Total vegetation cover soil protection Region:NRM Burnett Mary QLD

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 2025

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 Mar 2025

Land use and forest cover

Legend with land class forest cover and number, i.e. Forests is 12 1 Conservation and natural environments -2 Conservation and natural environments - Woodland forest 3 Conservation and natural environments - Non-Woodland forest 4 Agriculture - Grazing - Non-forest 5 Agriculture - Grazing - Woodland forest 6 Agriculture - Grazing - Non-woodland forest 7 Agriculture - Grazing - Irrigated 8 Agriculture - Cropping - Non-irrigated 9 Agriculture - Cropping - Irrigated 10 Agriculture - Horticulture - Non-irrigated 11 Agriculture - Horticulture - Irrigated 12 Production native forests and plantation forests 13 Other uses

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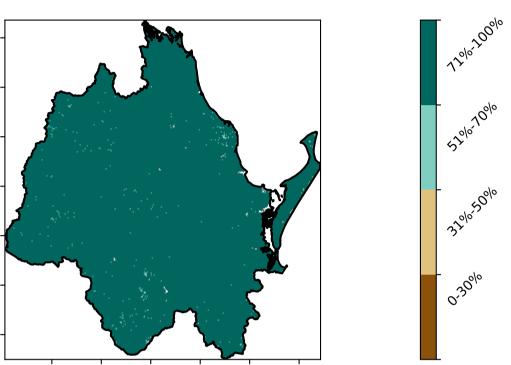
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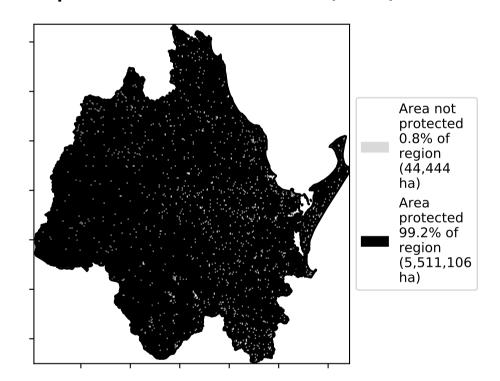
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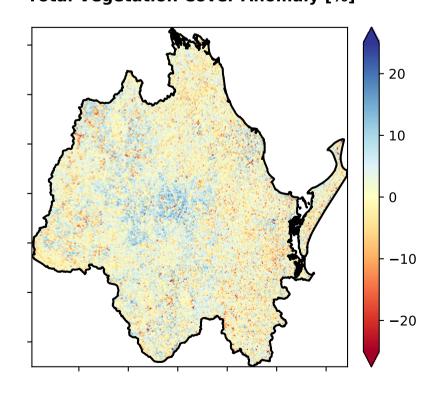




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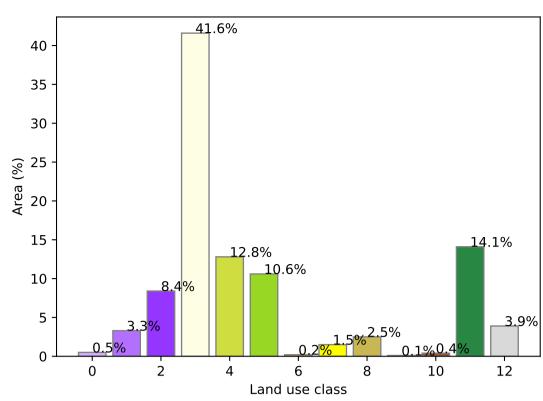


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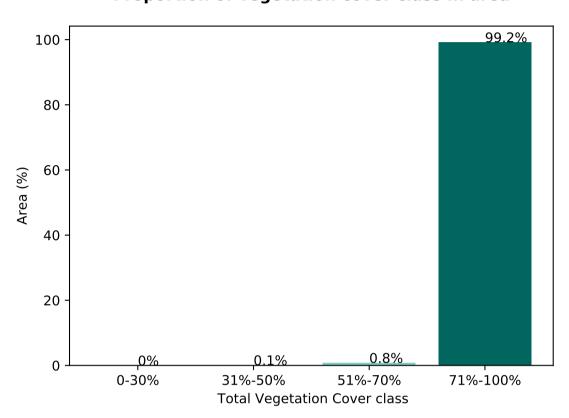


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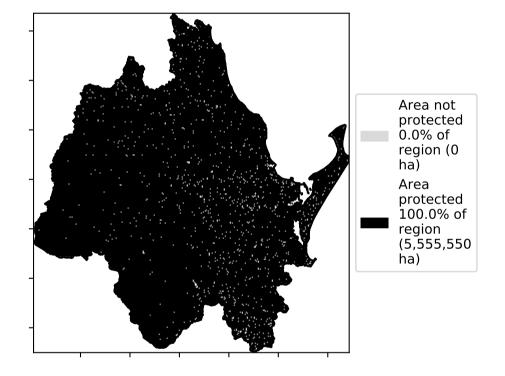
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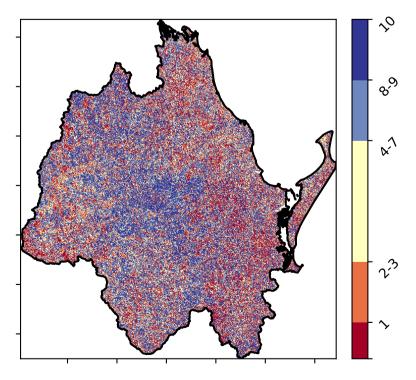


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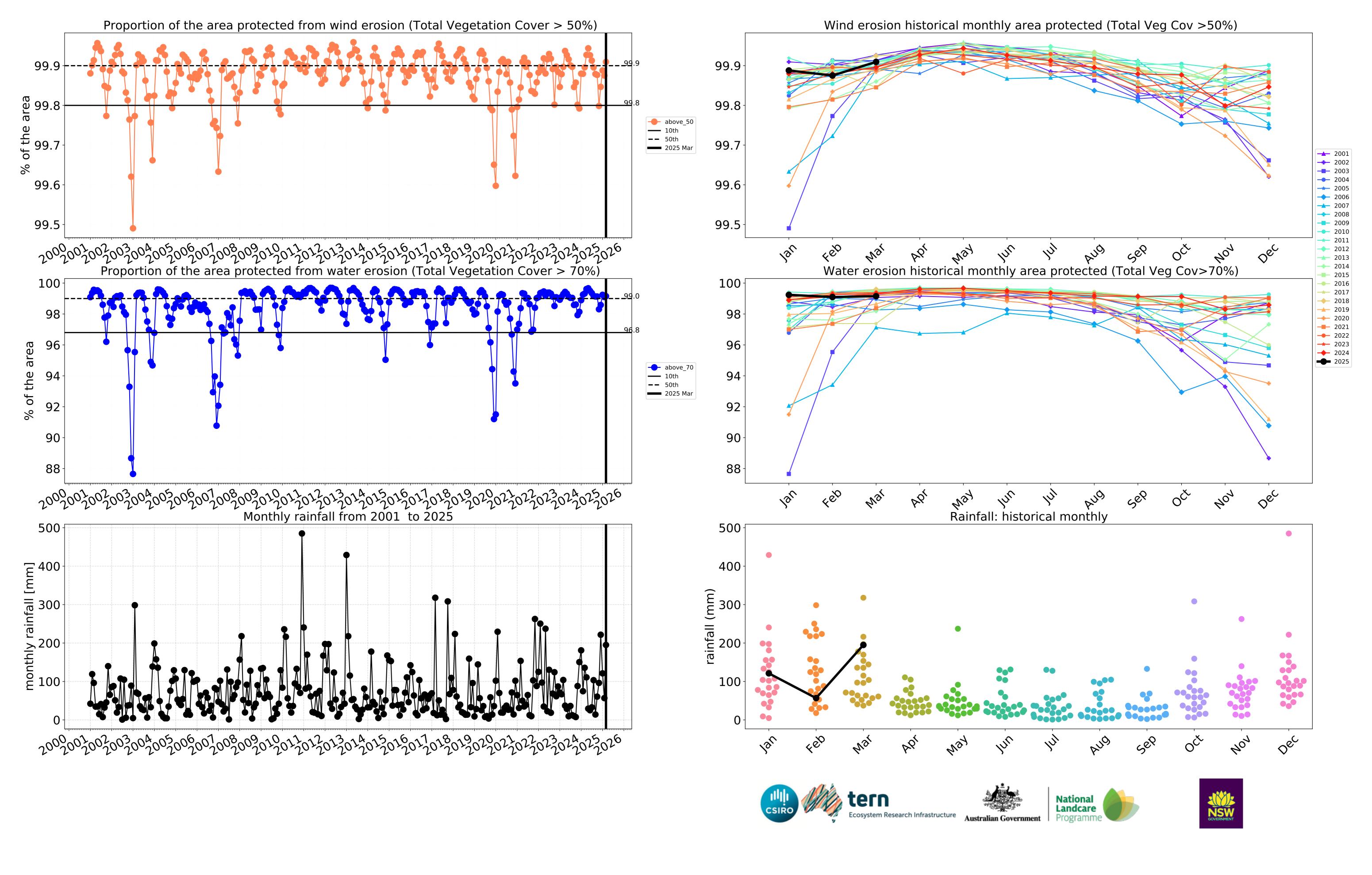


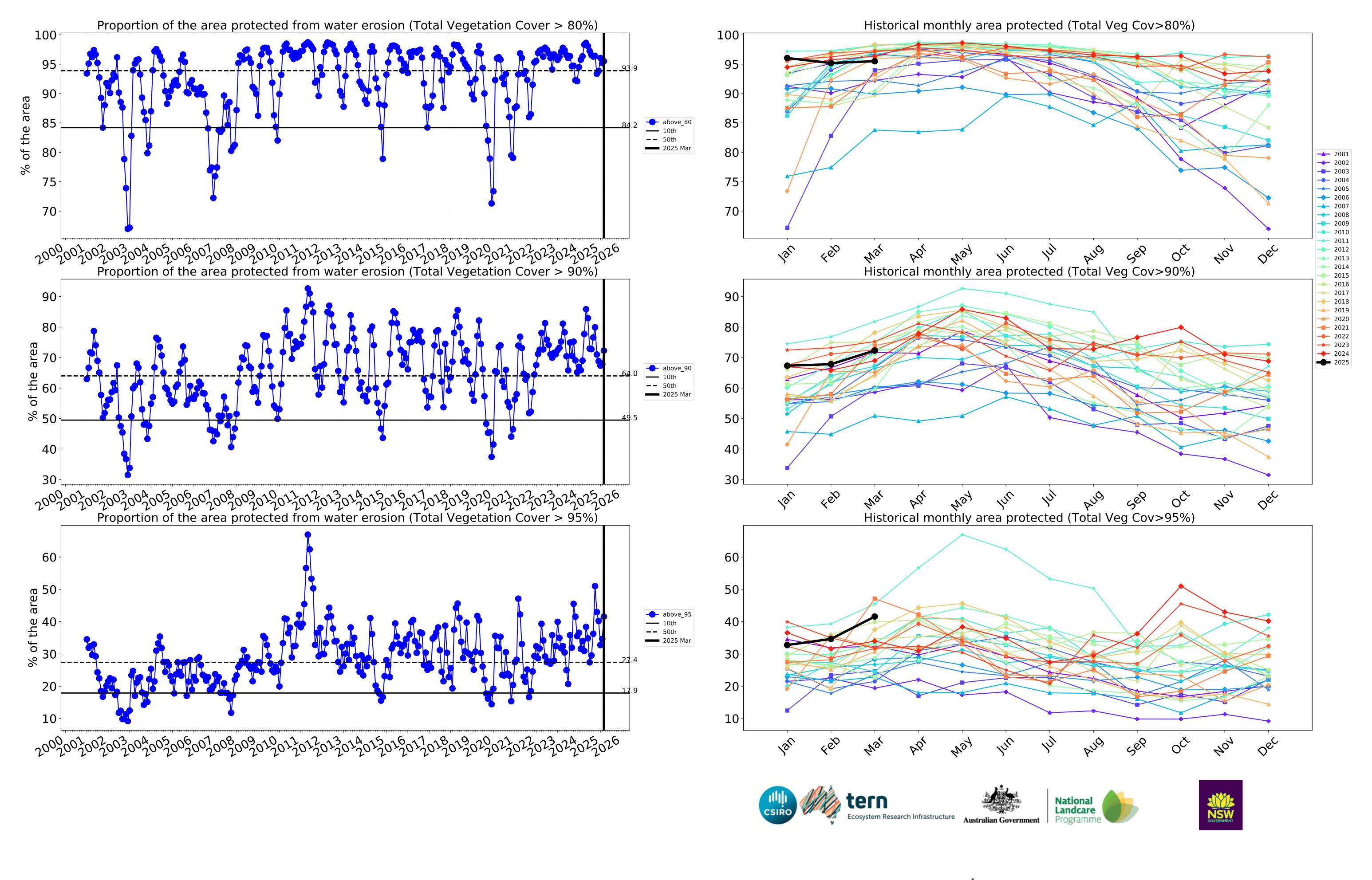












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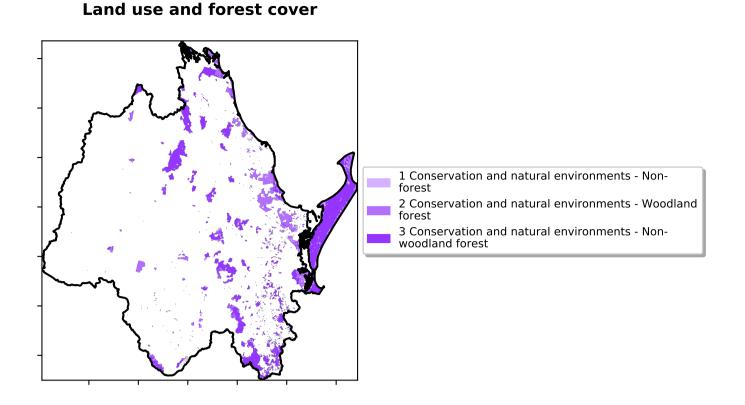
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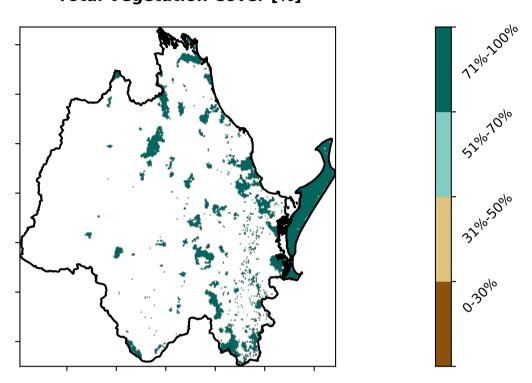
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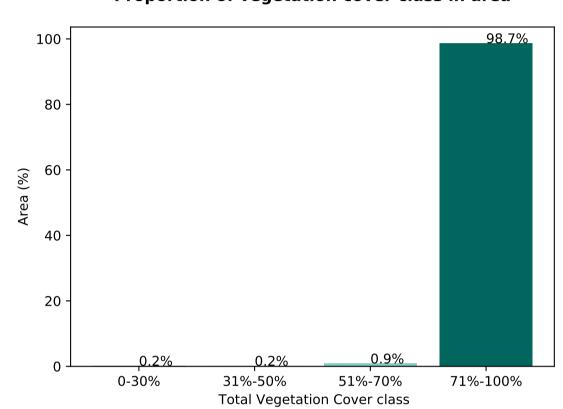
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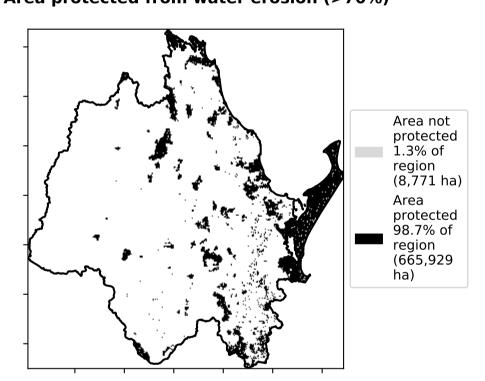
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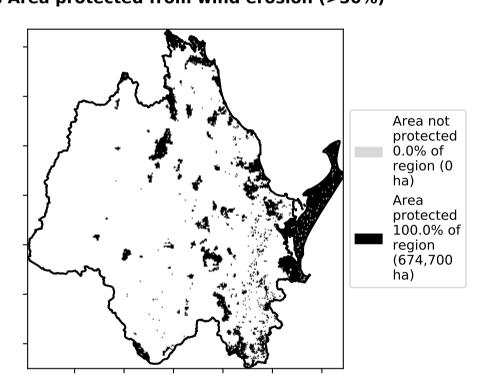
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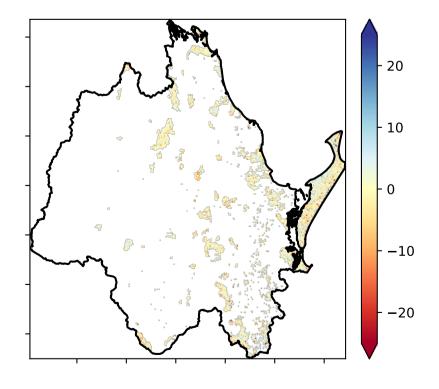
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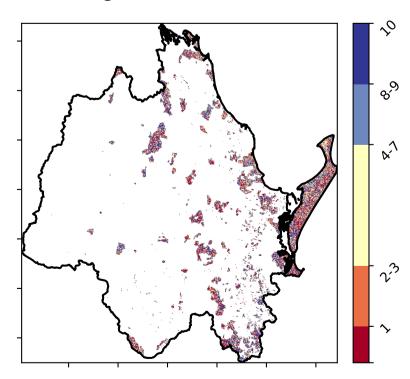
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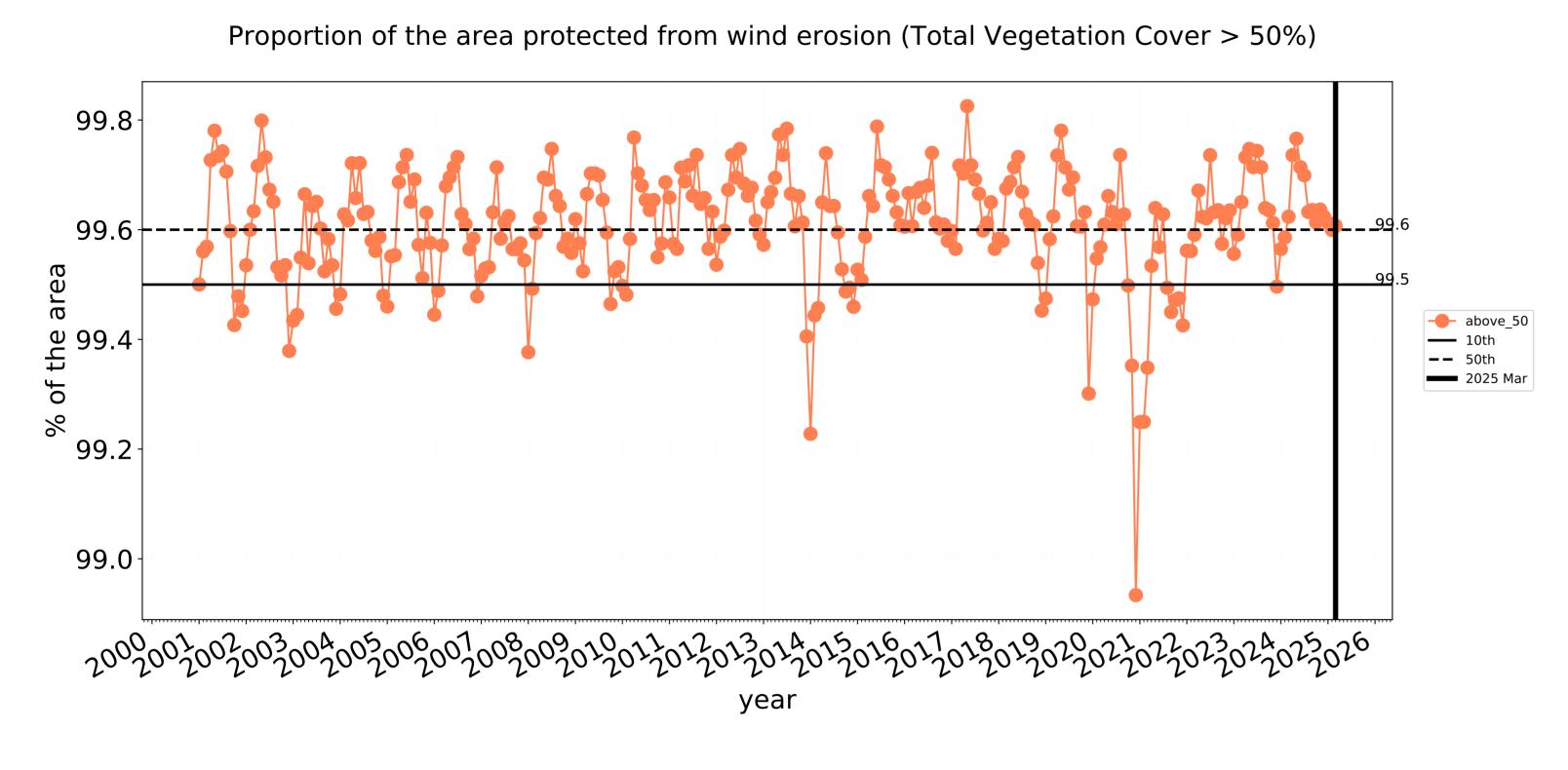




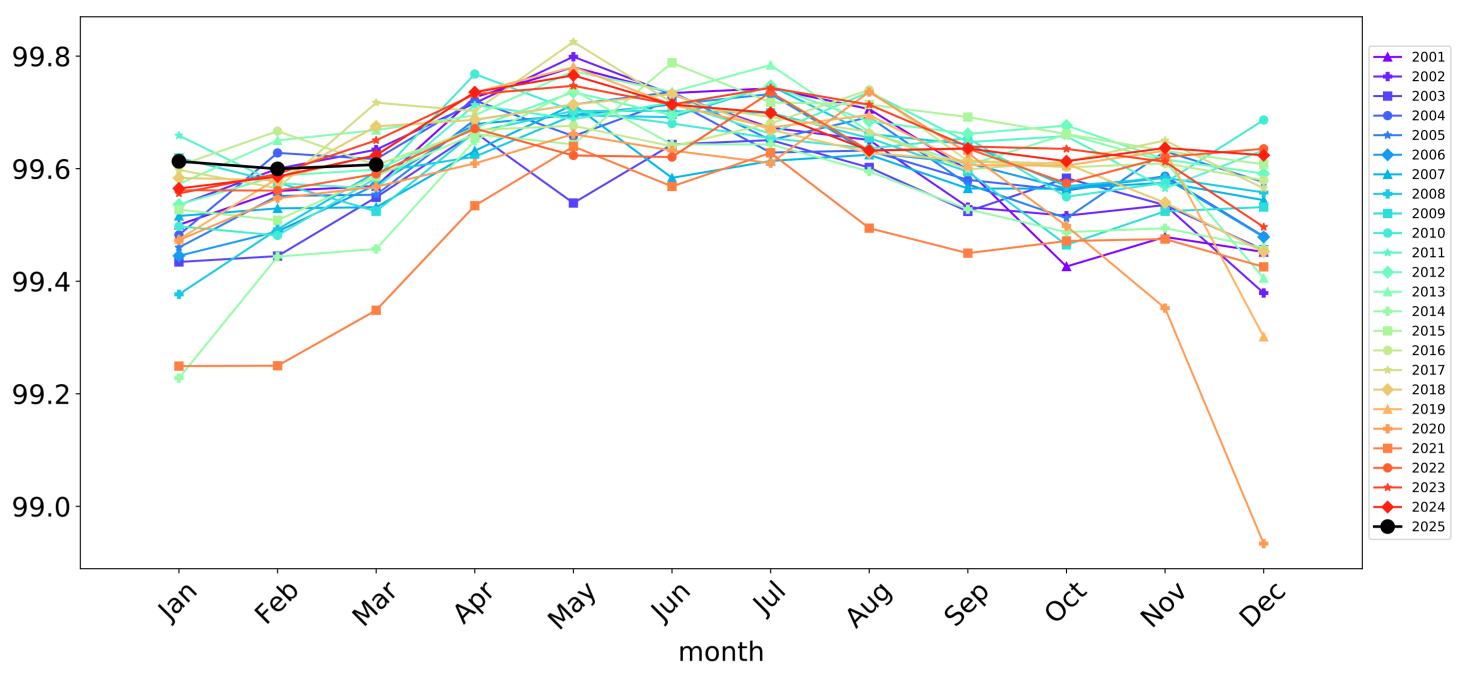


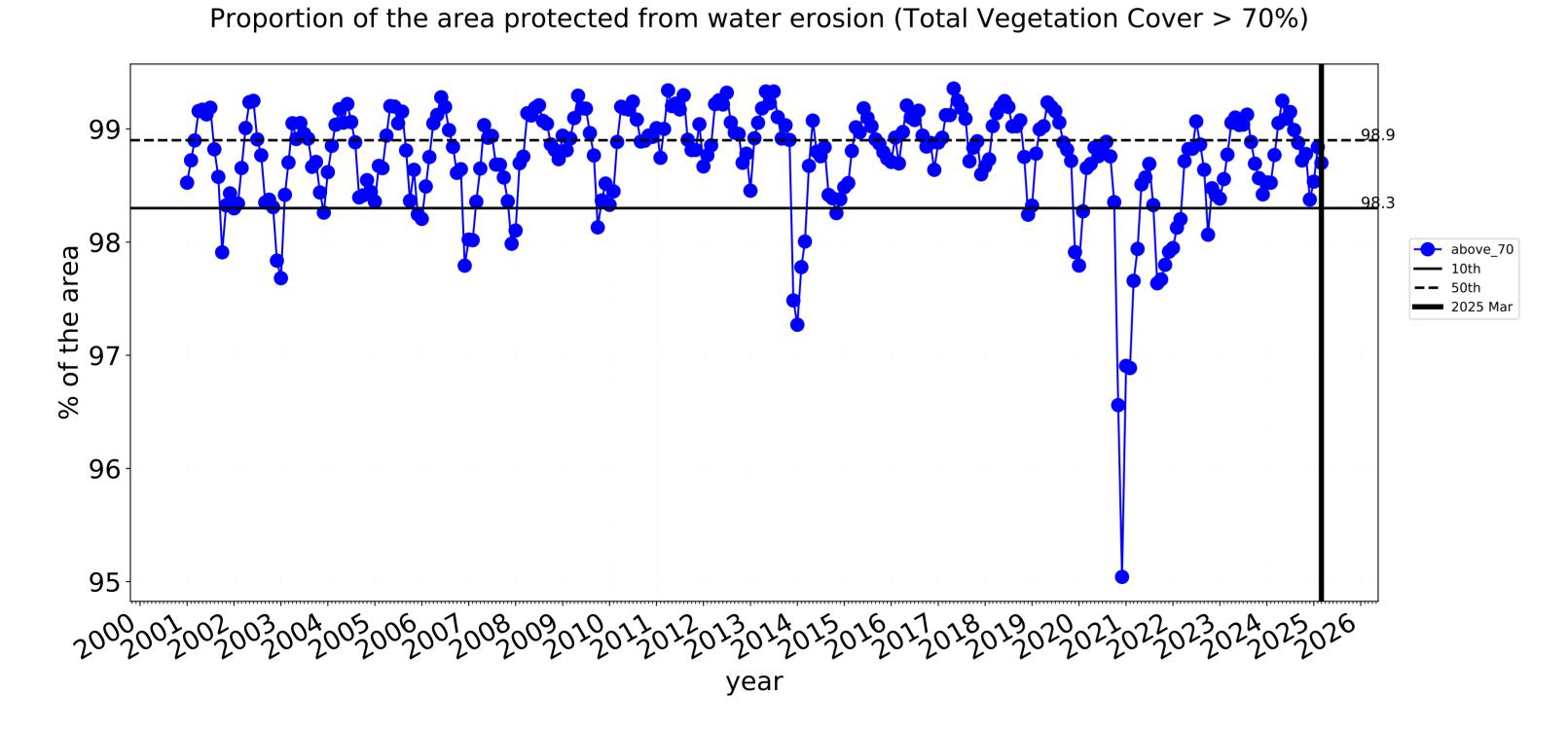


Conservation and natural environments timeseries

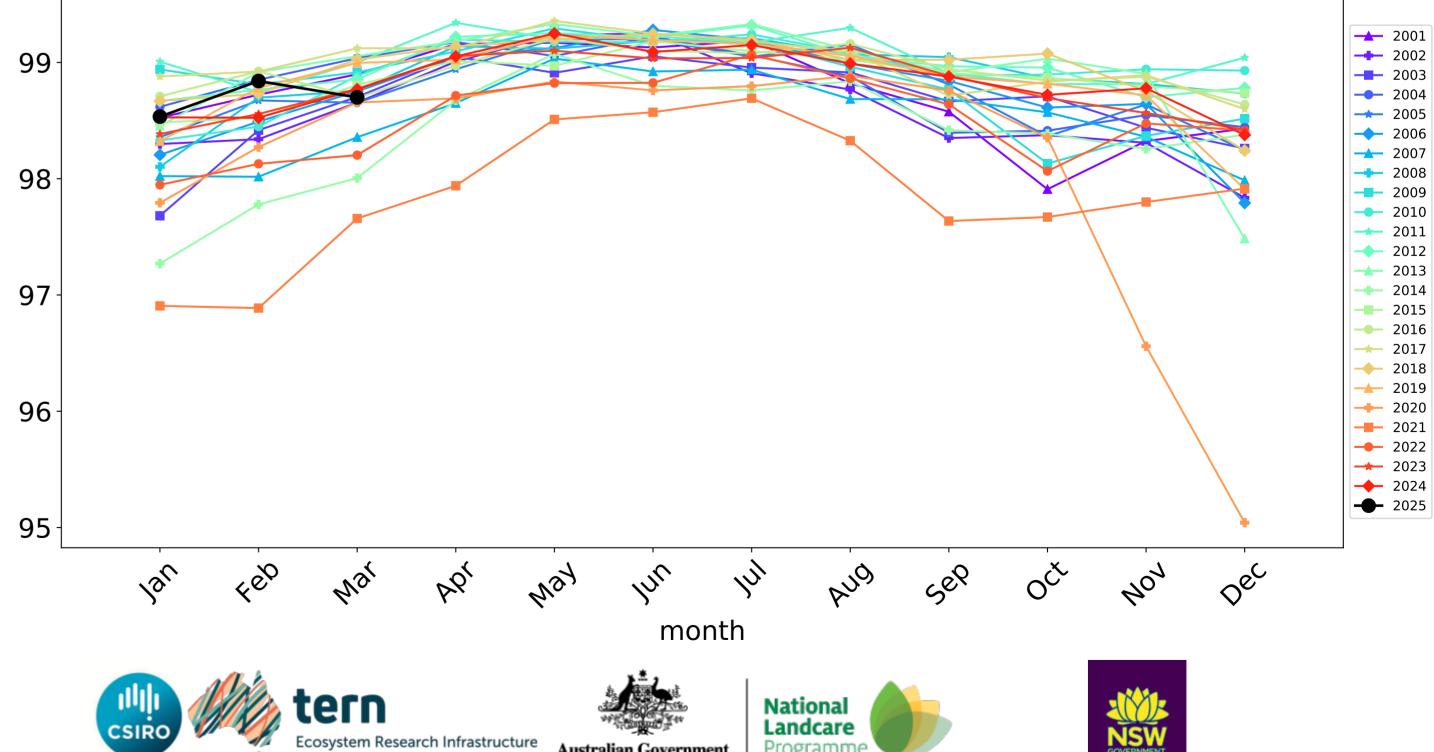


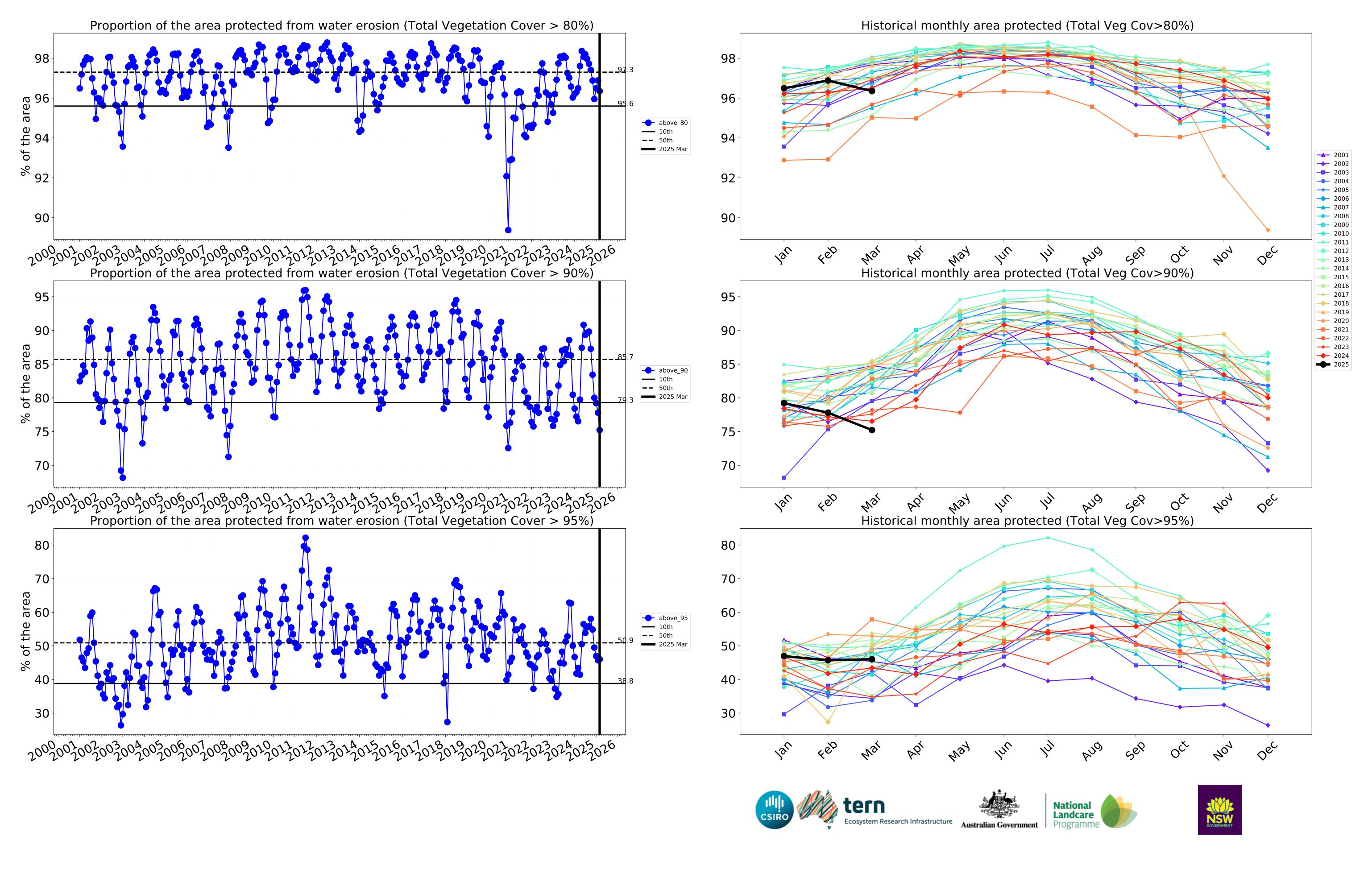






Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)





Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest

Land use and forest cover

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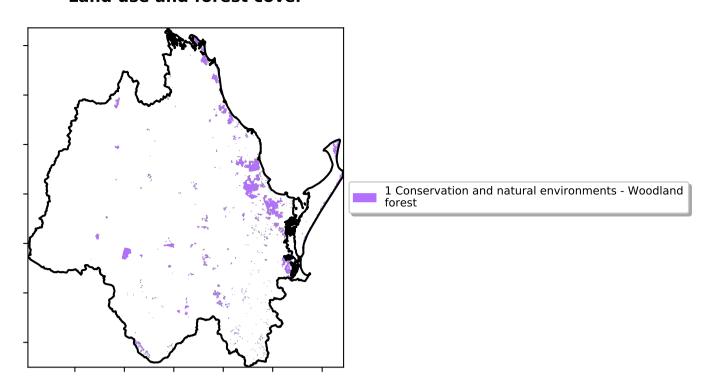
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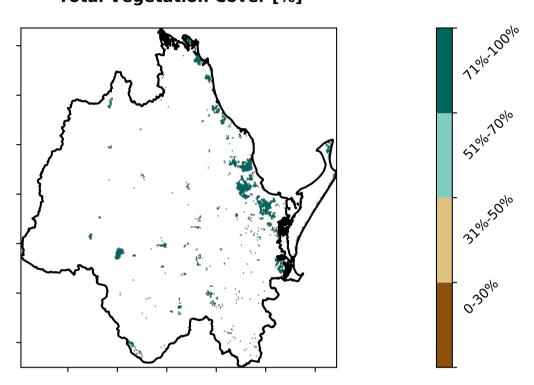
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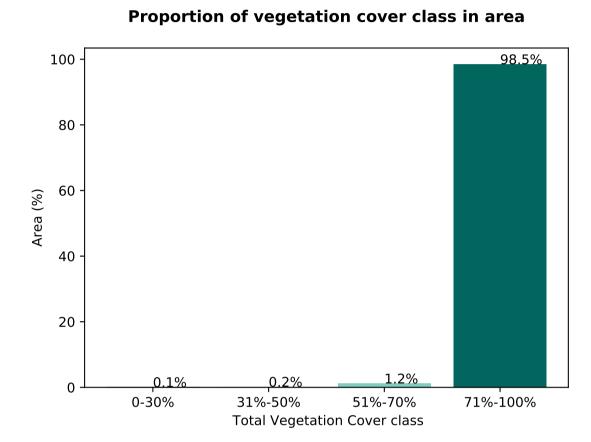
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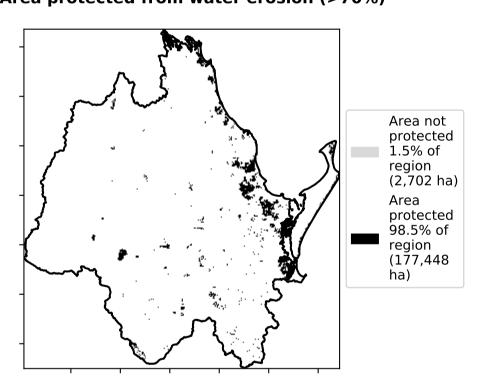


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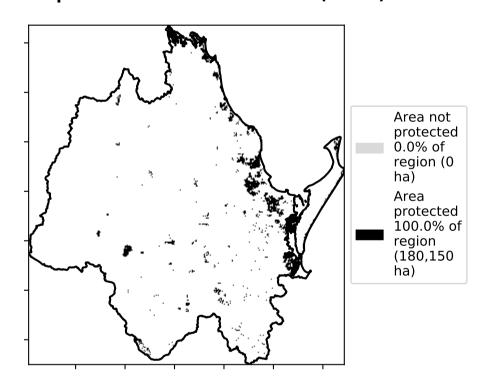




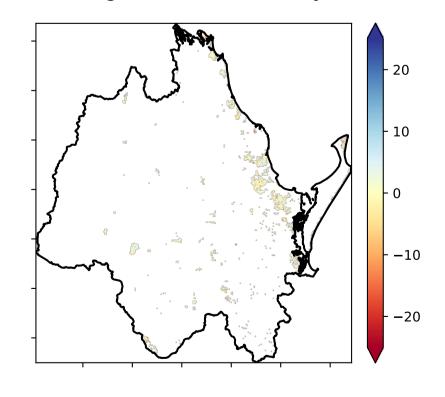
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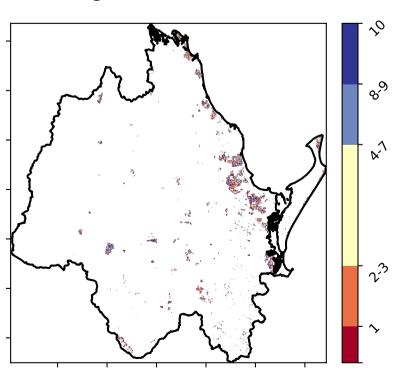
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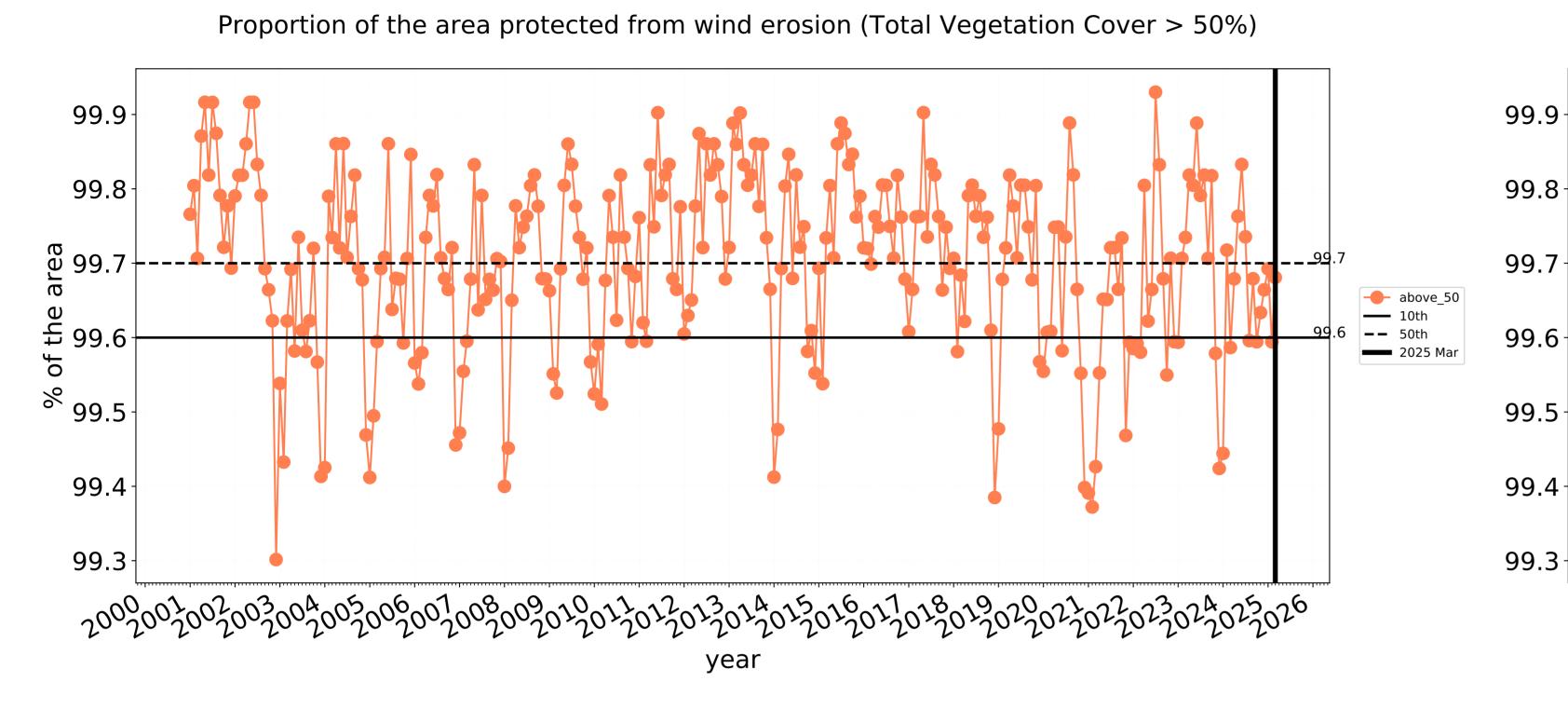


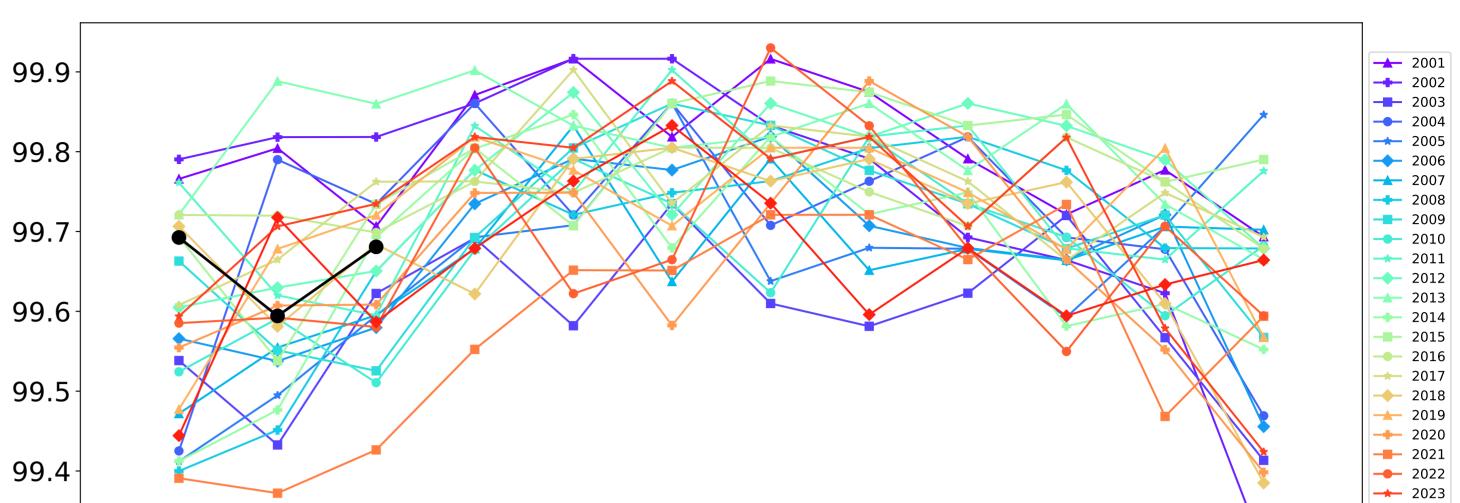






Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest timeseries

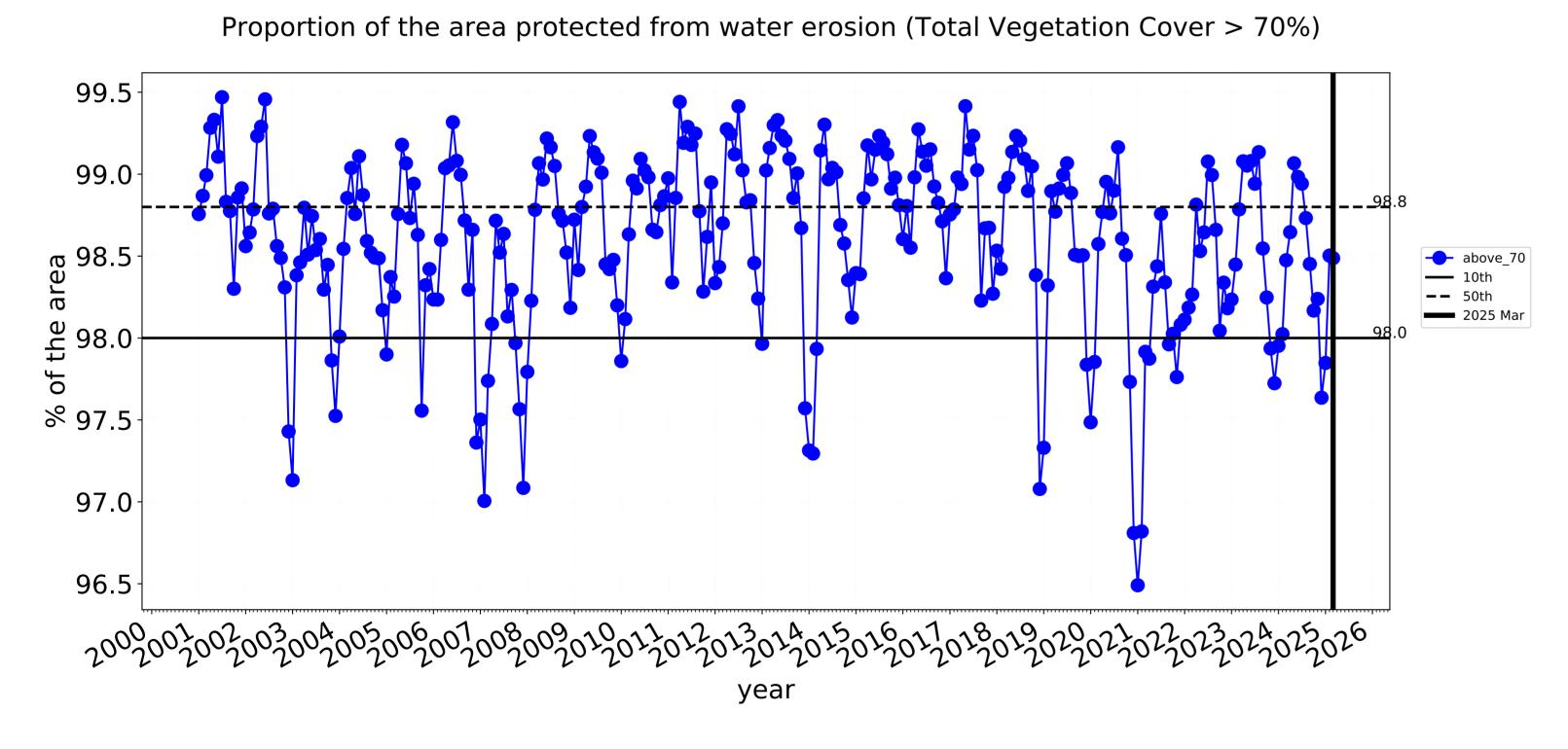


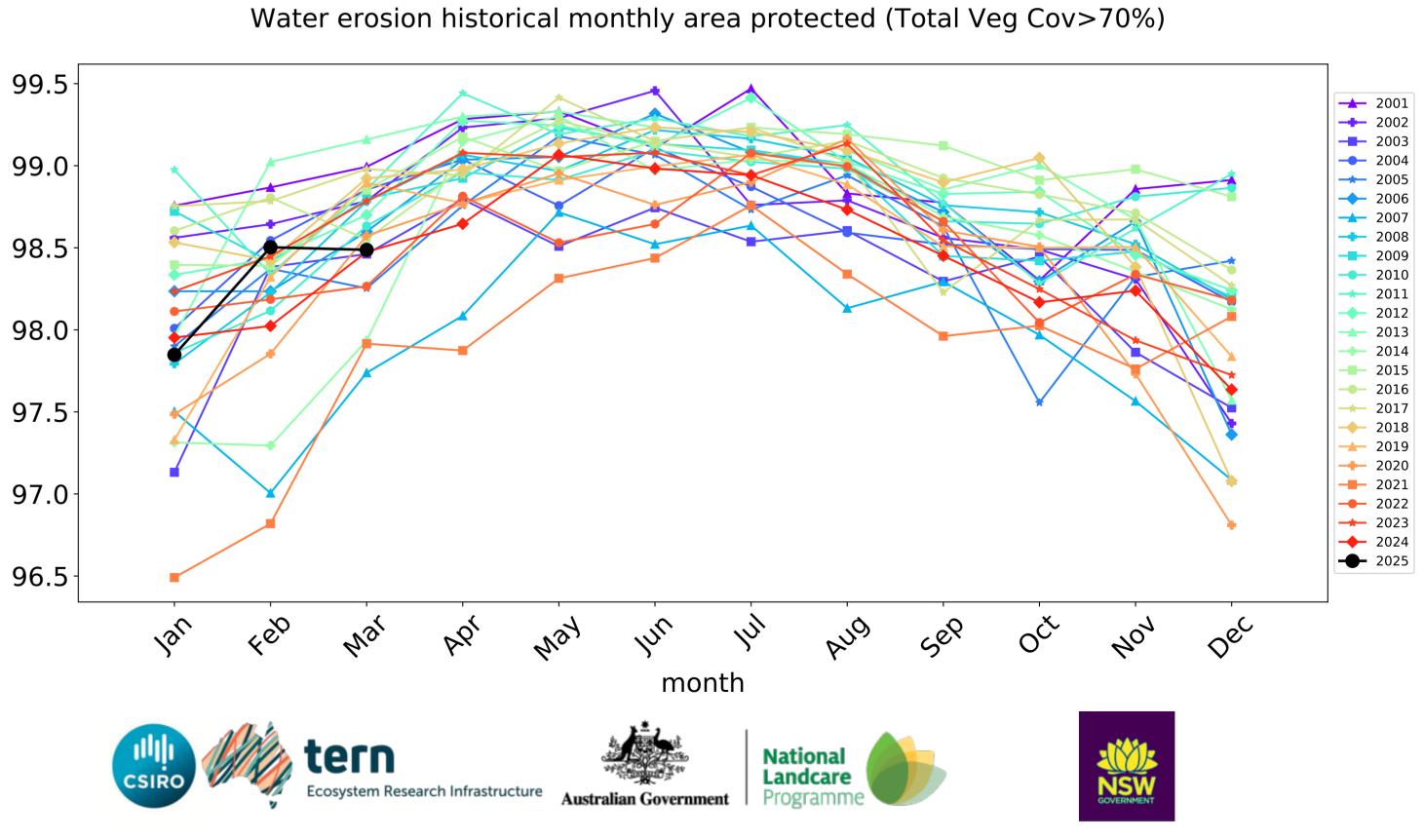


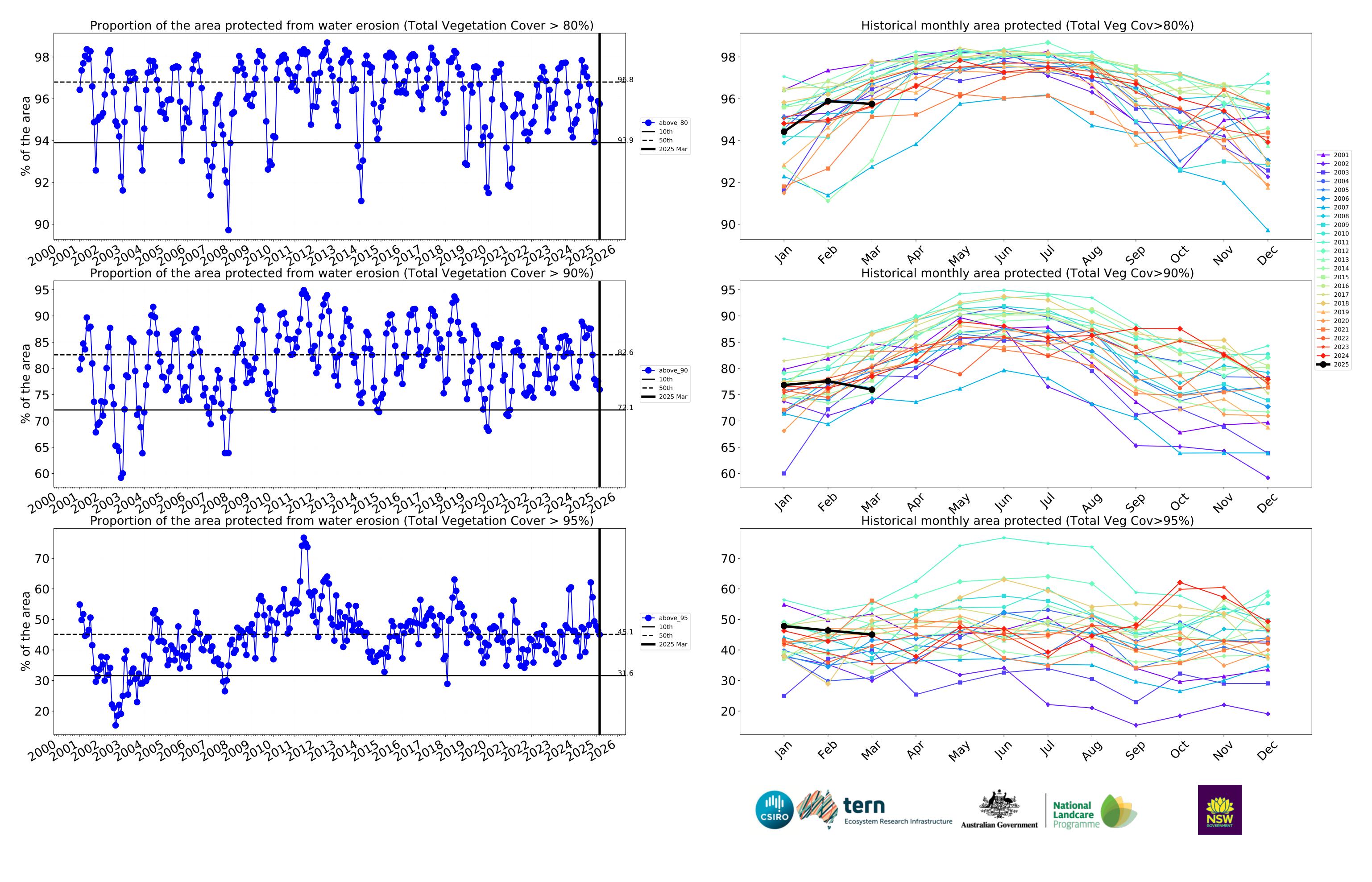
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Wind erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov >50%)







Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)

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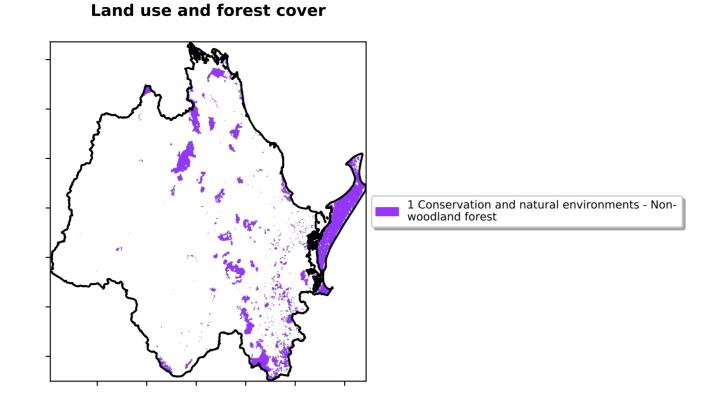
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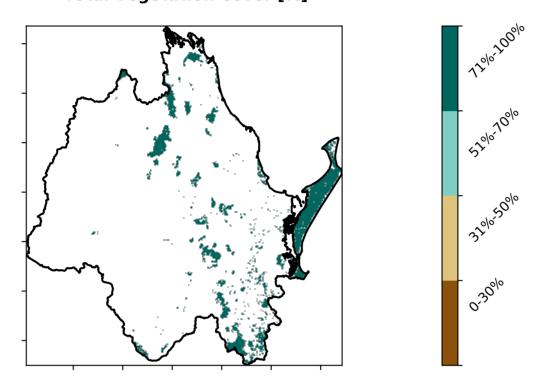
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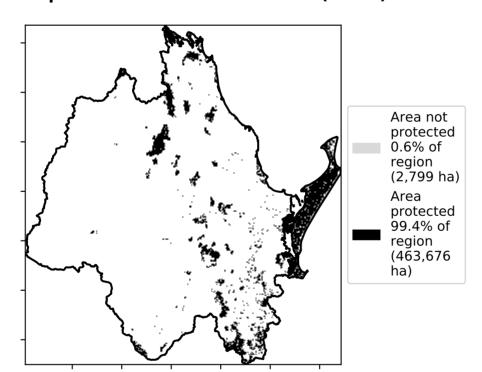
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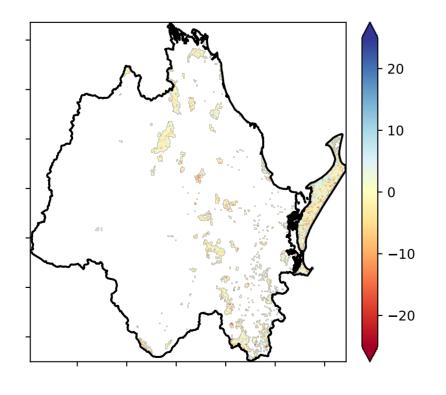
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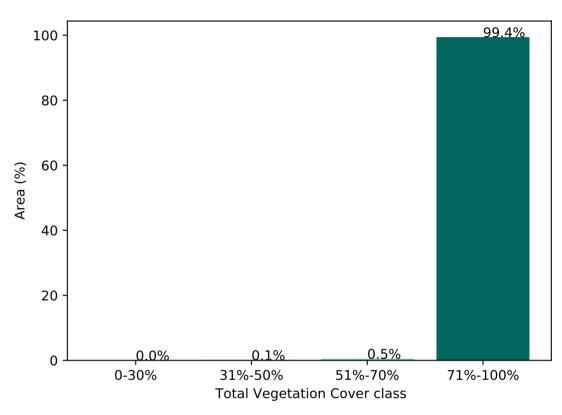


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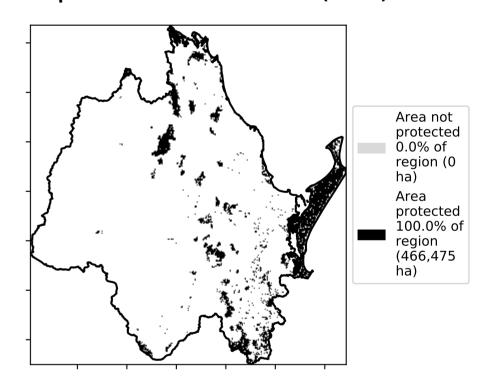


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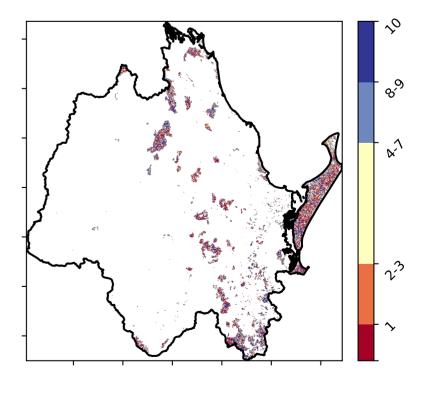
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



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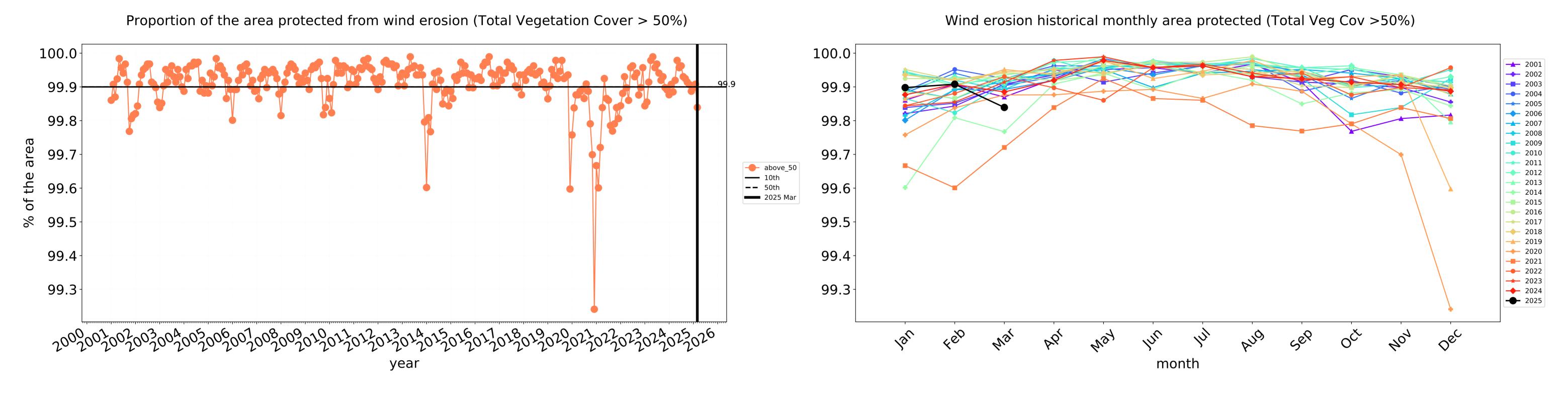


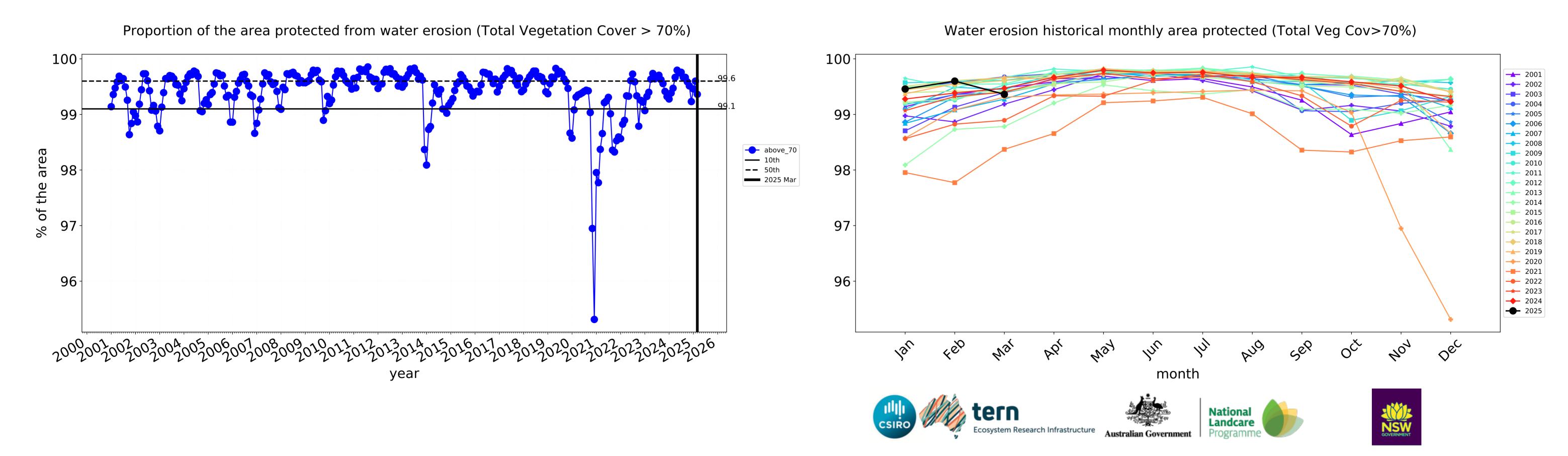


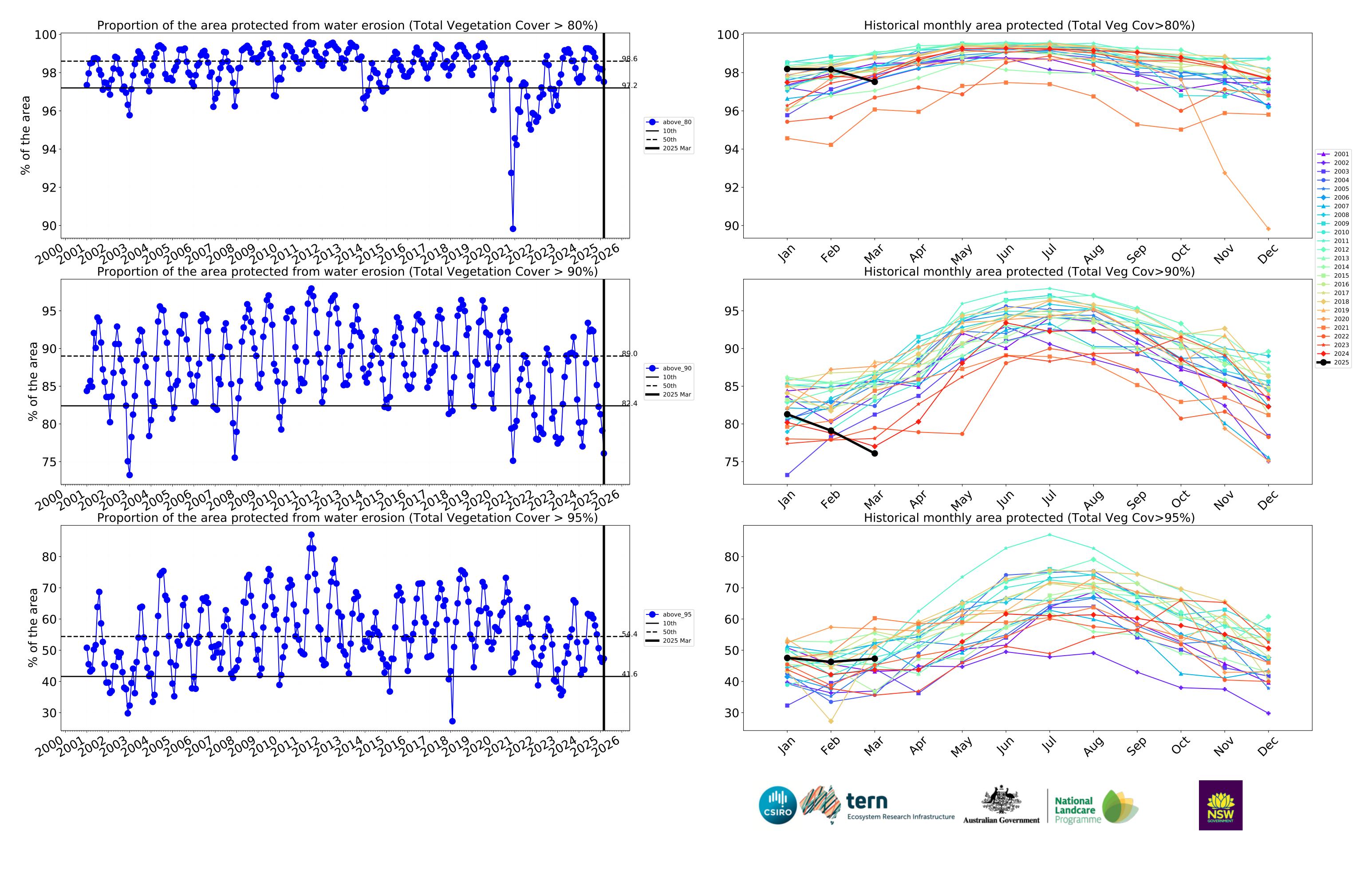












Agriculture

Land use and forest cover

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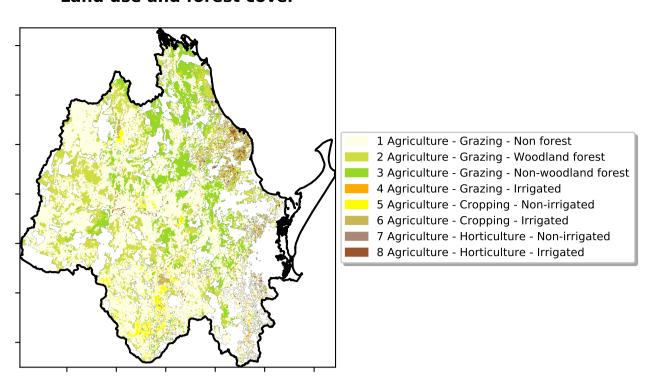
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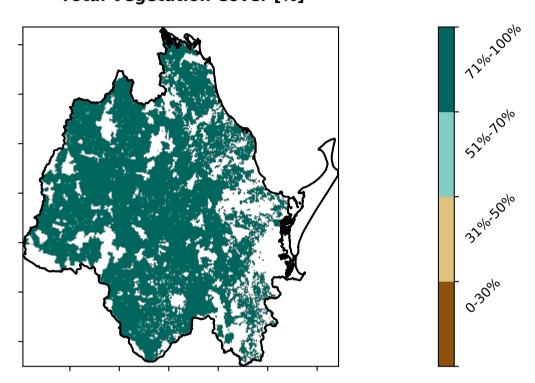
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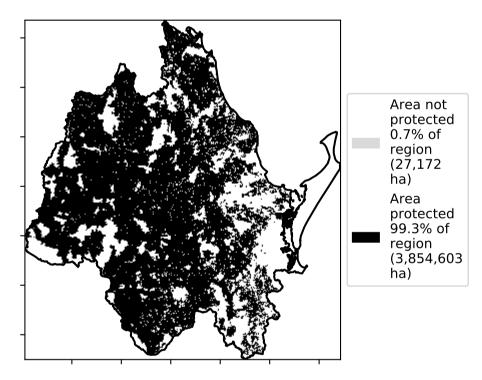
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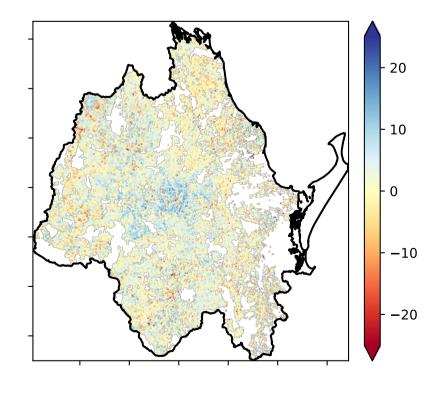
Total Vegetation Cover [%]



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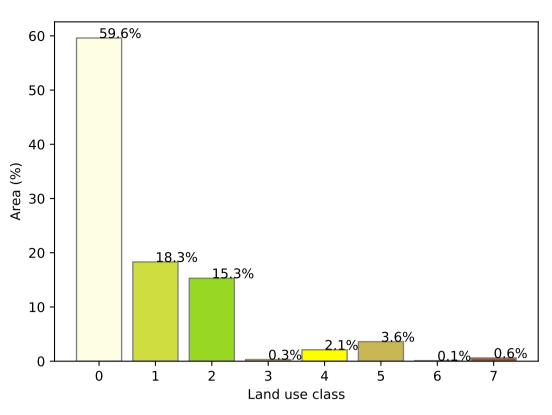


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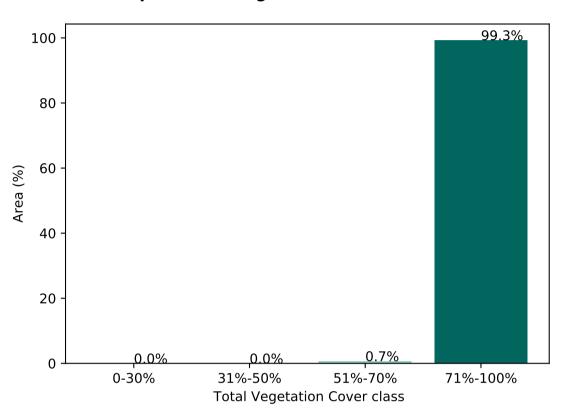


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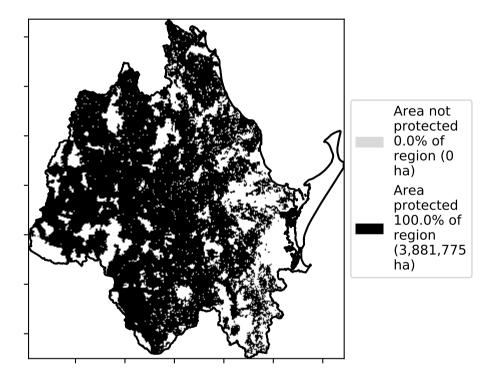
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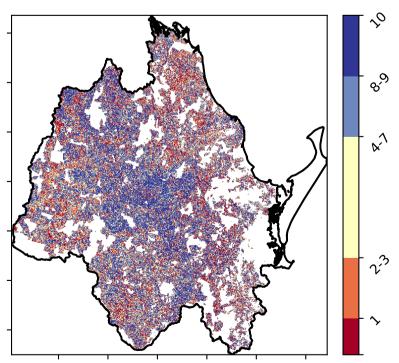


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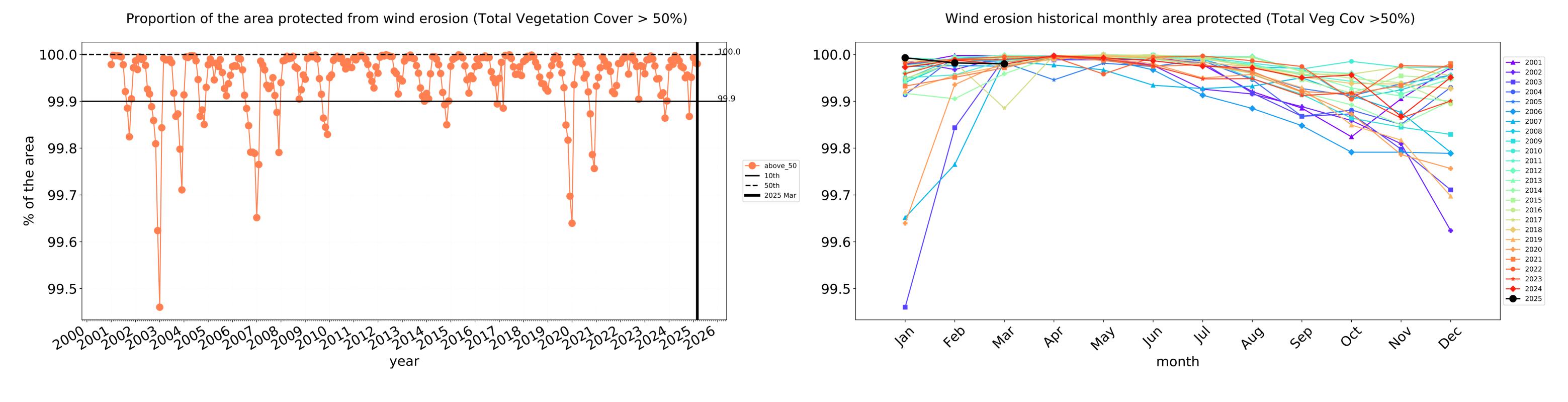


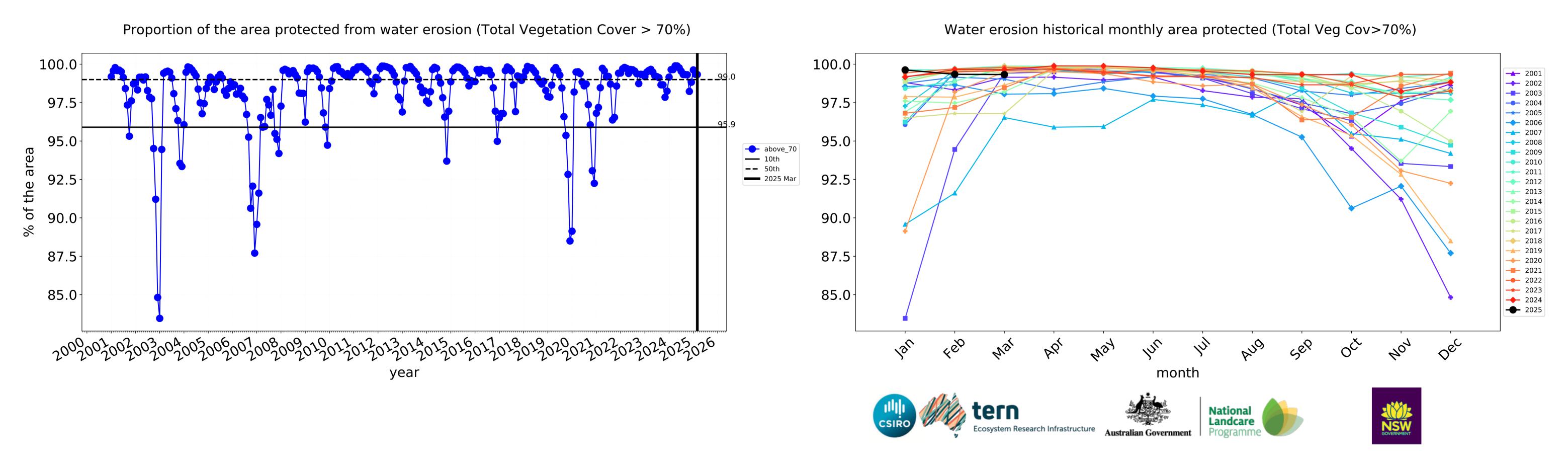


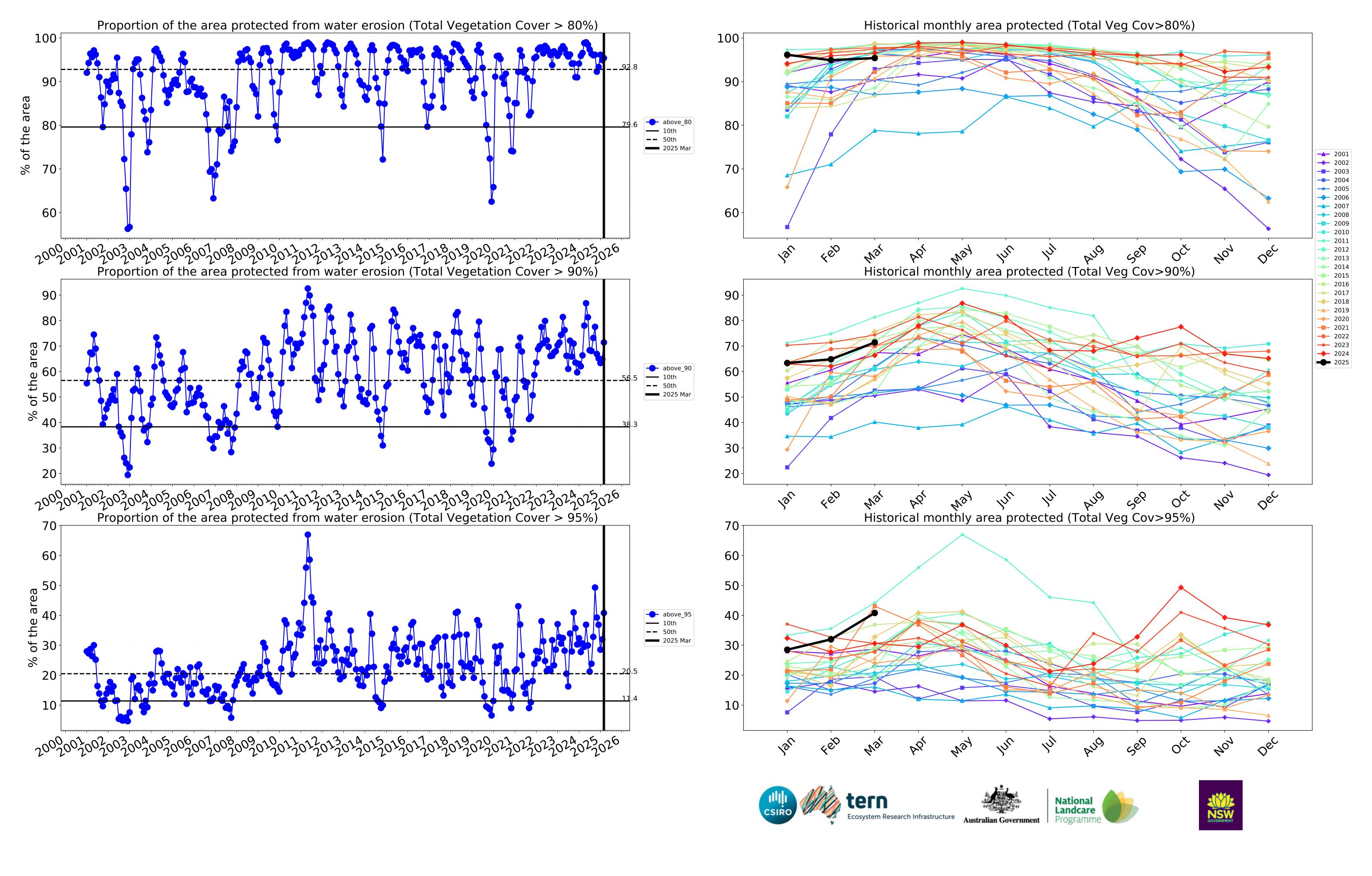




Agriculture timeseries







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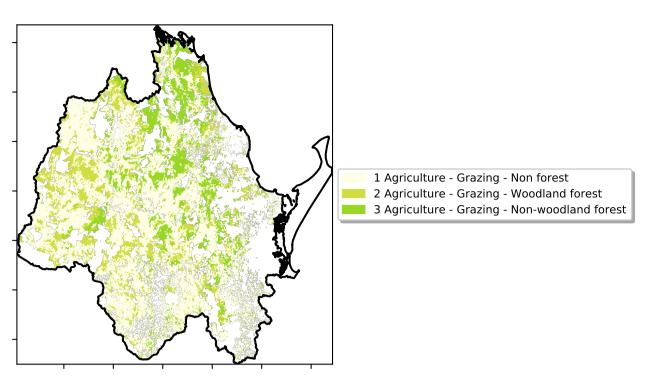
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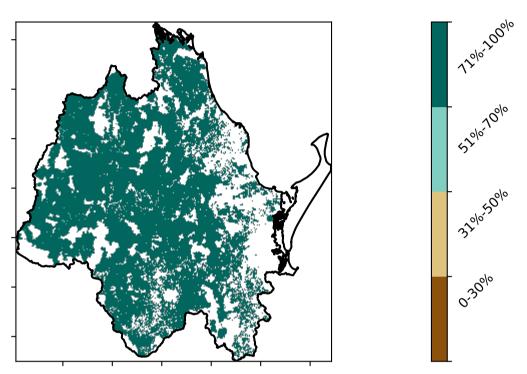
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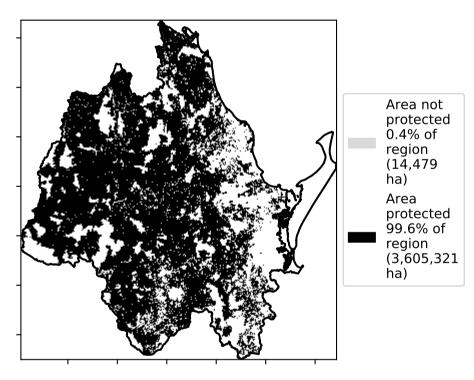
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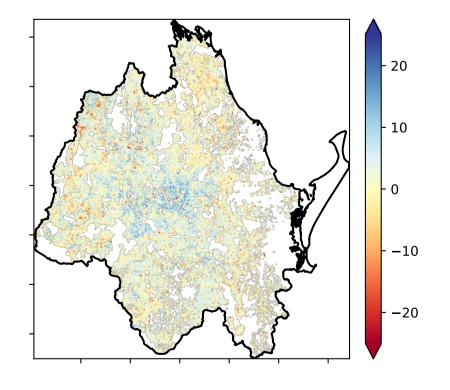
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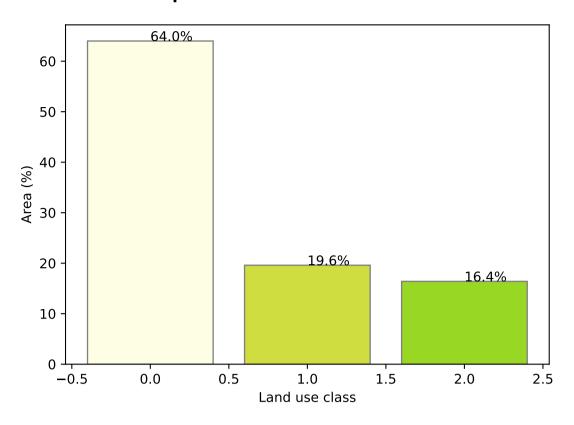


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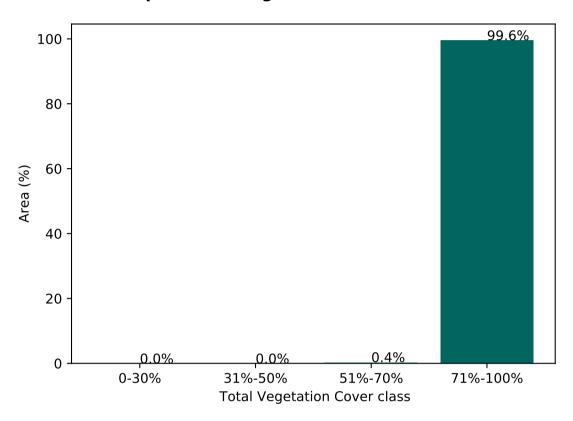


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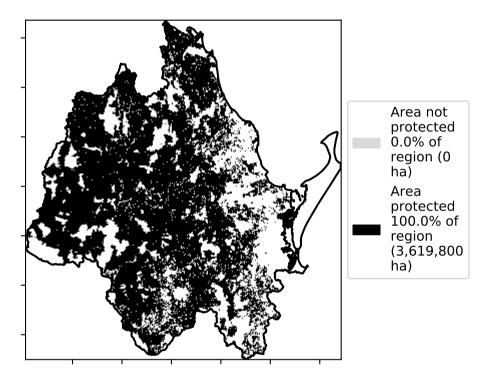
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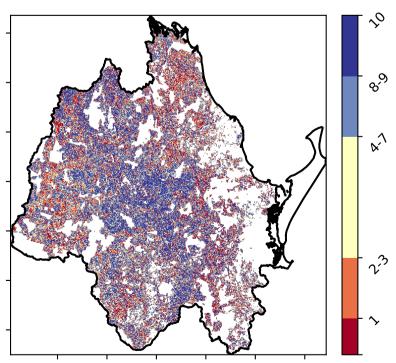


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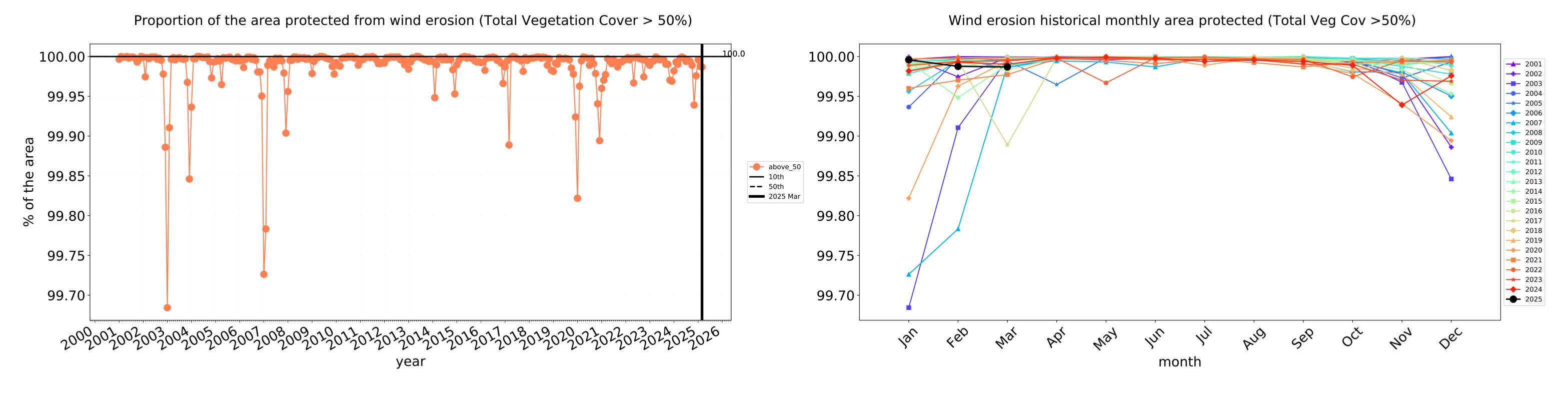


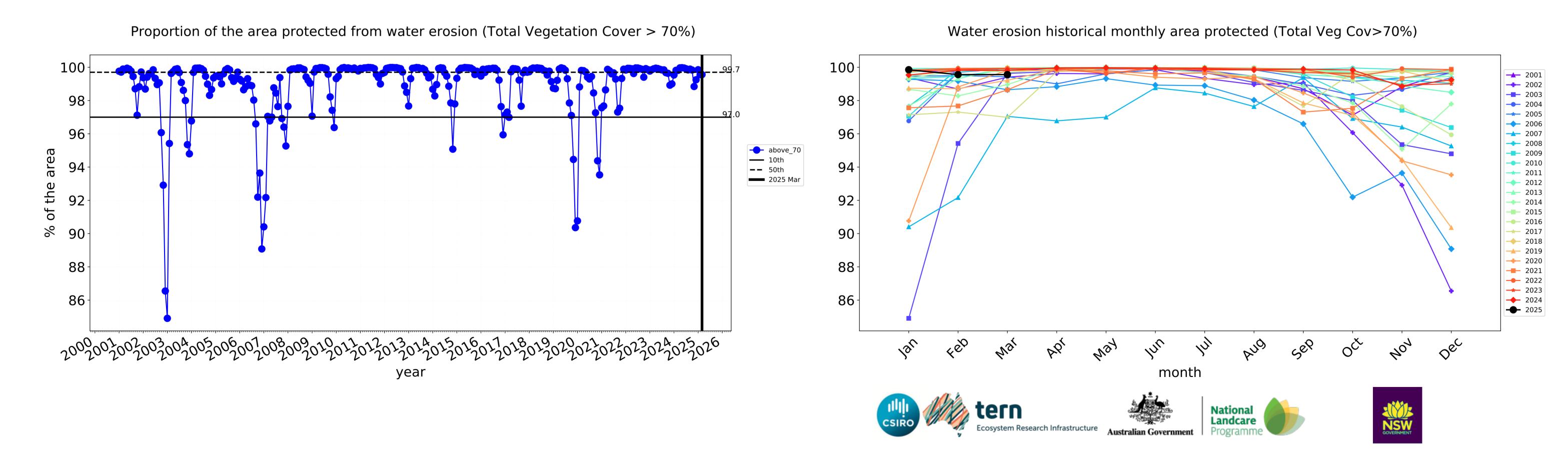


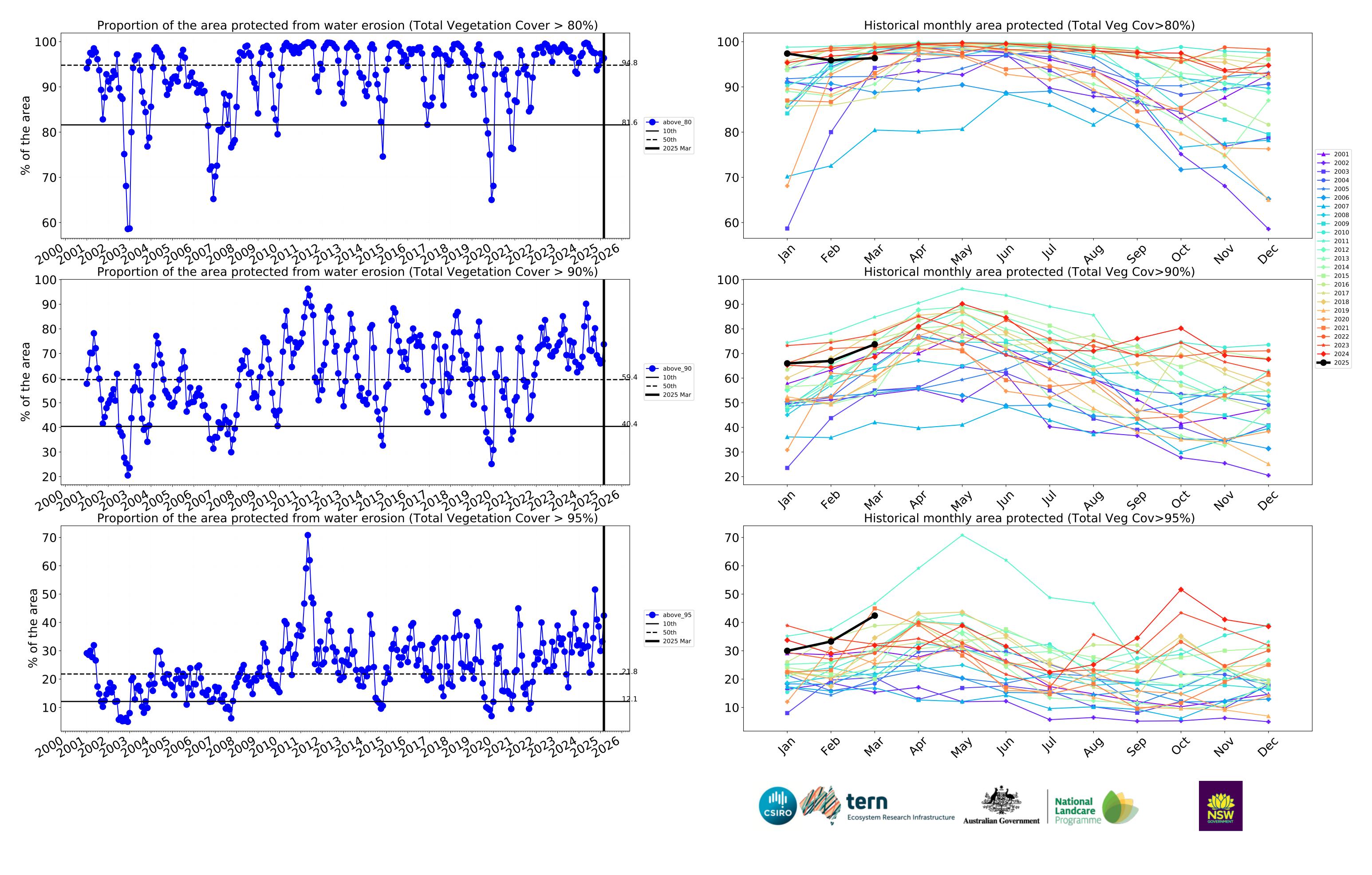




Grazing timeseries







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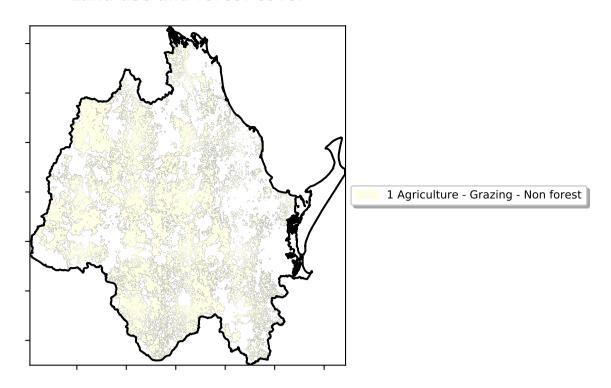
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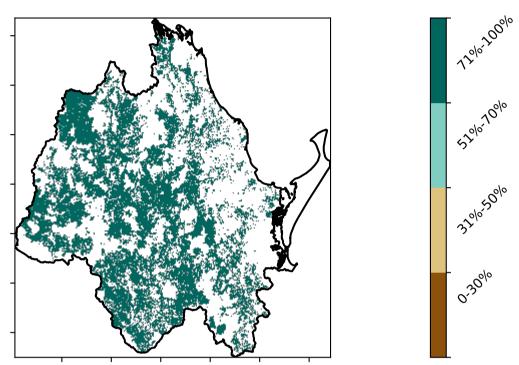
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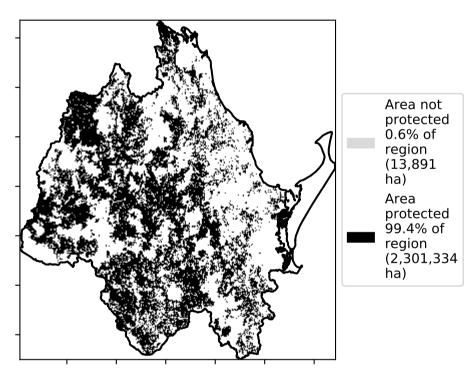
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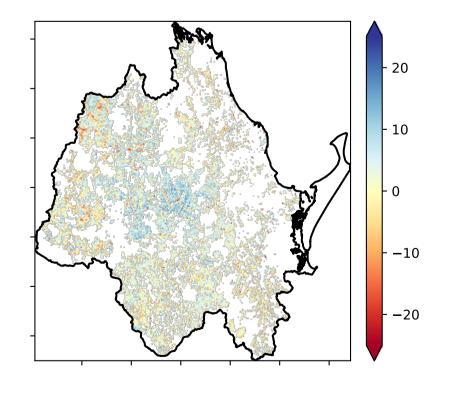
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% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)

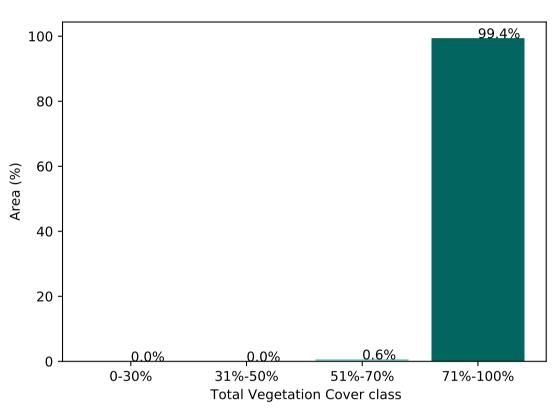


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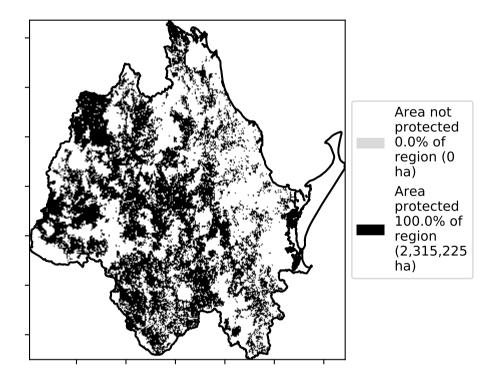


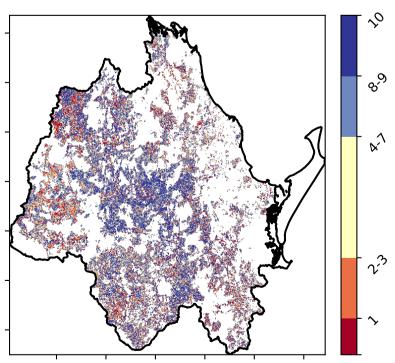
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Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)







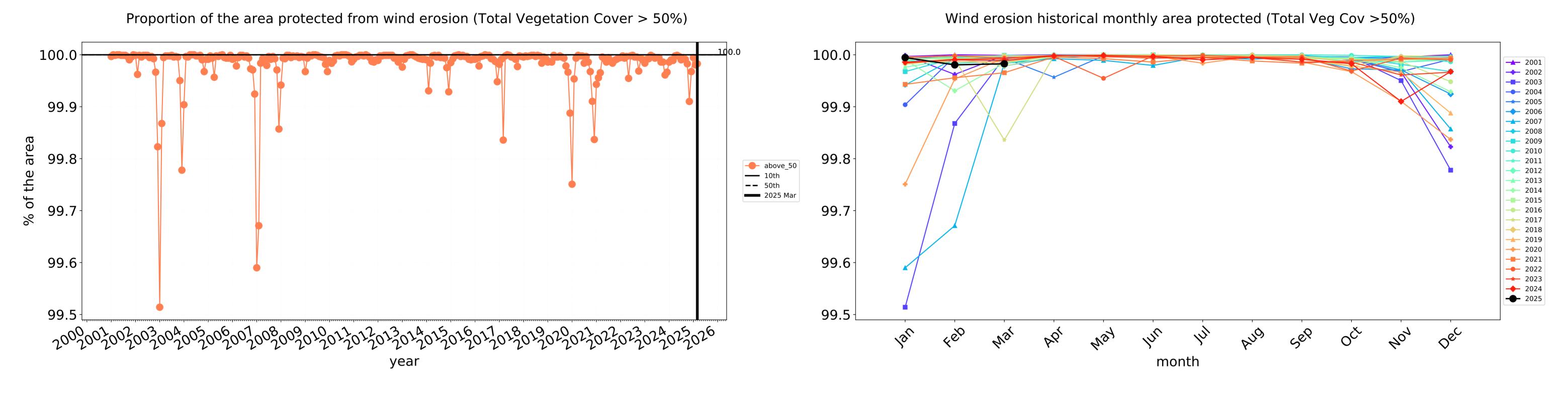


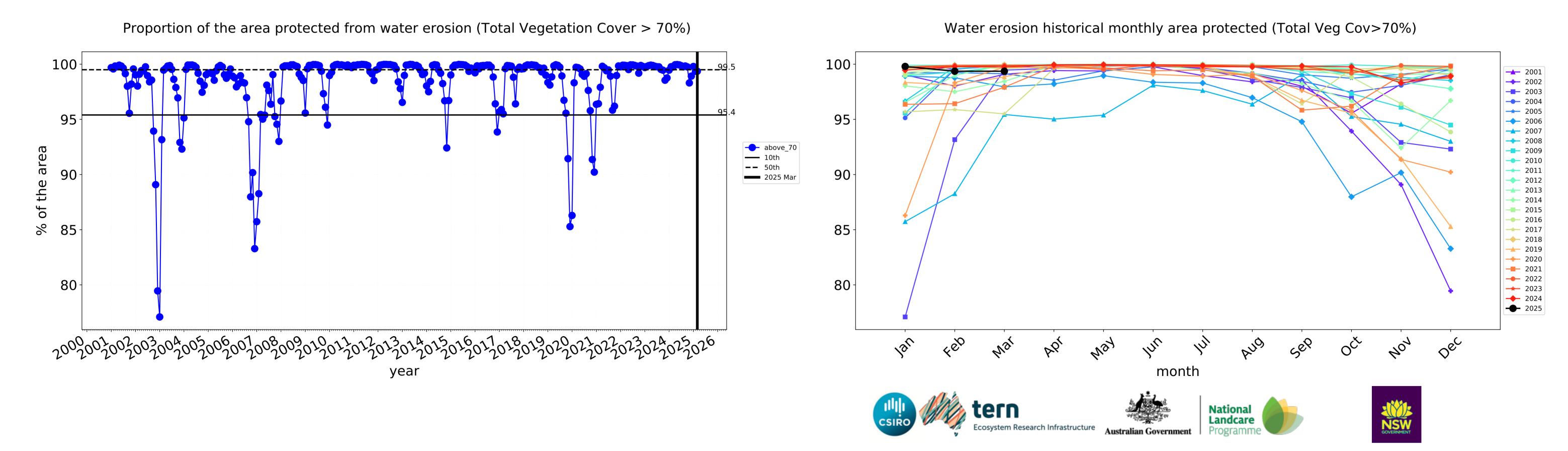


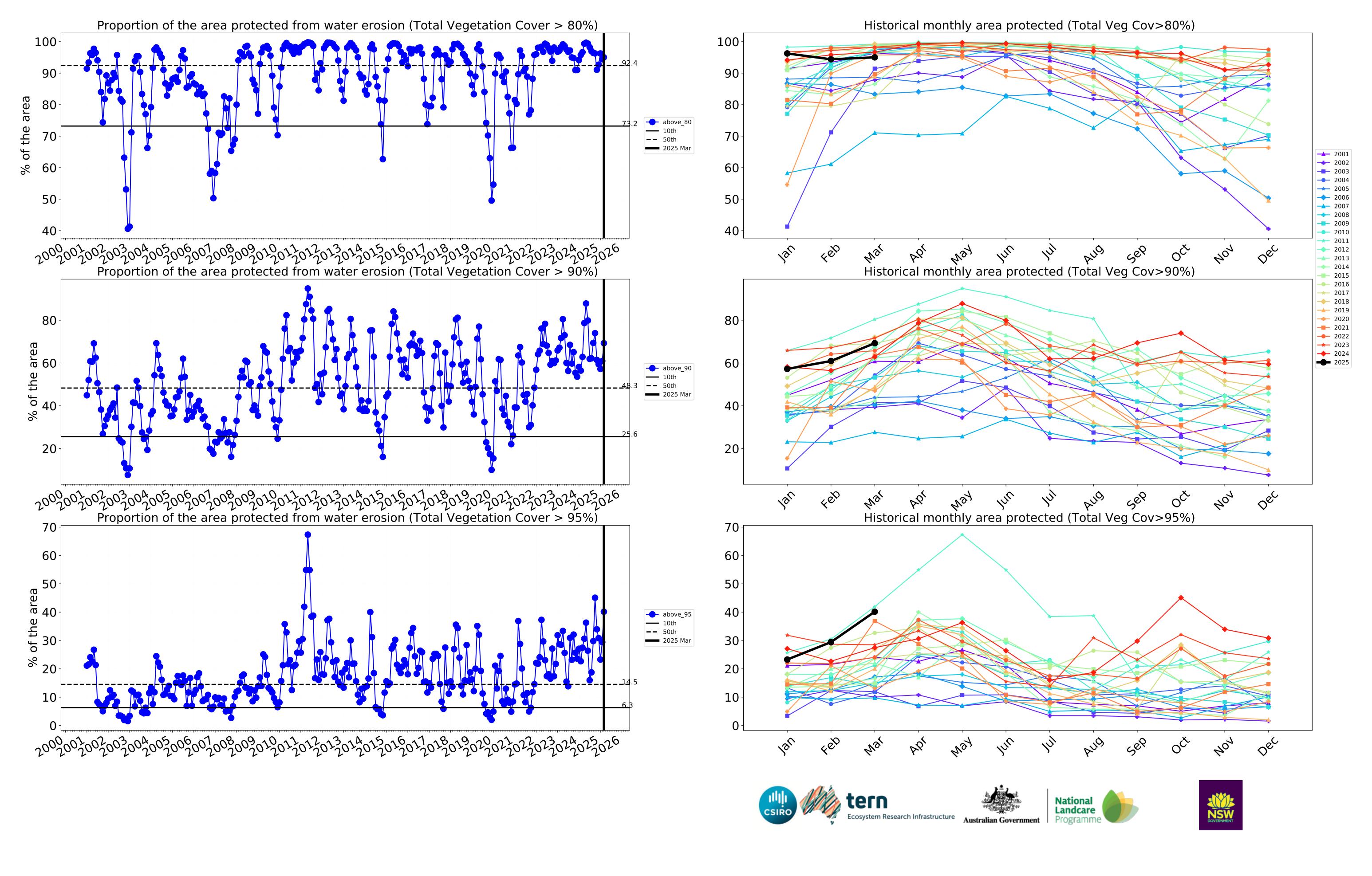




Grazing non forest timeseries







Grazing Woodland forest

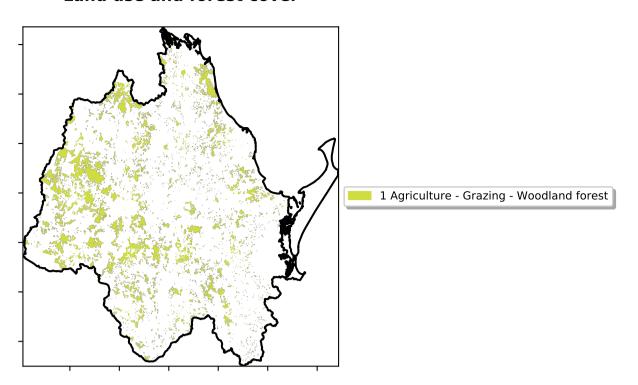
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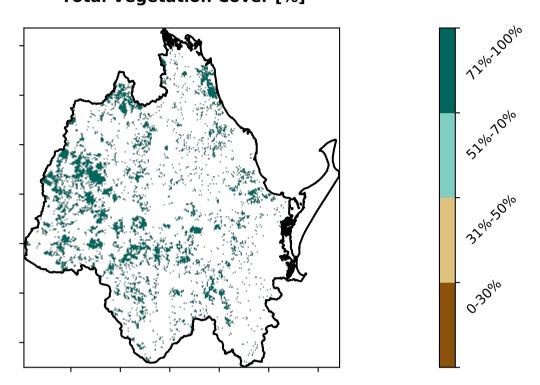
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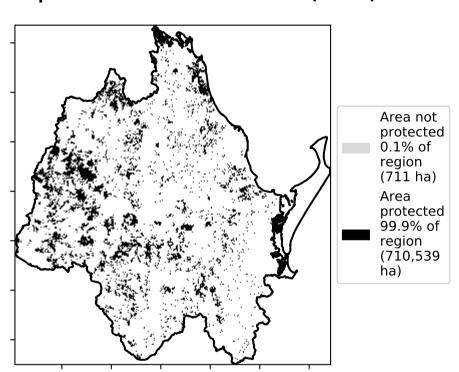
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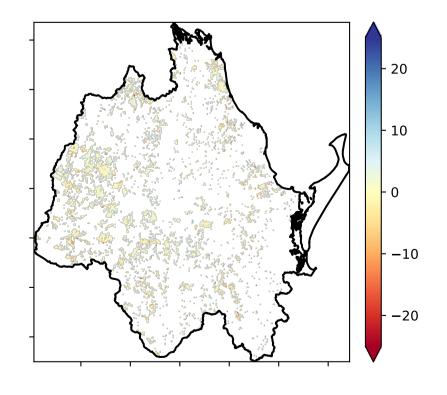
Total Vegetation Cover [%]



% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)

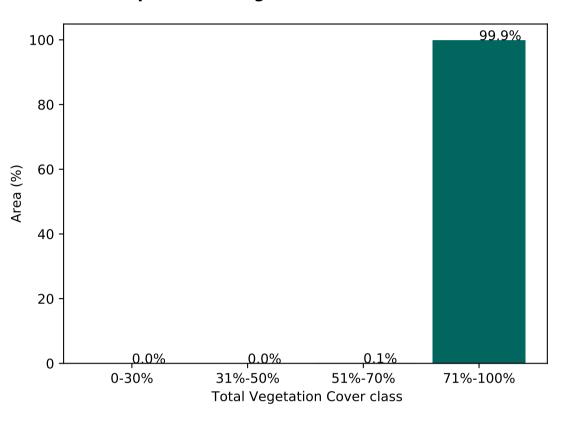


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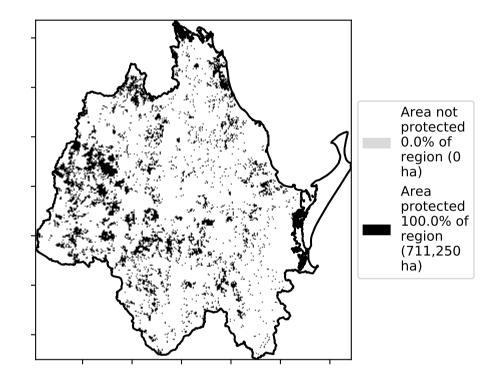


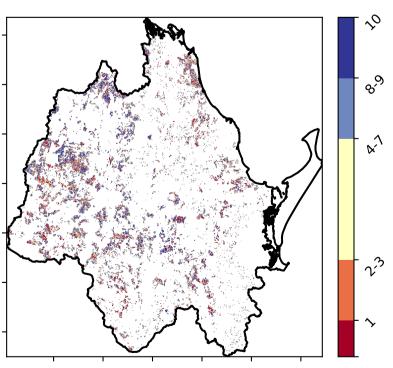
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Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)





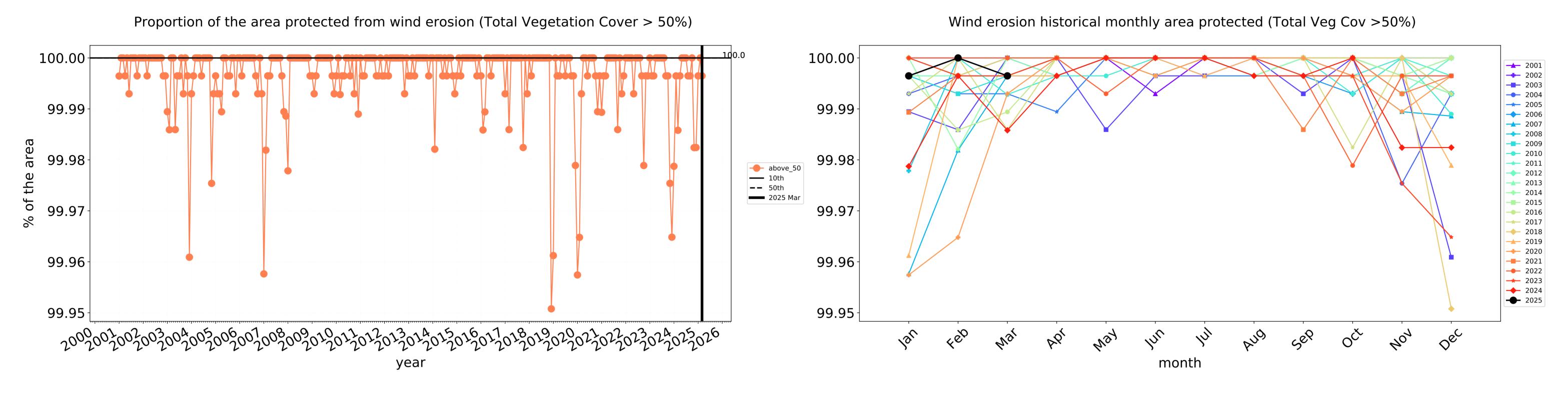


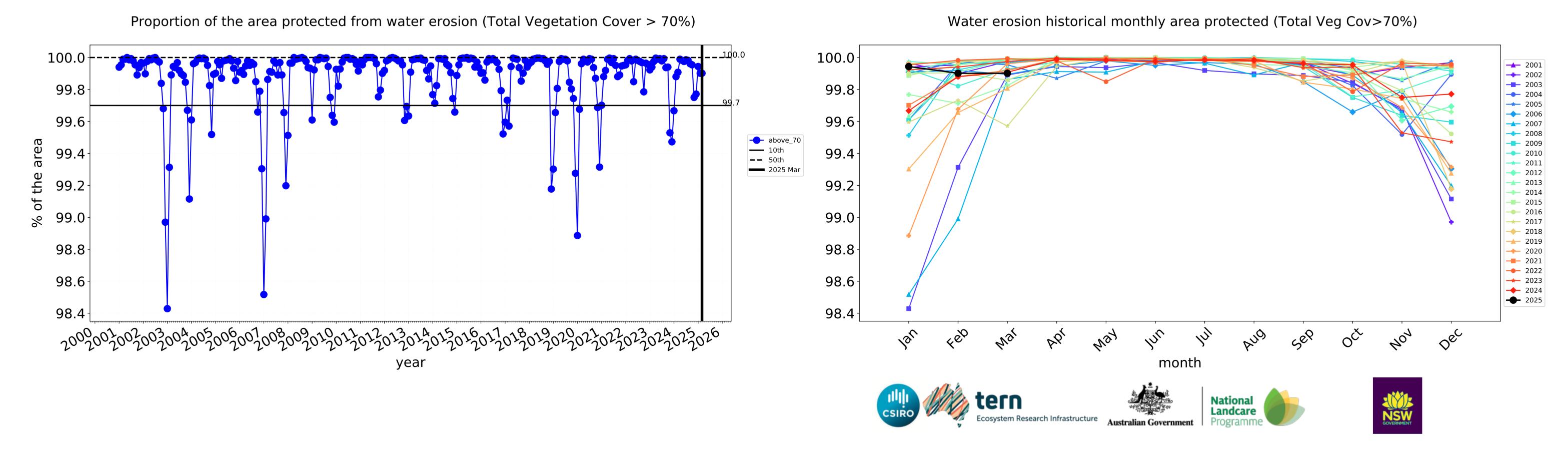


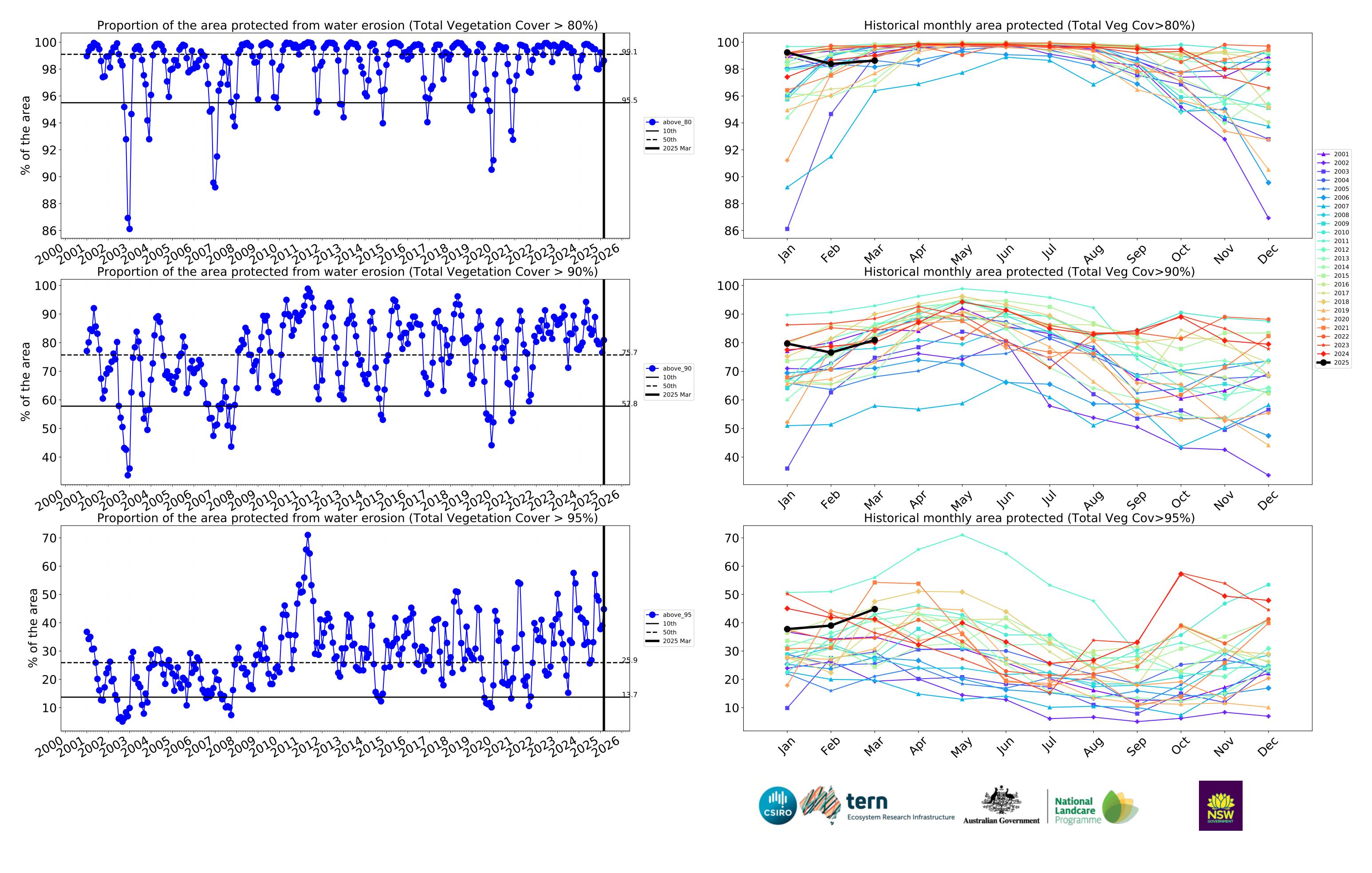




Grazing Woodland forest timeseries







Grazing - Forest (non woodland)

Land use and forest cover

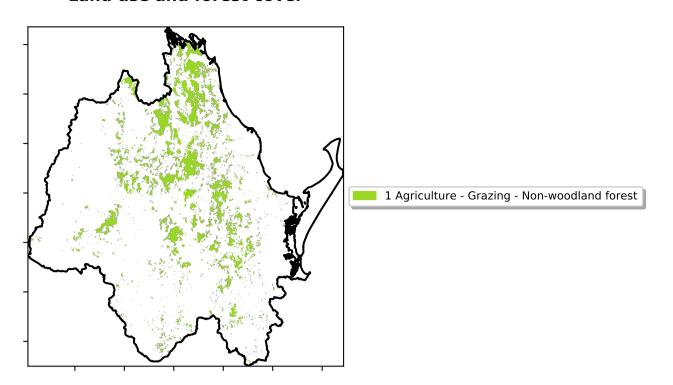
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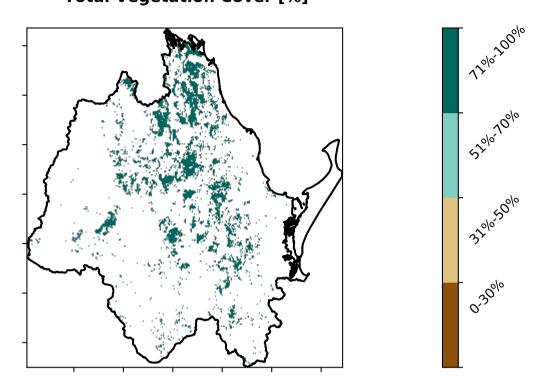
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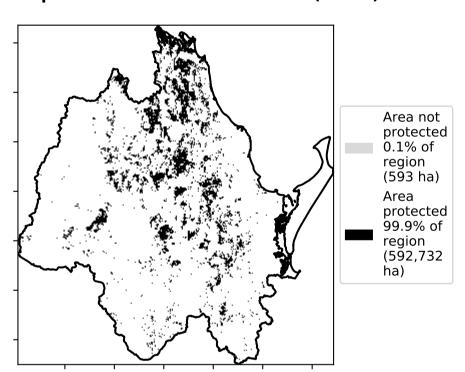
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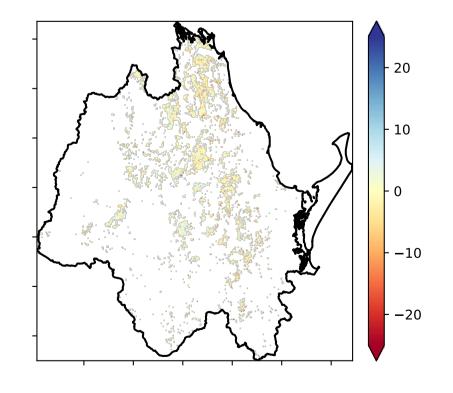
Total Vegetation Cover [%]



% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)

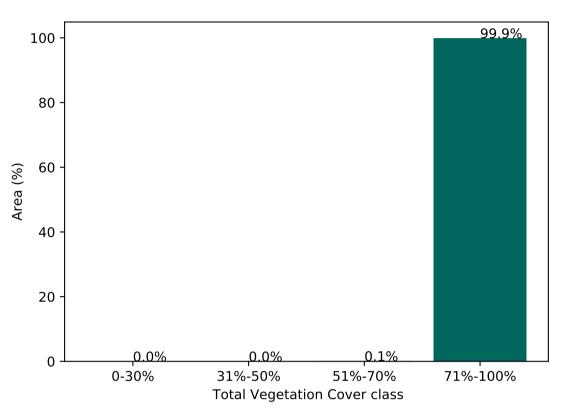


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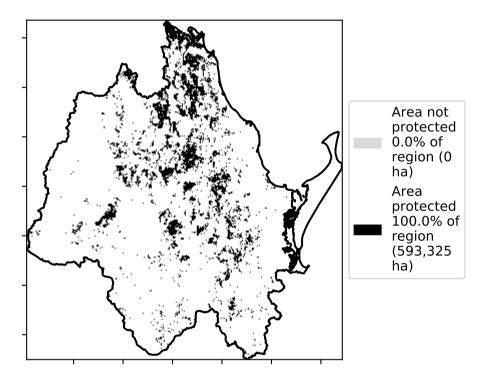


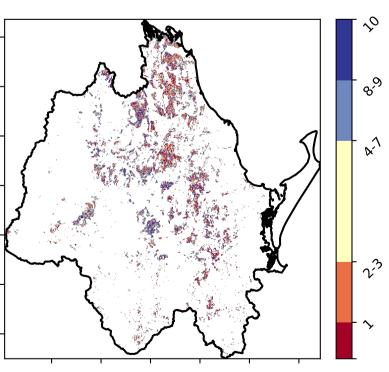
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Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



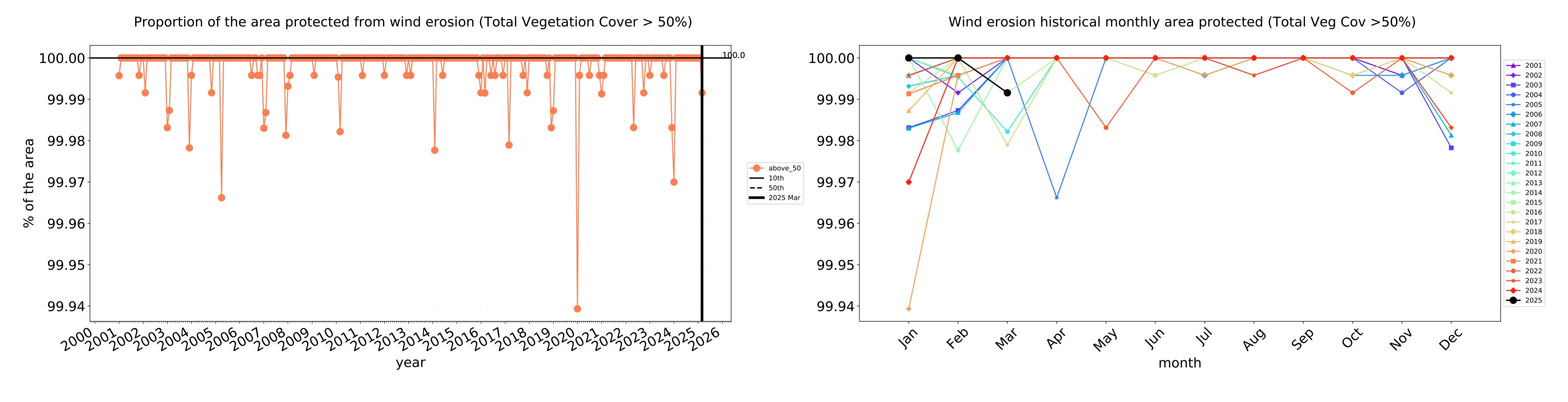


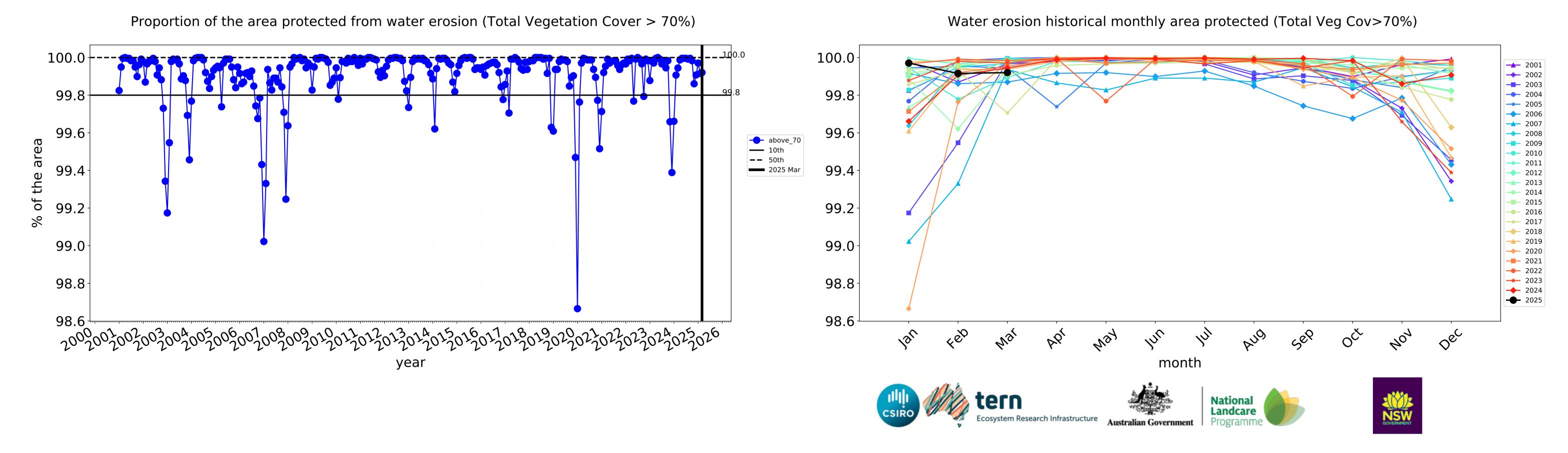


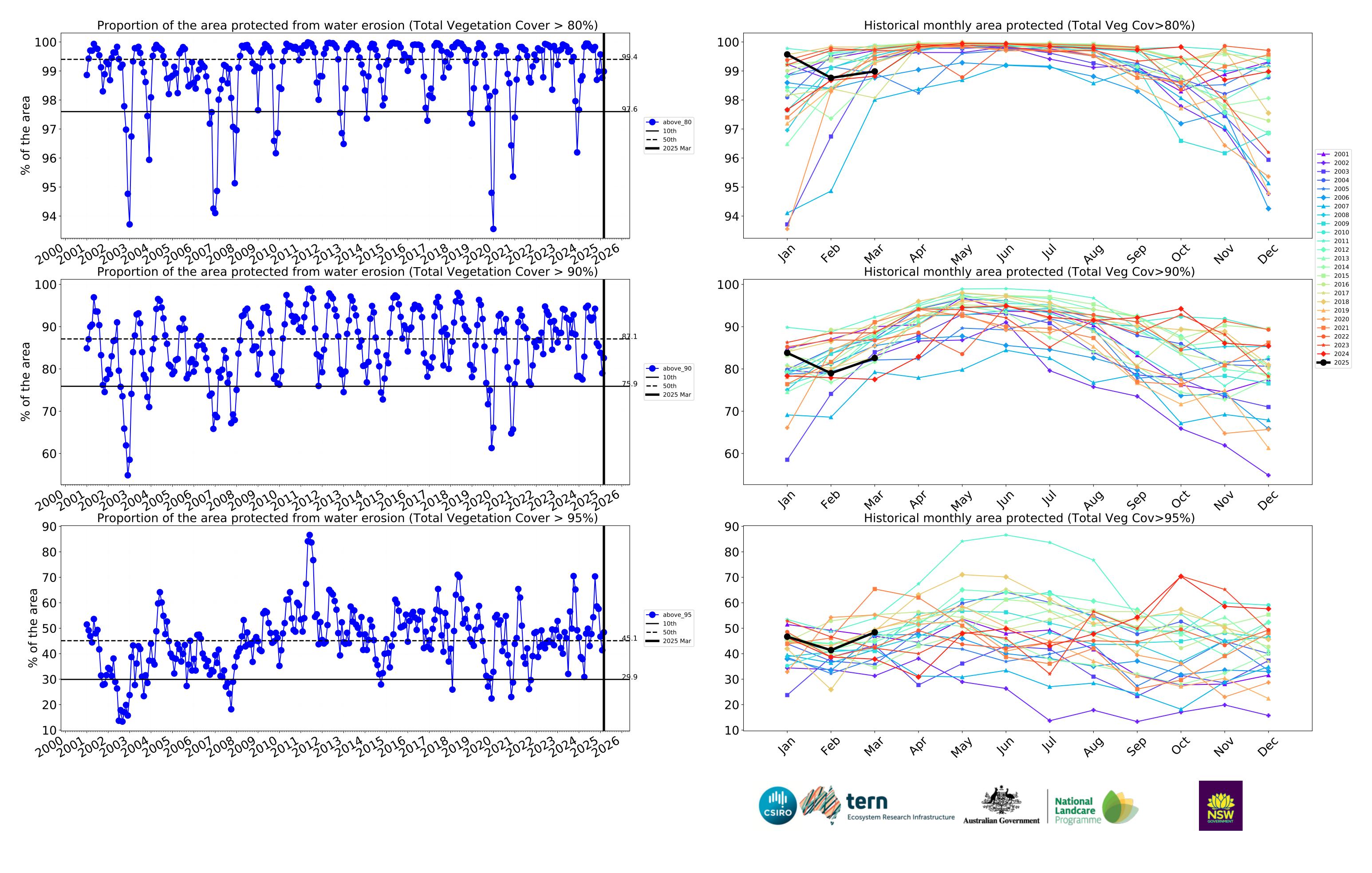












Cropping

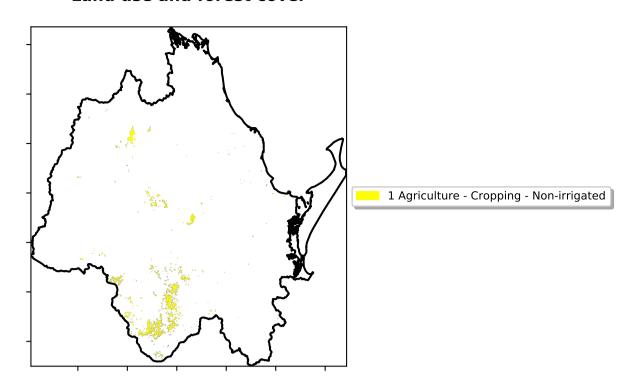
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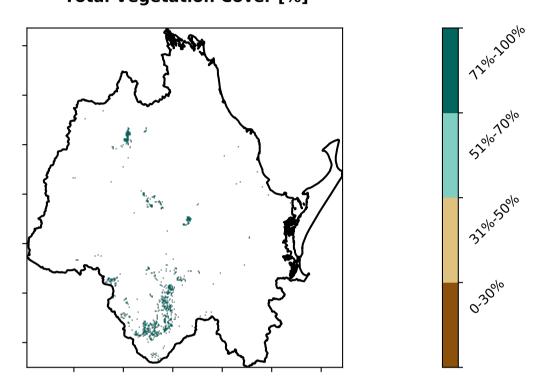
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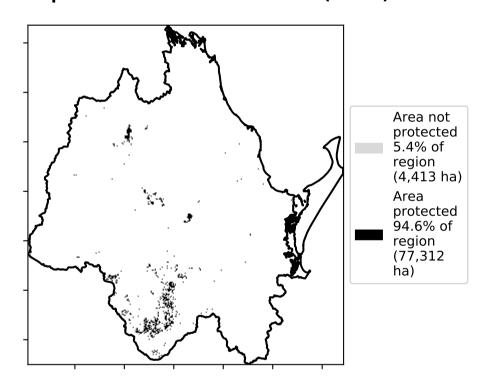
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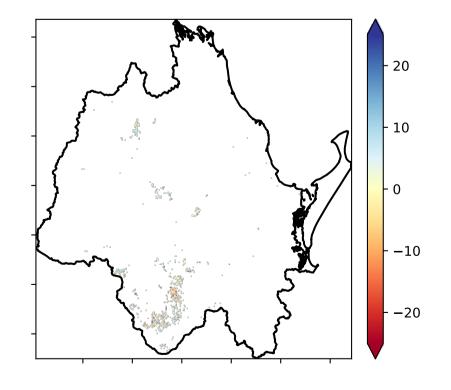
Total Vegetation Cover [%]



% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)

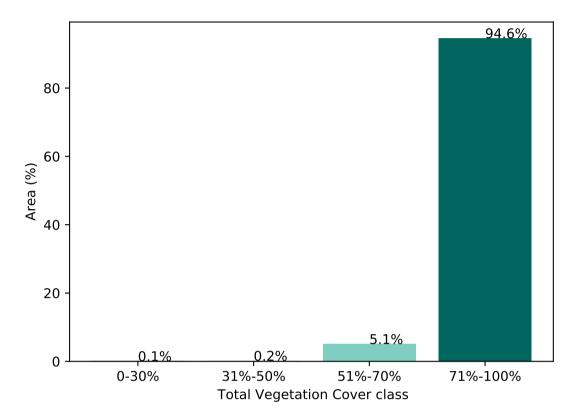


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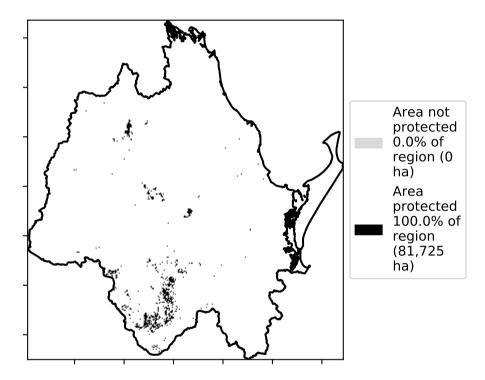


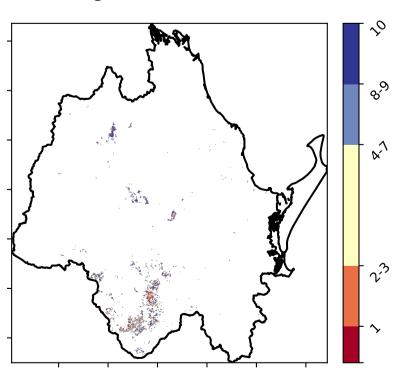
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Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)





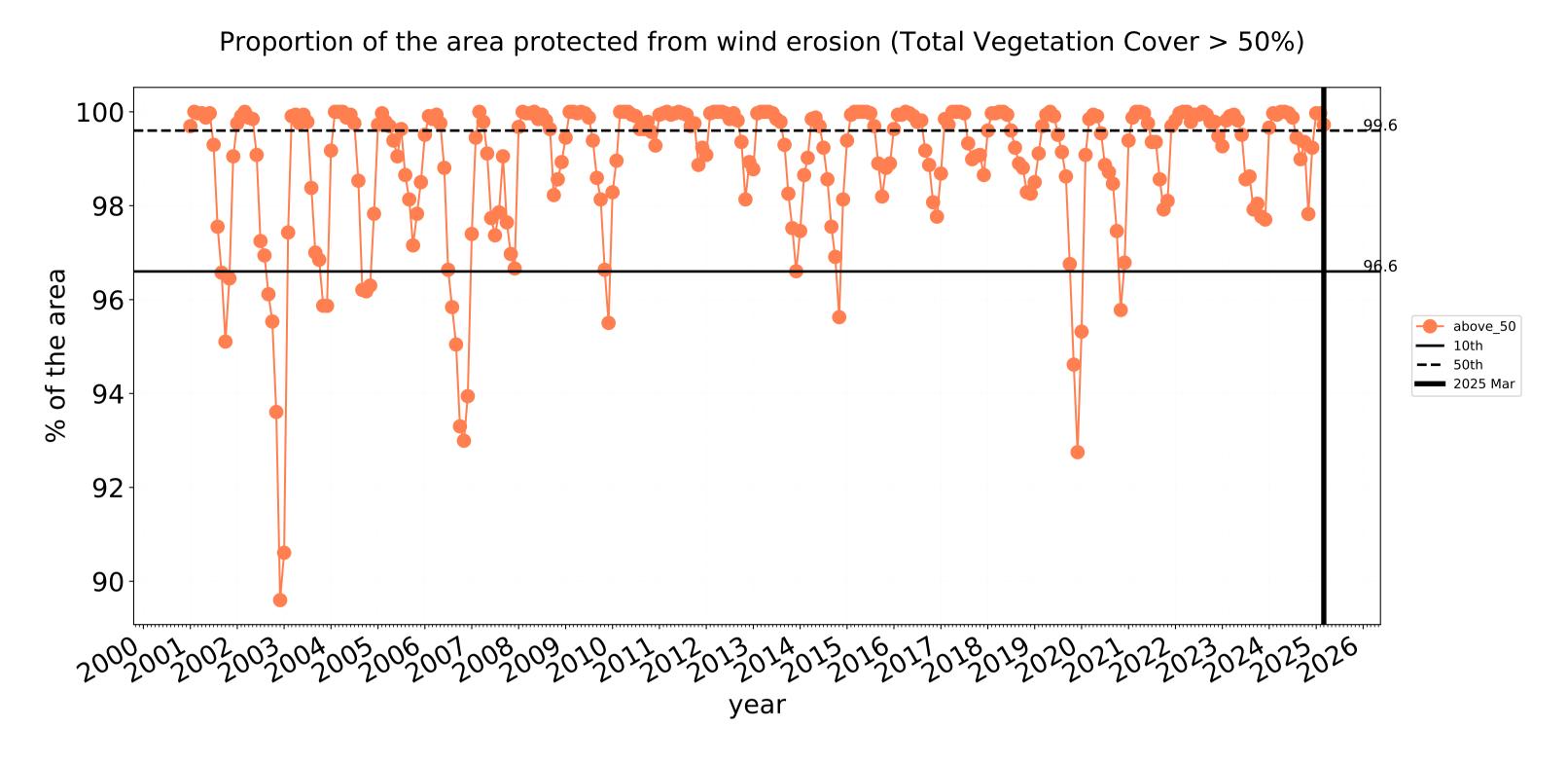


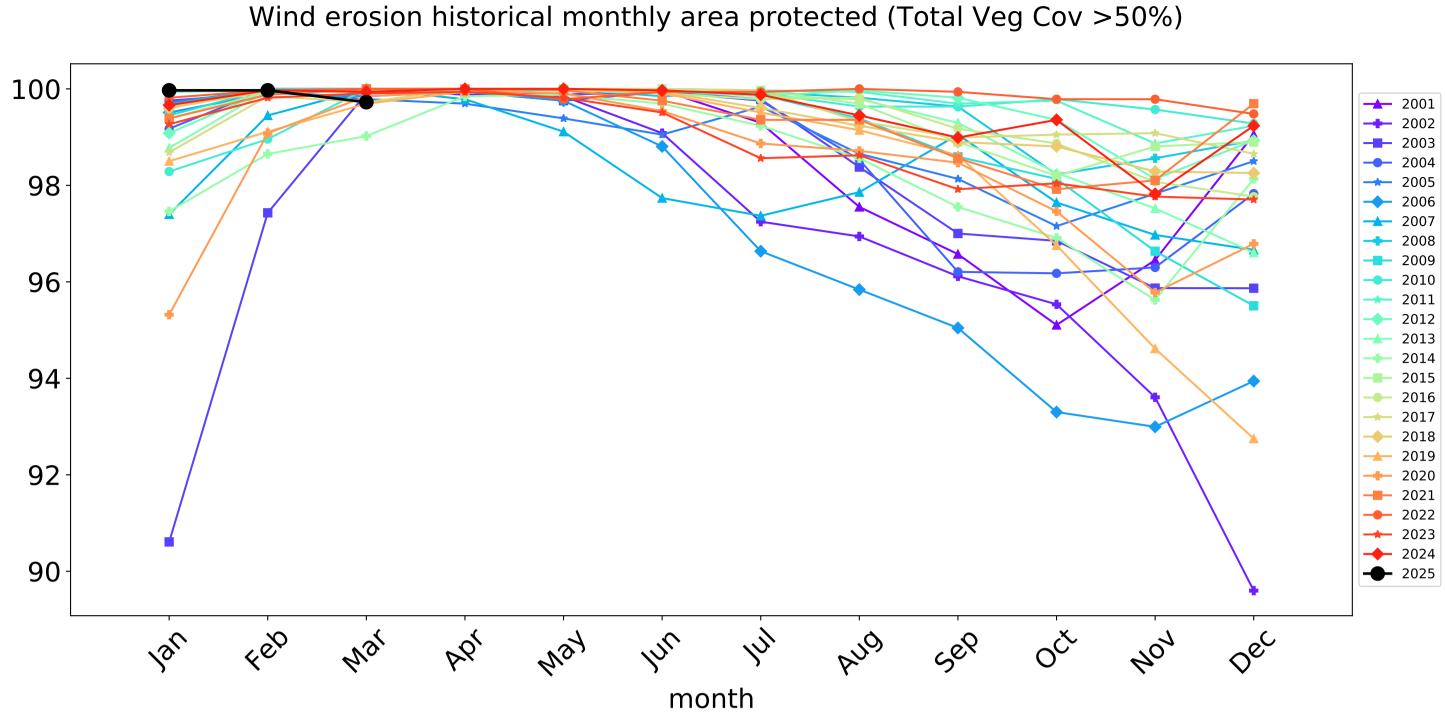


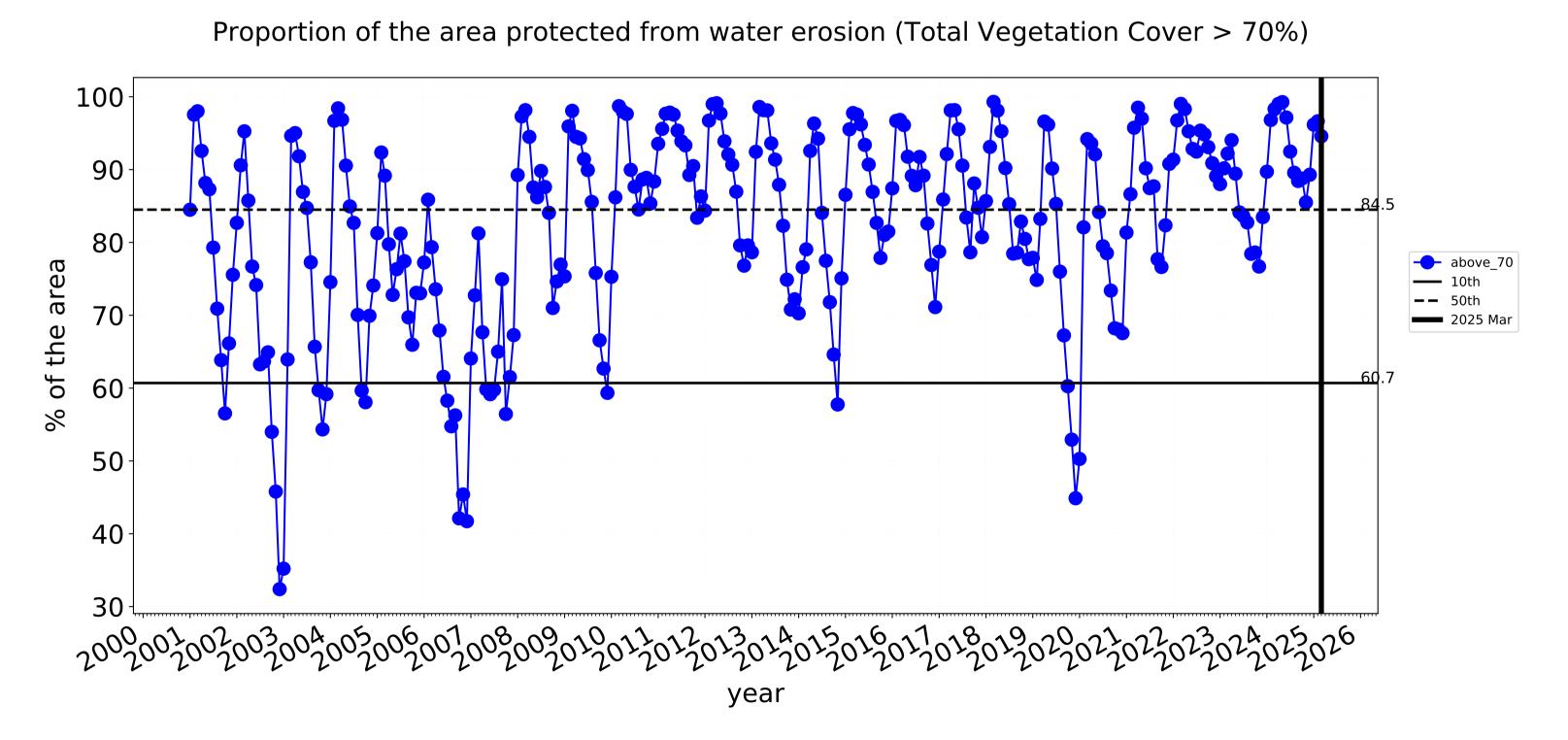


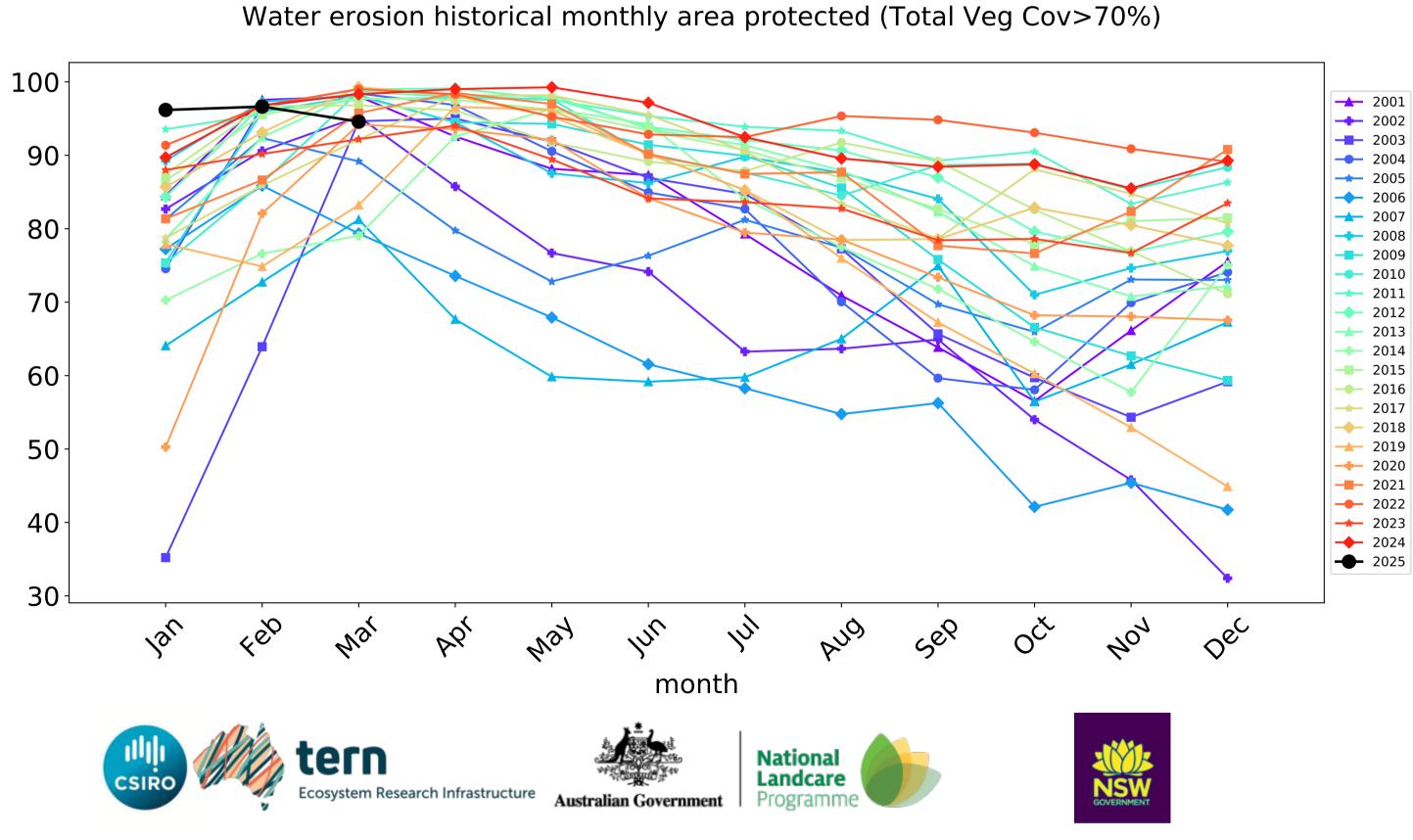


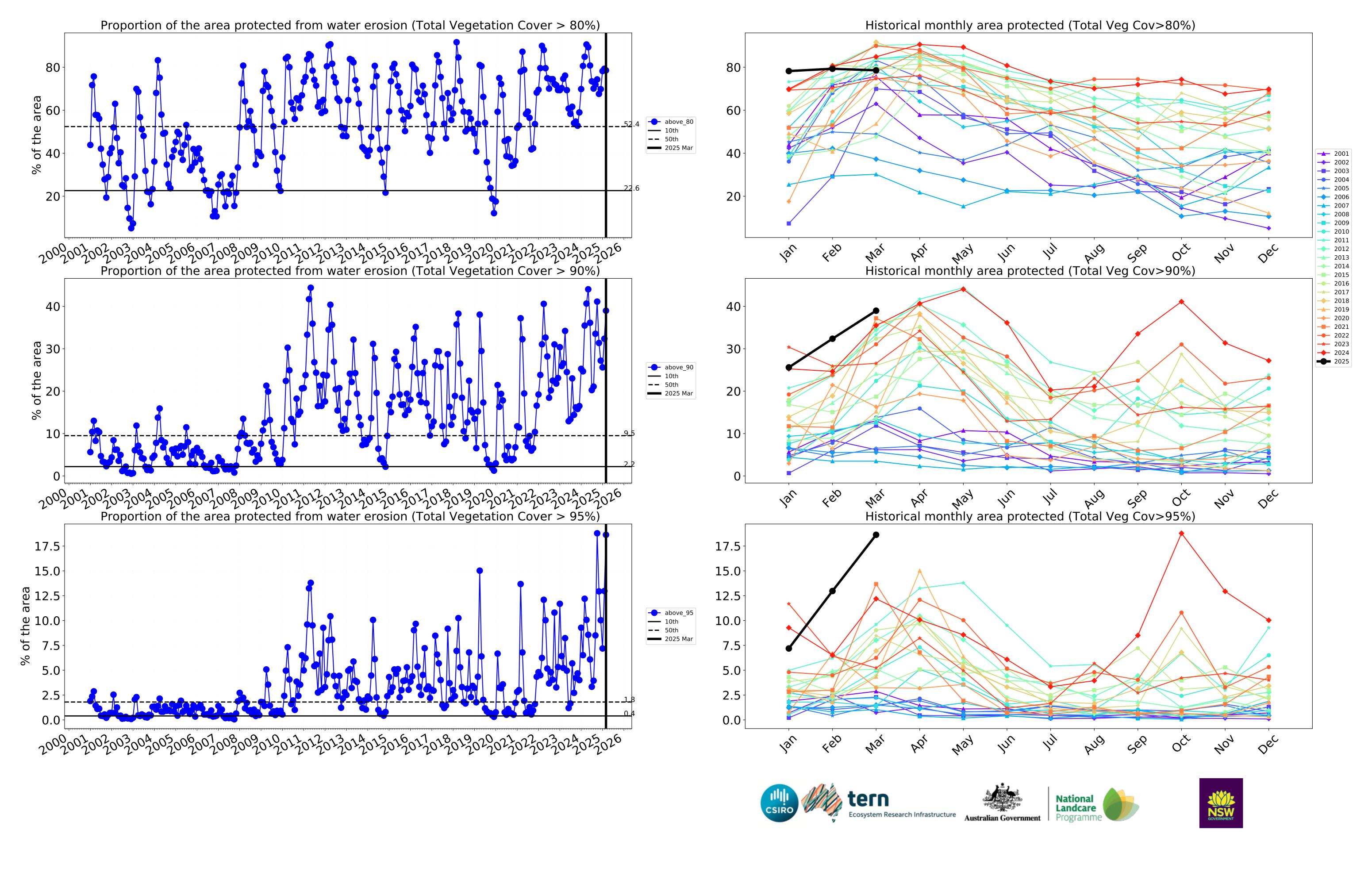
Cropping timeseries











Irrigation

Land use and forest cover

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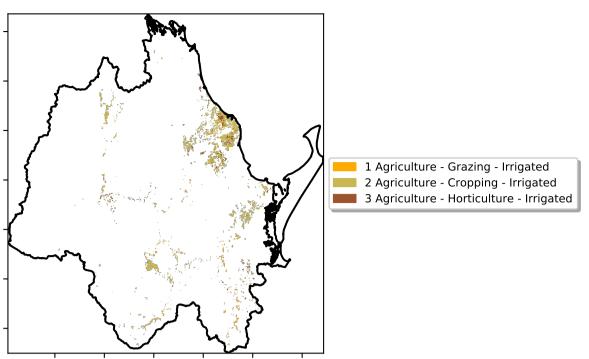
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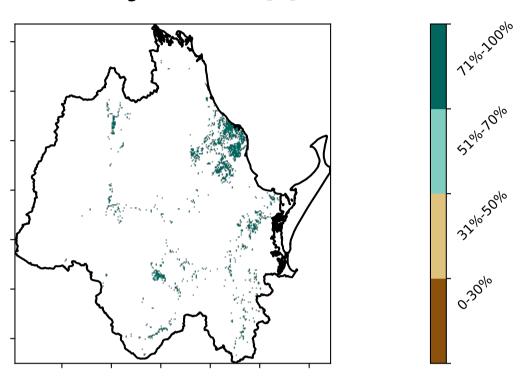
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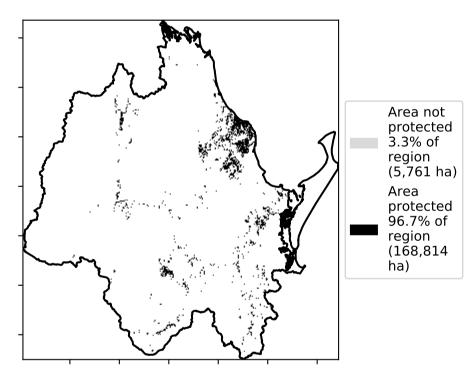
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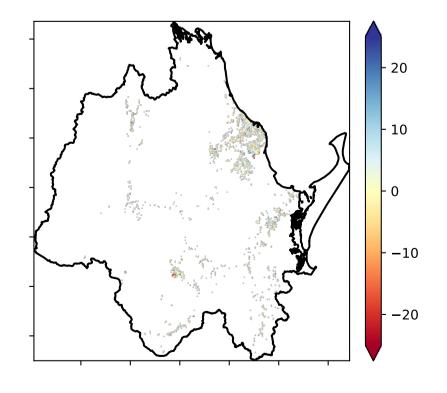
Total Vegetation Cover [%]



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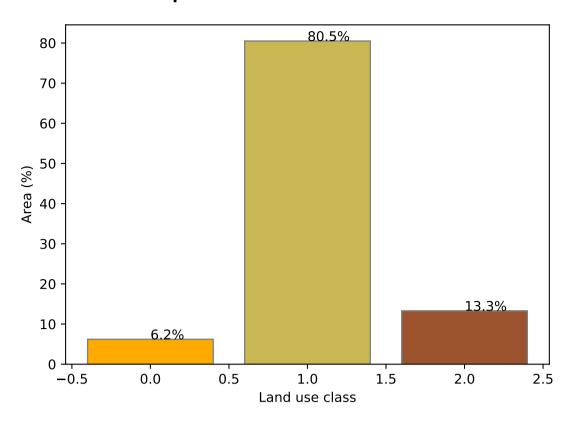


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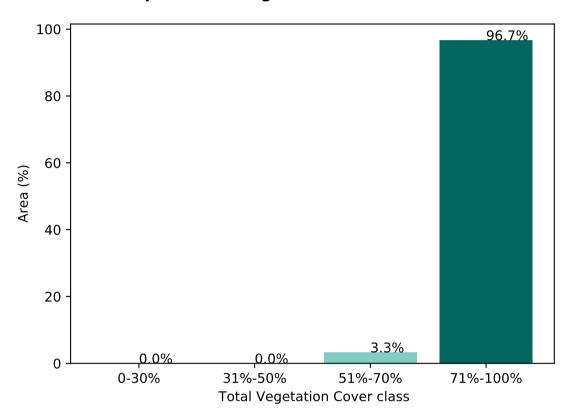


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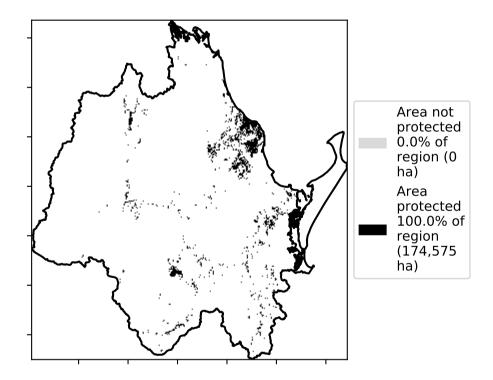
Proportion of each land class in area

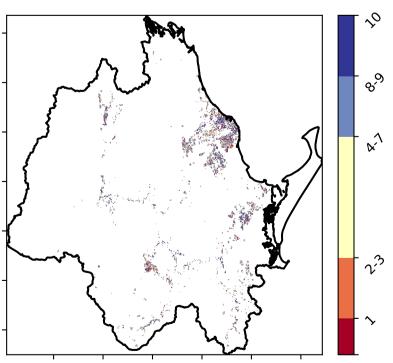


Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)





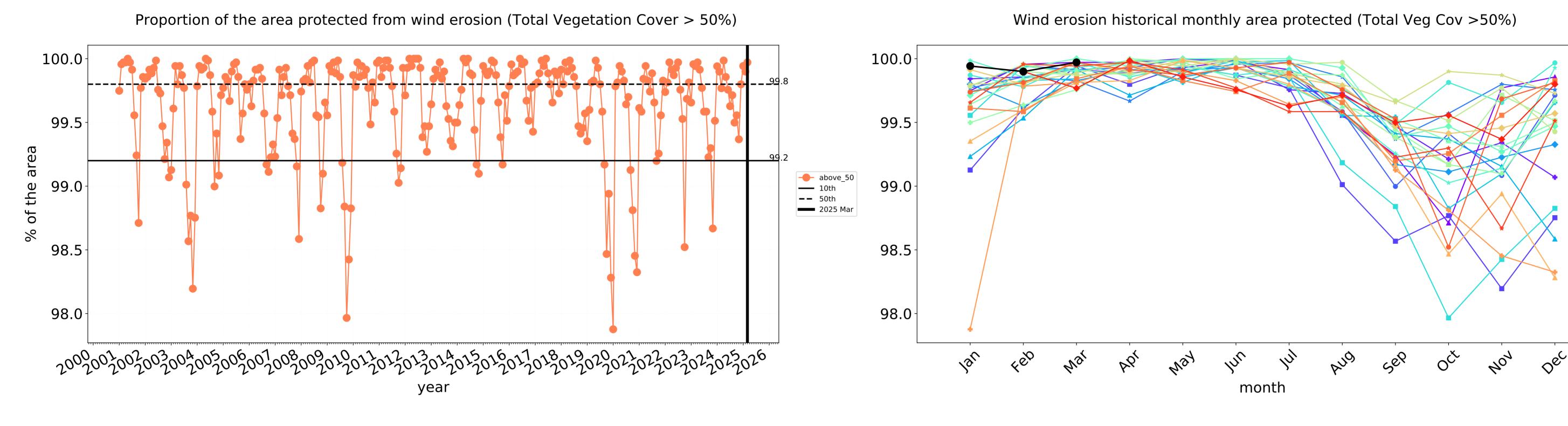


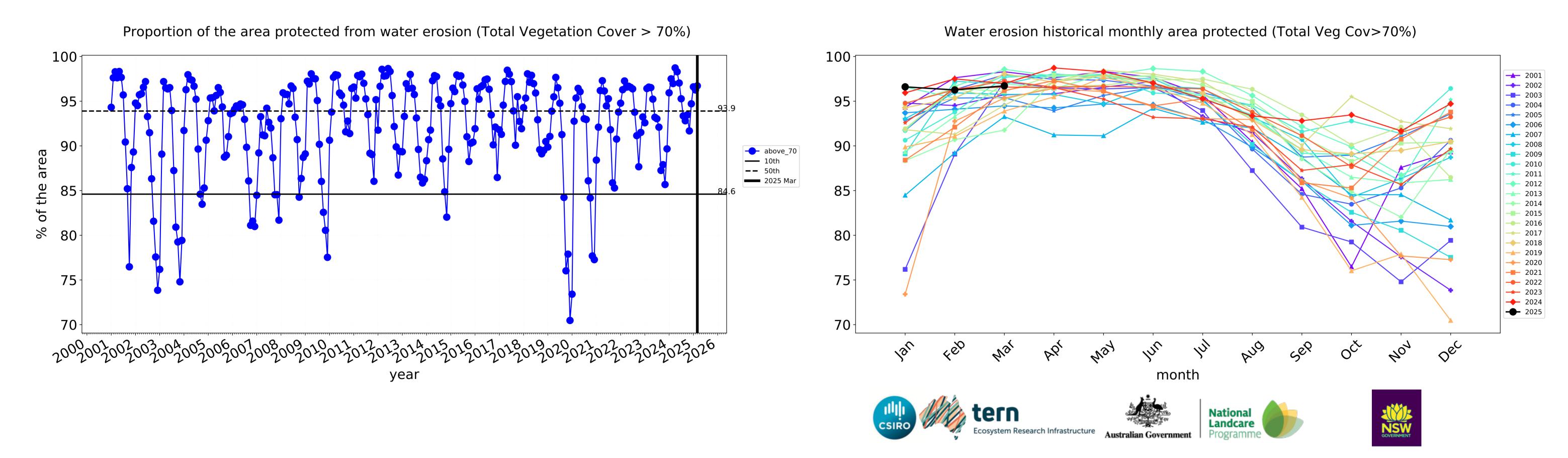






Irrigation timeseries

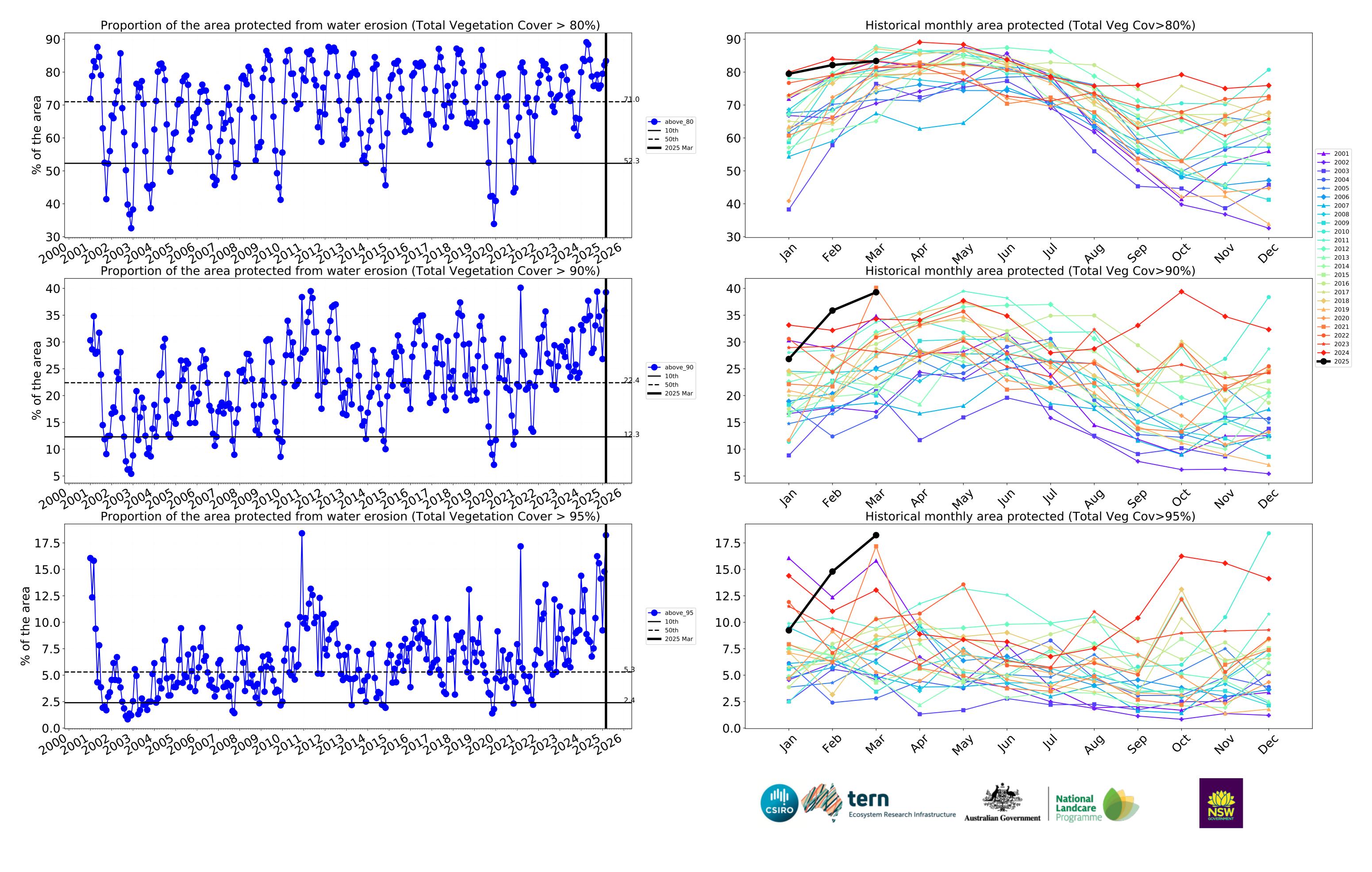




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Production native forests and plantation forests

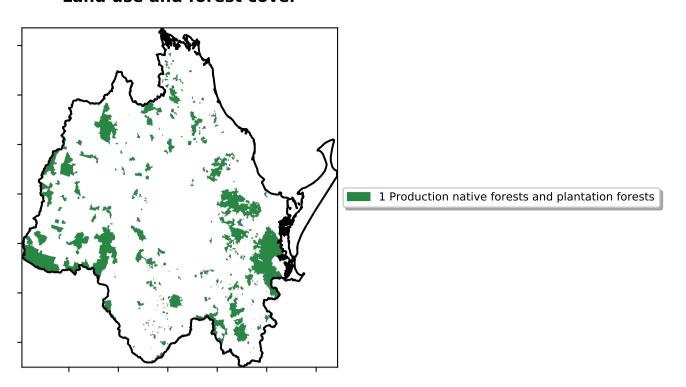
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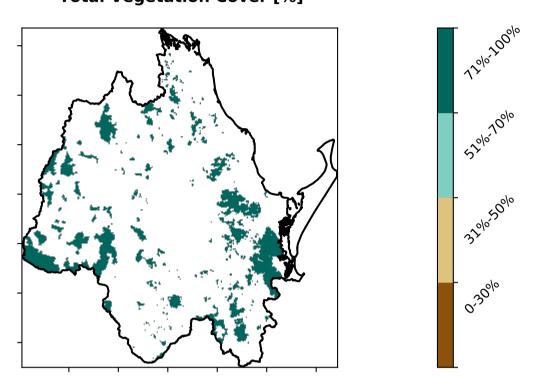
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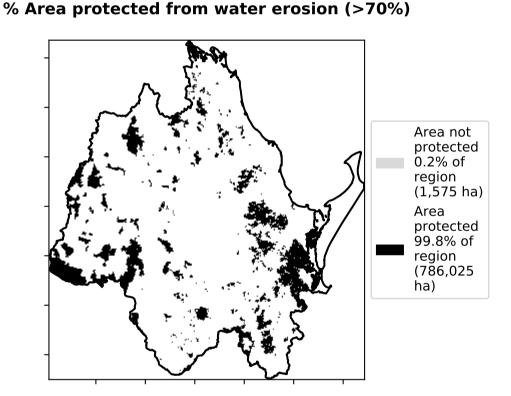
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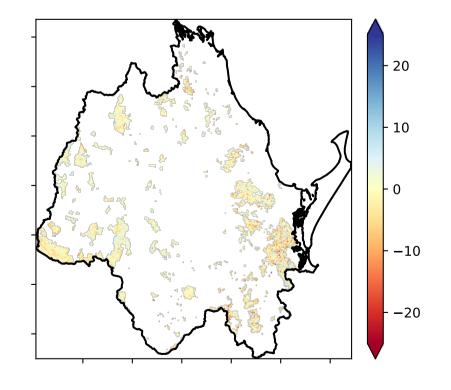
Total Vegetation Cover [%]



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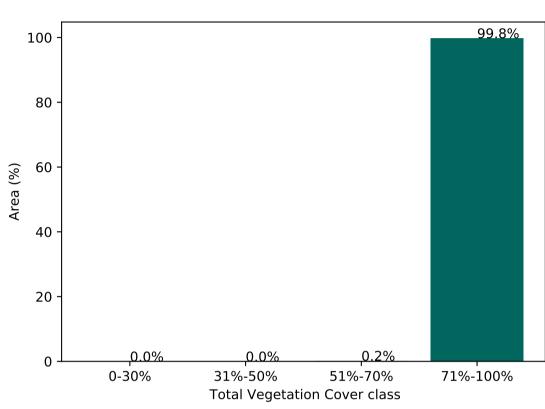


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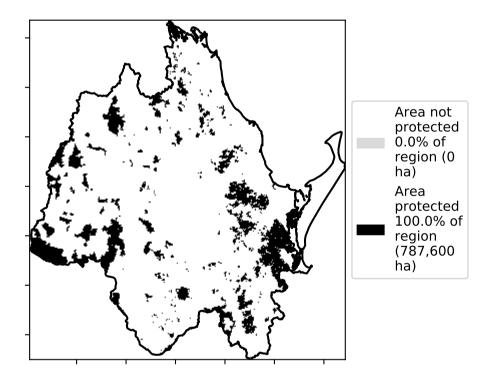


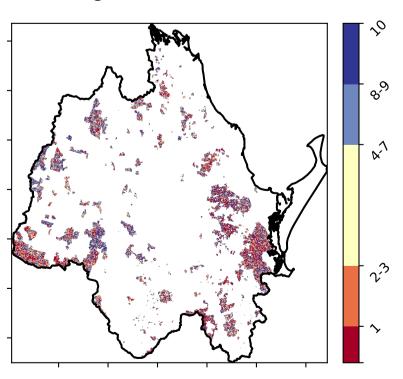
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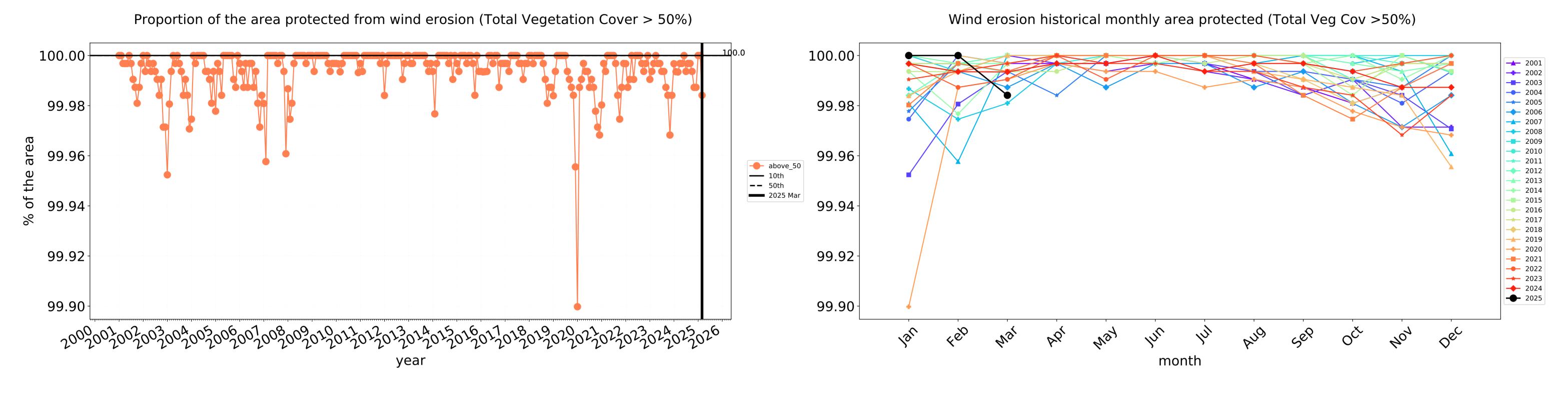


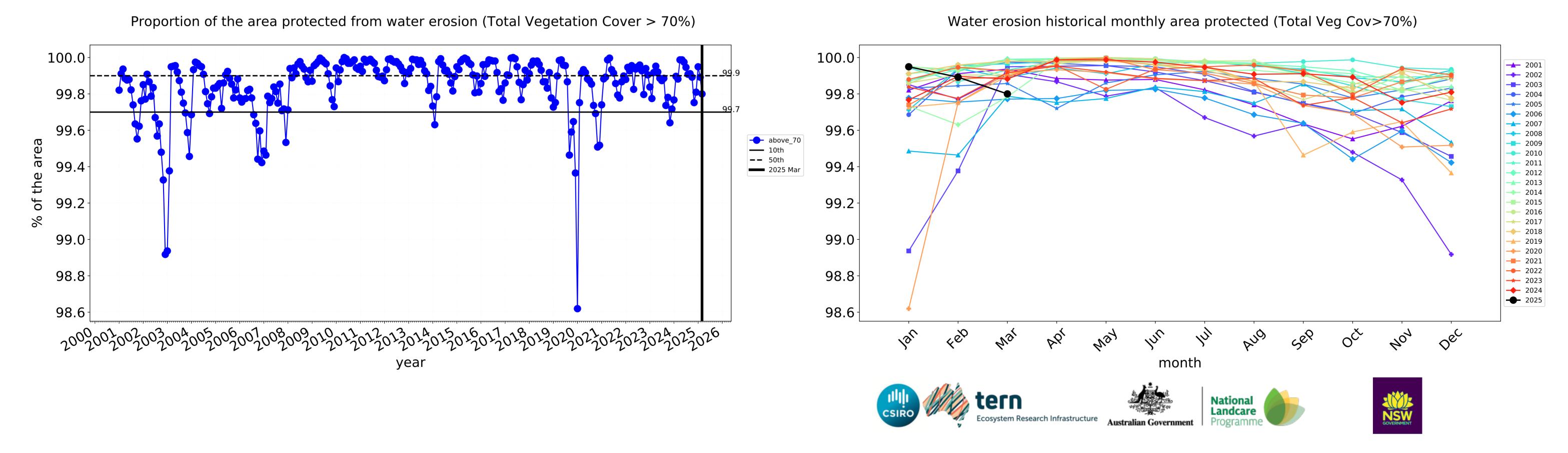


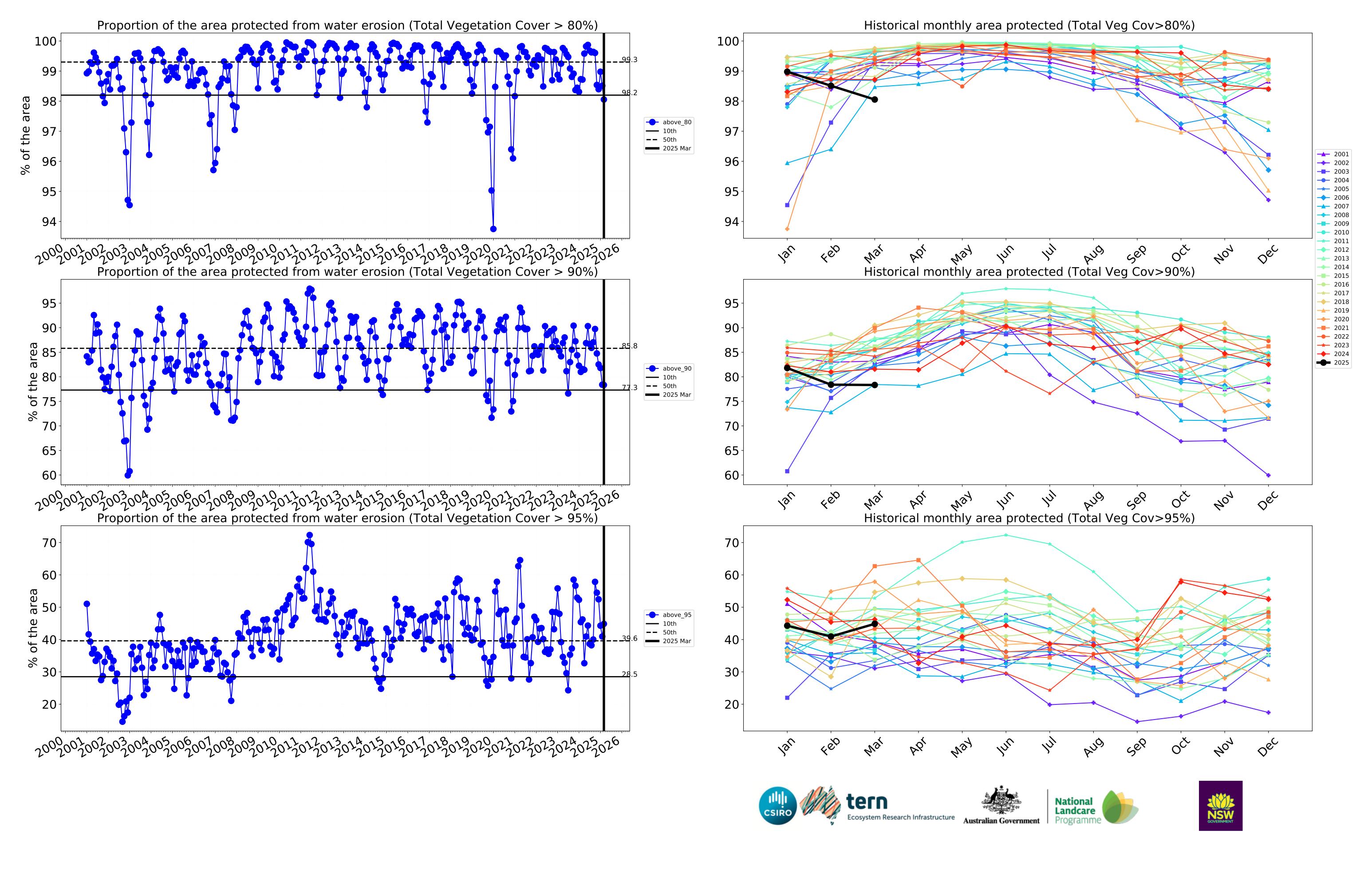




Production native forests and plantation forests timeseries







Burnett Mary (5,555,550 ha and no data 21,305 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	5,555,550	100.0% 5,553,650	99.9% 5,550,525	99.2% 5,508,550	95.5% 5,306,400	72.3% 4,017,075	41.6% 2,309,600
Conservation and natural environments	674,700	99.8% 673,675	99.6% 672,050	98.7% 665,925	96.4% 650,075	75.2% 507,575	46.0% 310,525
Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest	180,150	99.8% 179,875	99.7% 179,575	98.5% 177,425	95.8% 172,500	76.0% 136,850	45.0% 81,125
Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)	466,475	99.9% 466,175	99.8% 465,725	99.4% 463,500	97.5% 454,900	76.1% 354,950	47.3% 220,675
Agriculture	3,881,775	100.0% 3,881,600	100.0% 3,881,000	99.3% 3,855,700	95.4% 3,703,225	71.4% 2,772,575	40.8% 1,583,850
Grazing	3,619,800	100.0% 3,619,675	100.0% 3,619,325	99.6% 3,603,925	96.4% 3,488,450	73.7% 2,669,075	42.4% 1,535,500
Grazing non forest	2,315,225	100.0% 2,315,150	100.0% 2,314,825	99.4% 2,300,525	95.0% 2,199,650	69.3% 1,603,650	40.1% 929,525
Grazing Woodland forest	711,250	100.0% 711,225	100.0% 711,225	99.9% 710,550	98.6% 701,500	80.9% 575,425	44.8% 318,775
Grazing - Forest (non woodland)	593,325	100.0% 593,300	100.0% 593,275	99.9% 592,850	99.0% 587,300	82.6% 490,000	48.4% 287,200
Cropping	81,725	99.9% 81,675	99.7% 81,500	94.6% 77,300	78.6% 64,200	39.0% 31,850	18.6% 15,225
Irrigation	174,575	100.0% 174,575	100.0% 174,525	96.7% 168,850	83.4% 145,575	39.3% 68,575	18.2% 31,825
Production native forests and plantation forests	787,600	100.0% 787,475	100.0% 787,475	99.8% 786,025	98.1% 772,275	78.3% 616,975	44.9% 353,300







