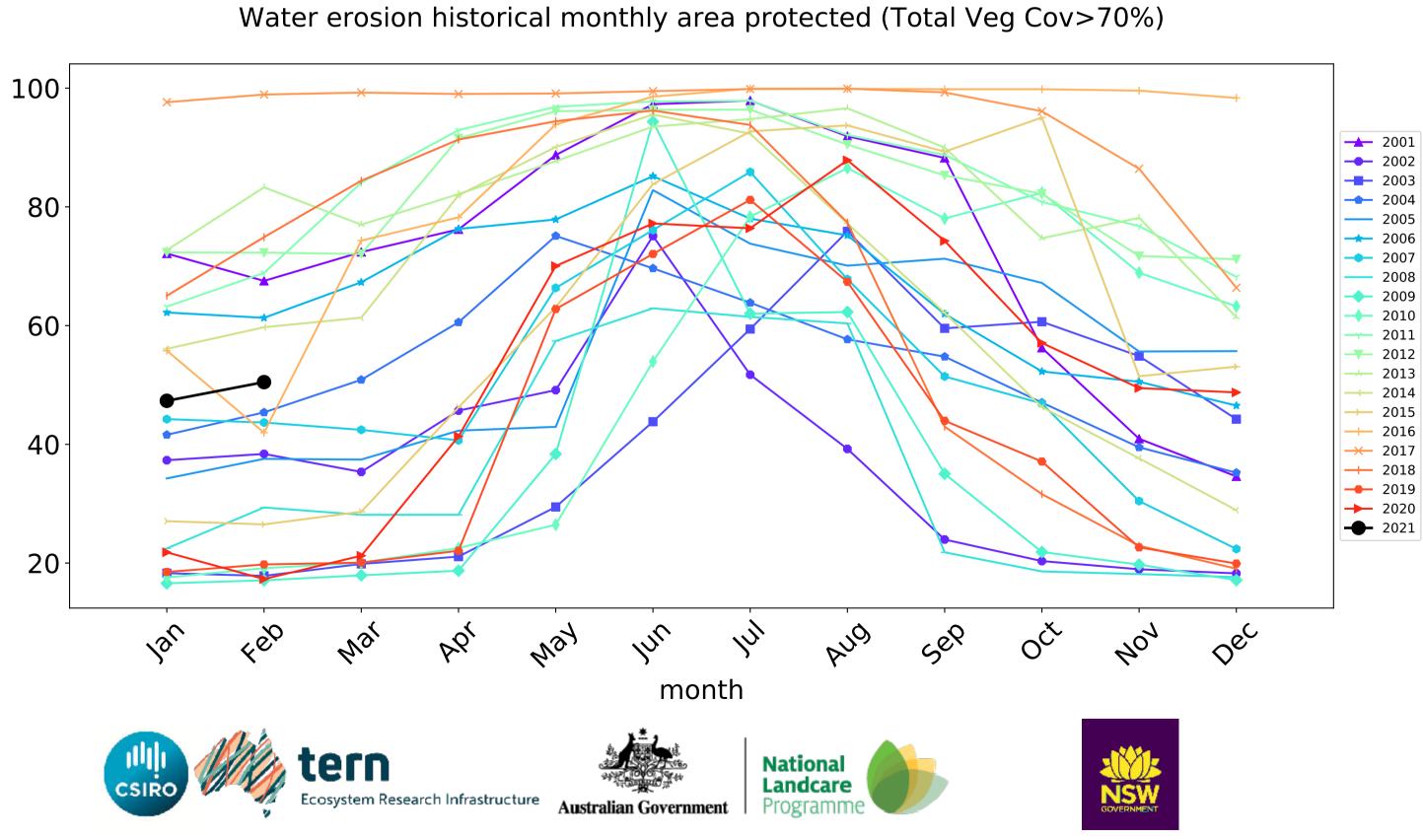


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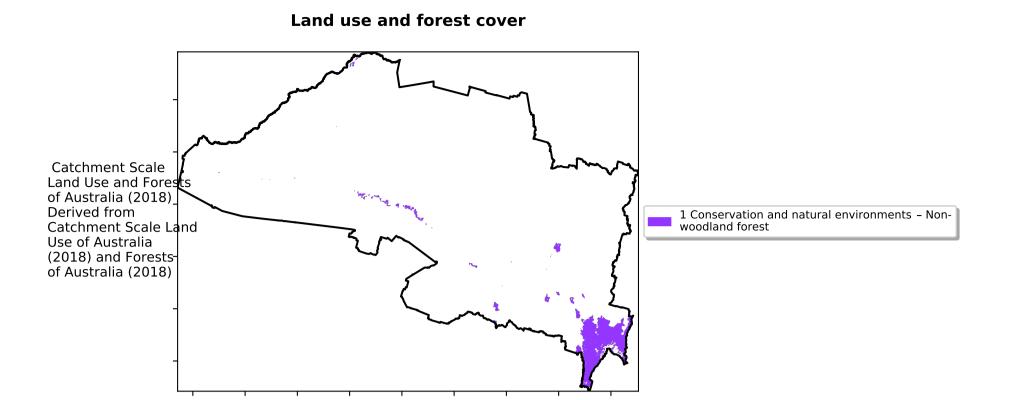




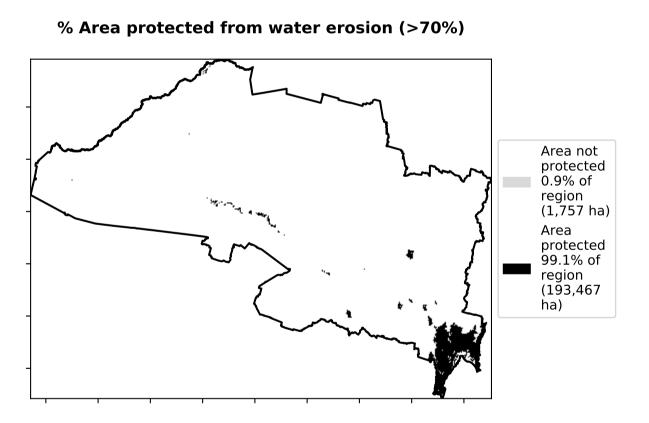


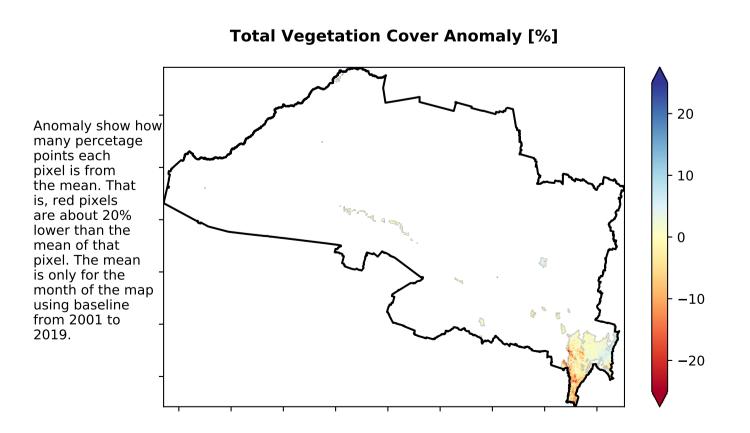


### **Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)**

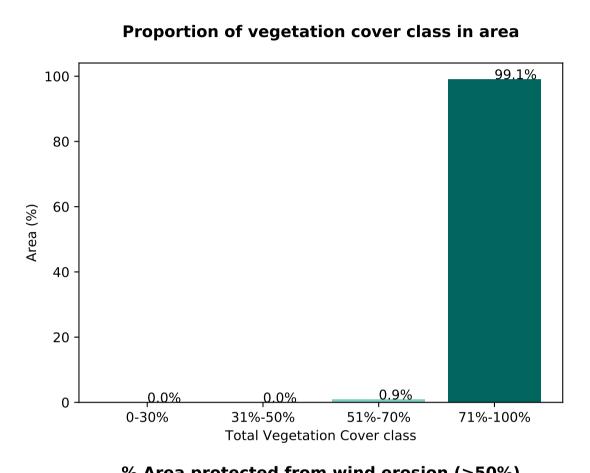


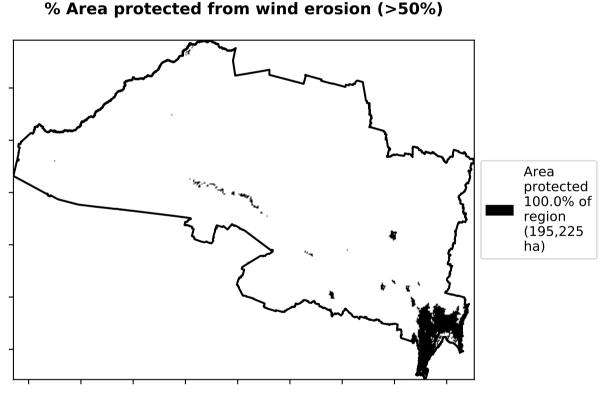
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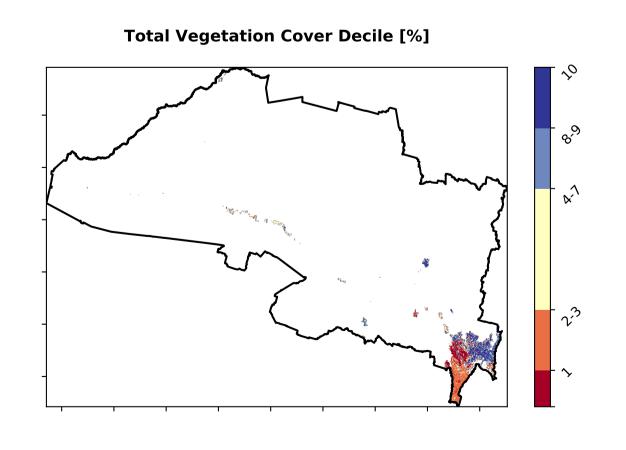




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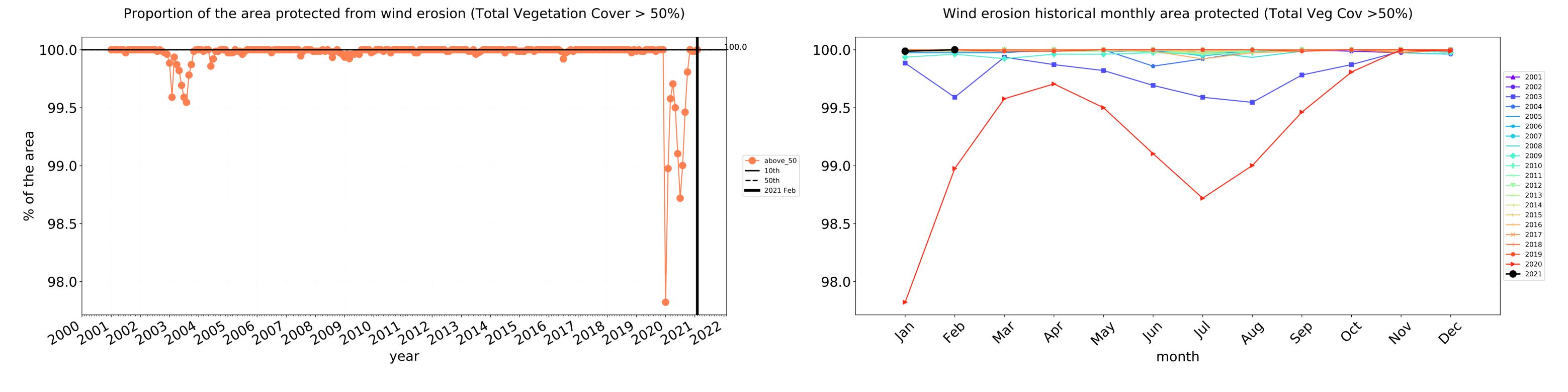


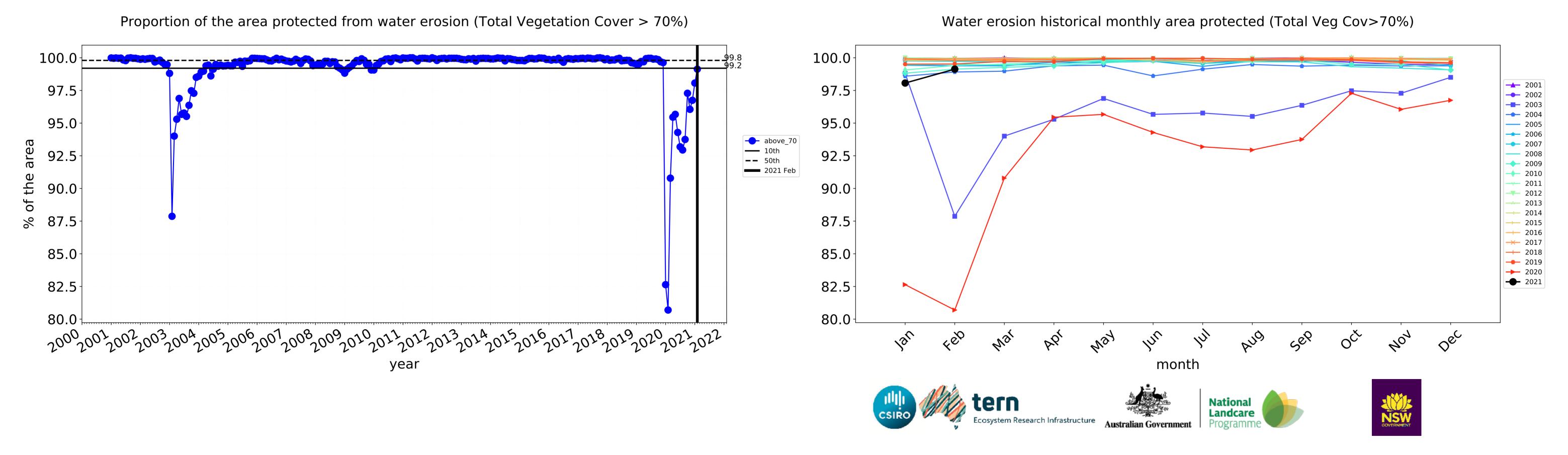










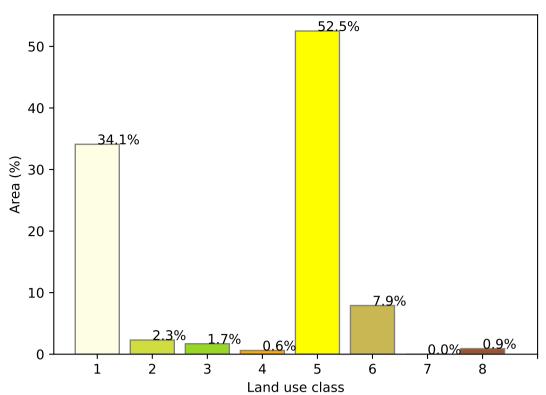


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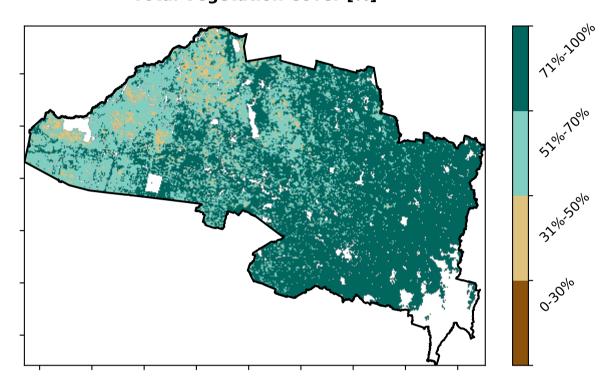
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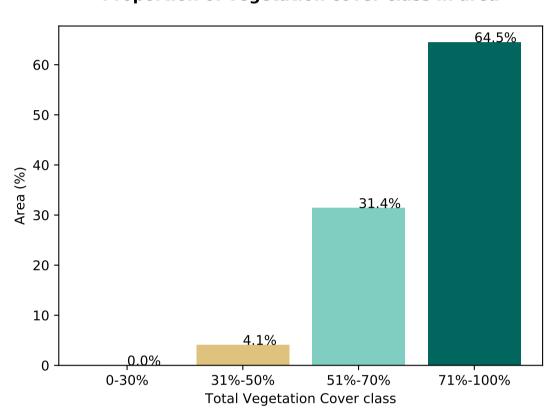
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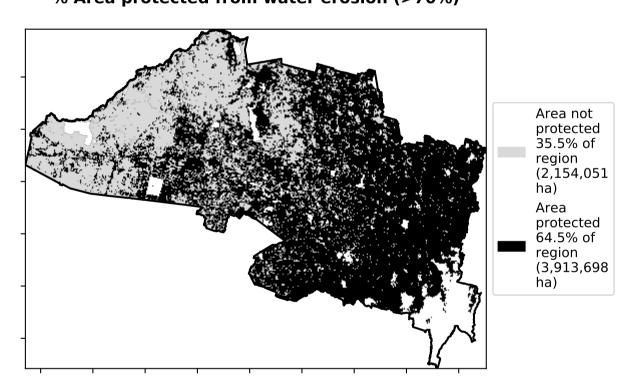




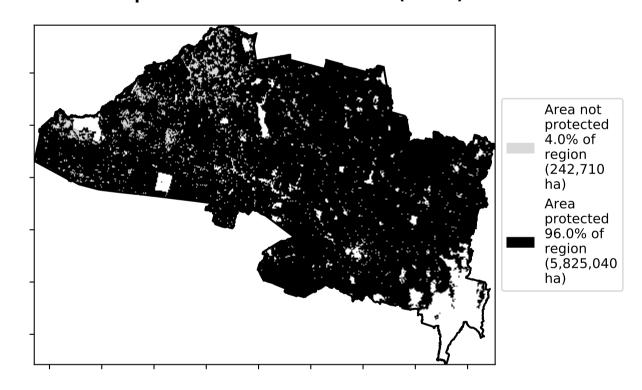
**Proportion of vegetation cover class in area** 



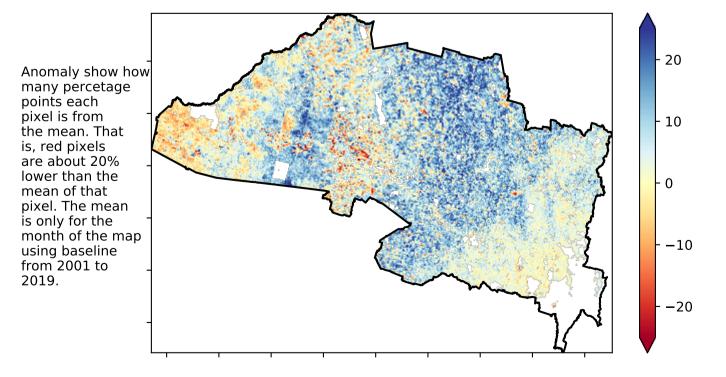
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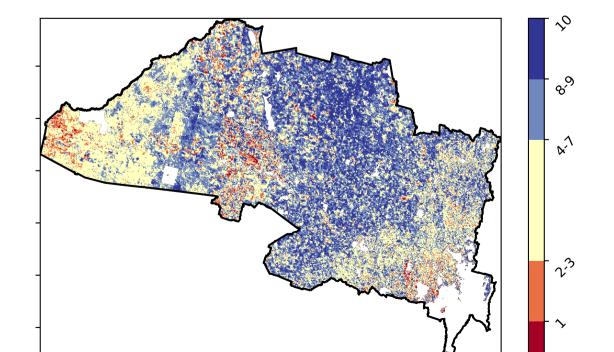
% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



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



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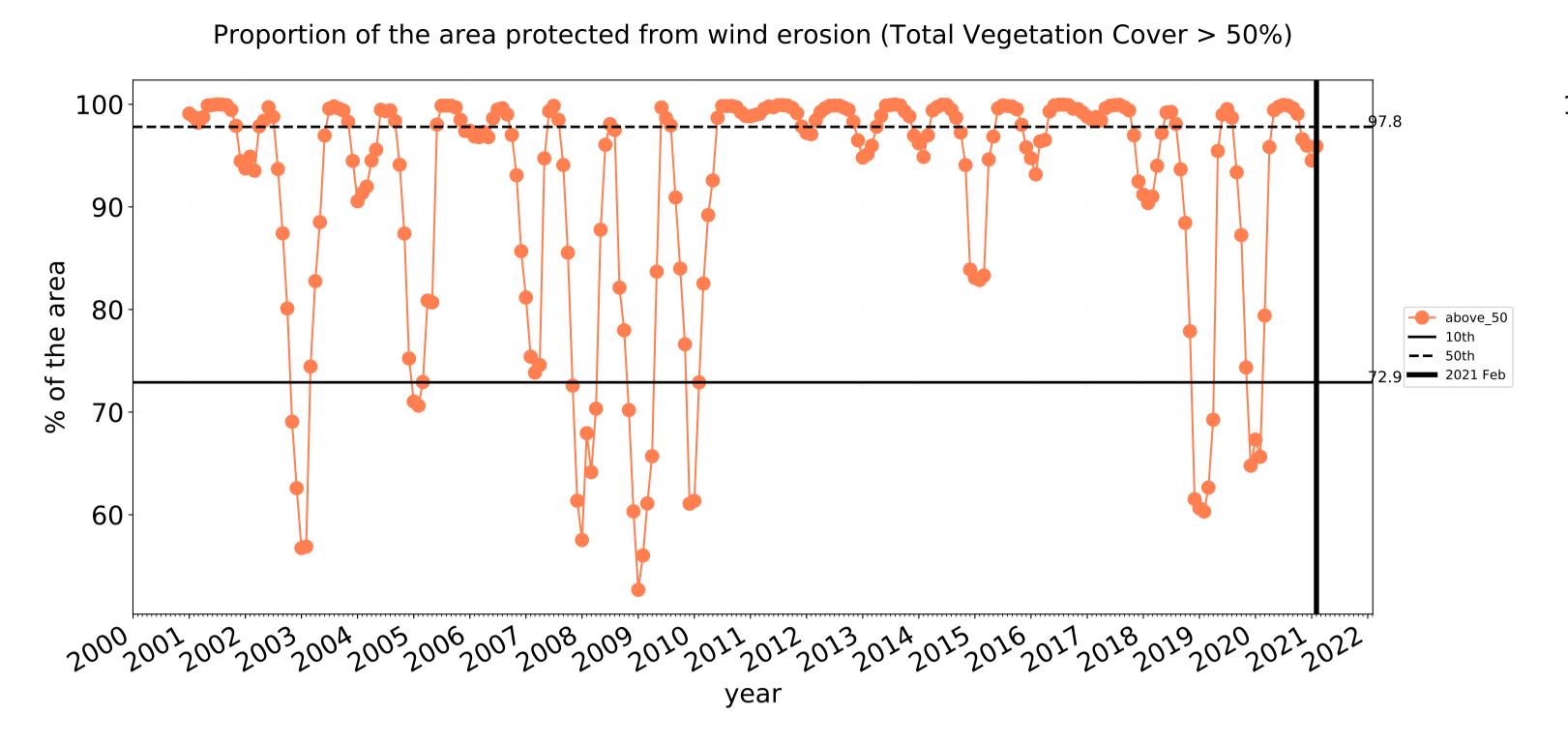
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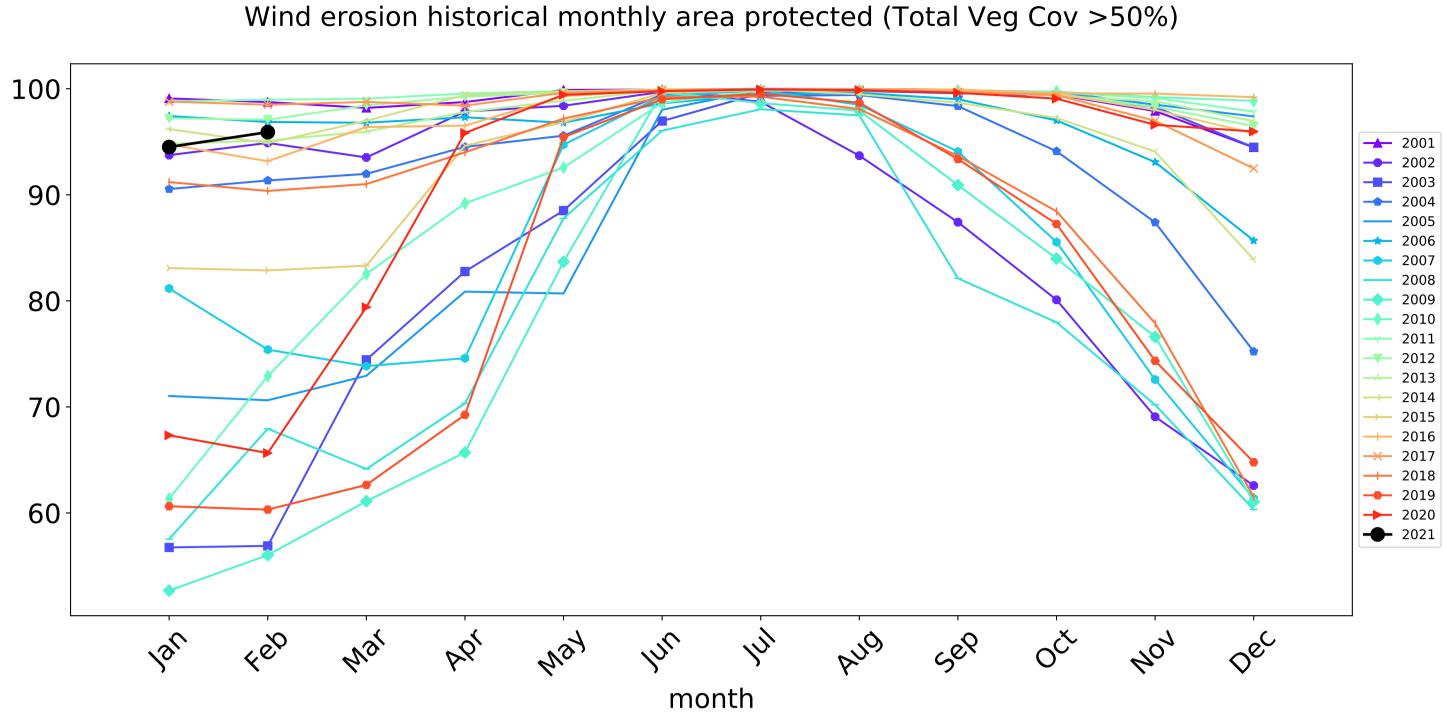


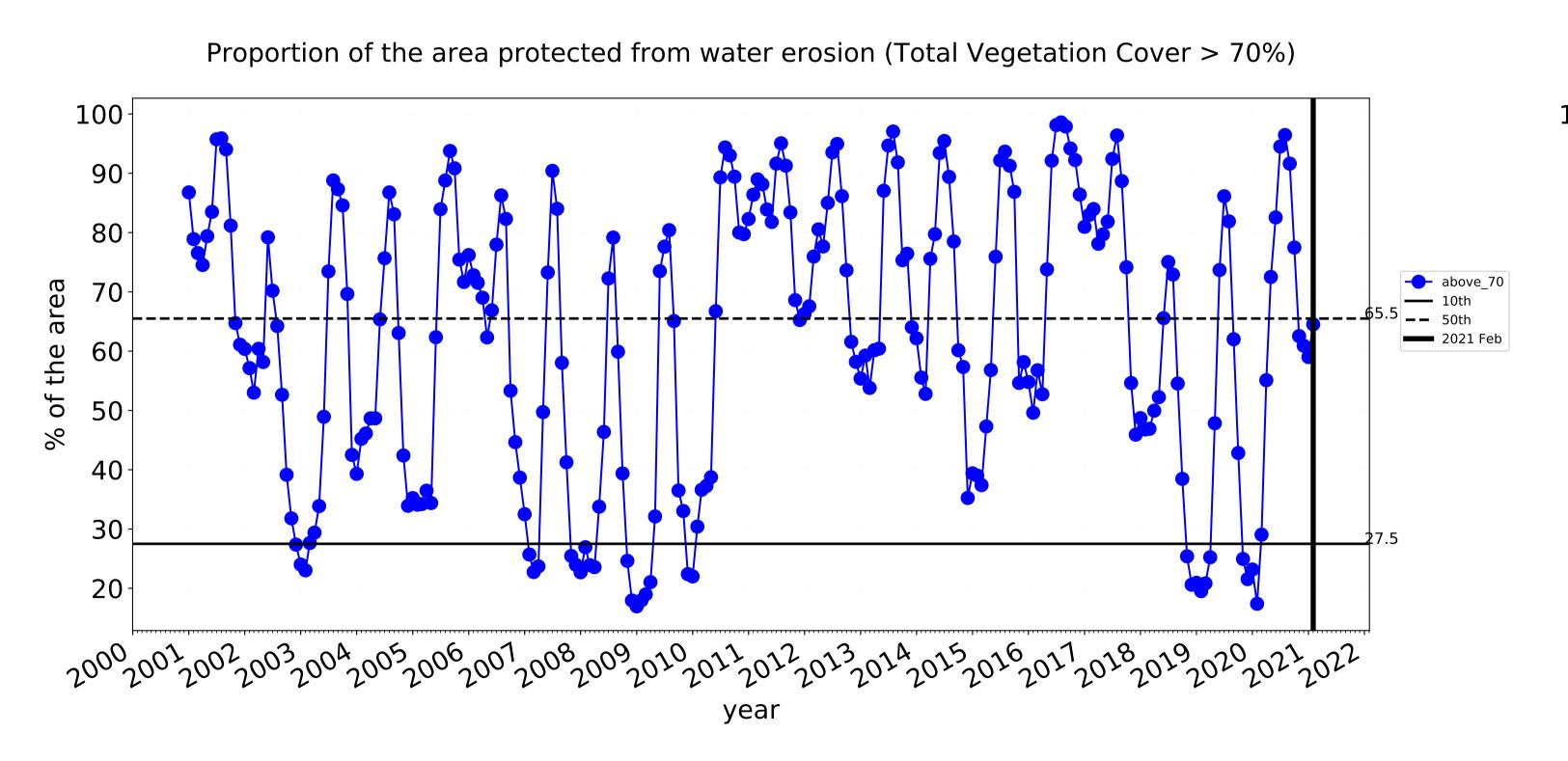


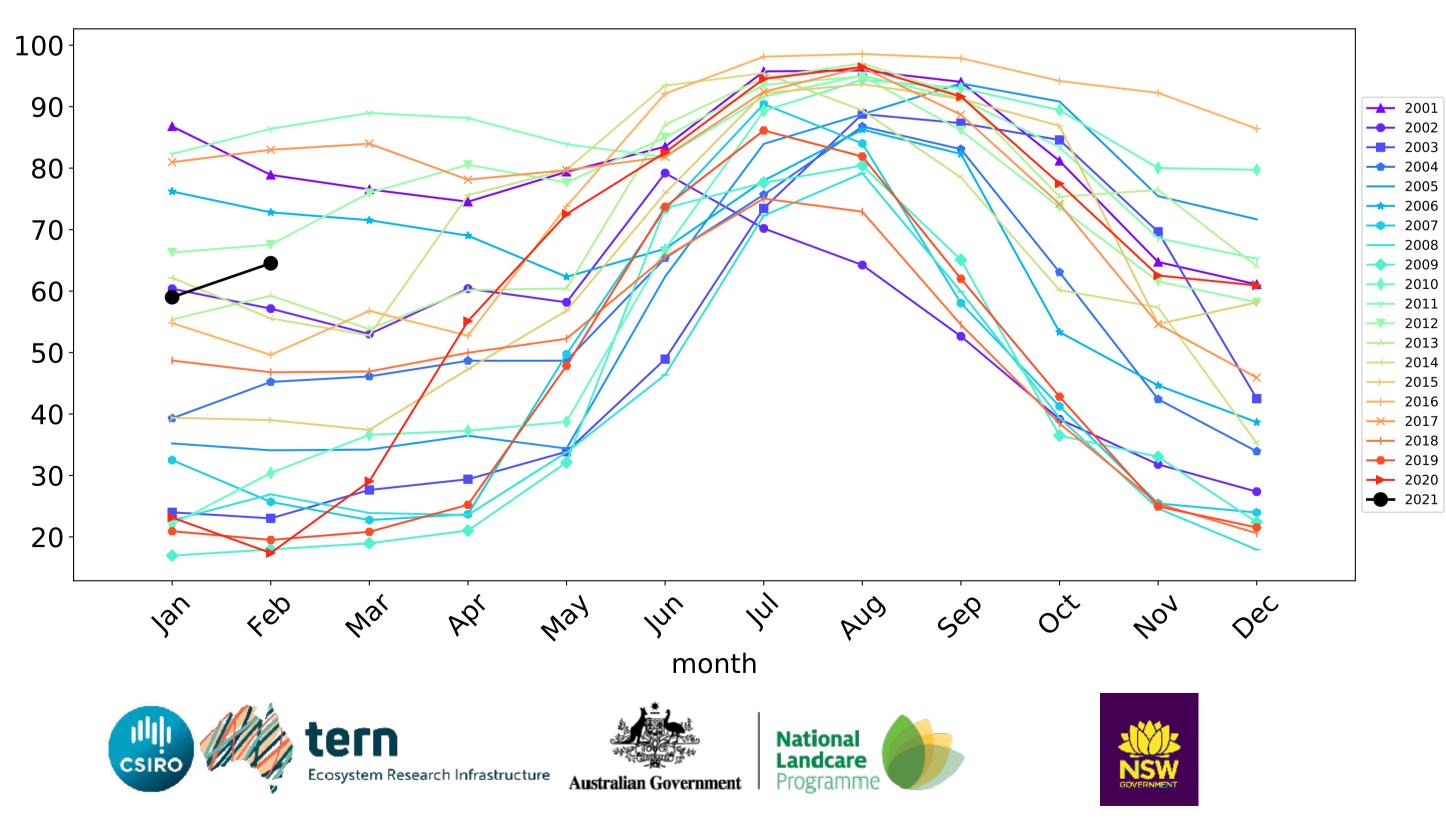


### **Agriculture timeseries**



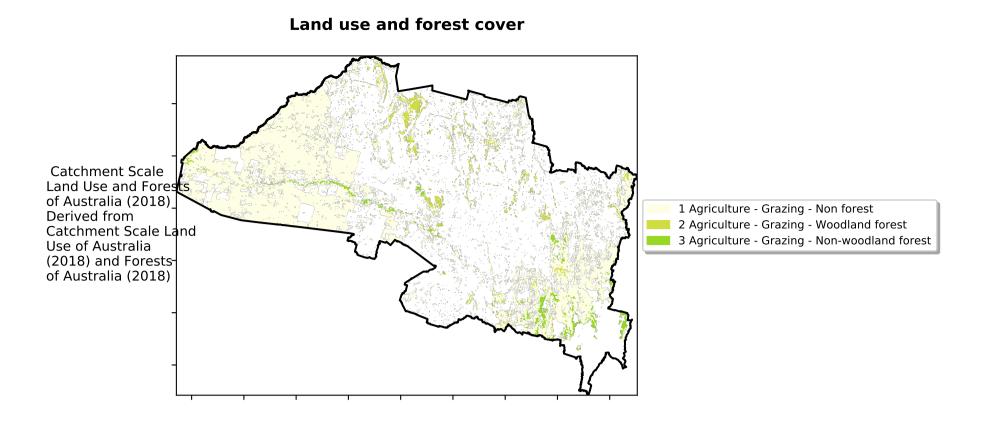




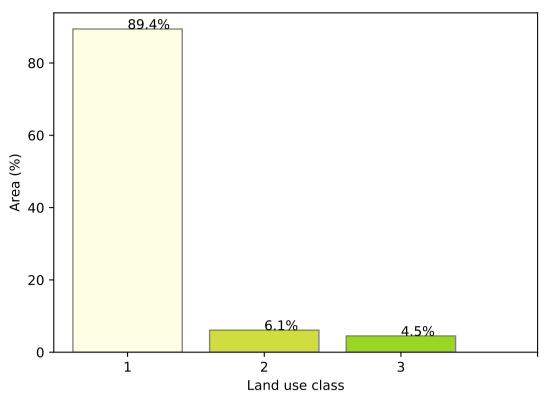


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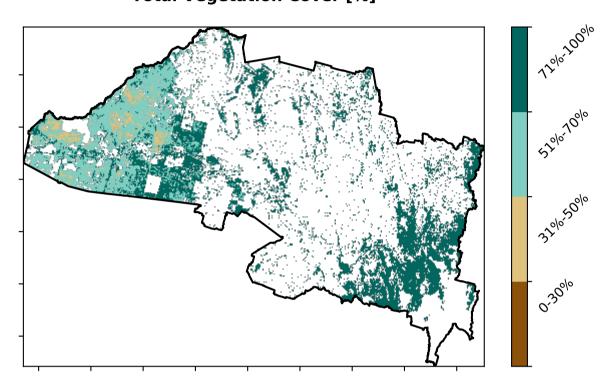
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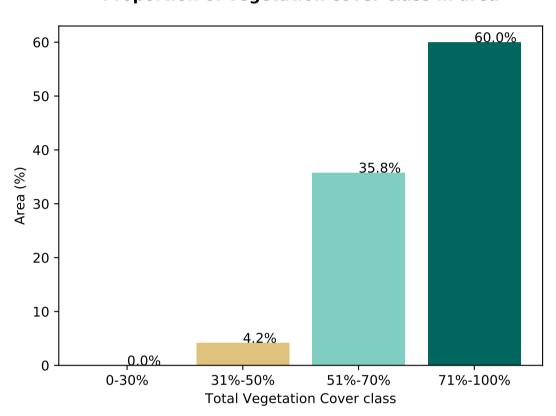
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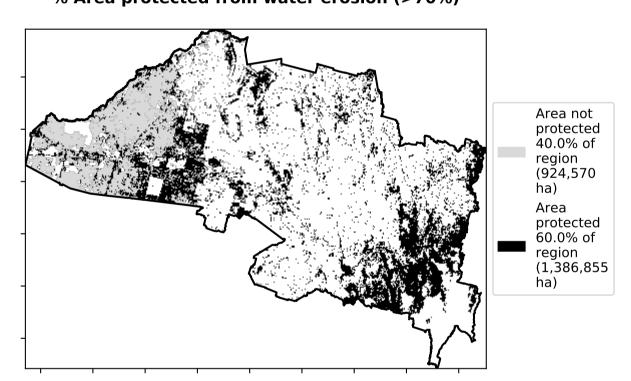
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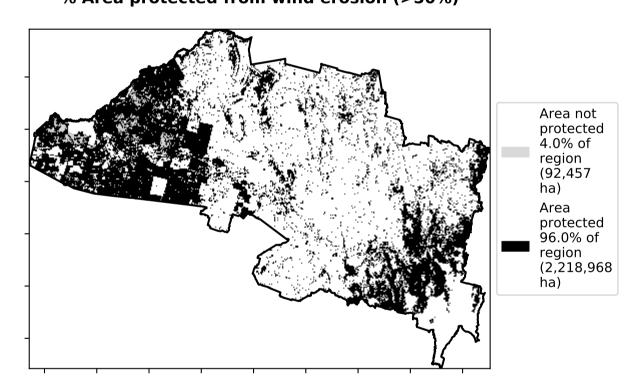
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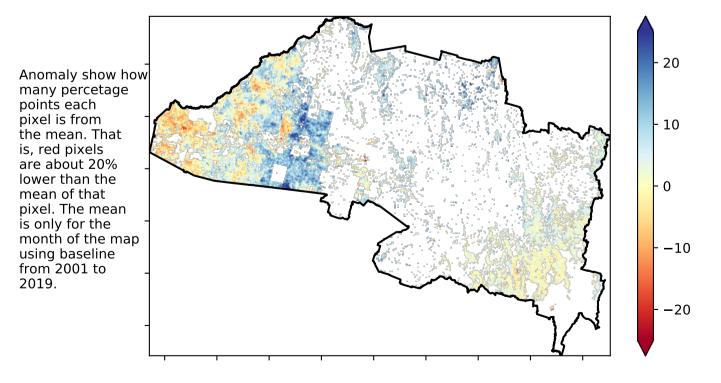
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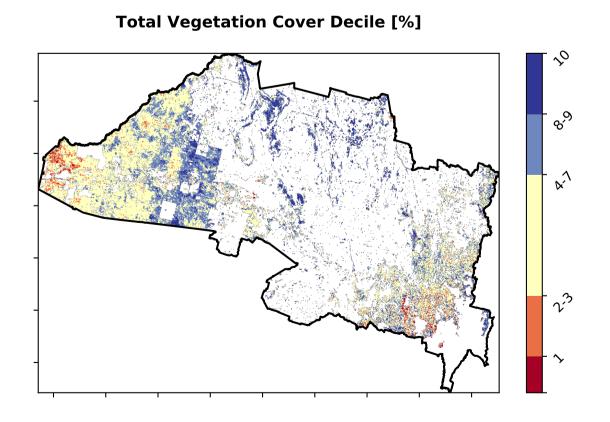
% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]



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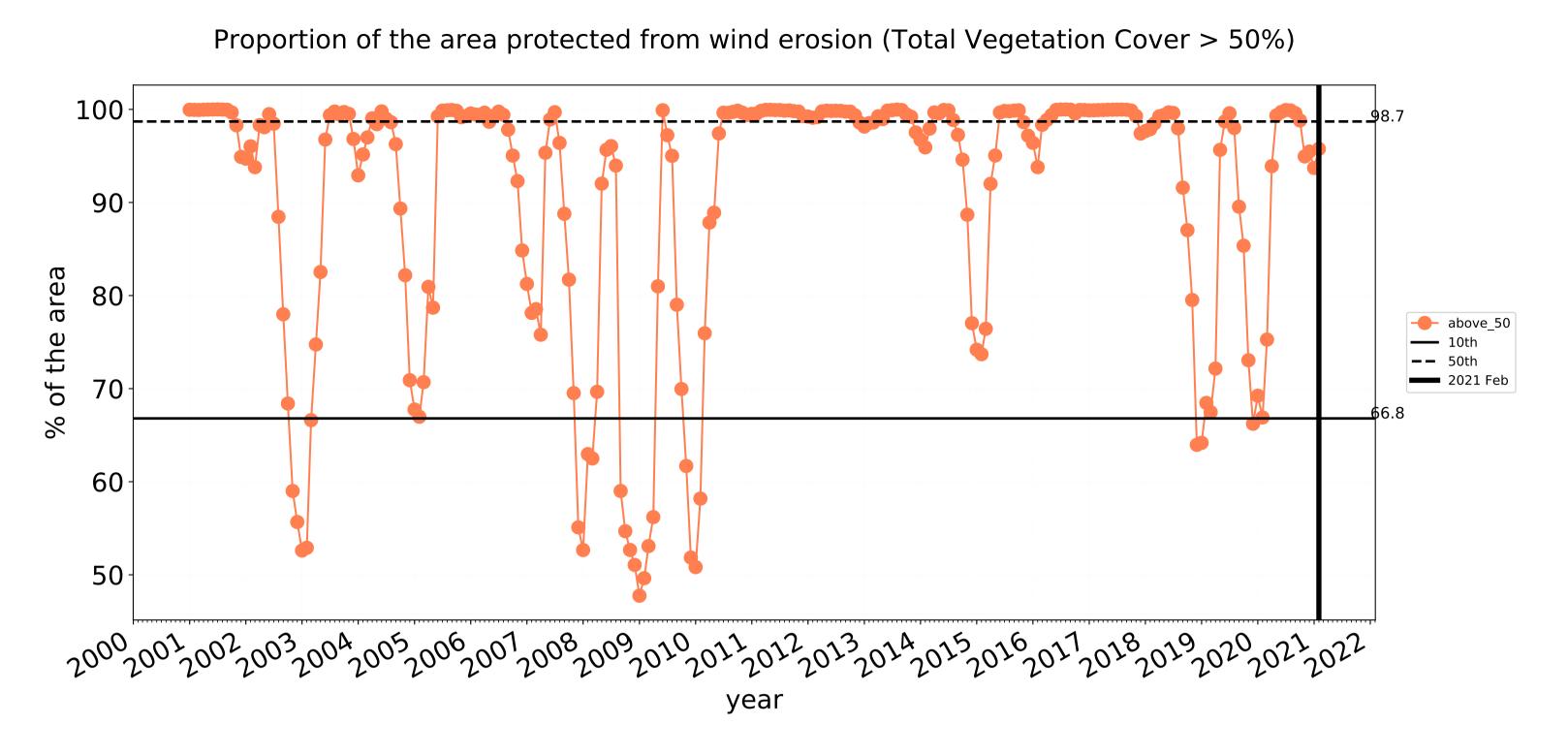


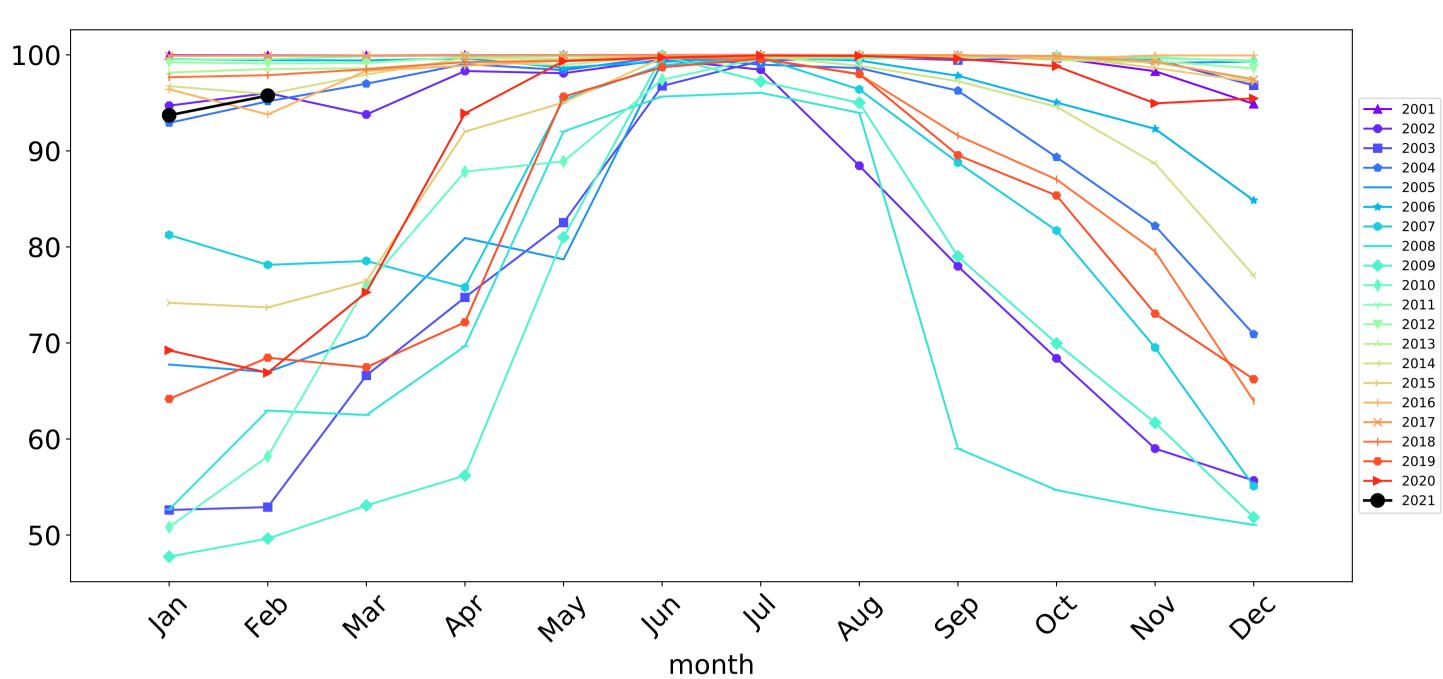




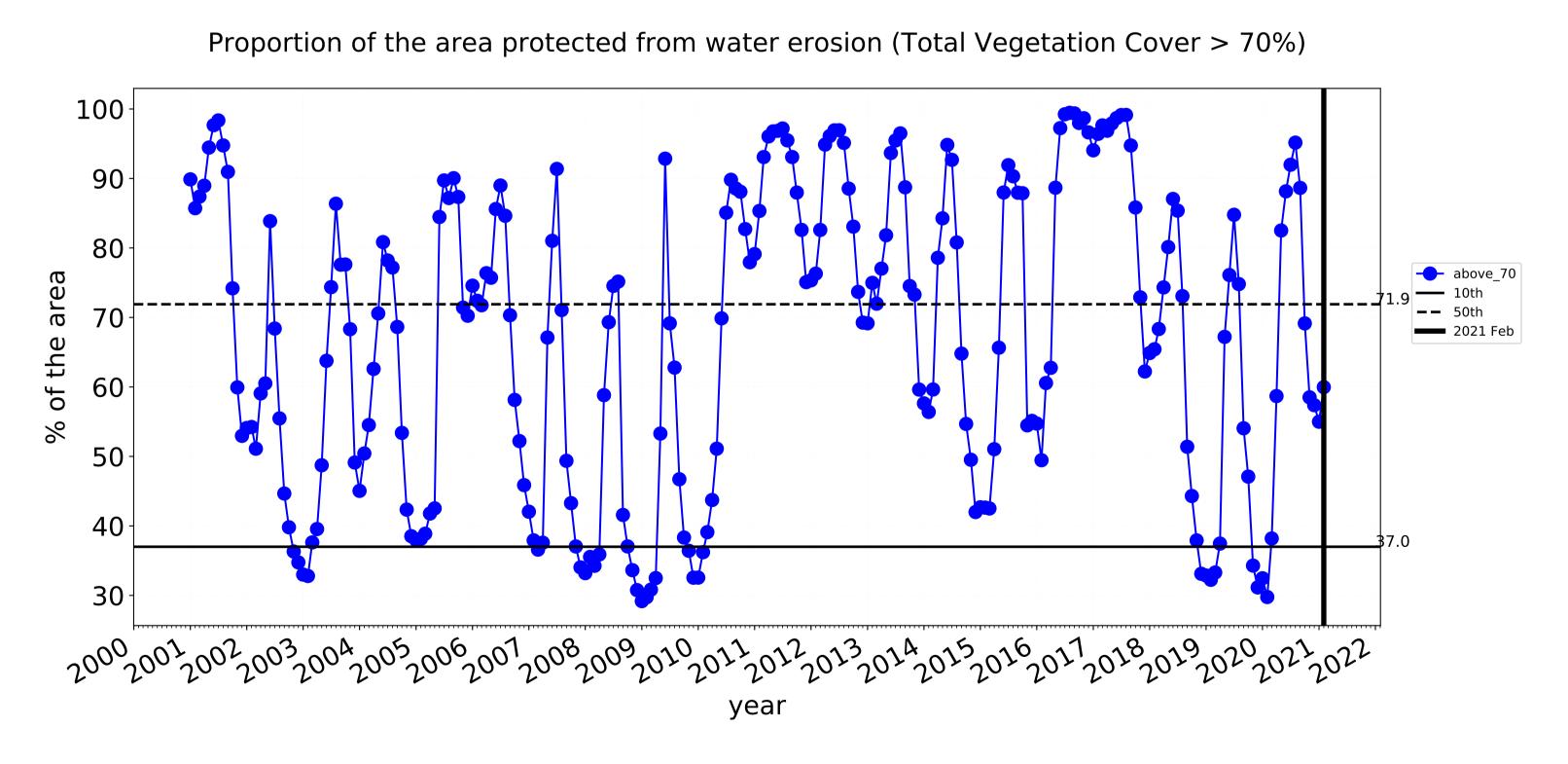


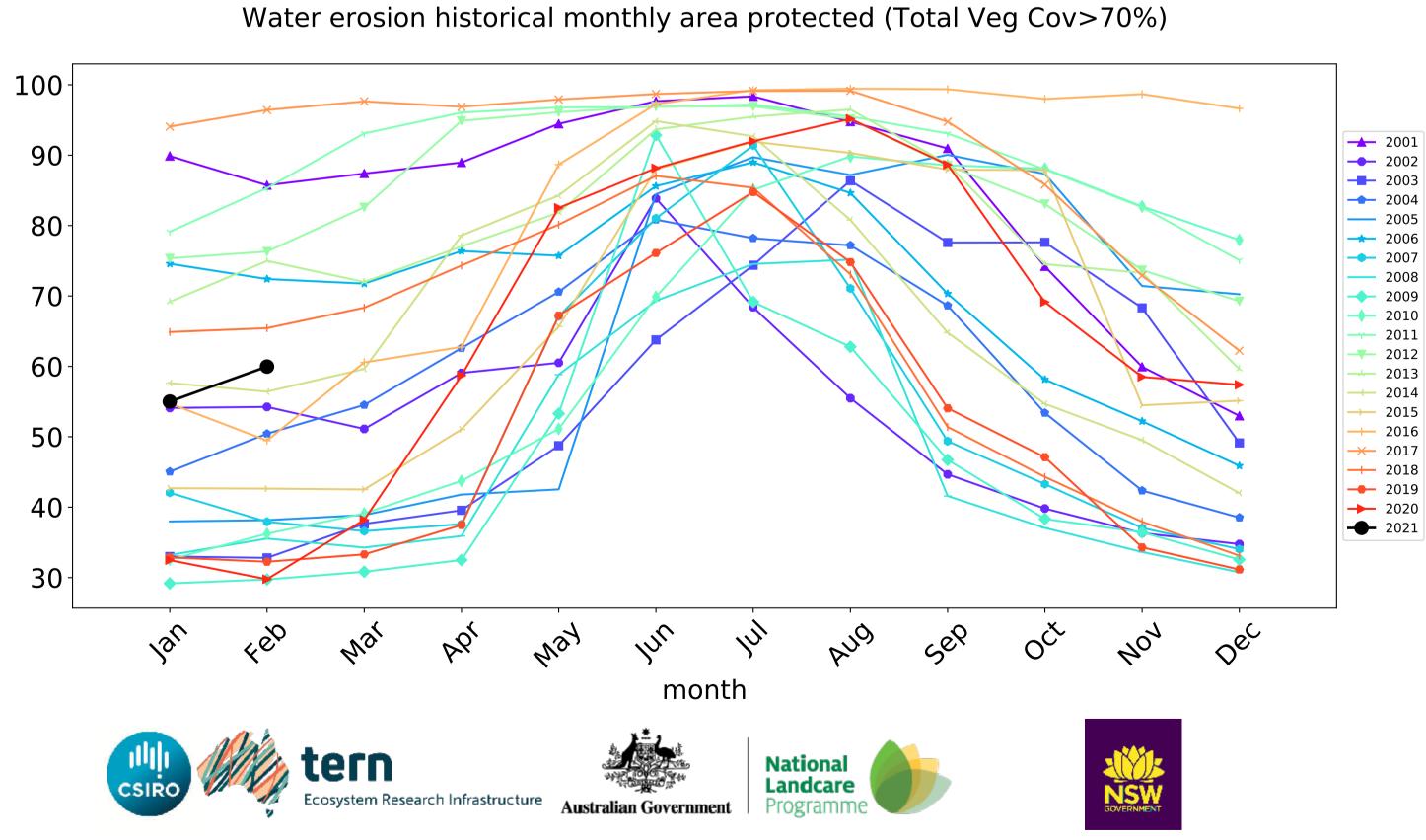
### **Grazing timeseries**





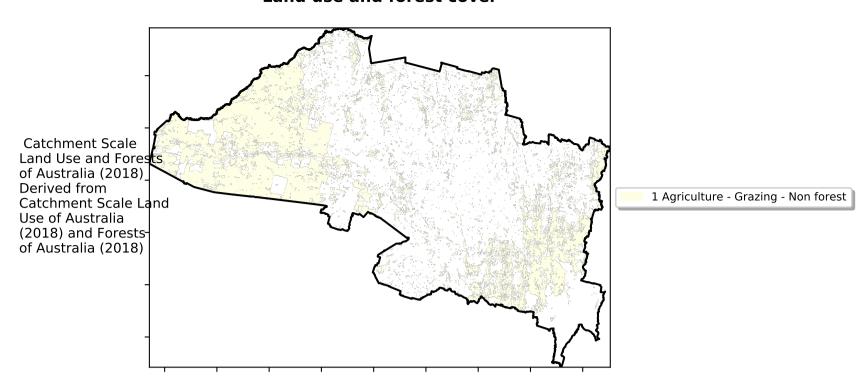
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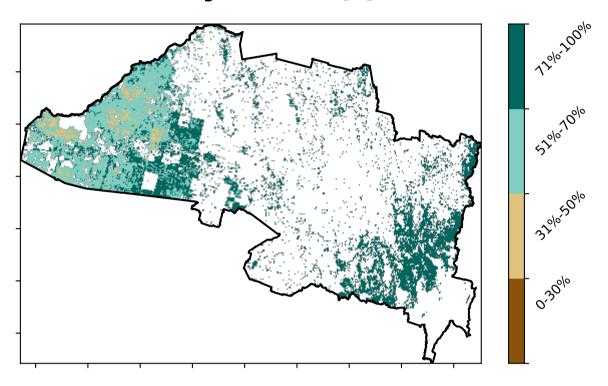


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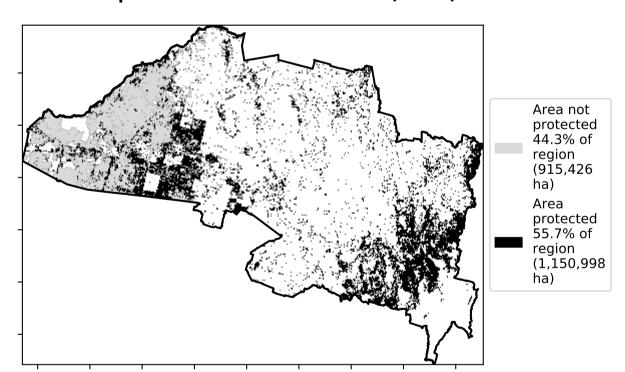
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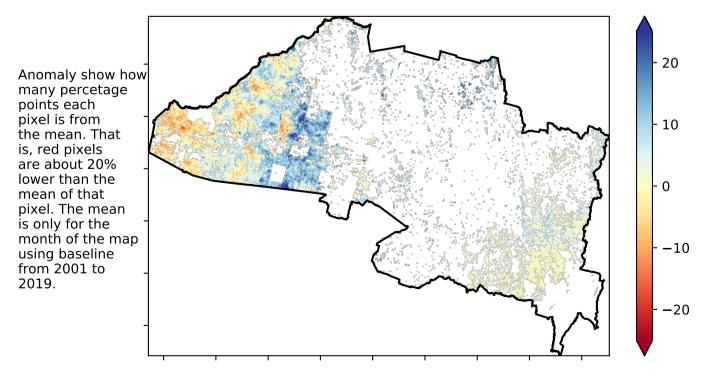
### **Total Vegetation Cover [%]**



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

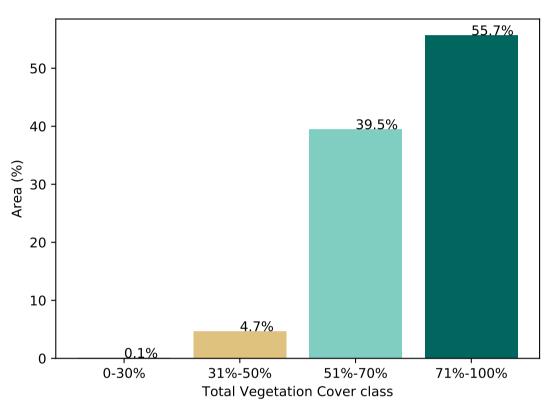


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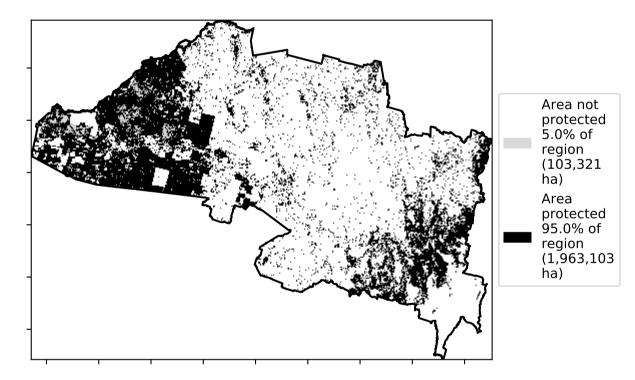


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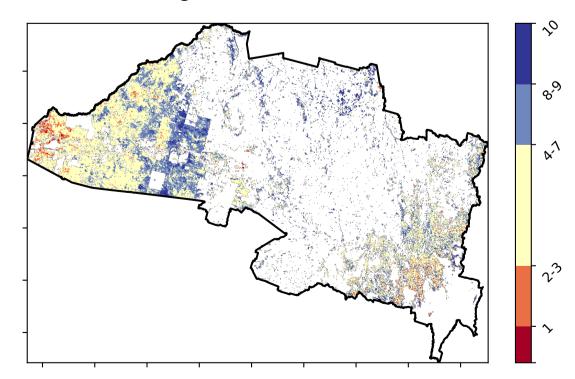
### **Proportion of vegetation cover class in area**



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



### Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]



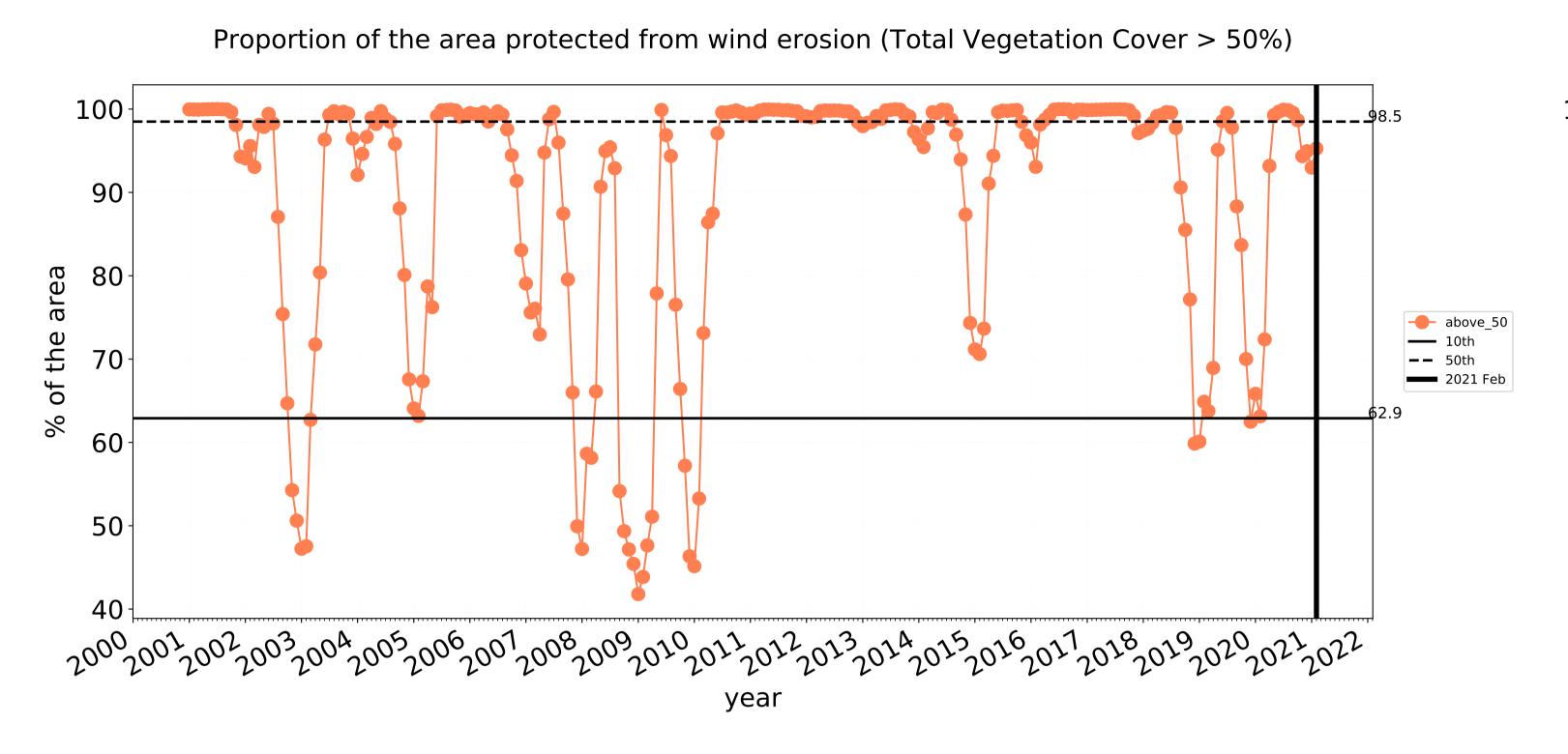


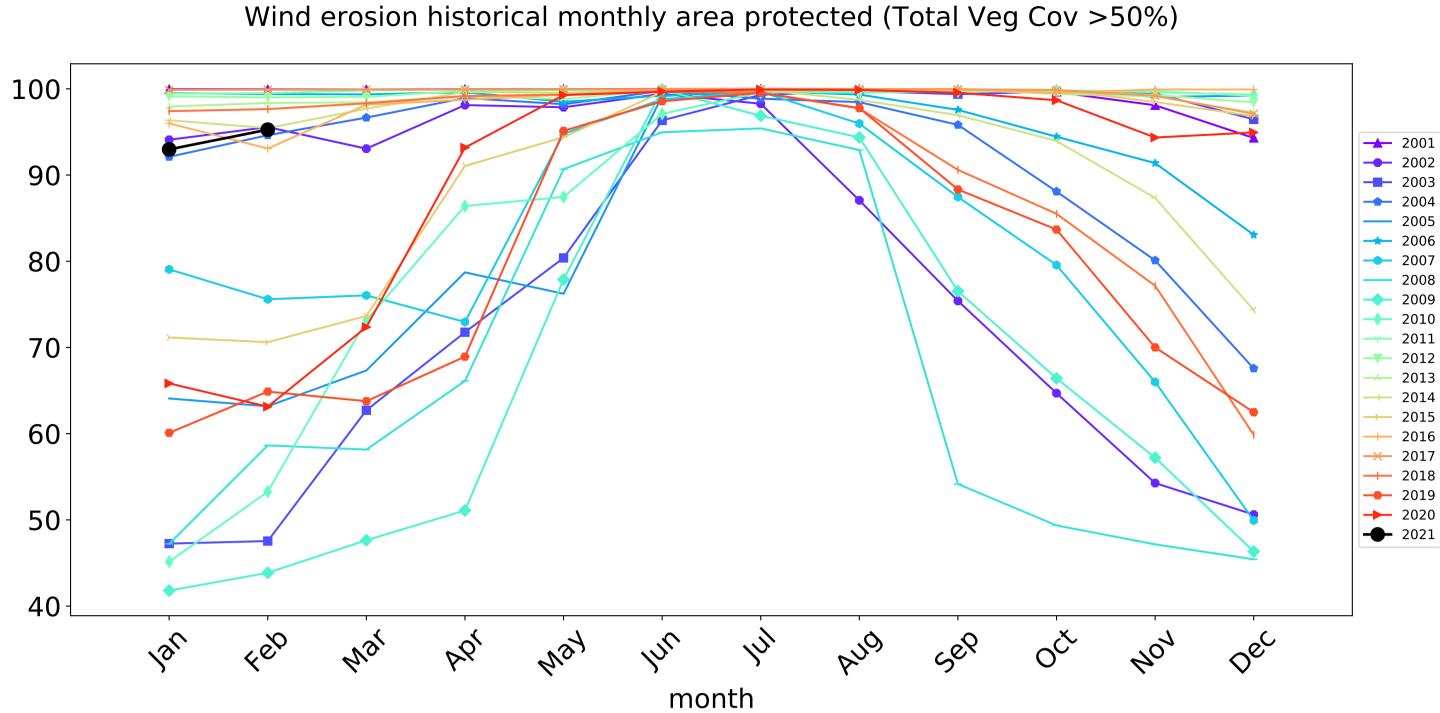


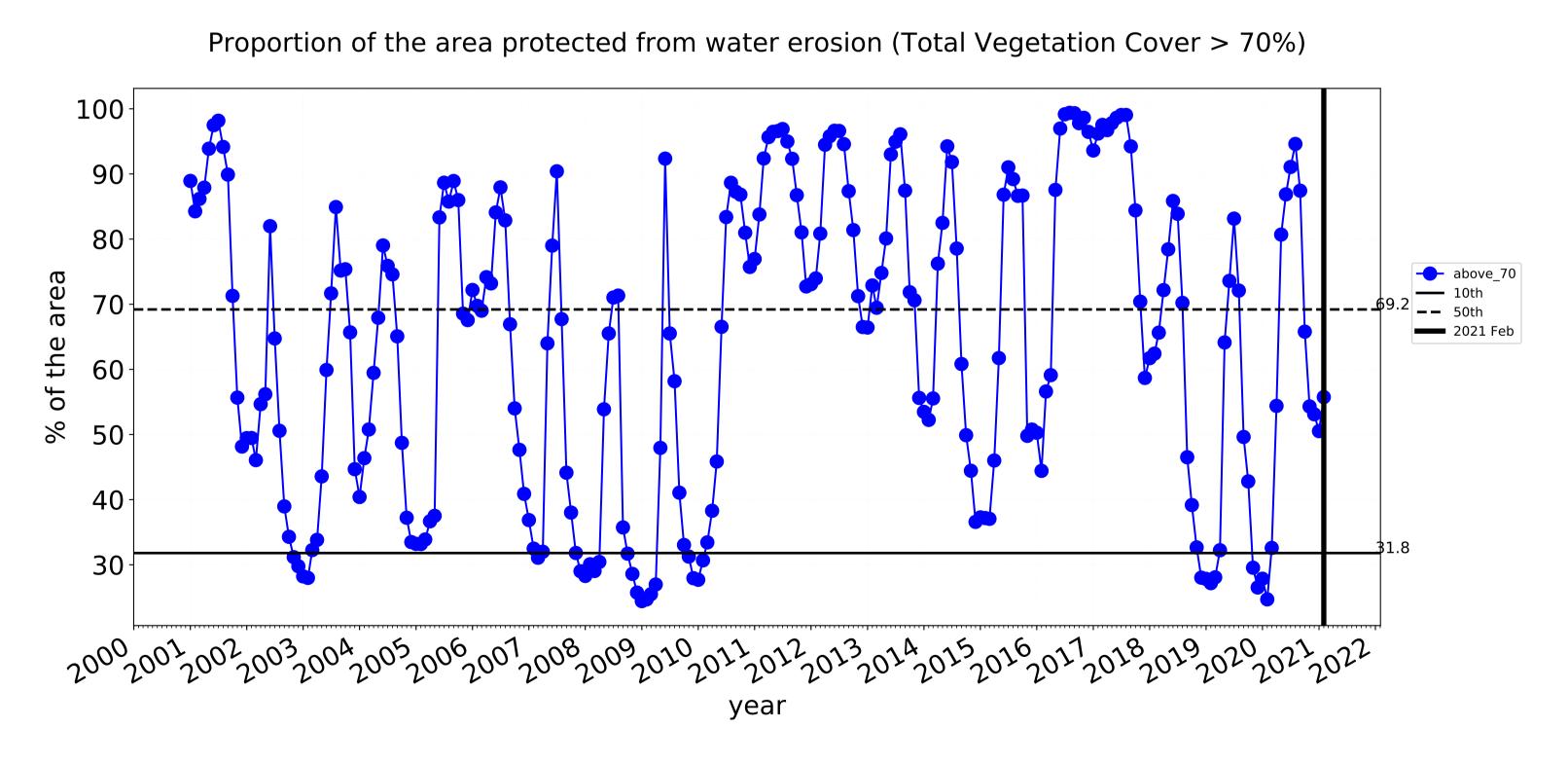


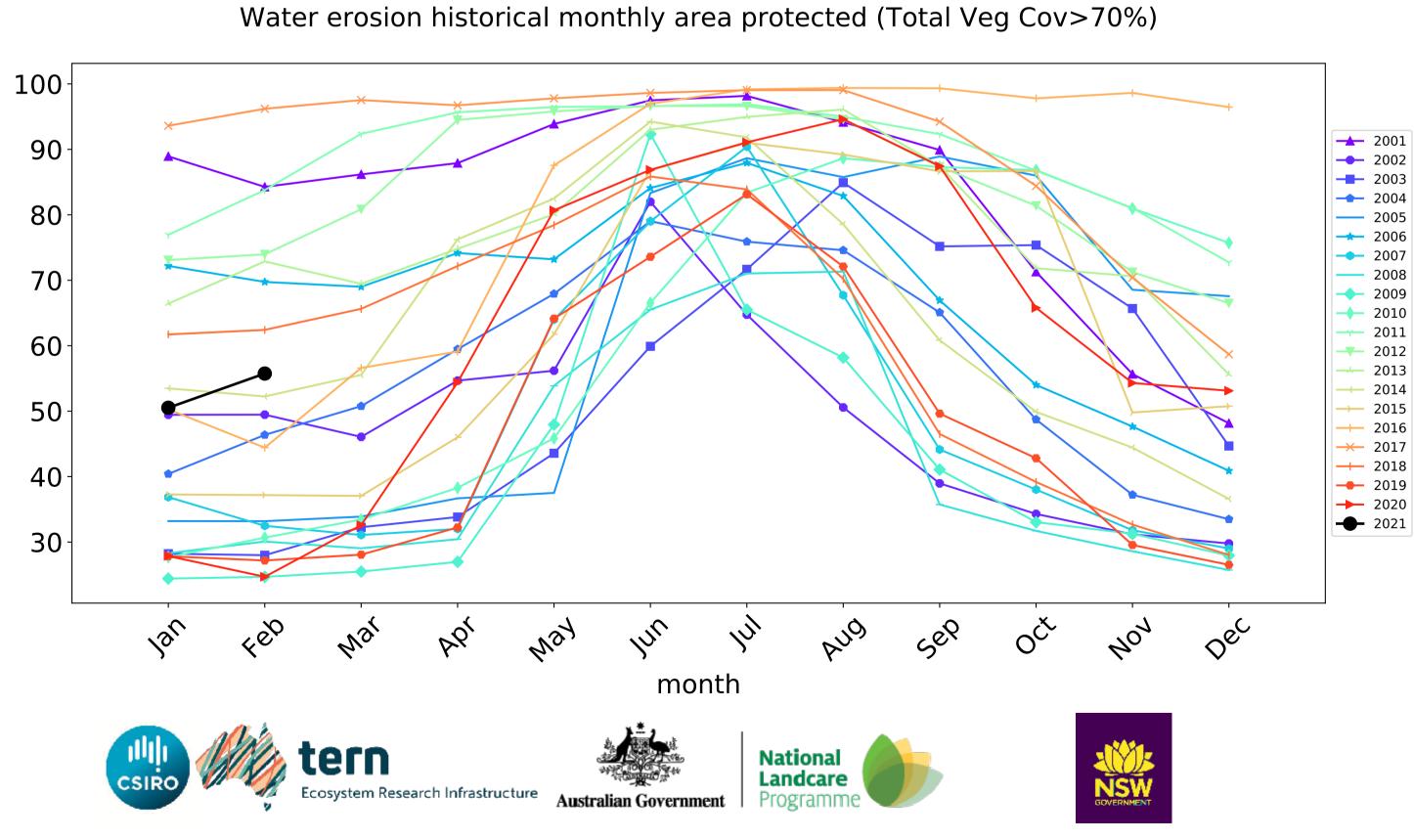


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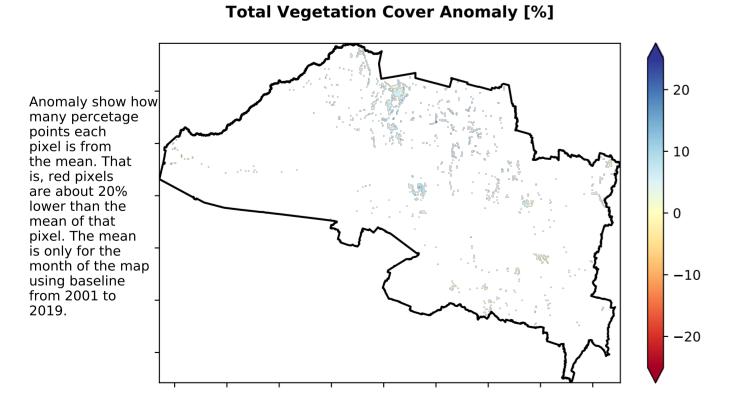


### **Grazing Woodland forest**

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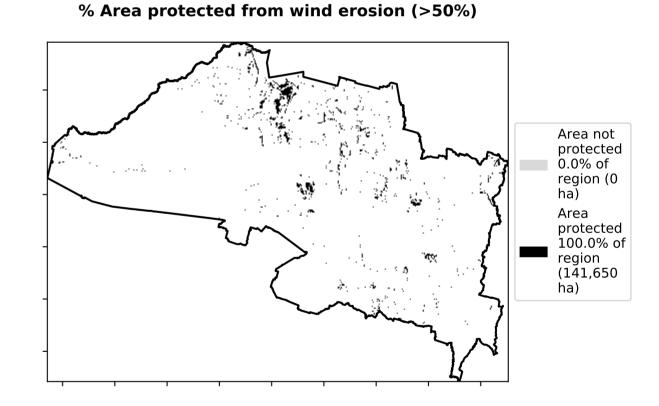
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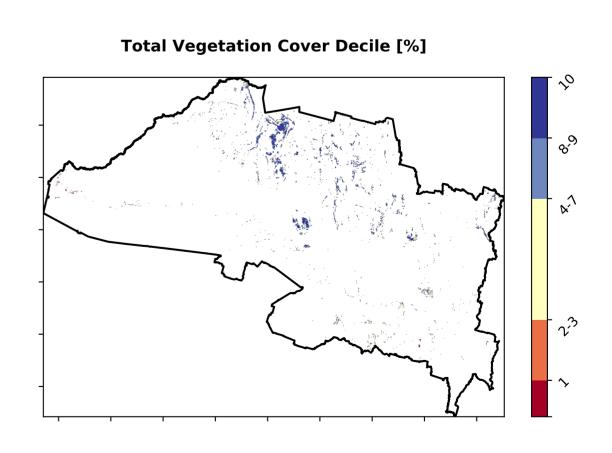
### Area not protected 5.8% of region (8,215 ha) Area protected 94.2% of region (133,434 ha)



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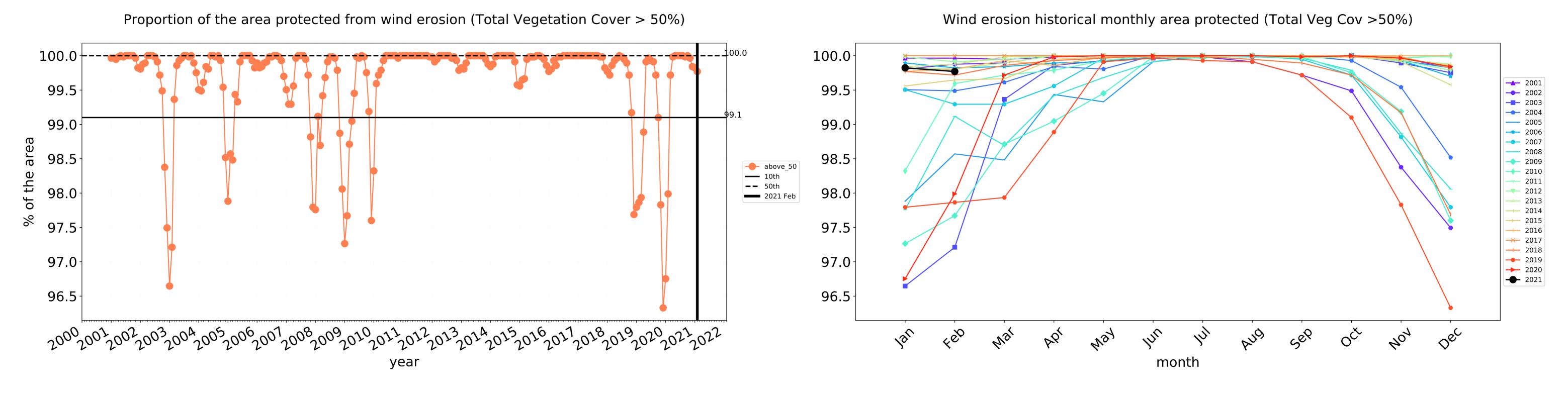


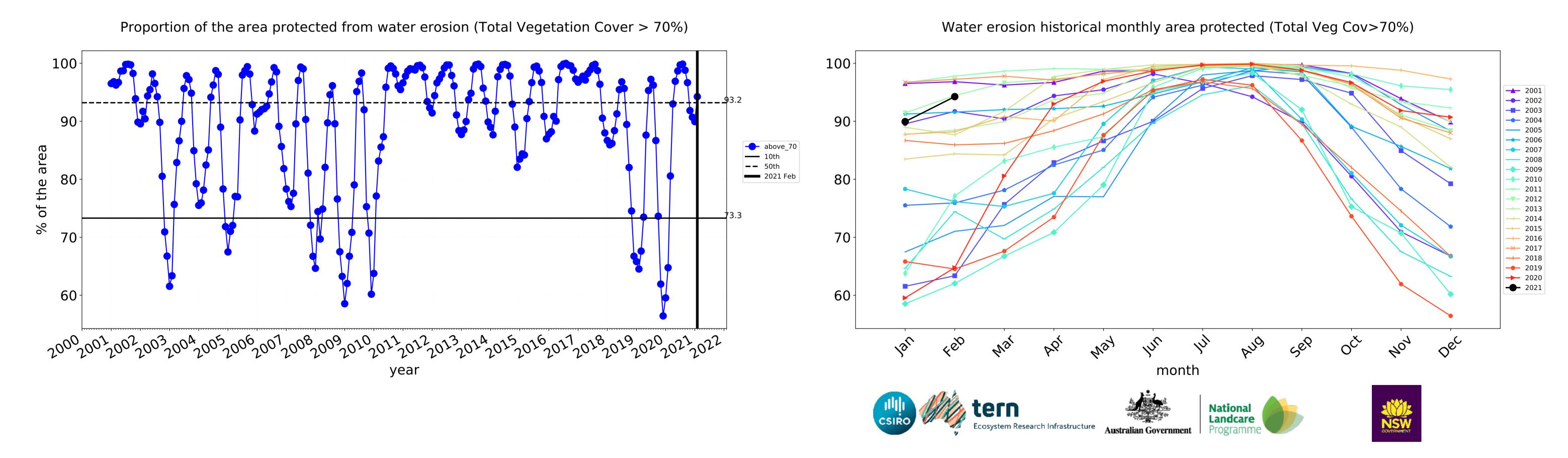






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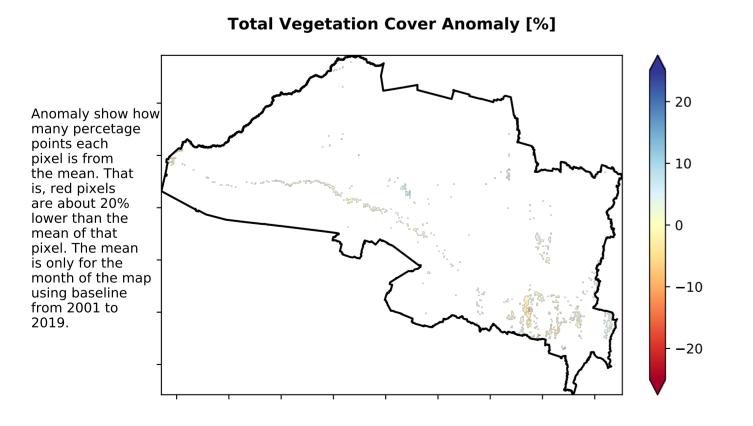


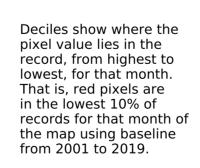
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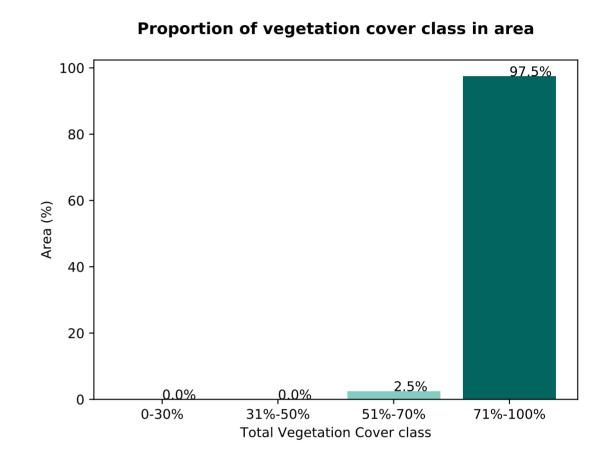
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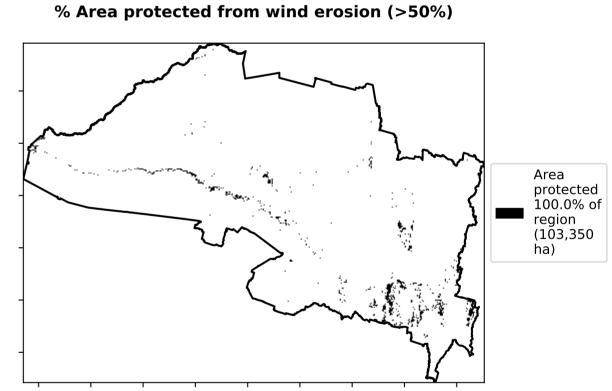
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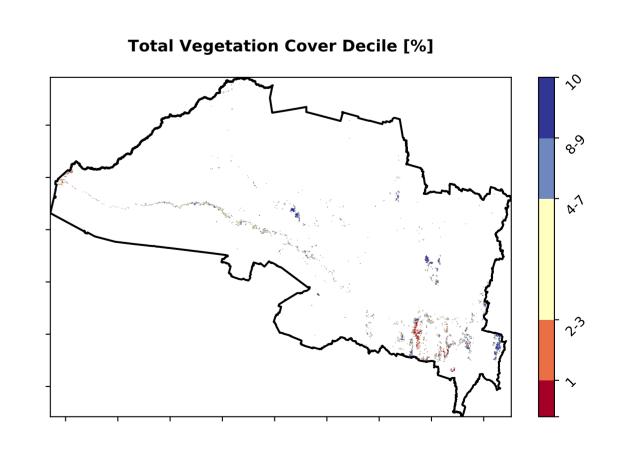
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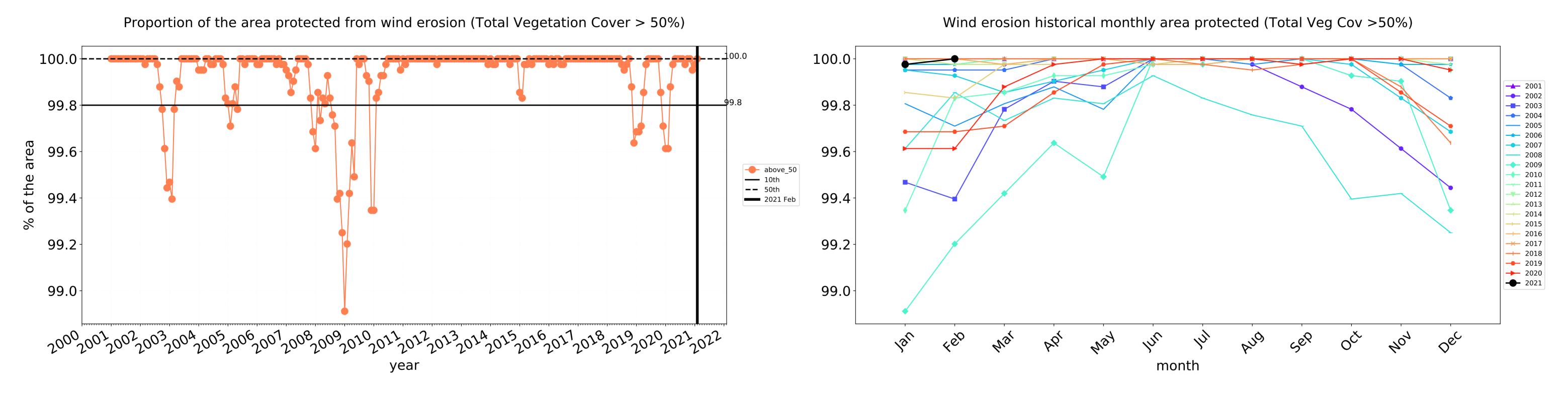


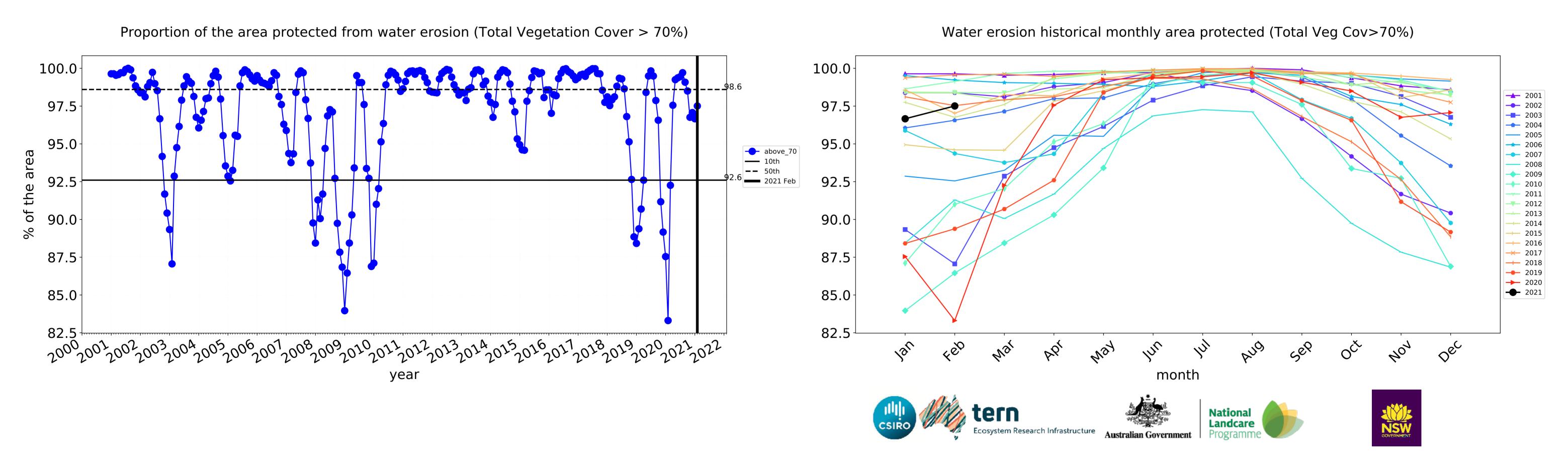






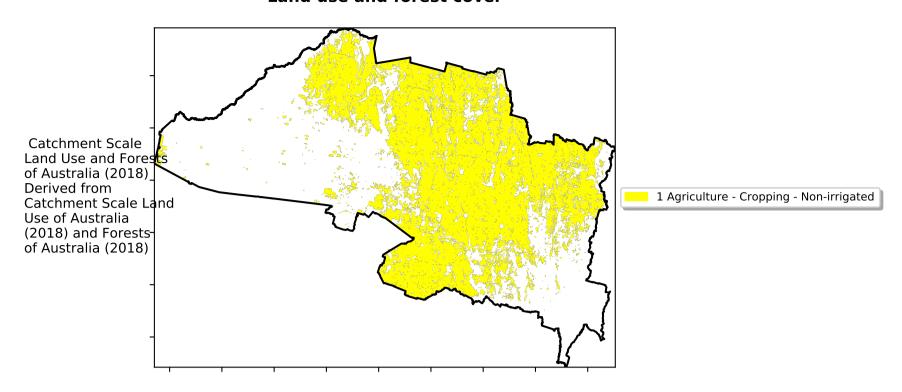




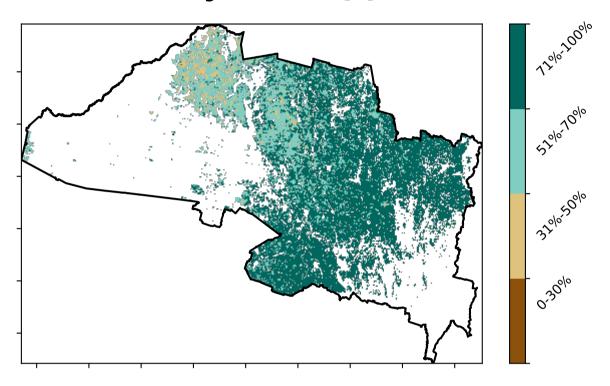


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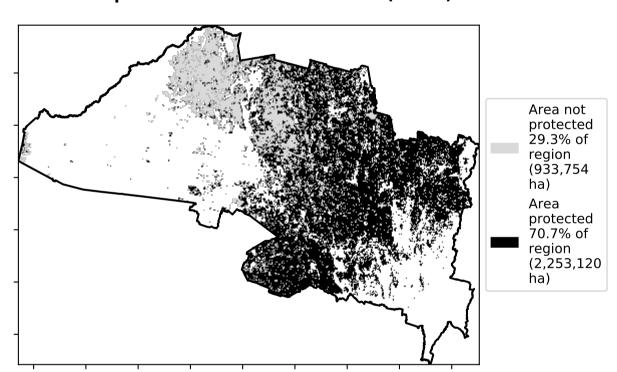
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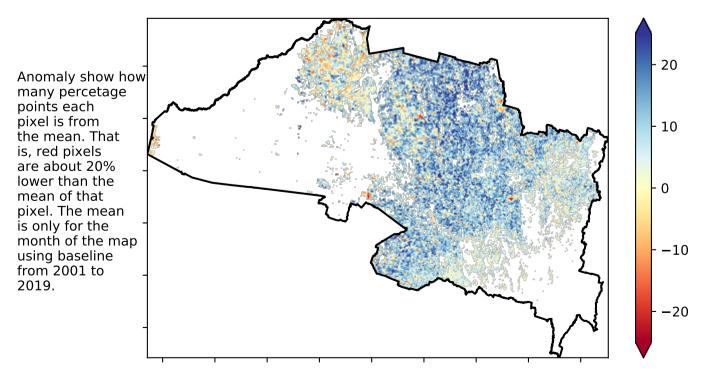
### **Total Vegetation Cover [%]**



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

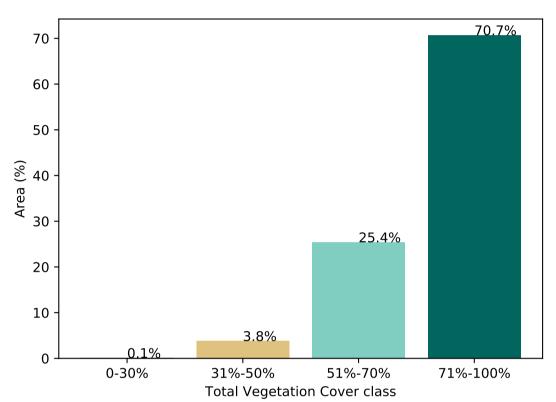


### Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

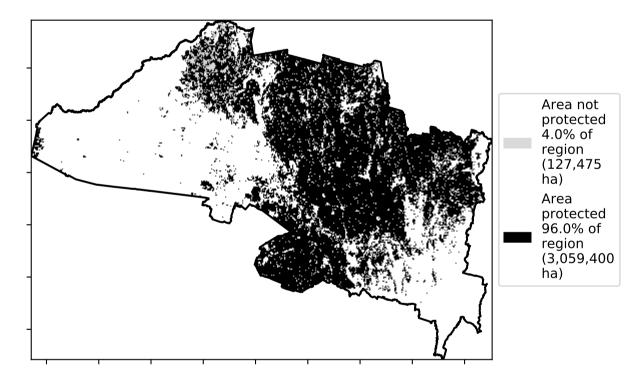


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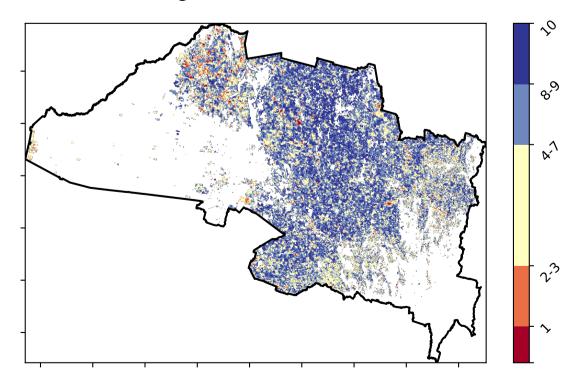
### Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



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



### Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]



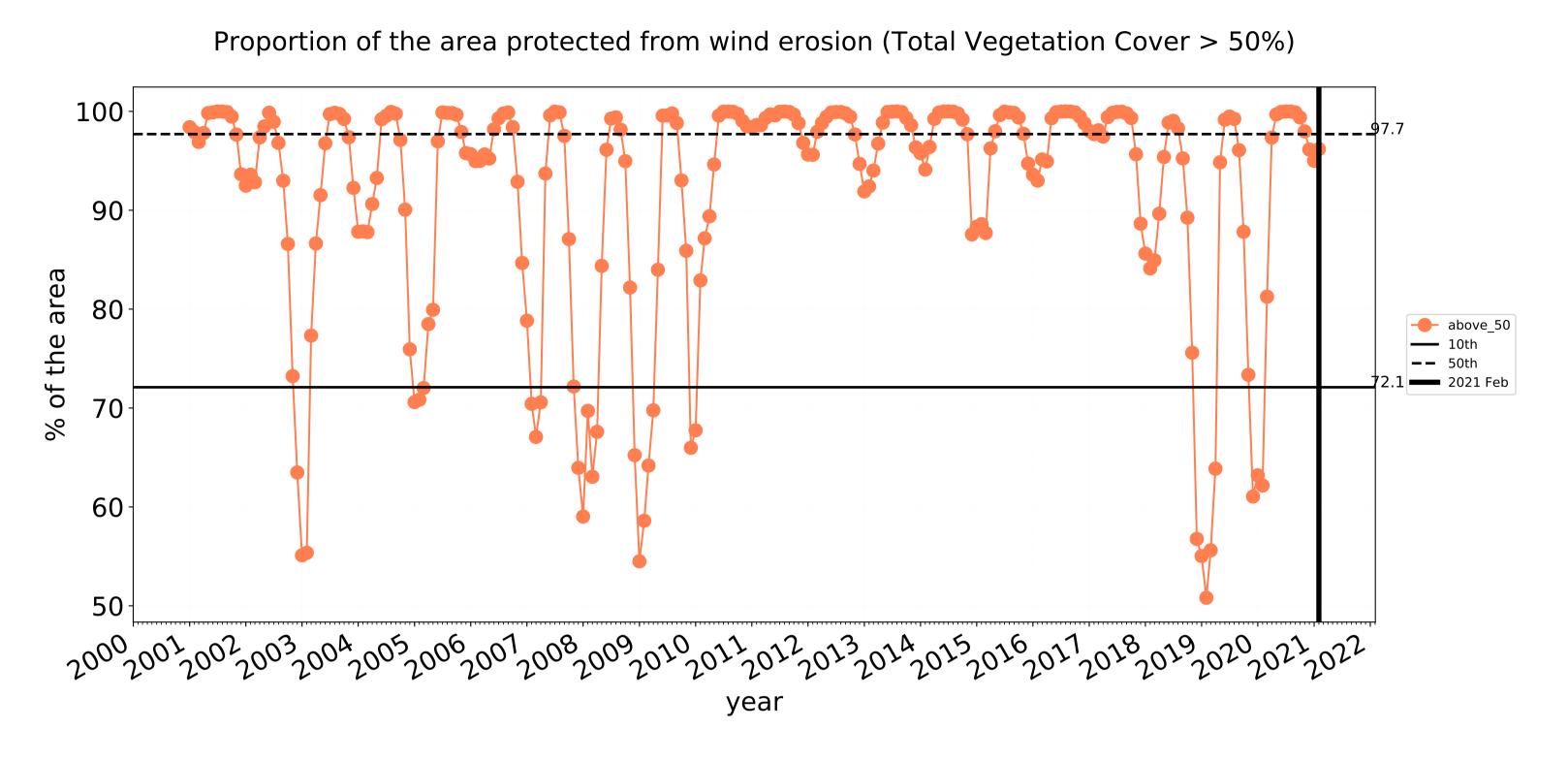


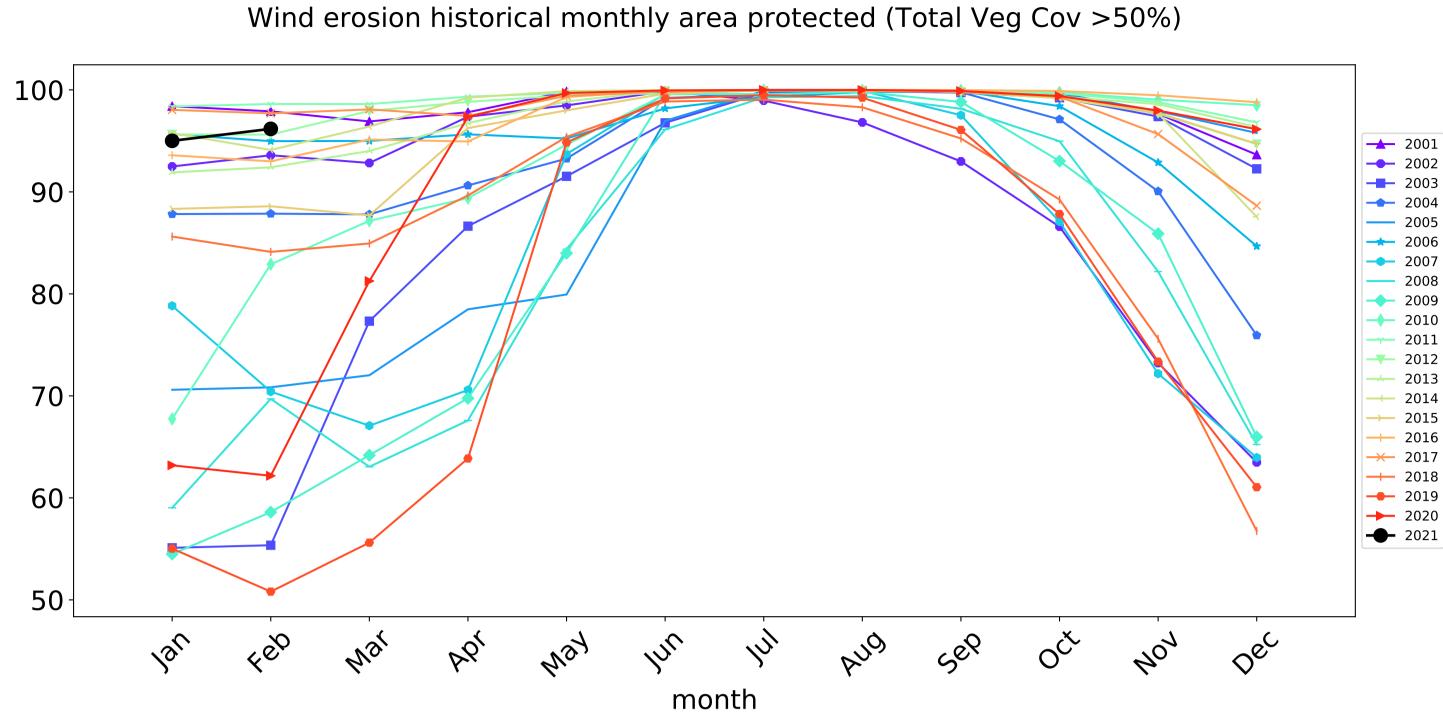


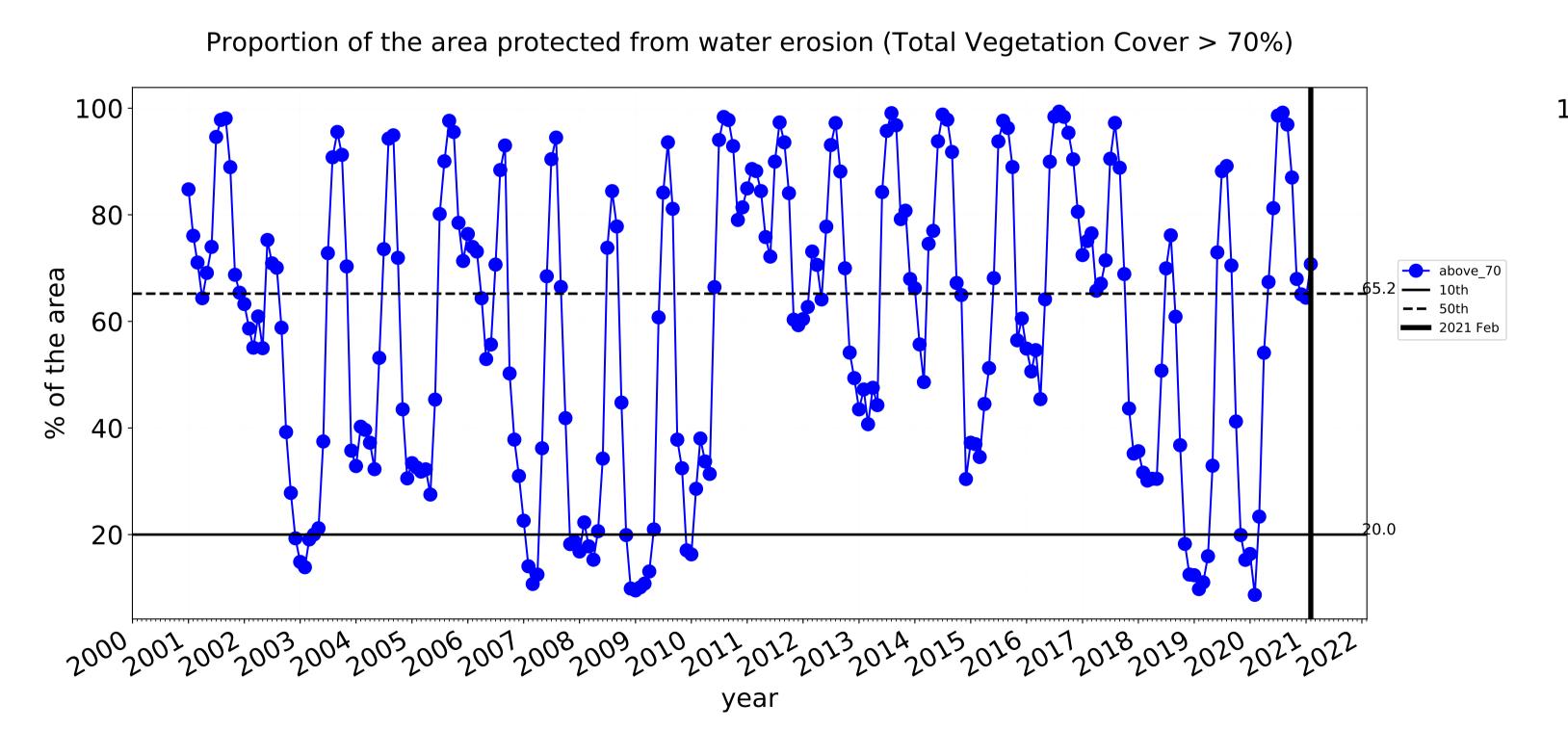


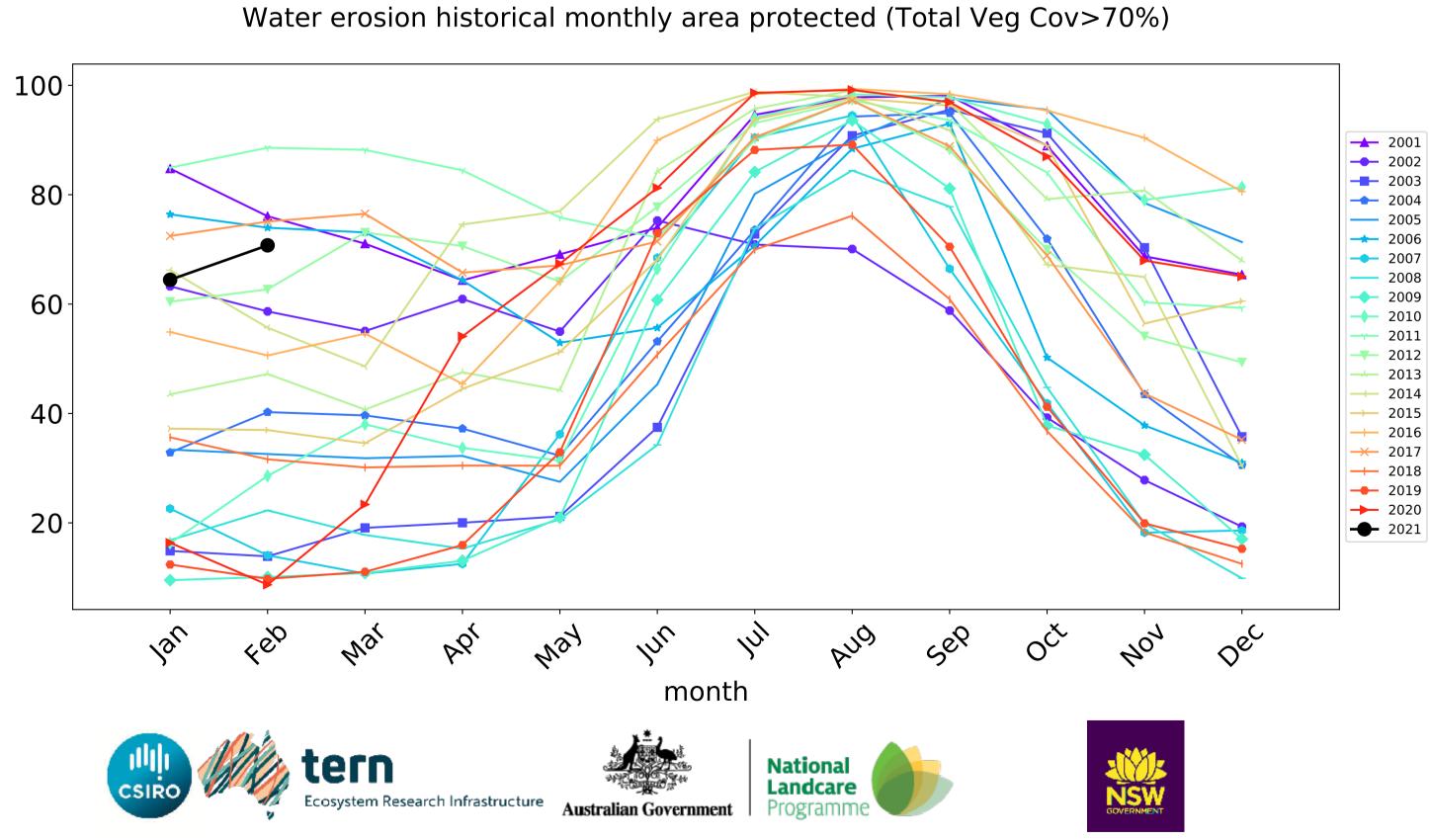


### **Cropping timeseries**

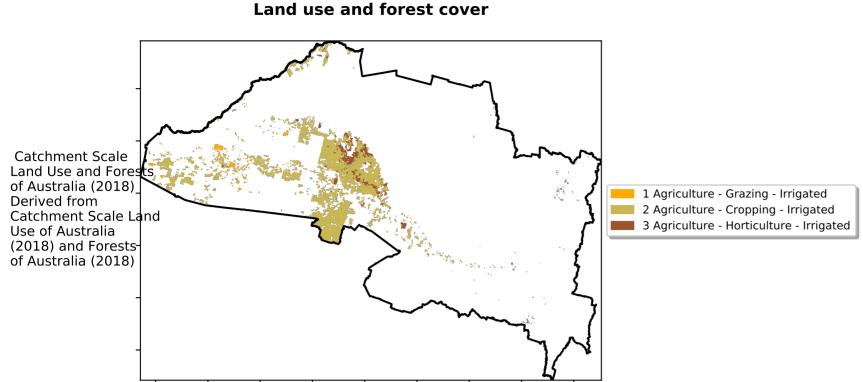


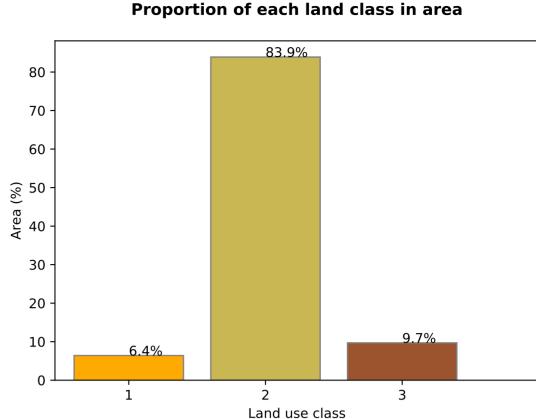


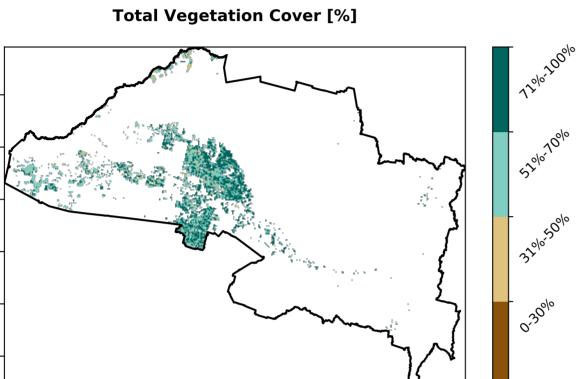


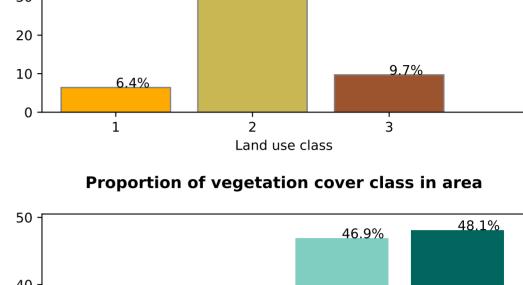


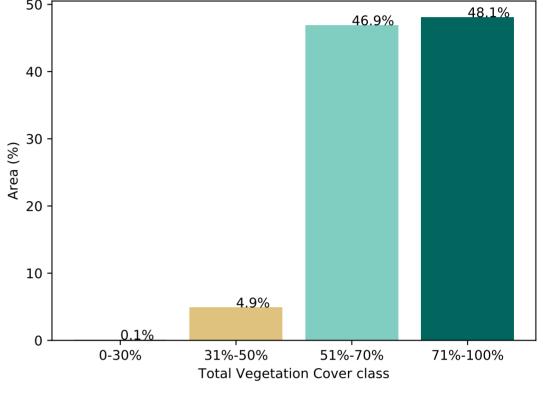
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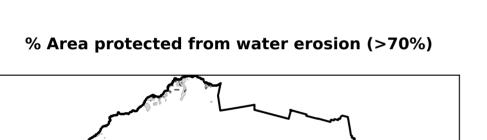


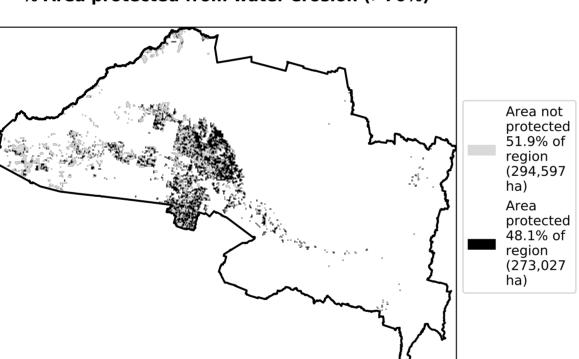


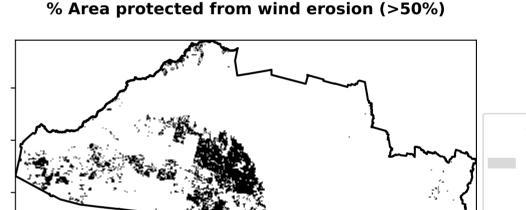


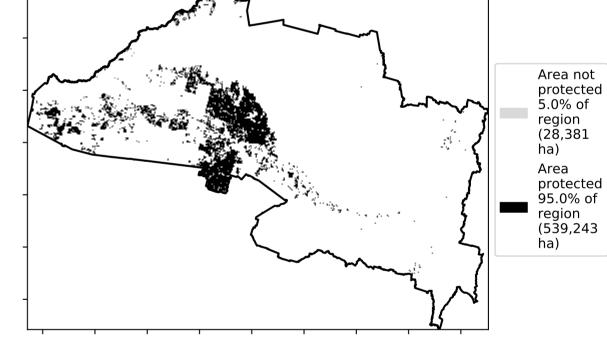


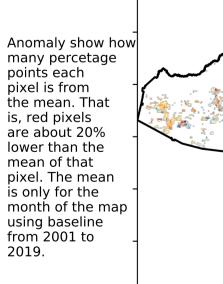


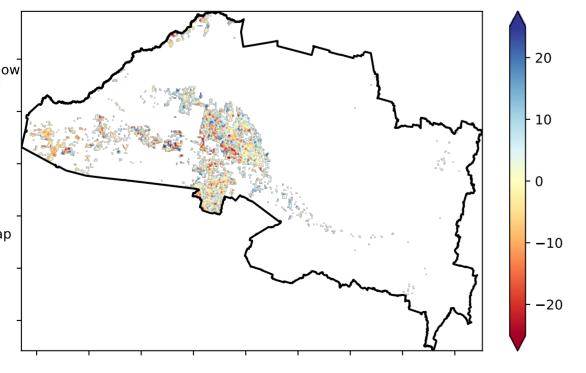






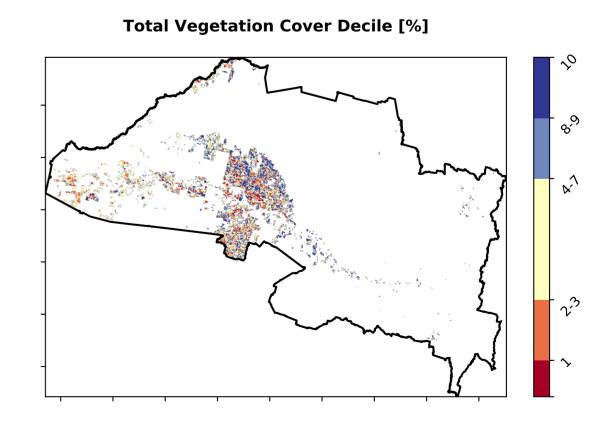






**Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]** 

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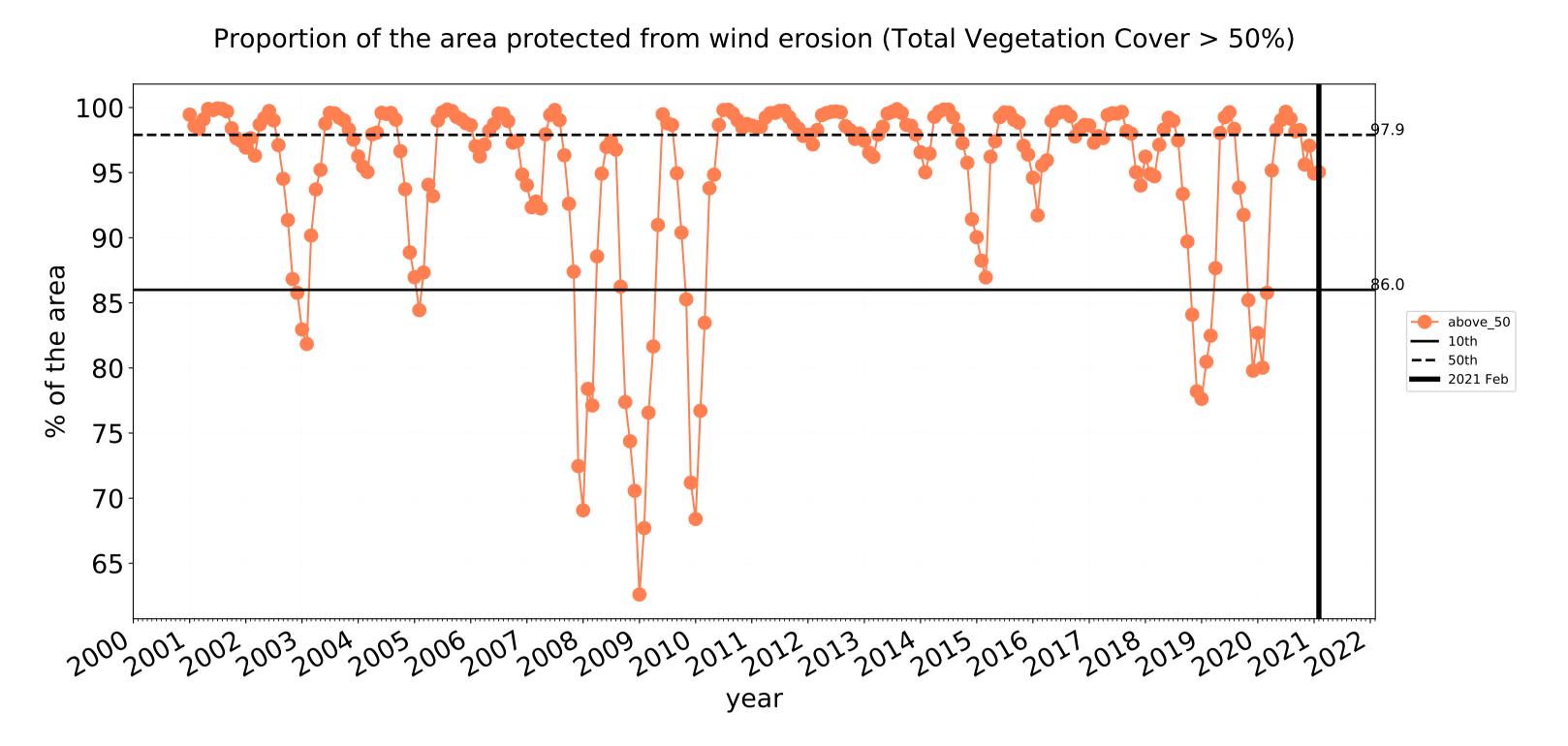


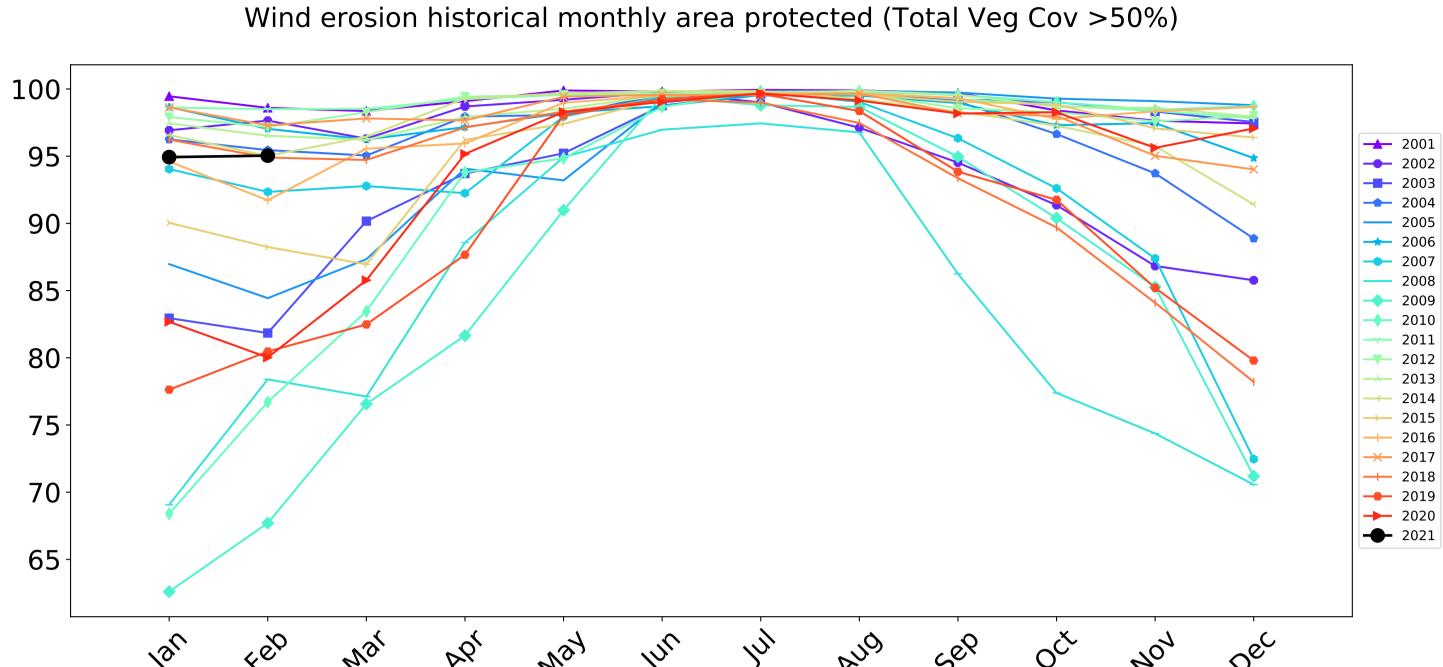




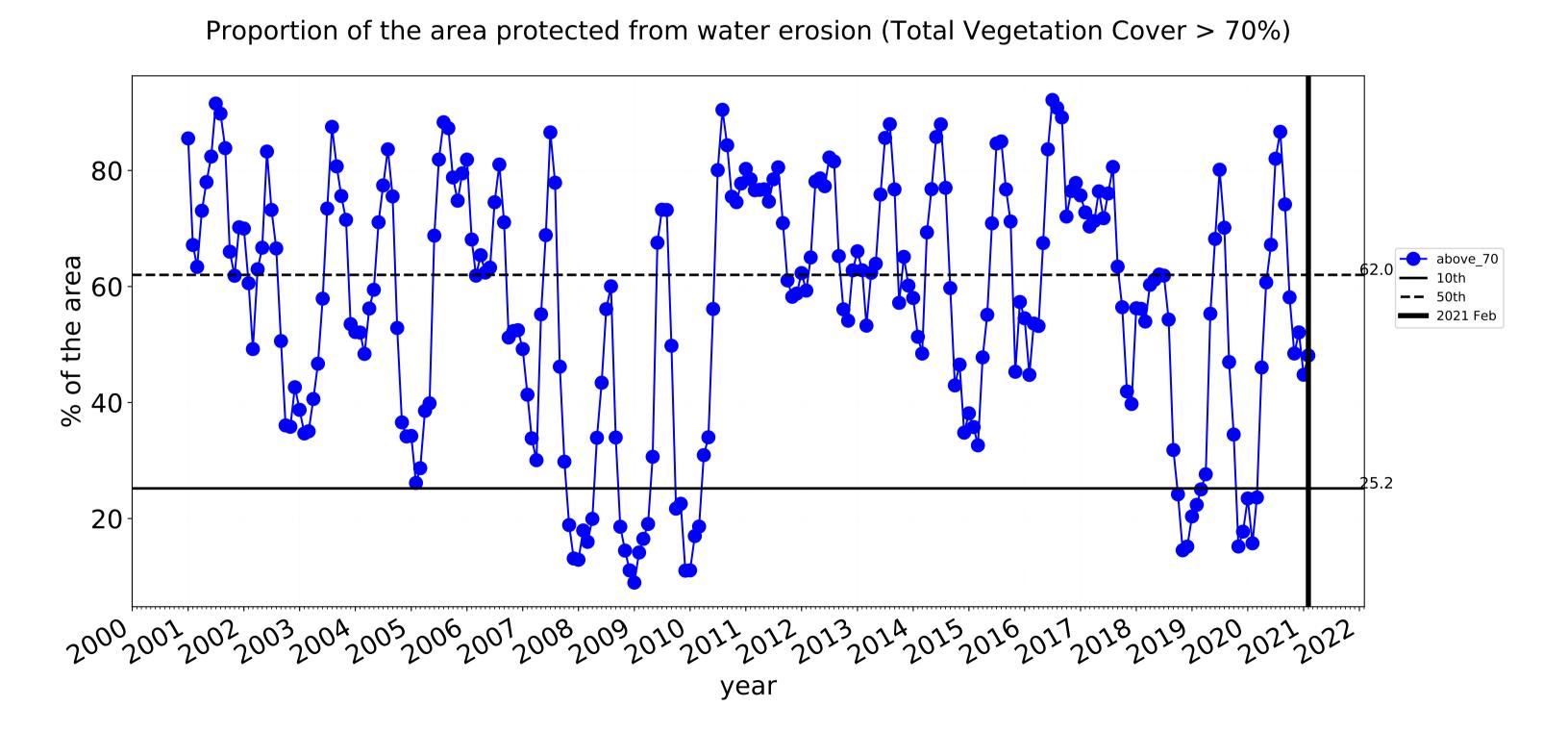


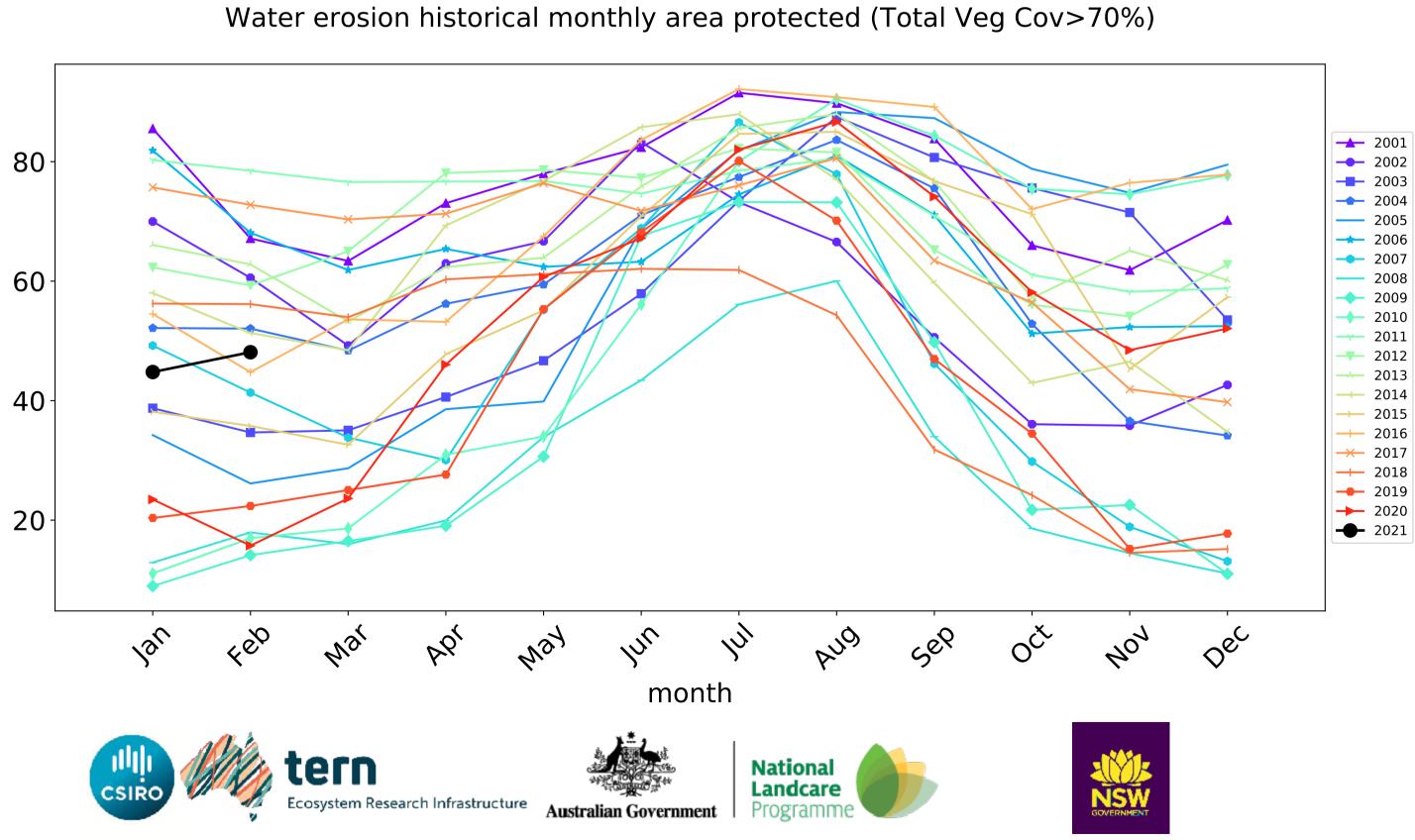




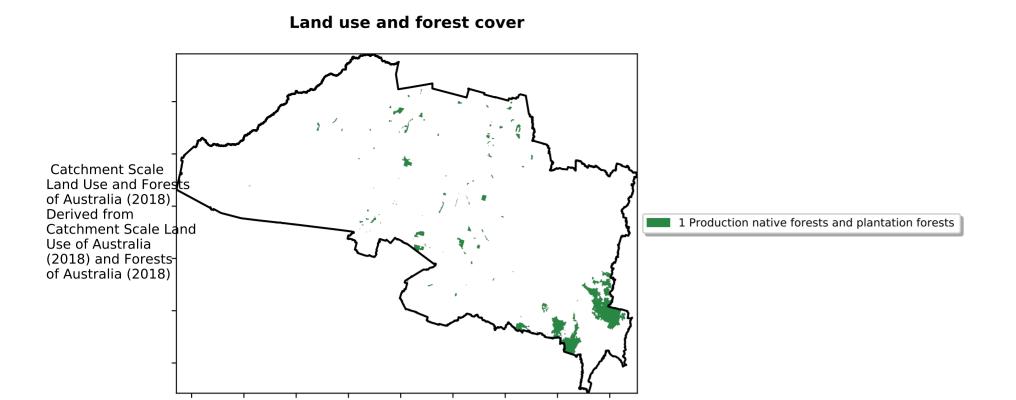


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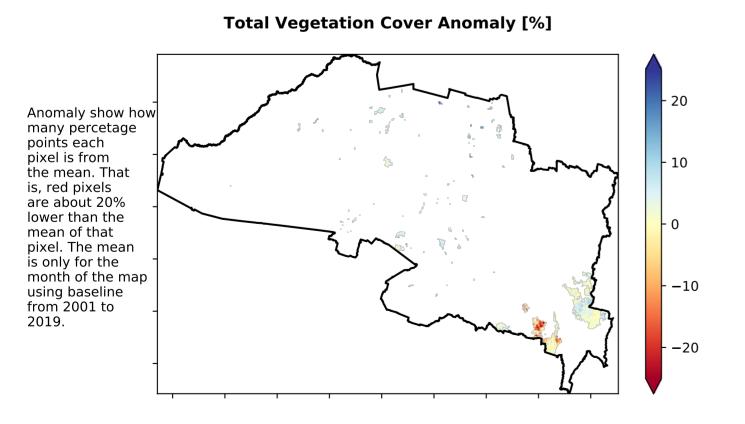


### **Production native forests and plantation forests**

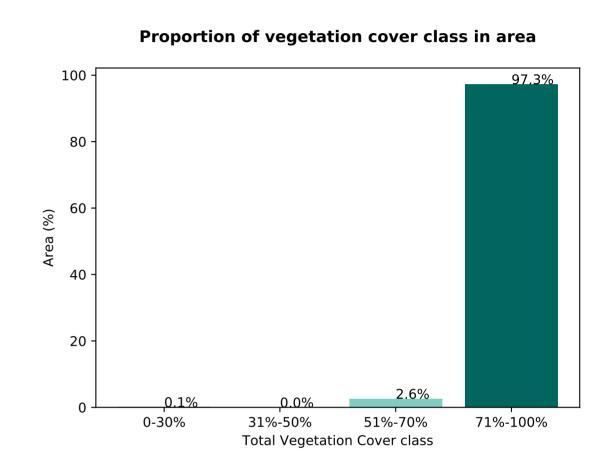


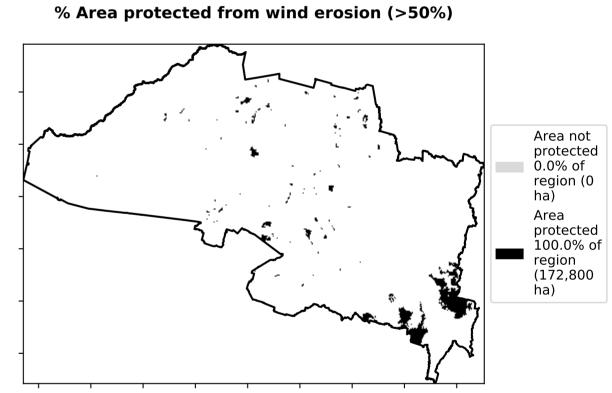
# Total Vegetation Cover [%]

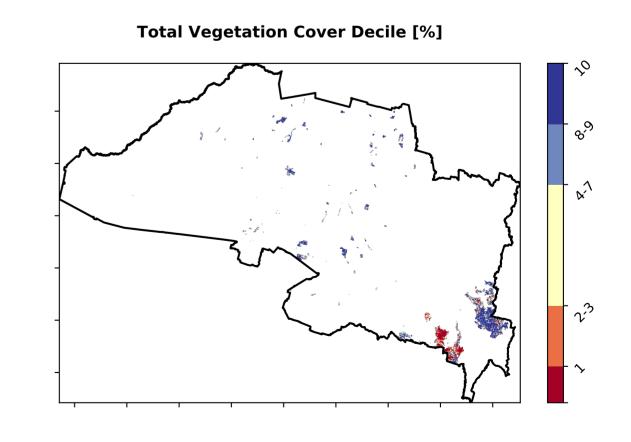
### % Area protected from water erosion (>70%) Area not protected 2.7% of region (4,665 ha) Area protected 97.3% of region (168,134 ha)



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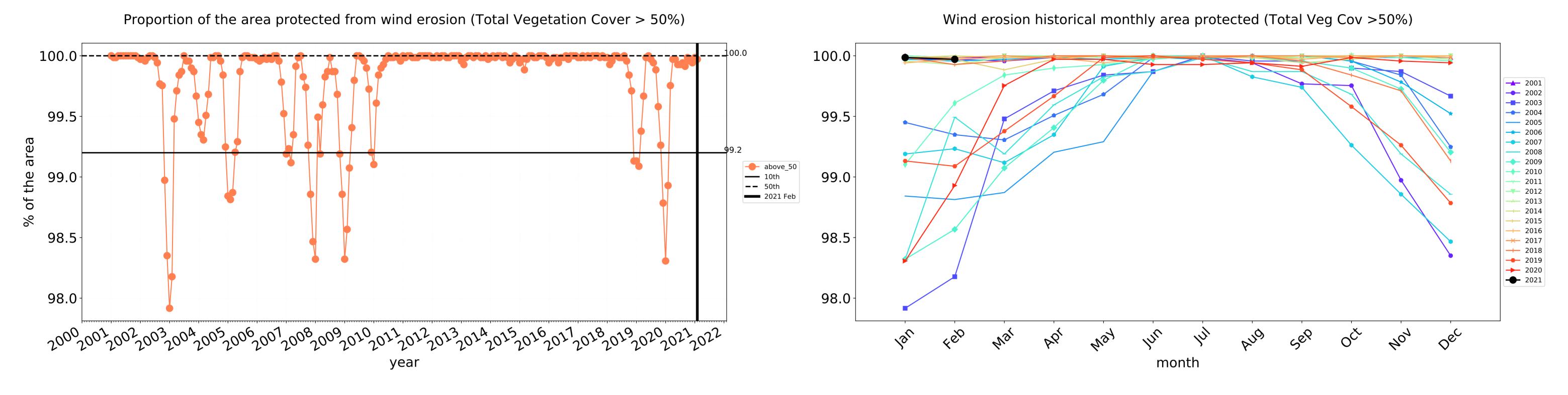


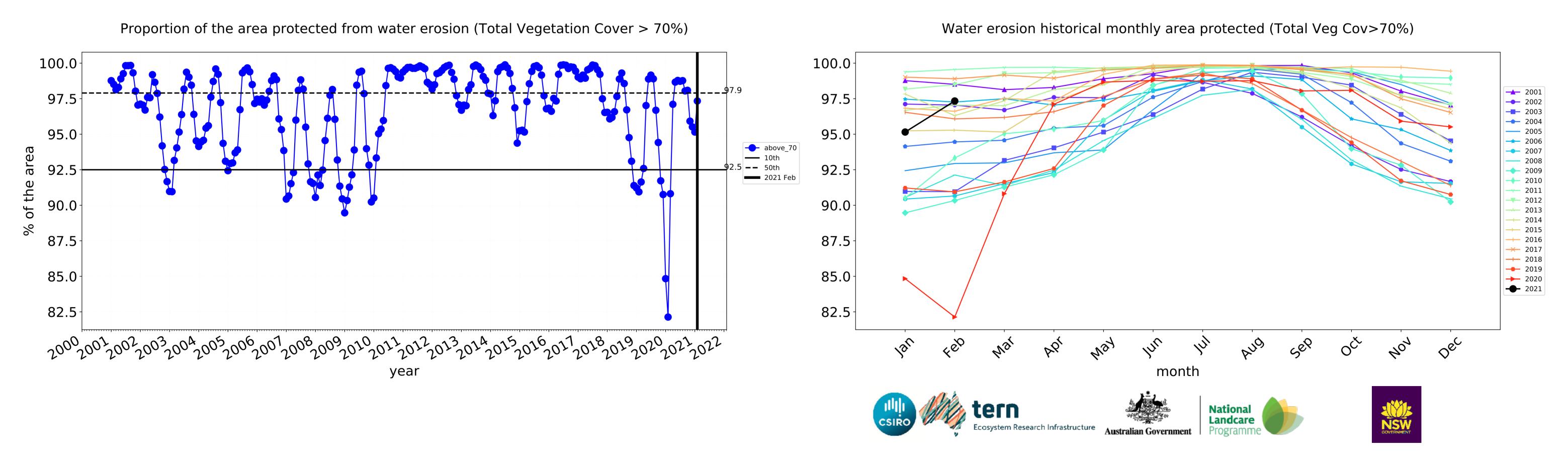






### **Production native forests and plantation forests timeseries**





### Riverina (6,694,050 ha and no data 14,285 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	6,694,050	100.0% 6,693,225	96.2% 6,440,000	66.3% 4,440,025	42.1% 2,817,500	12.2% 815,825	3.6% 243,450
Conservation and natural environments	323,075	100.0% 323,075	99.8% 322,325	86.5% 279,425	77.7% 250,900	50.5% 163,175	30.1% 97,250
Conservation and natural environments non forest	83,350	100.0% 83,350	99.1% 82,600	50.5% 42,075	34.0% 28,350	12.9% 10,750	5.9% 4,900
Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)	195,225	100.0% 195,225	100.0% 195,225	99.1% 193,525	92.8% 181,250	66.1% 129,000	44.0% 85,850
Agriculture	6,067,750	100.0% 6,067,075	95.9% 5,819,675	64.5% 3,914,950	39.1% 2,371,900	8.8% 533,375	1.2% 69,825
Grazing	2,311,425	100.0% 2,311,350	95.8% 2,213,300	60.0% 1,386,175	40.6% 939,200	14.4% 332,575	2.3% 52,200
Grazing non forest	2,066,425	100.0% 2,066,350	95.3% 1,968,625	55.7% 1,151,900	36.0% 743,100	12.2% 252,125	1.5% 31,300
Grazing Woodland forest	141,650	100.0% 141,650	99.8% 141,325	94.2% 133,500	76.0% 107,675	25.9% 36,675	5.3% 7,450
Grazing - Forest (non woodland)	103,350	100.0% 103,350	100.0% 103,350	97.5% 100,775	85.6% 88,425	42.4% 43,775	13.0% 13,450
Cropping	3,186,875	100.0% 3,186,375	96.2% 3,065,075	70.7% 2,254,400	42.0% 1,337,175	5.8% 185,750	0.4% 12,800
Irrigation	567,625	100.0% 567,525	95.0% 539,475	48.1% 273,075	16.7% 95,075	2.6% 15,025	0.9% 4,825
Production native forests and plantation forests	172,800	100.0% 172,775	100.0% 172,750	97.3% 168,200	89.9% 155,375	66.7% 115,200	43.9% 75,900







