Total vegetation cover soil protection Region:NRM Mackay Whitsunday 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:

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 May 2019

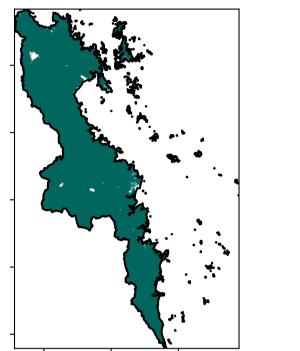
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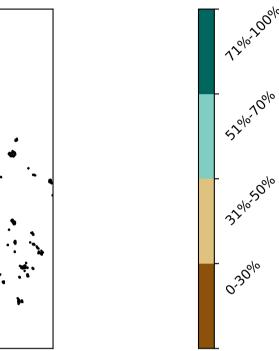
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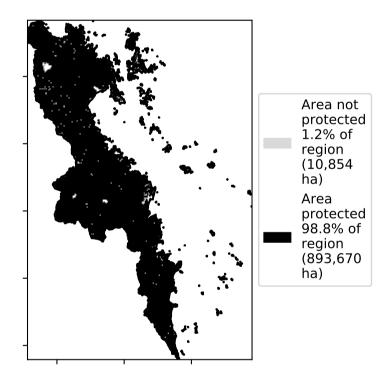
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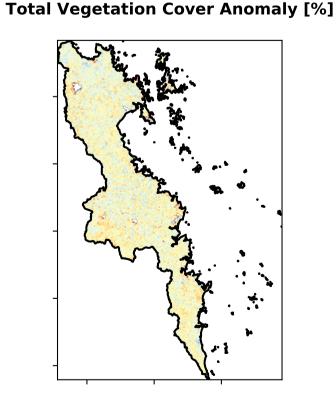


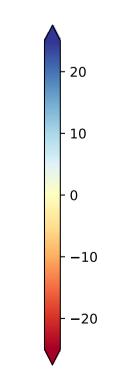


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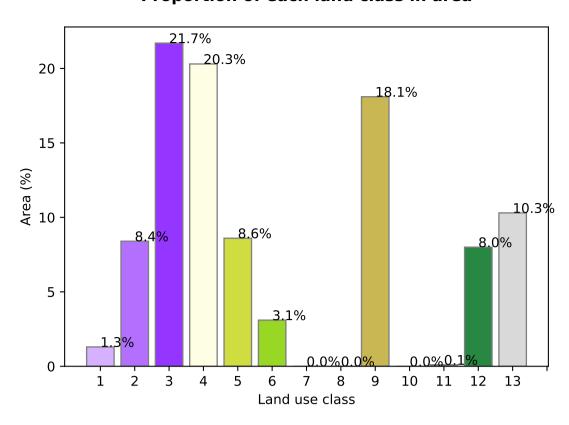
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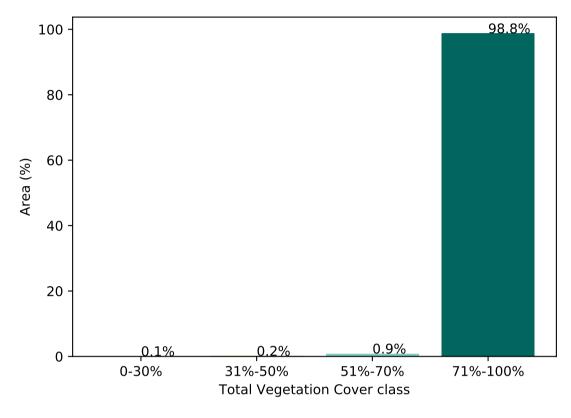


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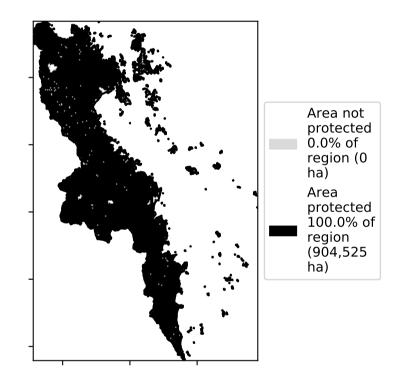
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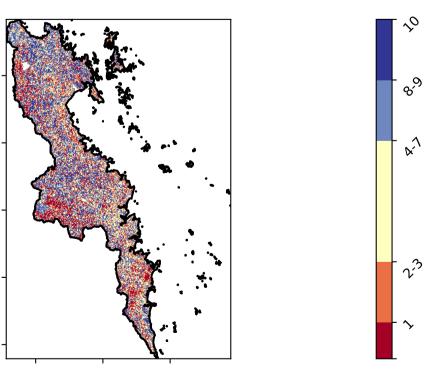
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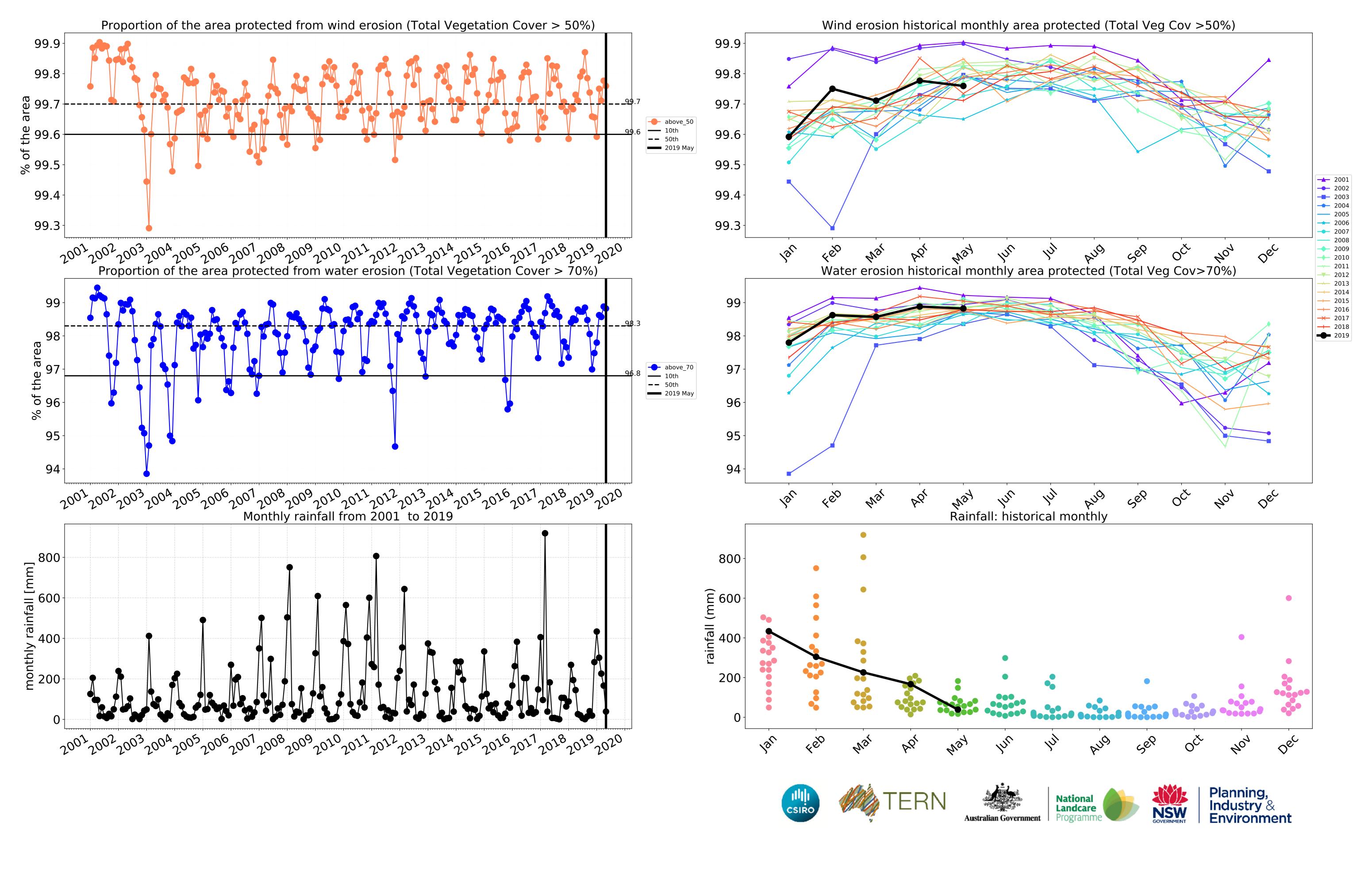




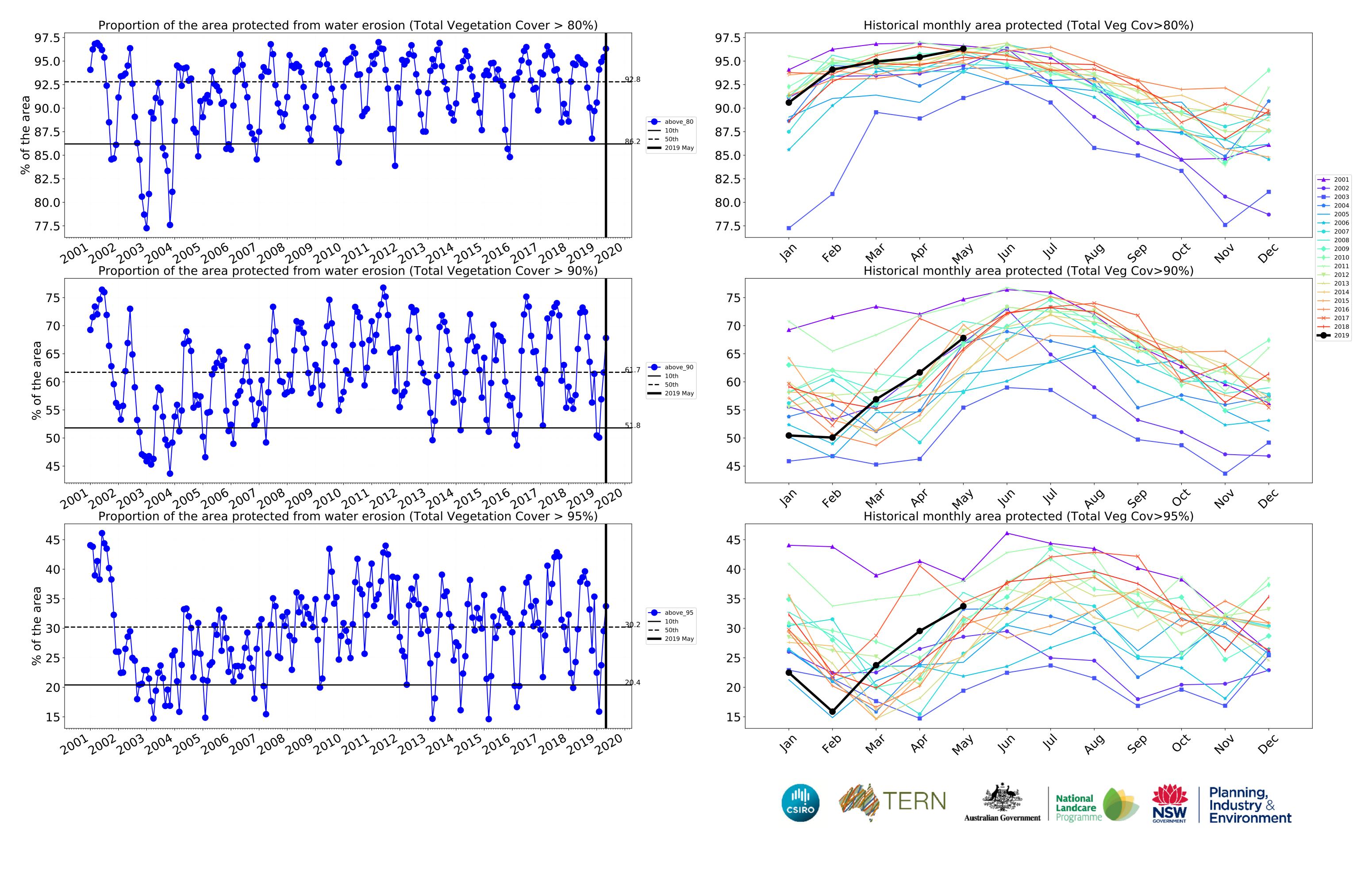








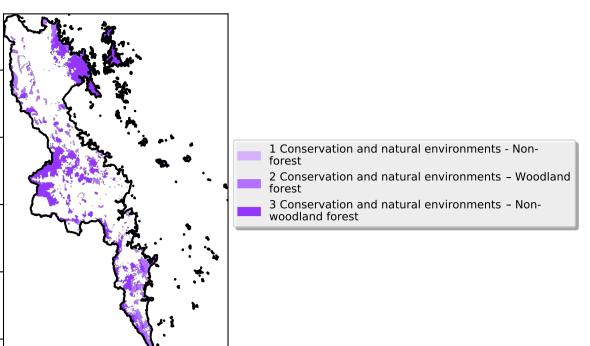
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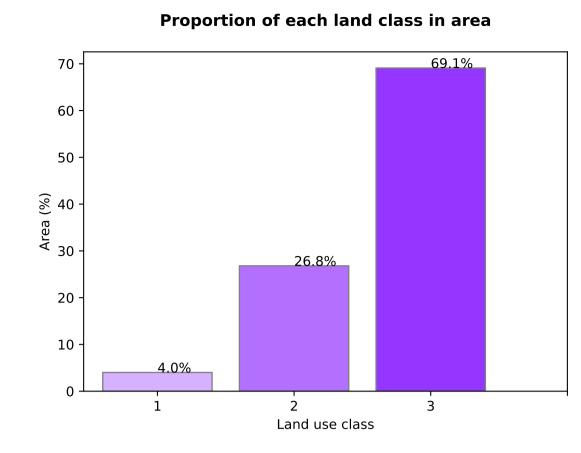
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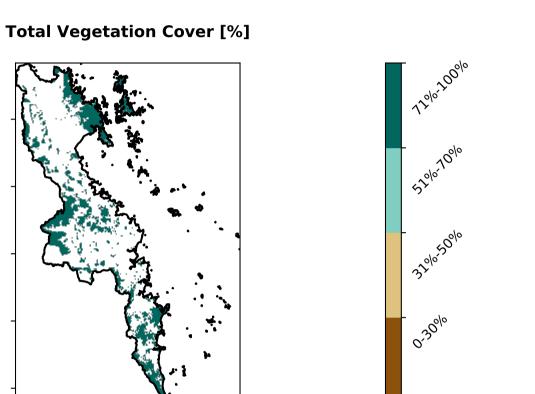
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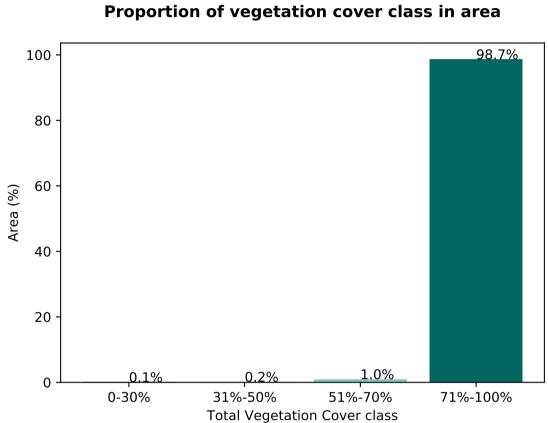
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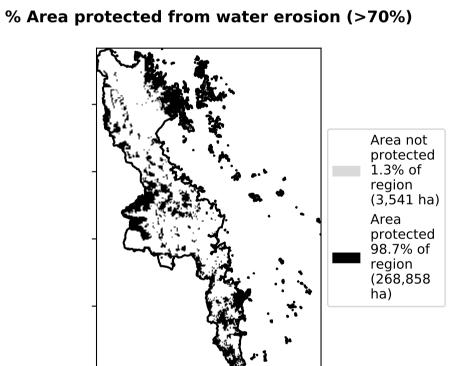


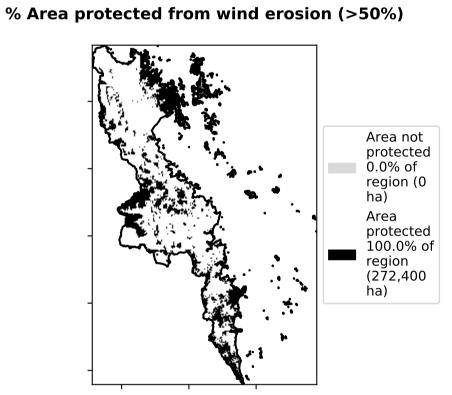
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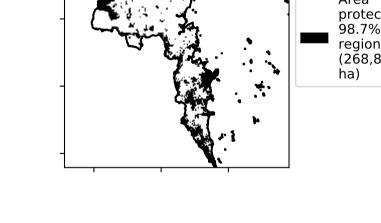


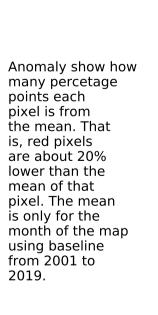


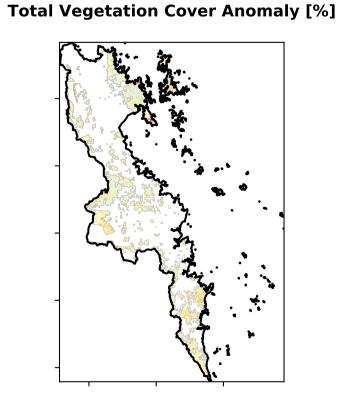


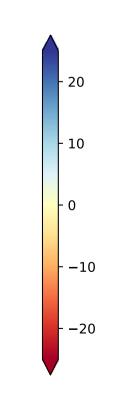




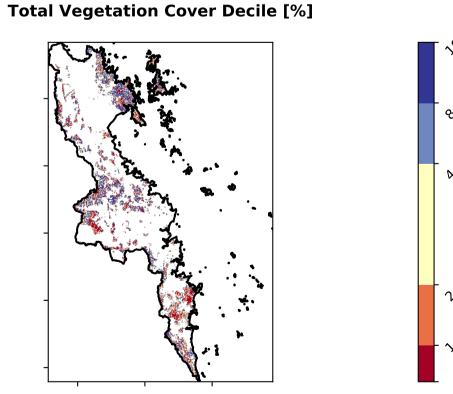








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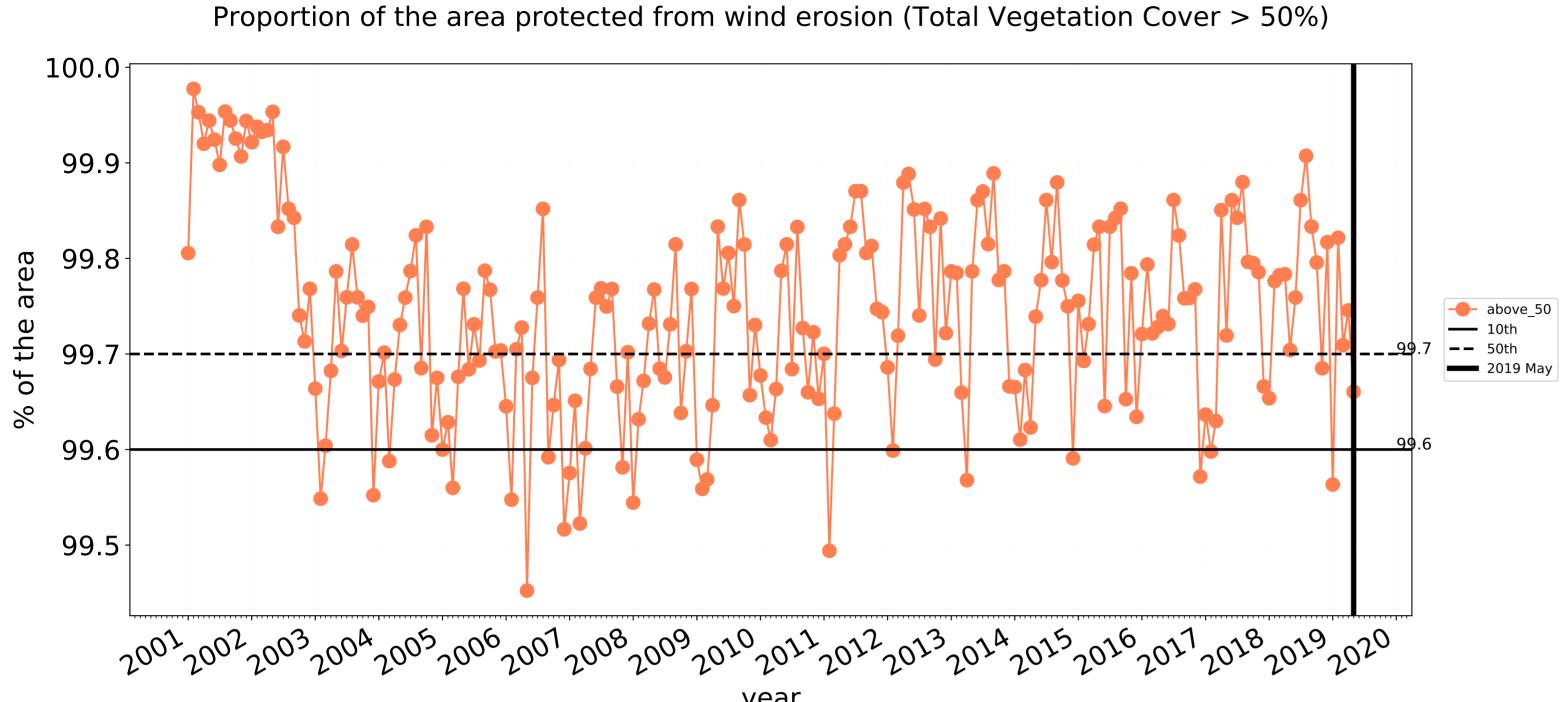


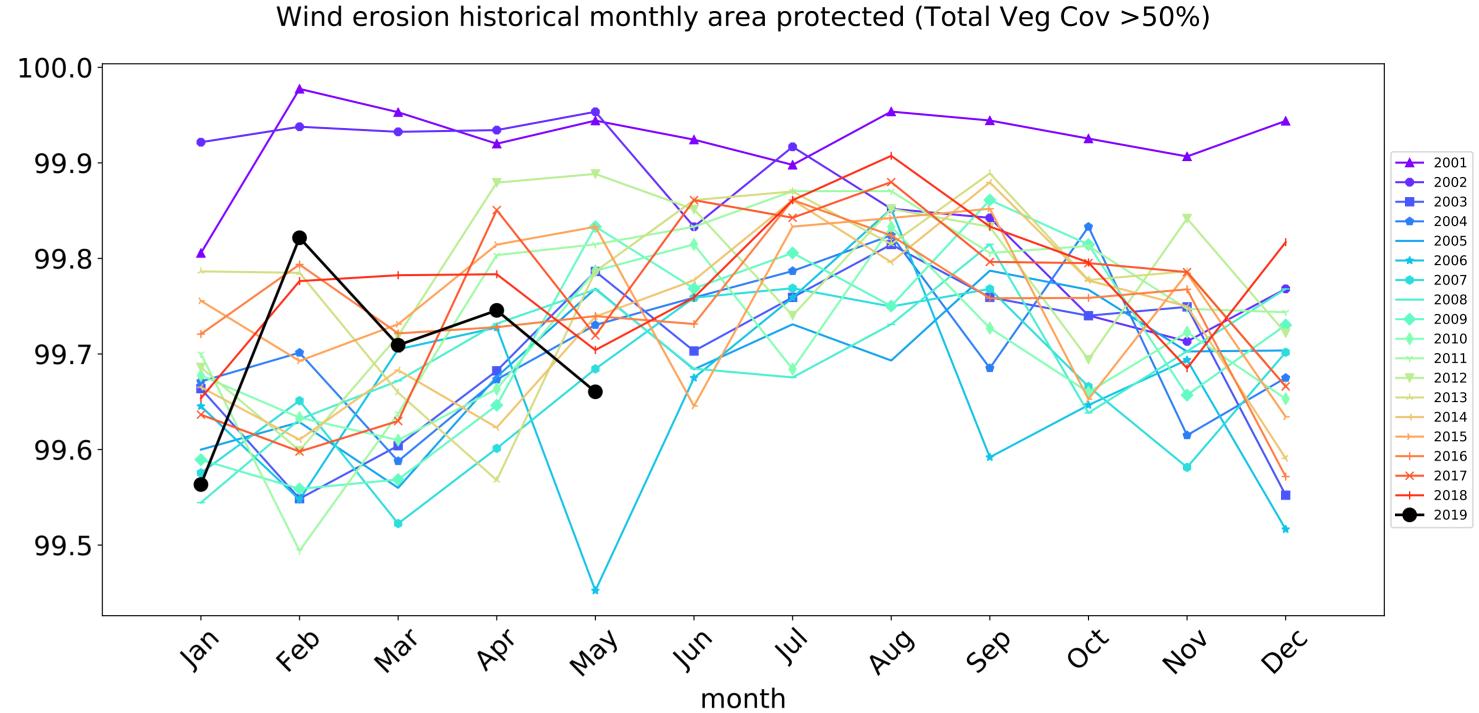


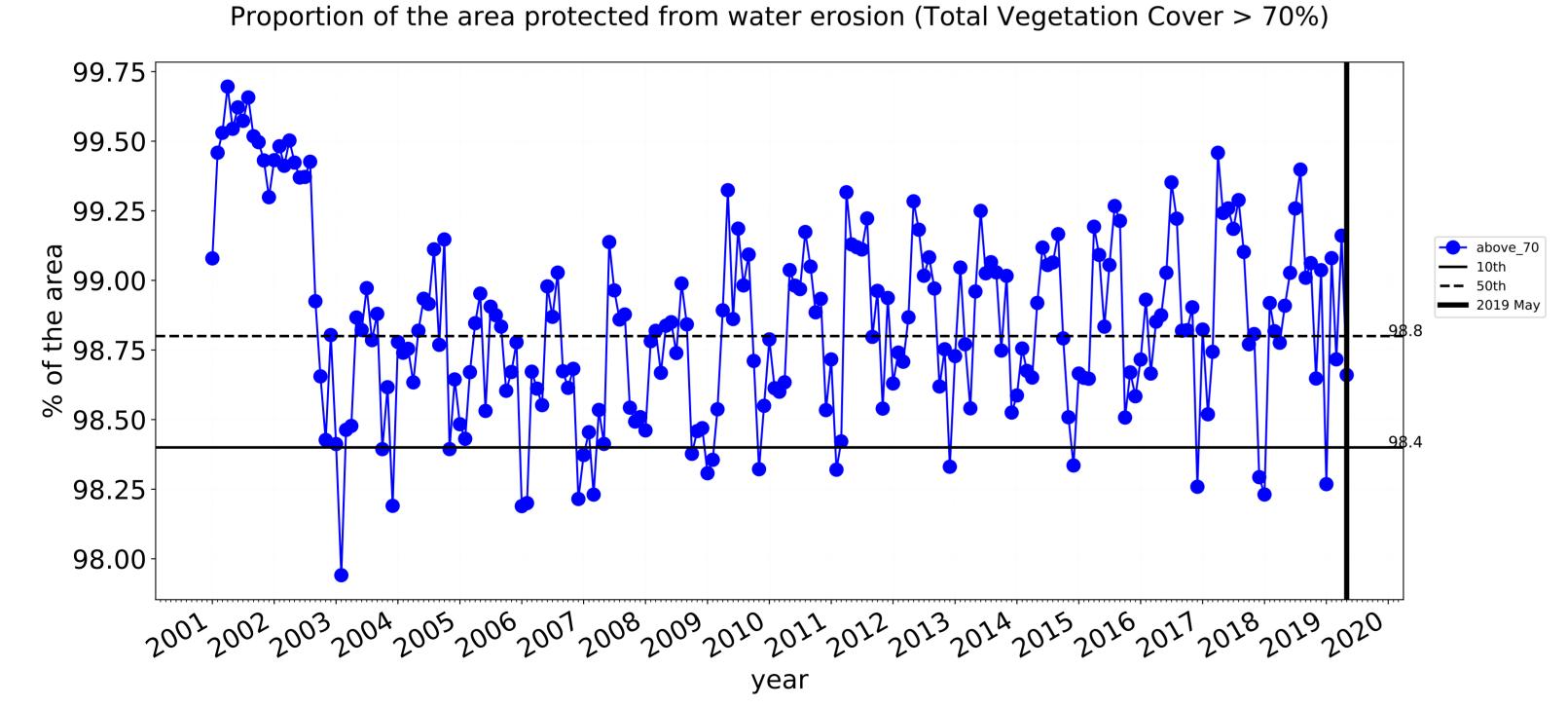


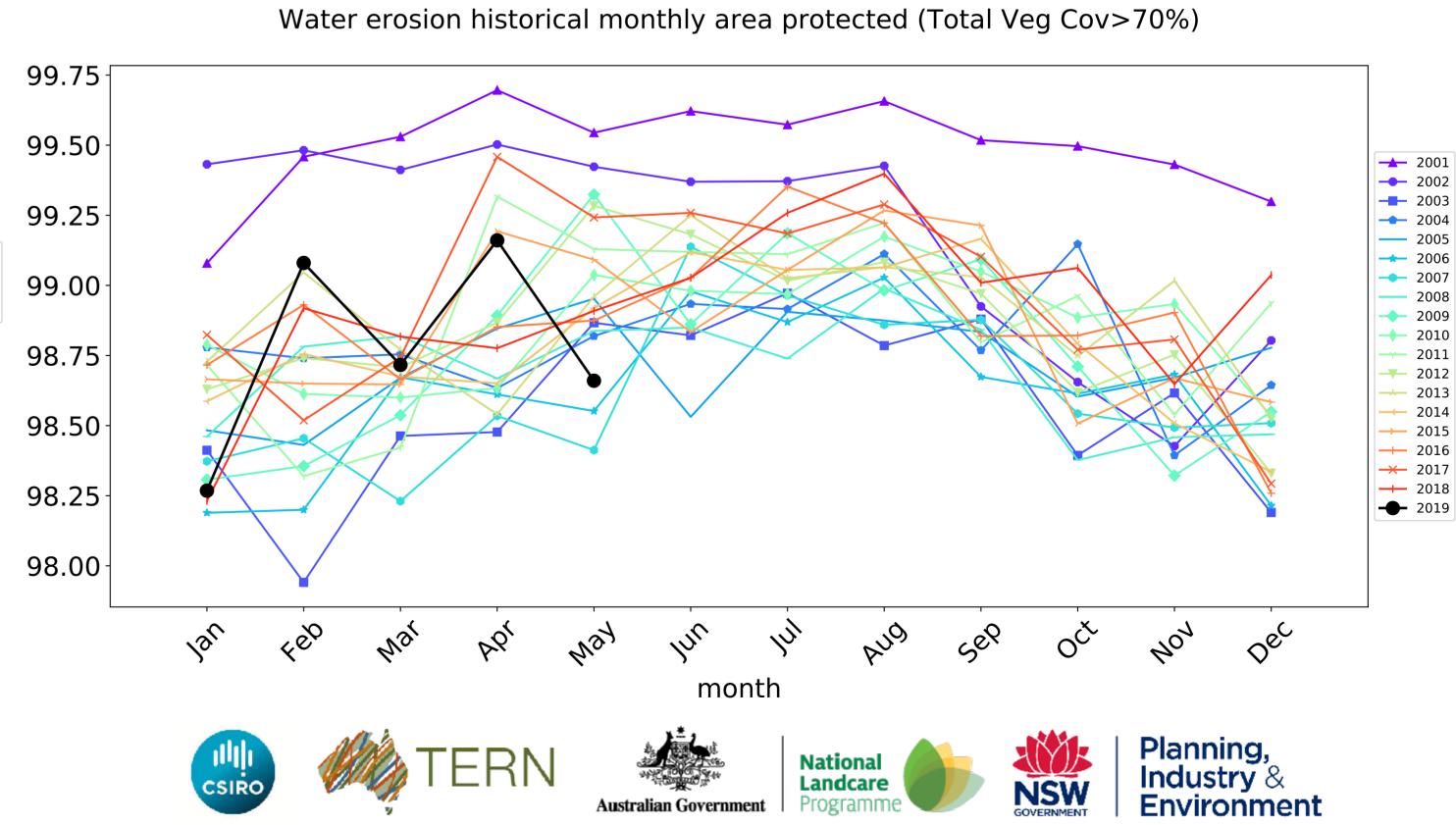


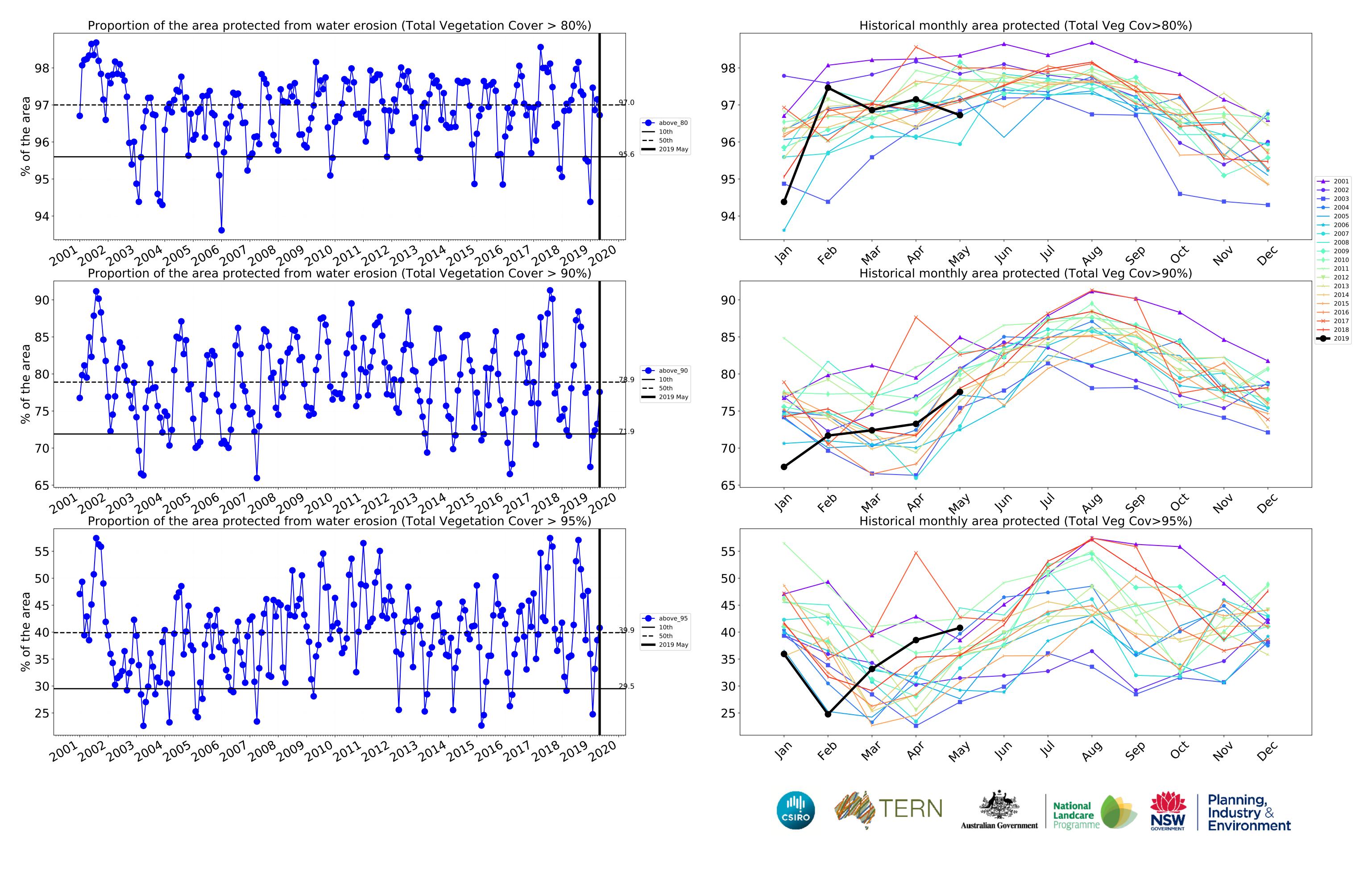
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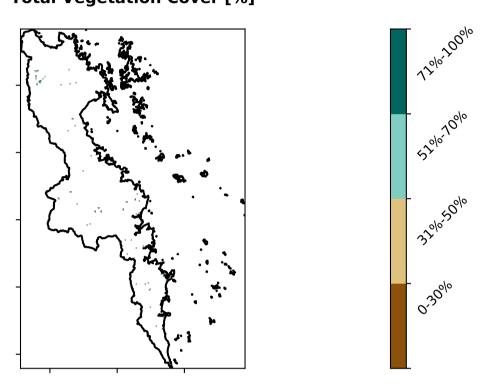
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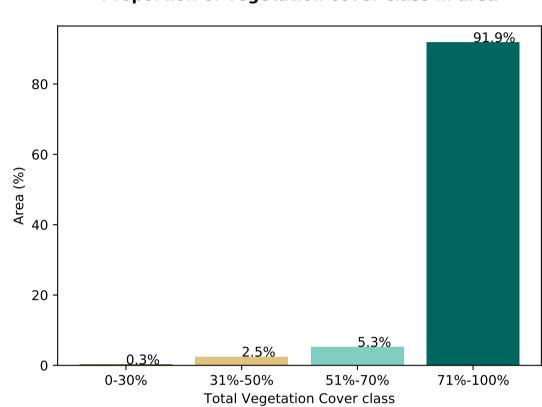
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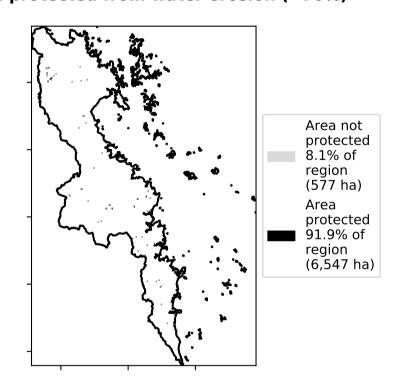
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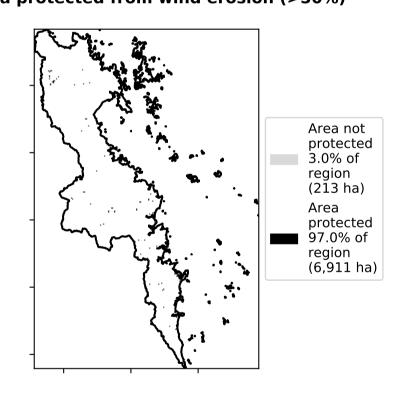
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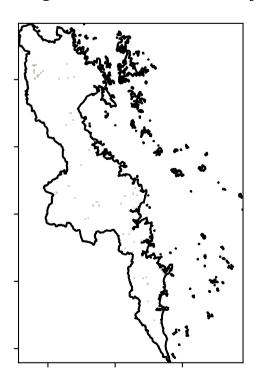
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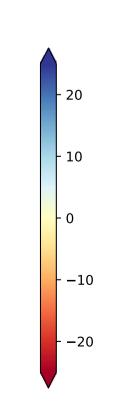


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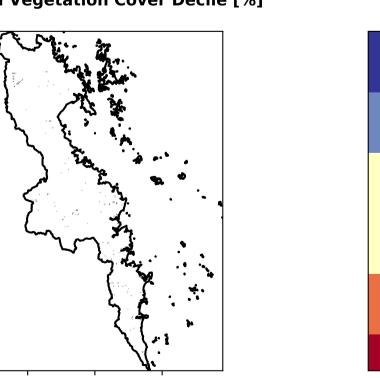
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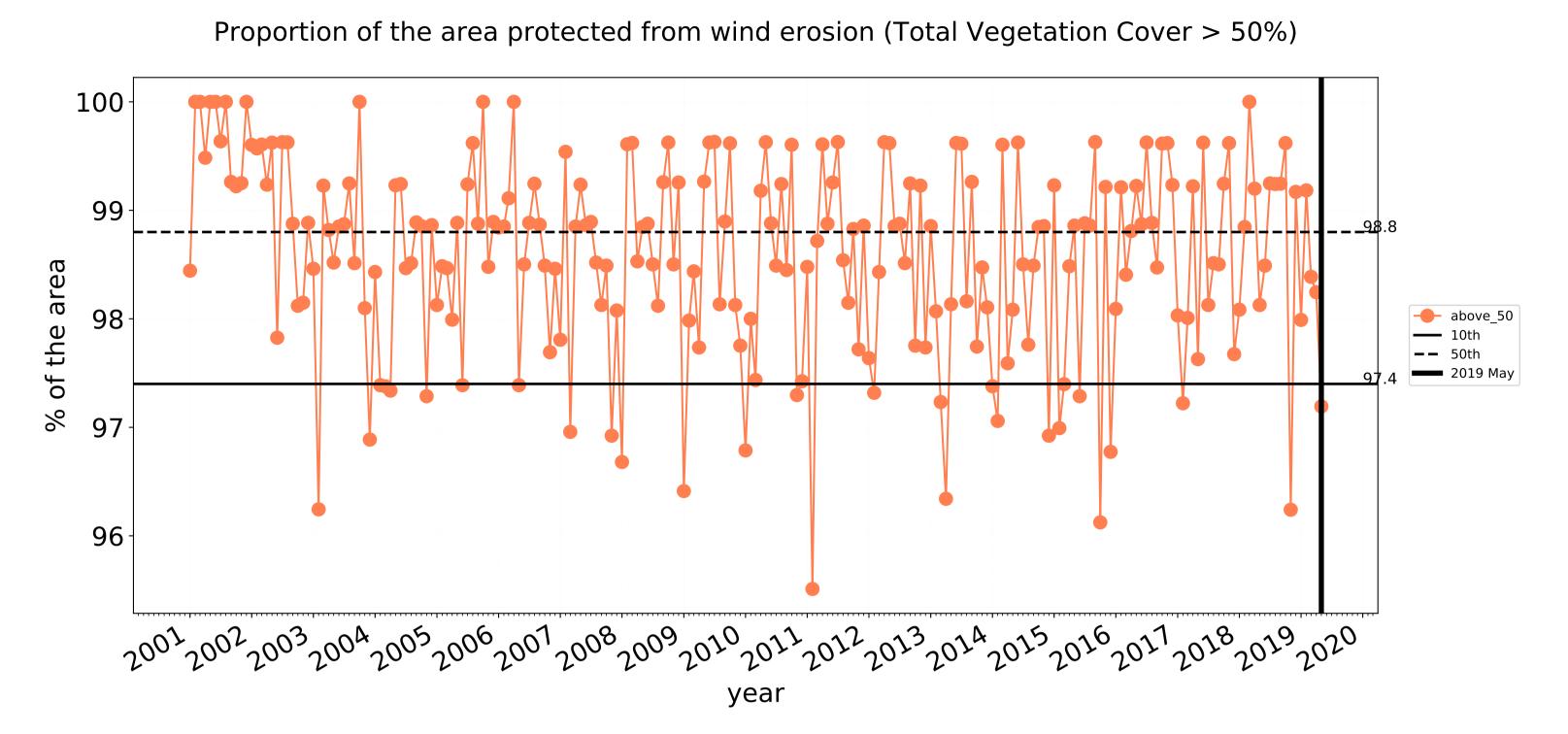


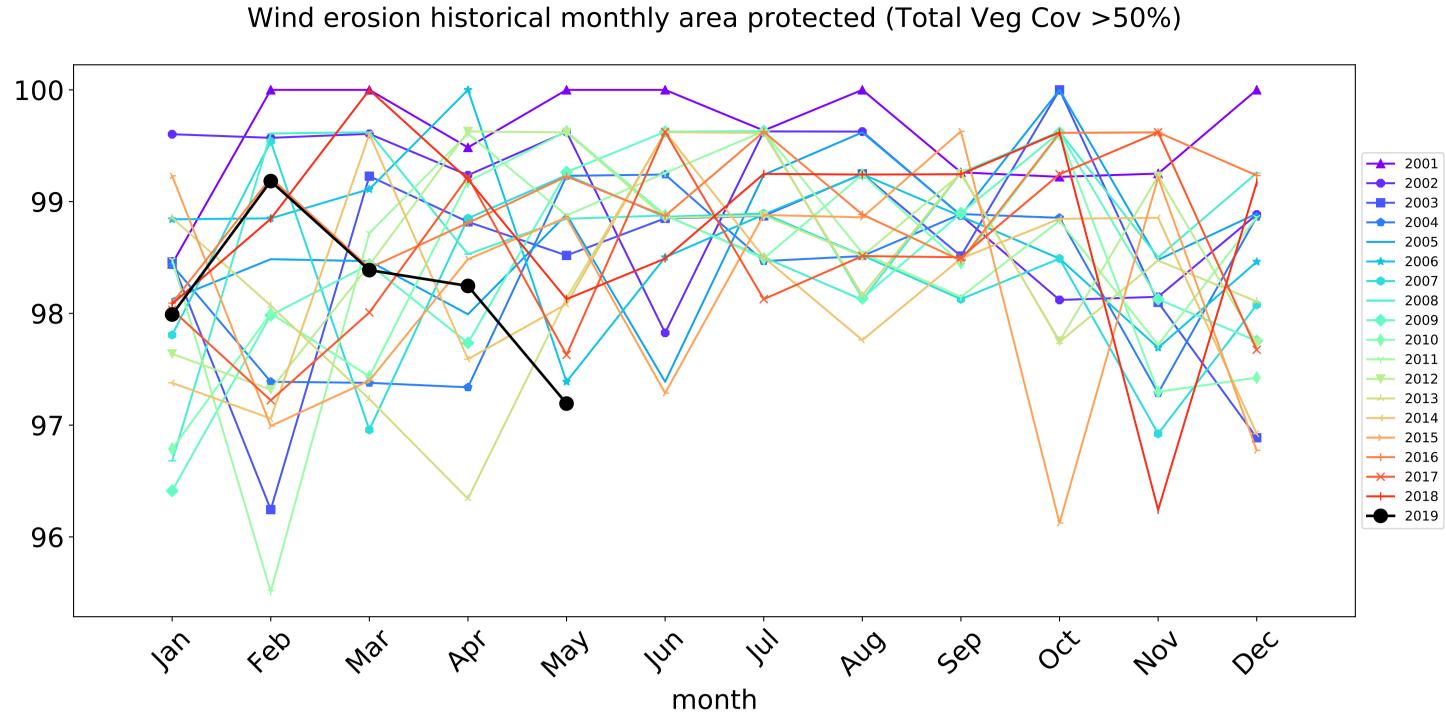


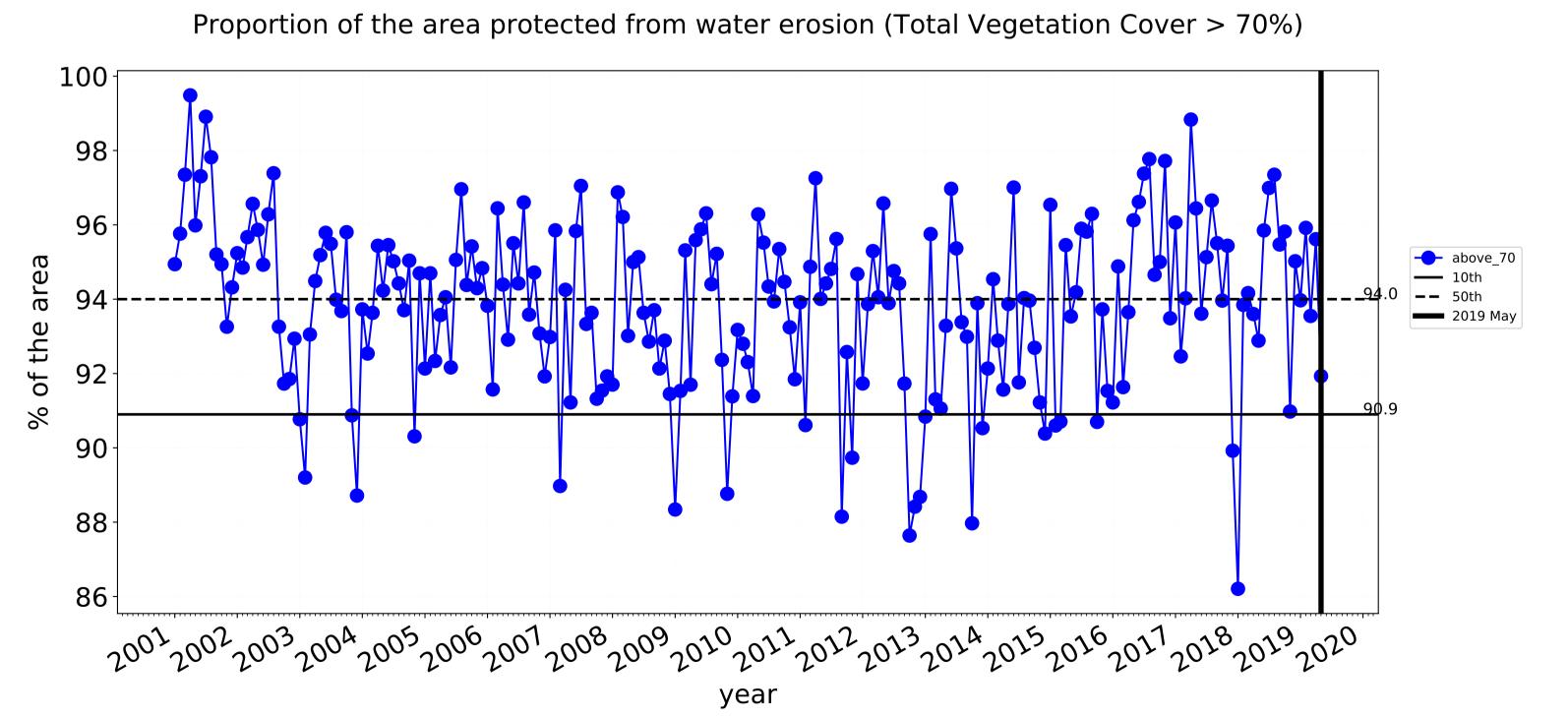


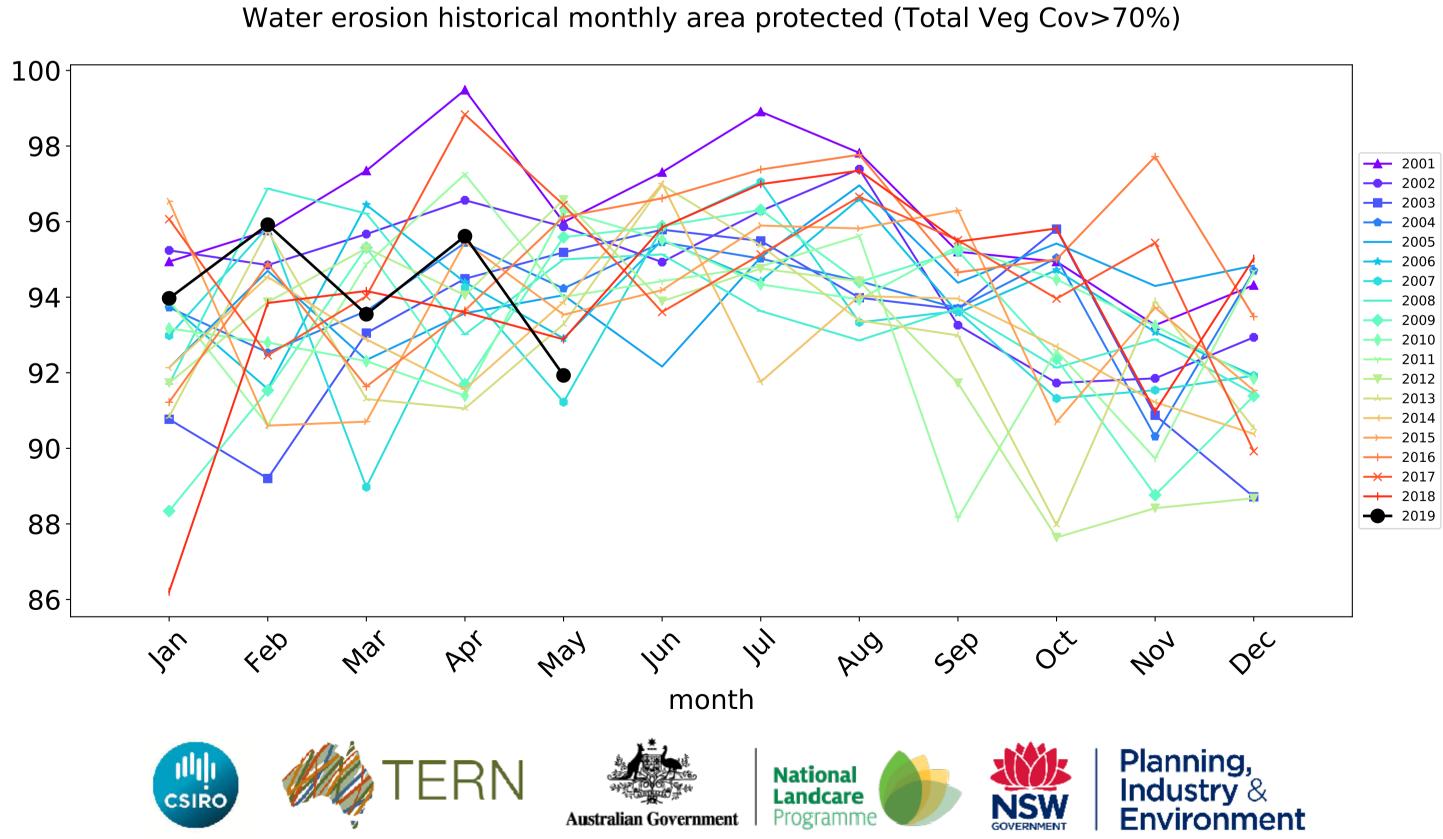


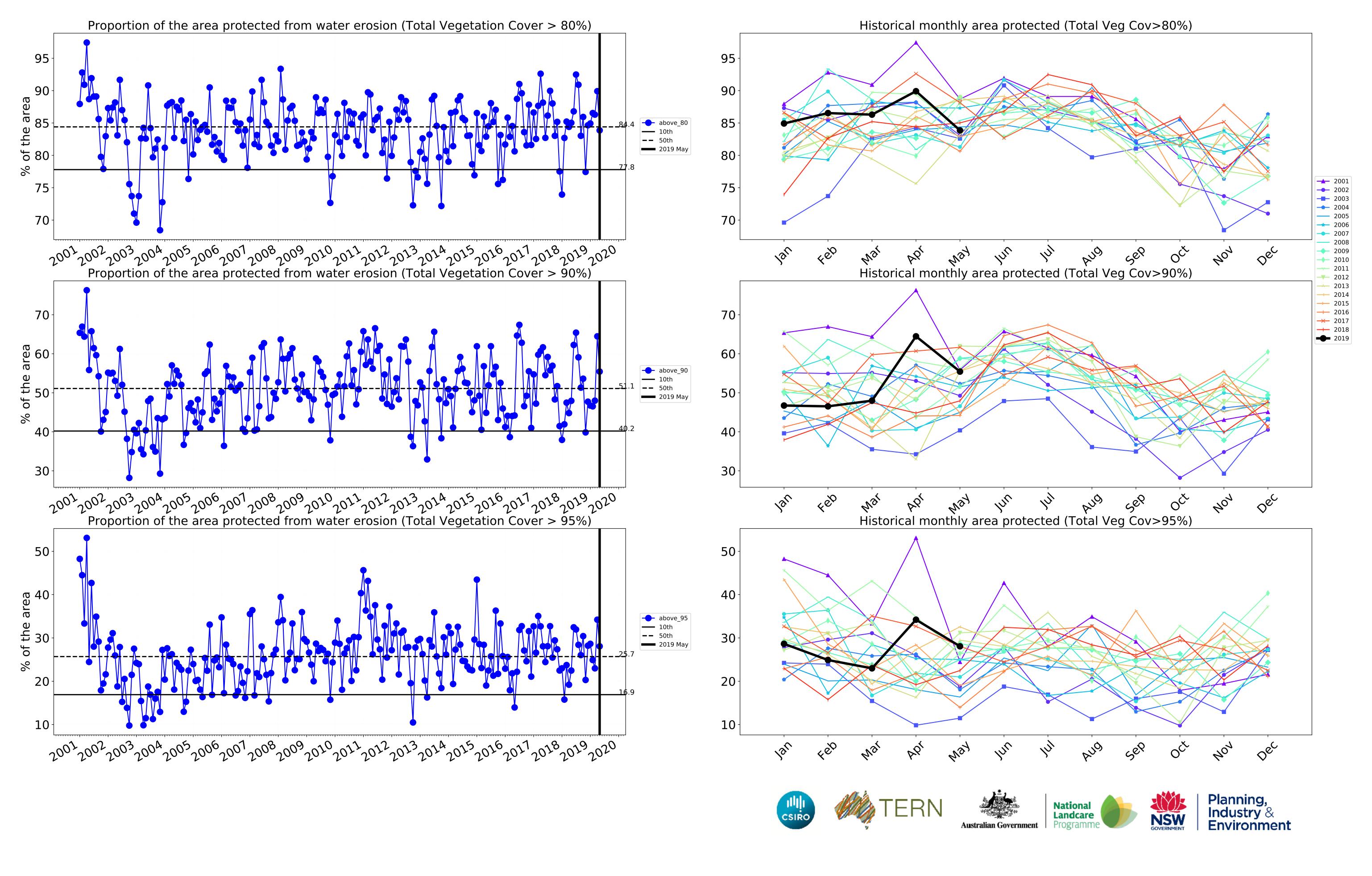
Conservation and natural environments non forest timeseries











Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest

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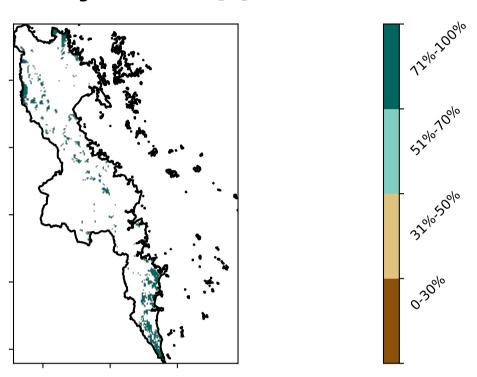
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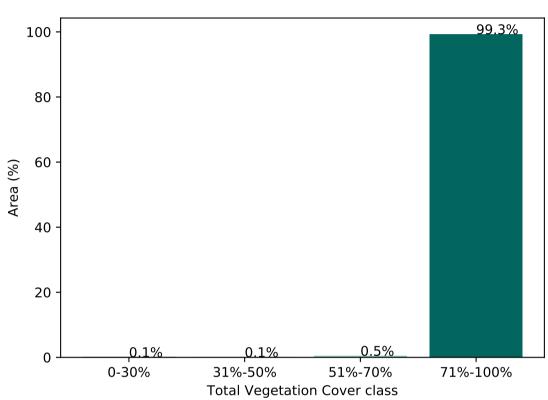
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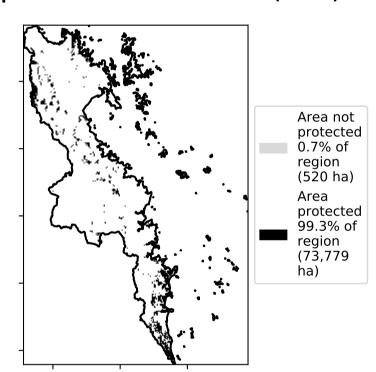
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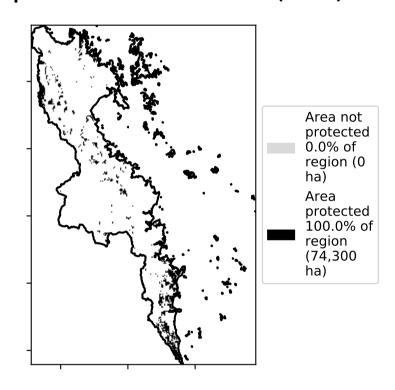
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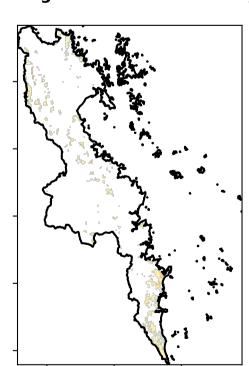
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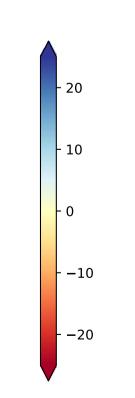


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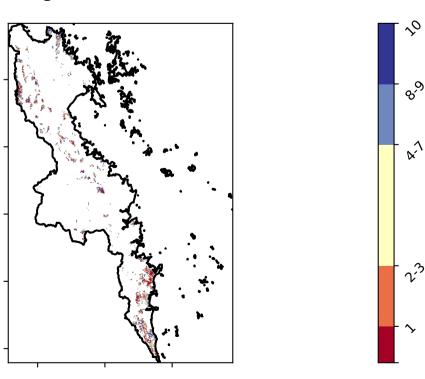
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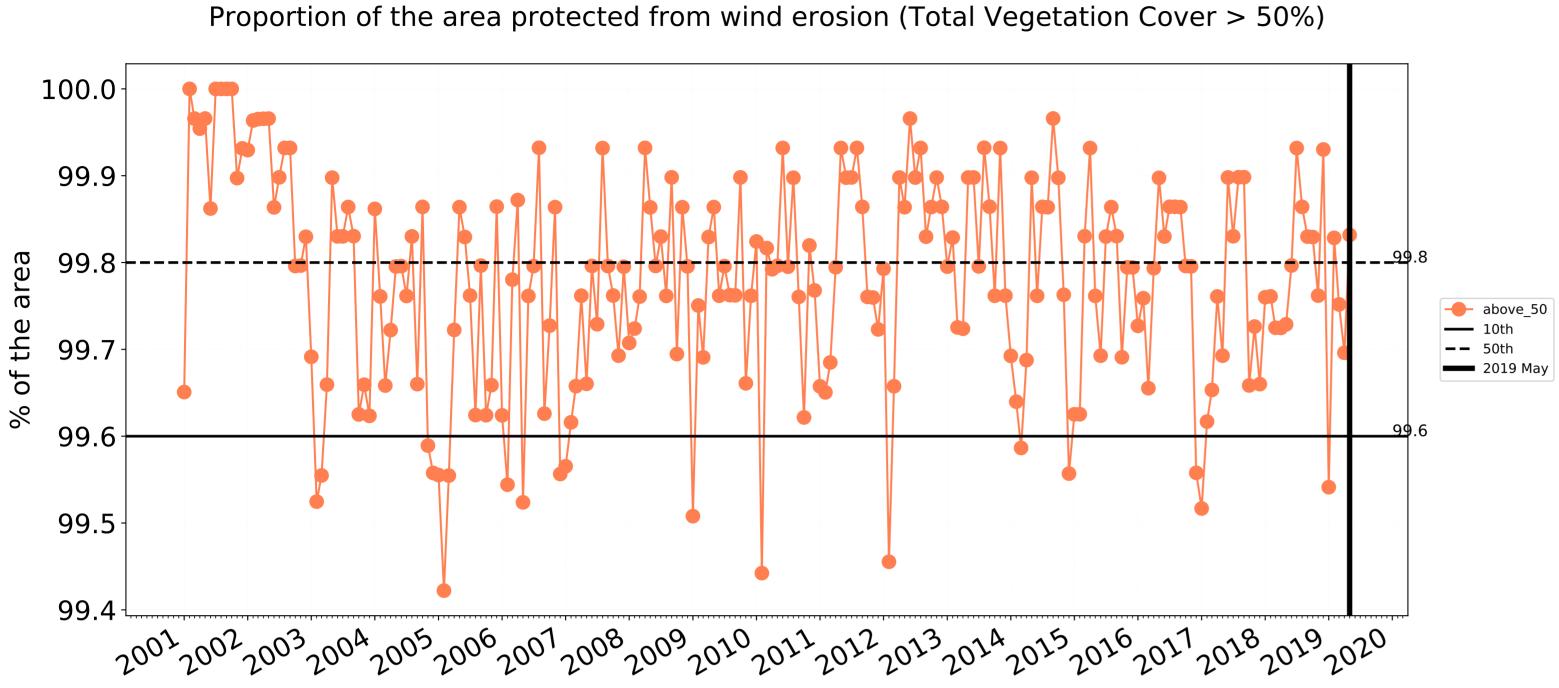


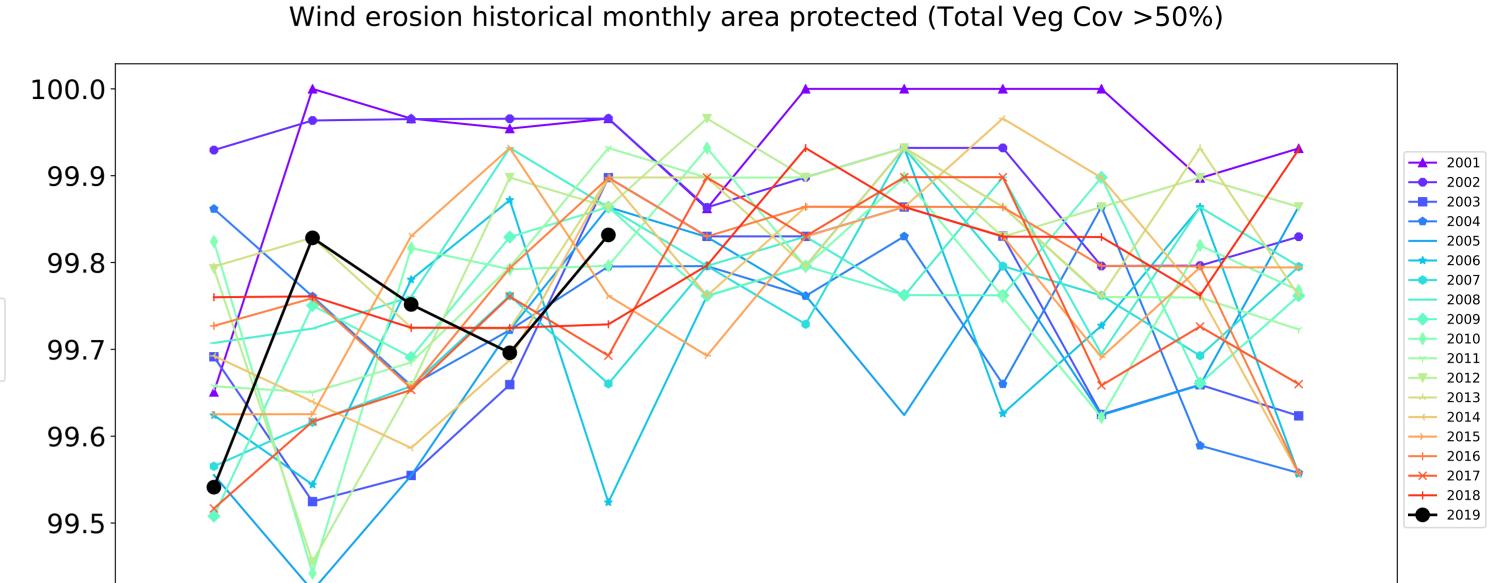






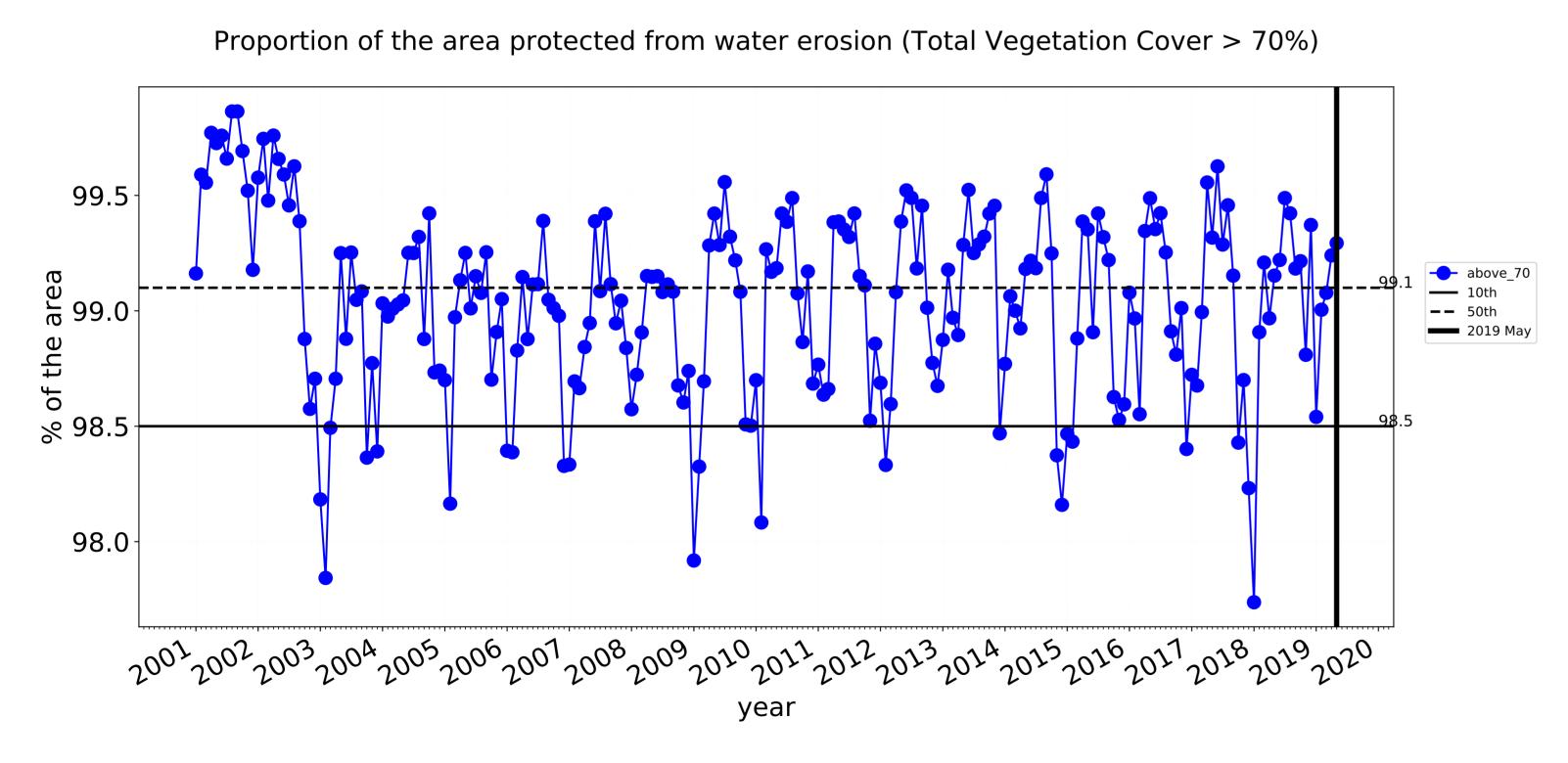


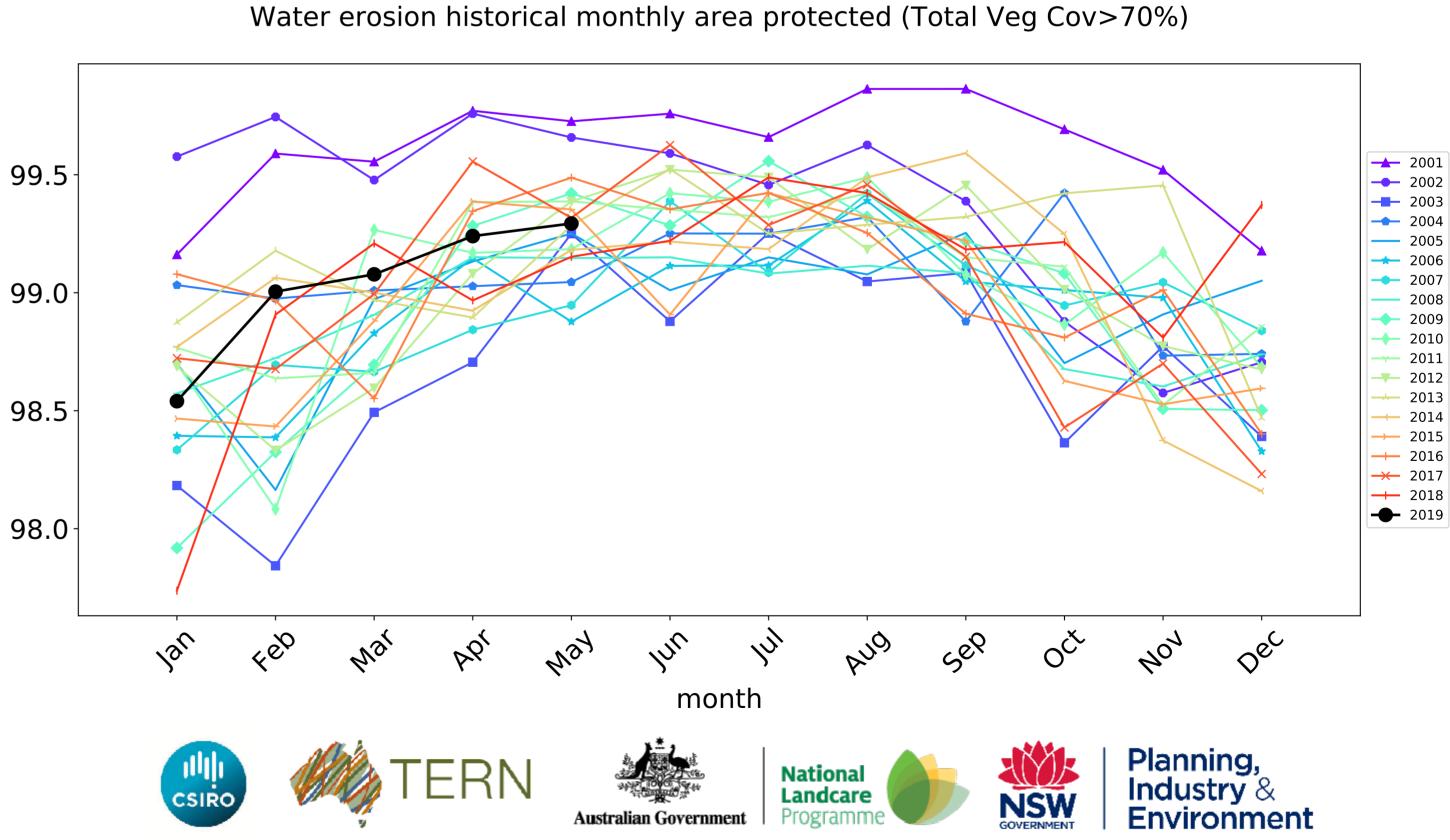


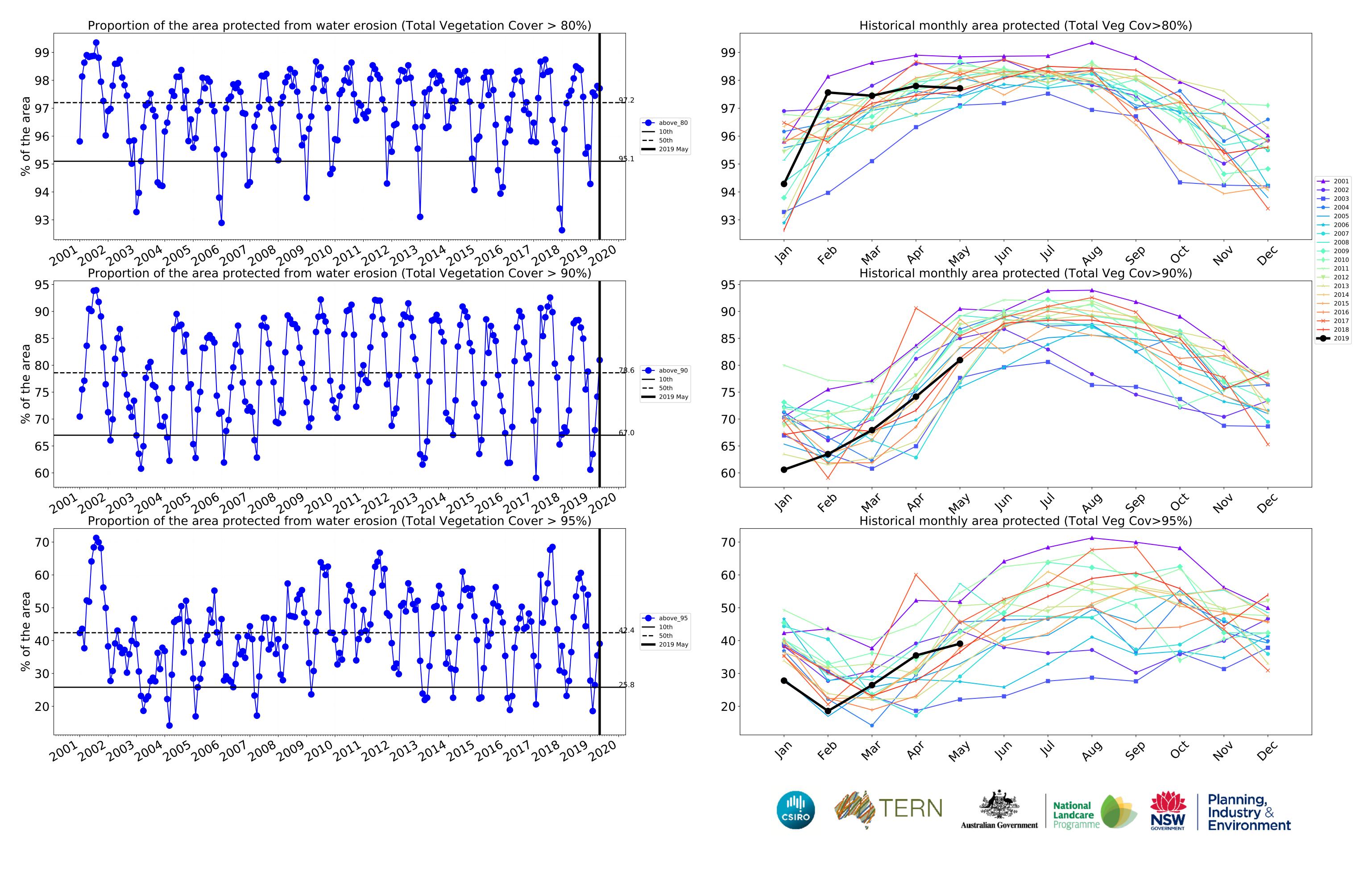


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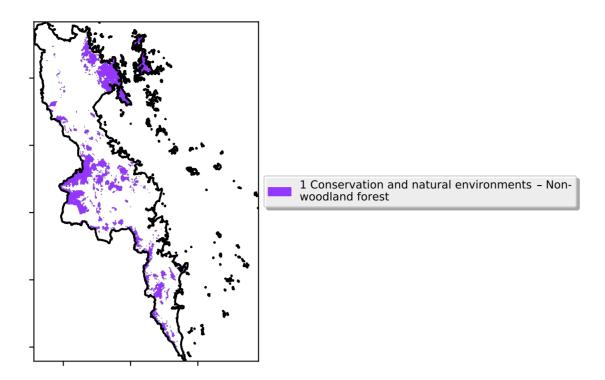
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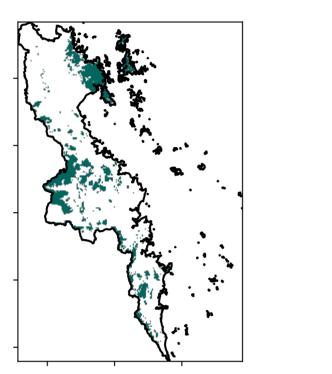
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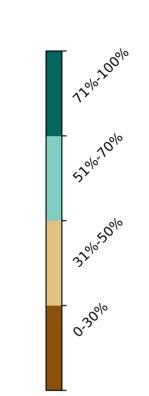
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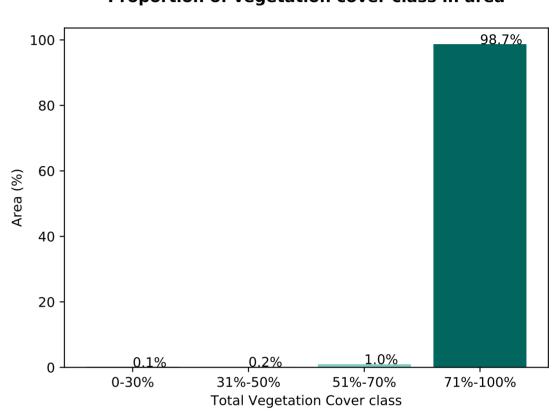


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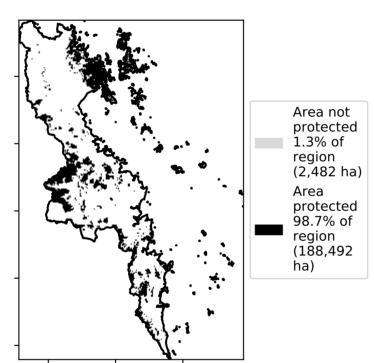




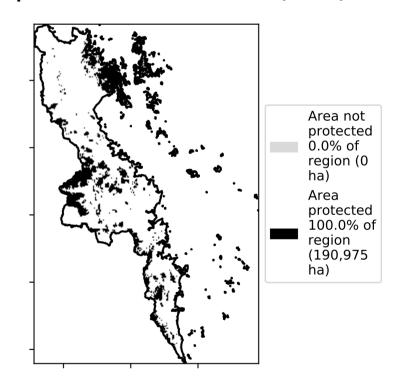
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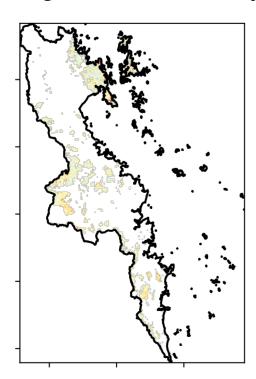
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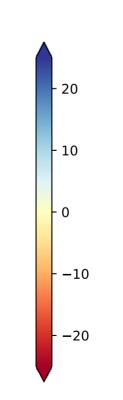


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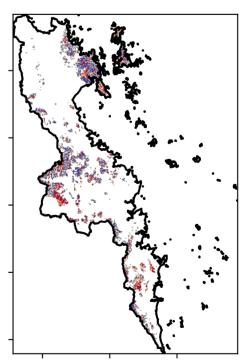
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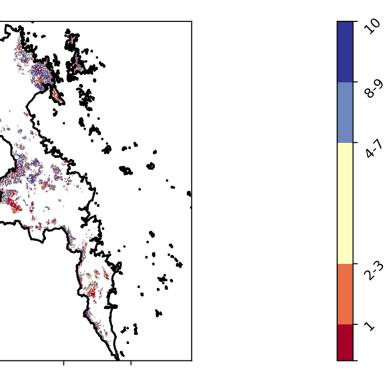




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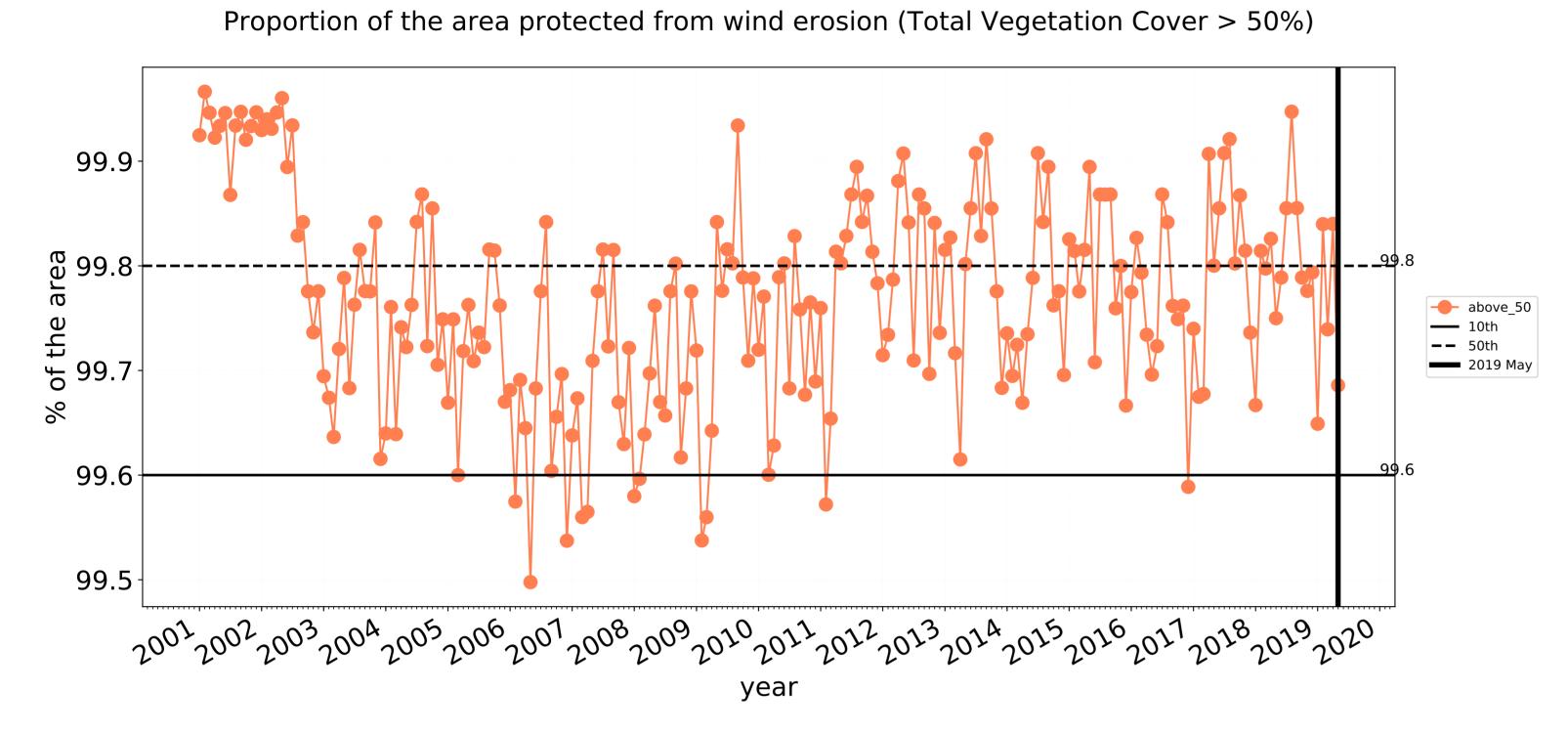




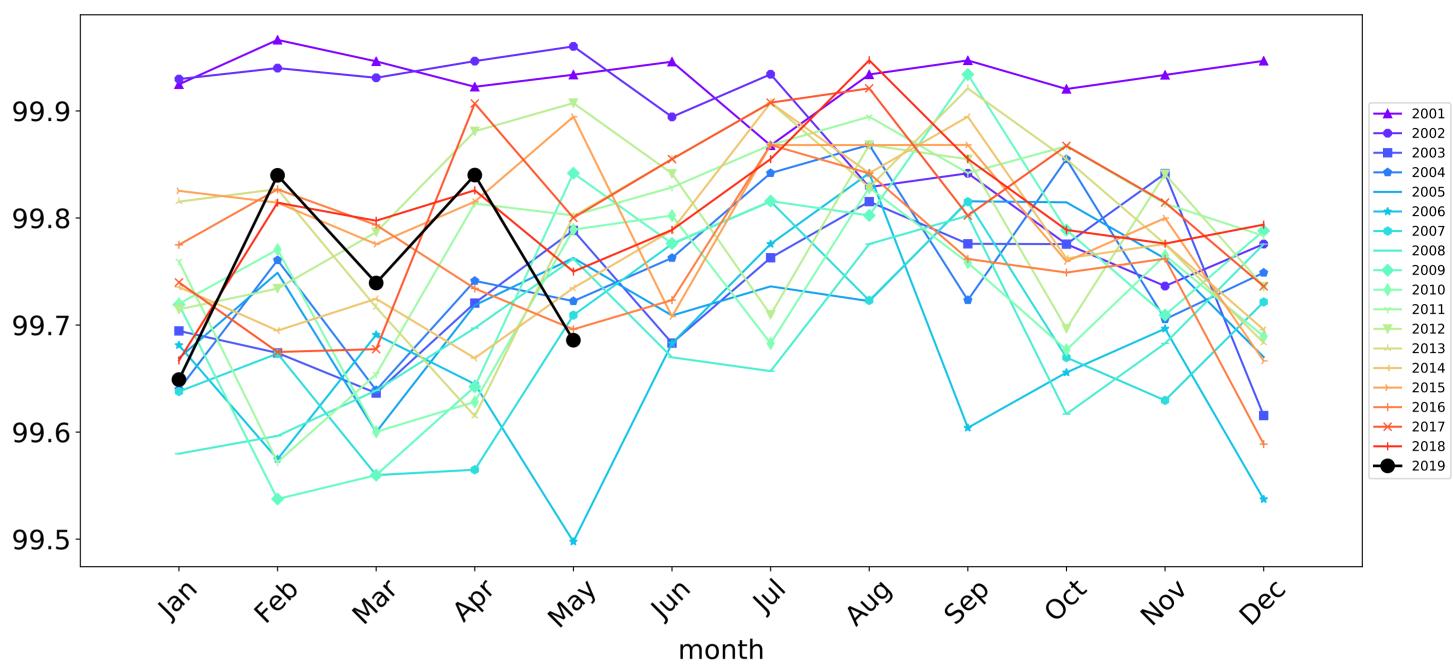


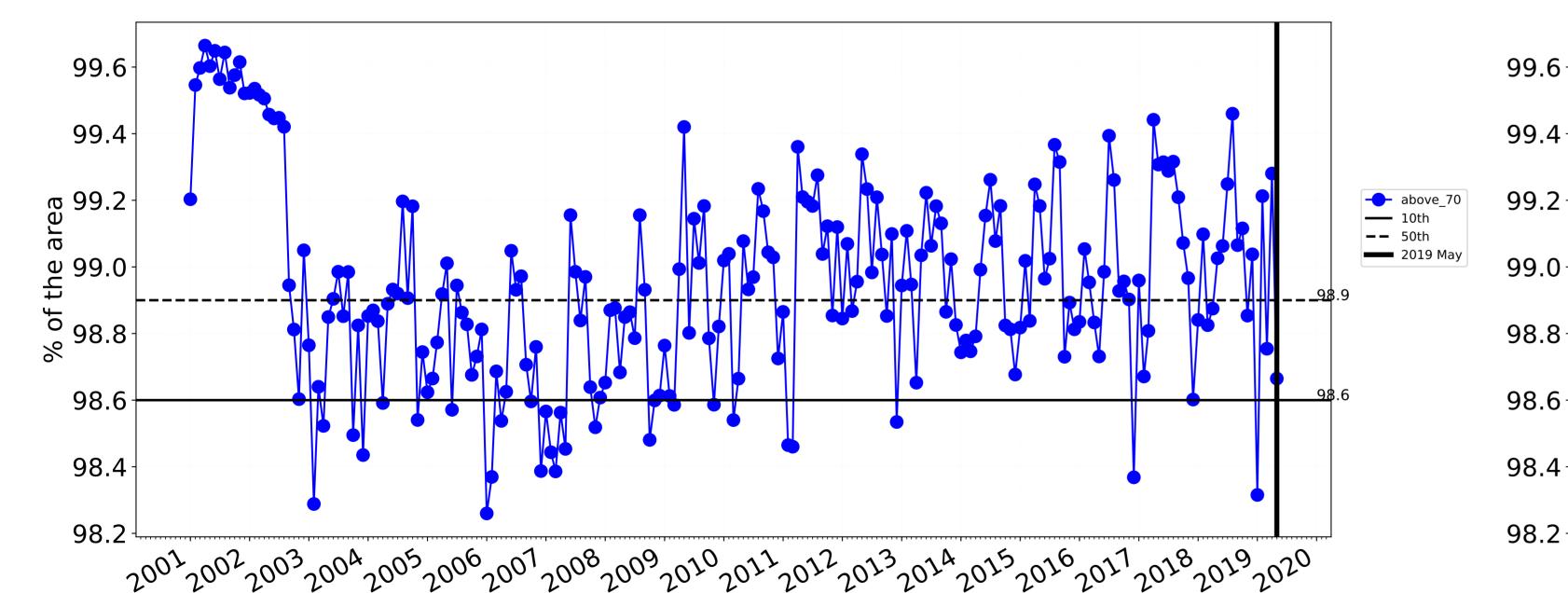


Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland) timeseries

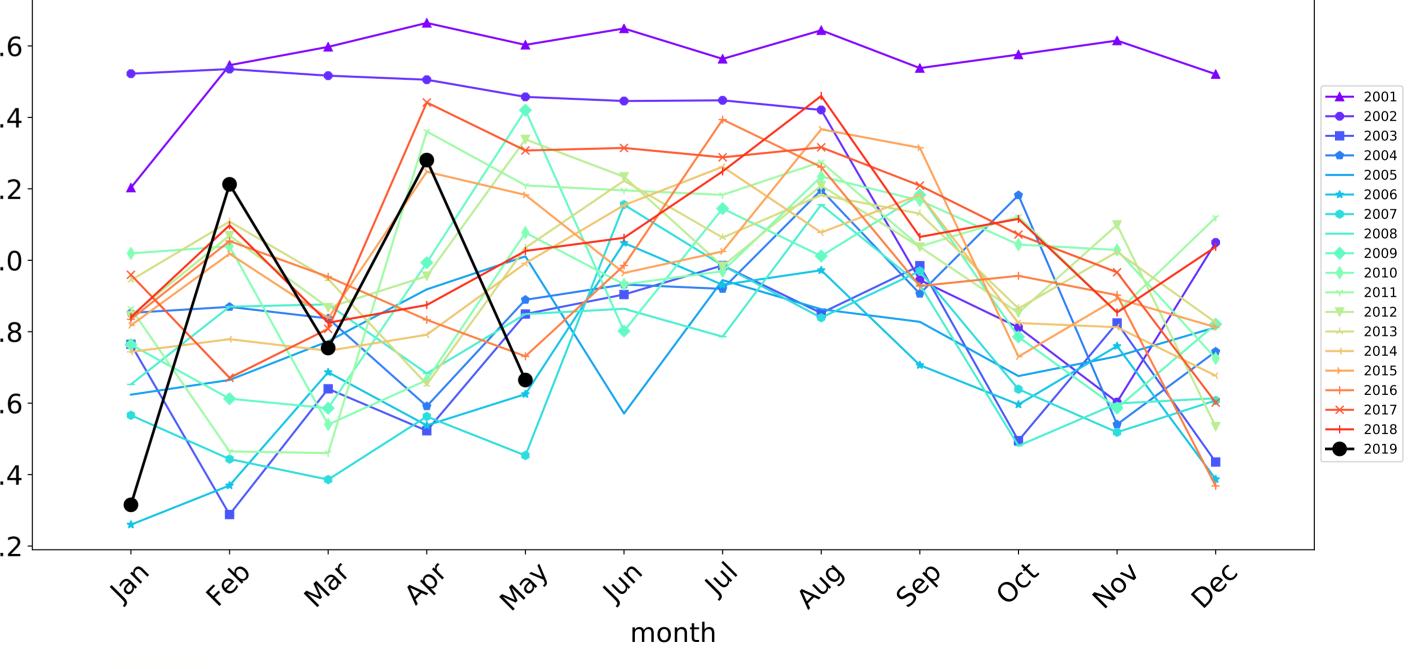








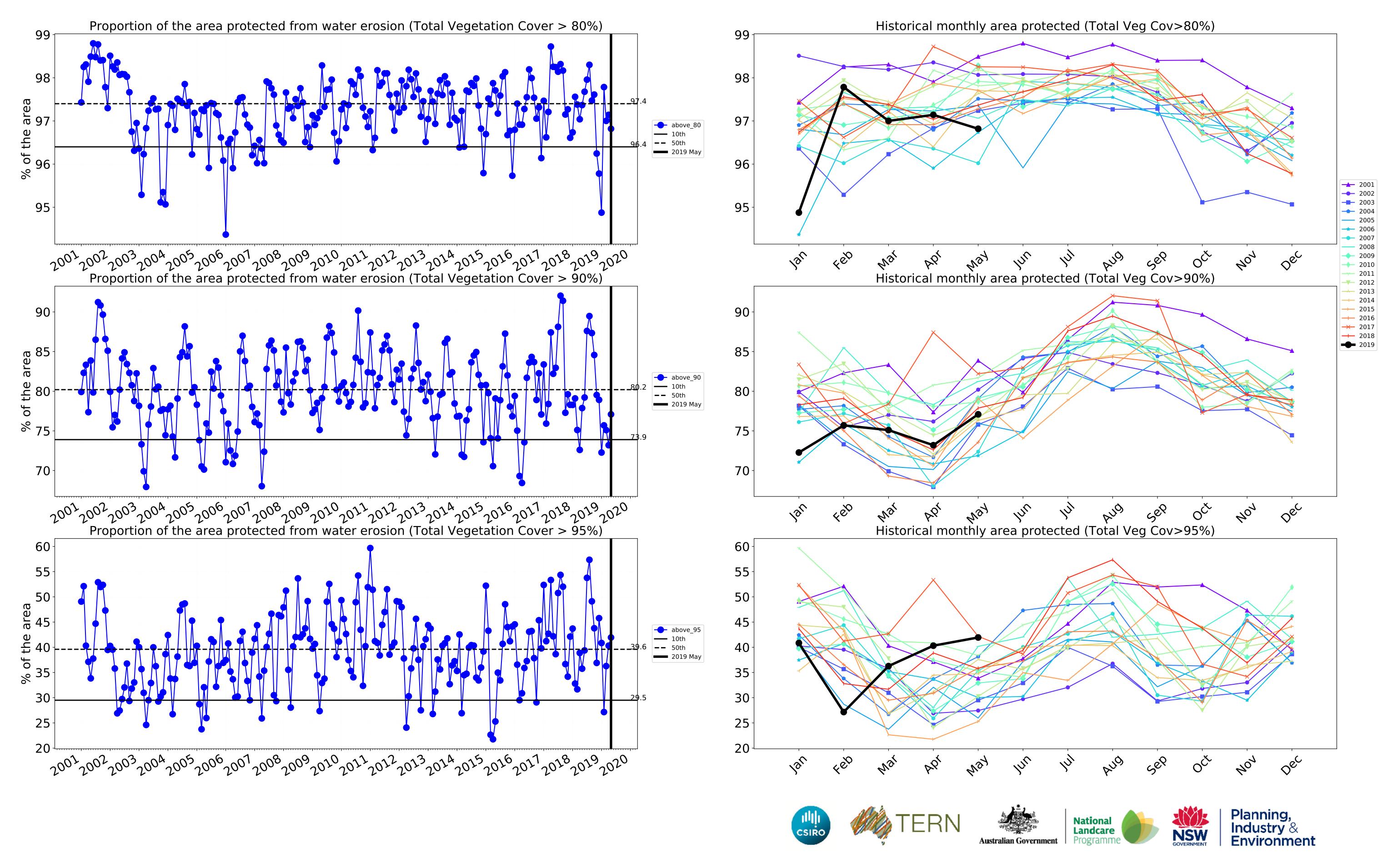
Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)



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



Agriculture

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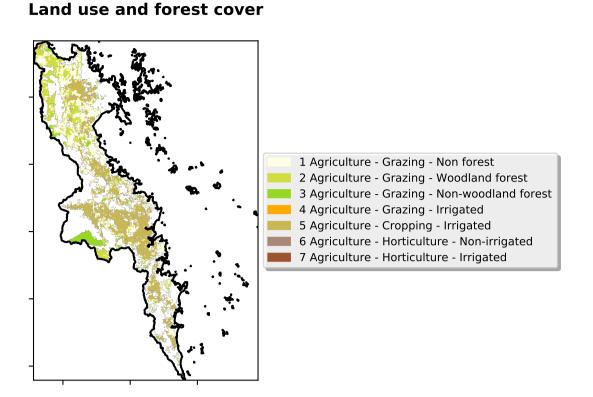
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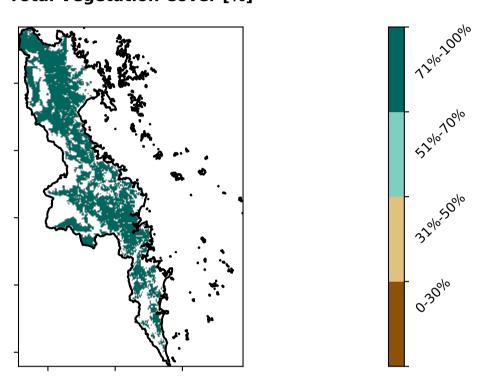
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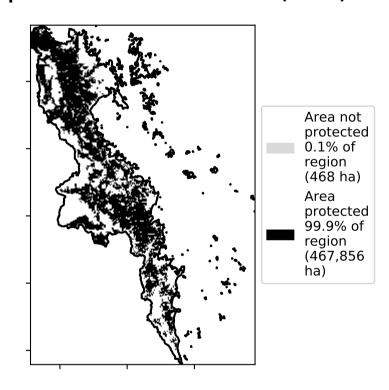
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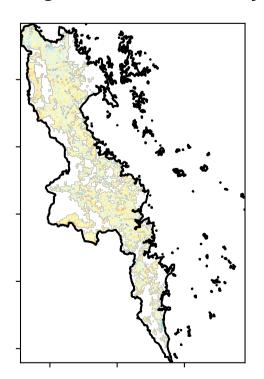
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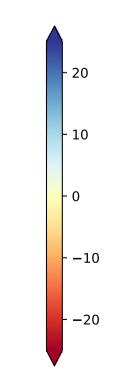


% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



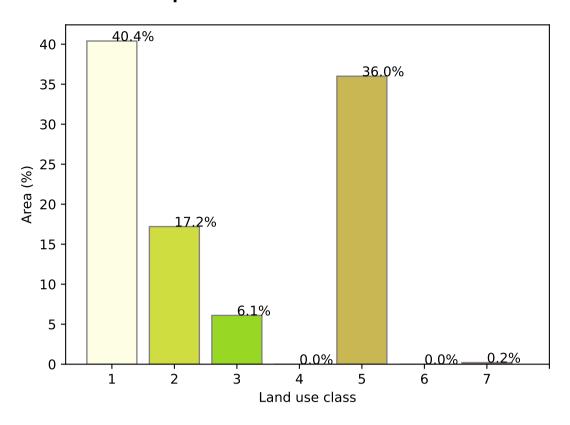
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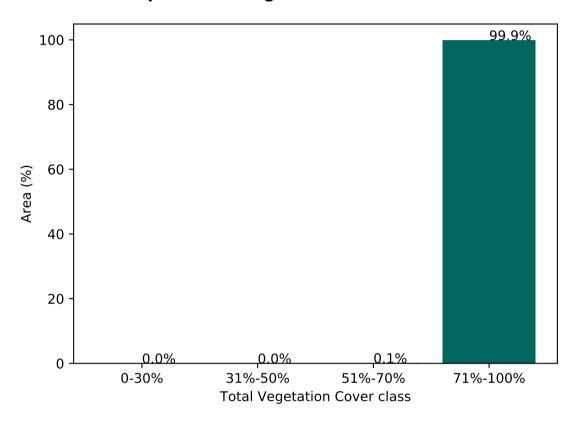


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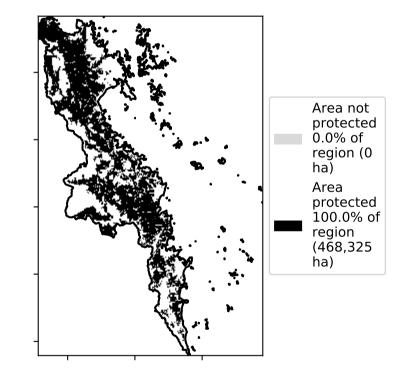
Proportion of each land class in area



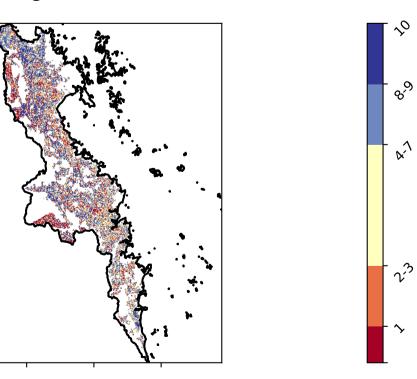
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]







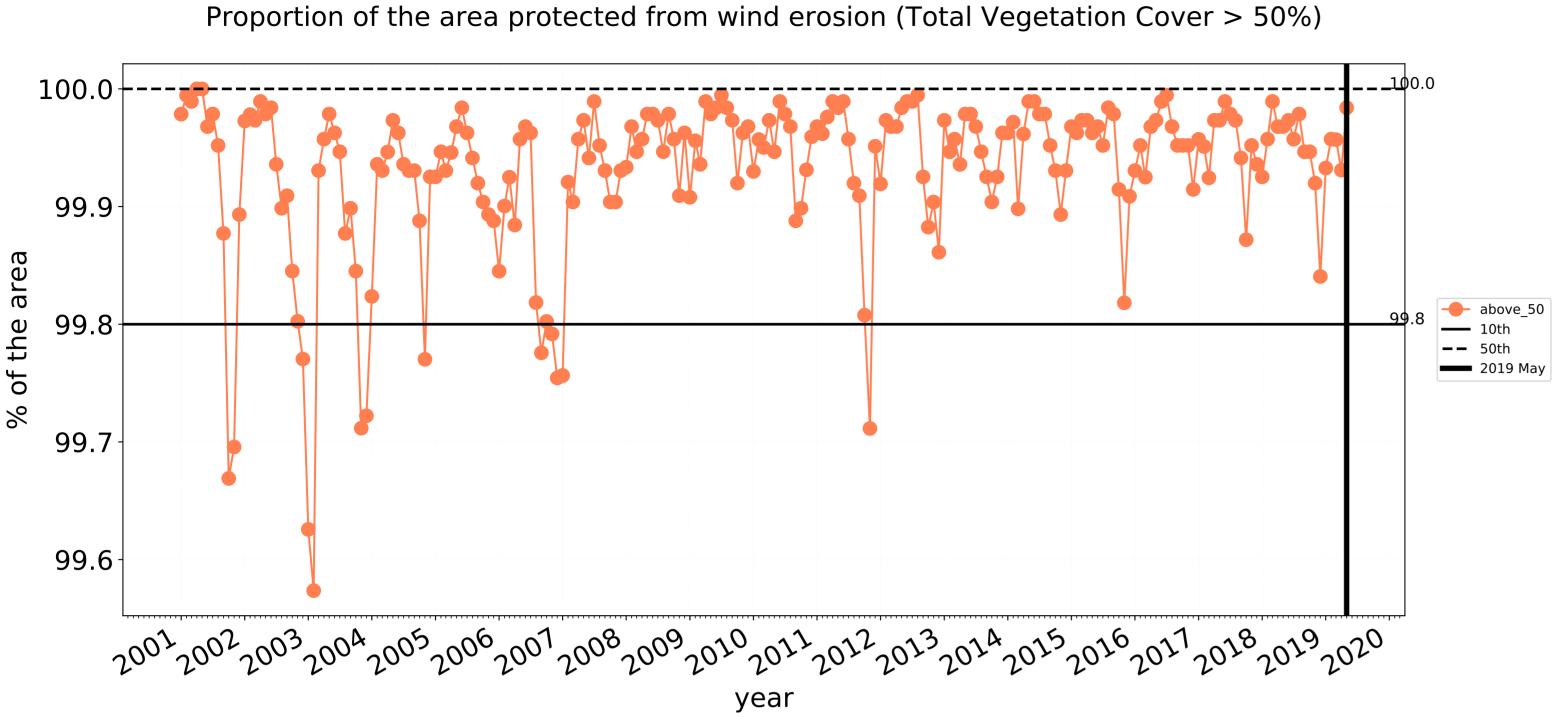




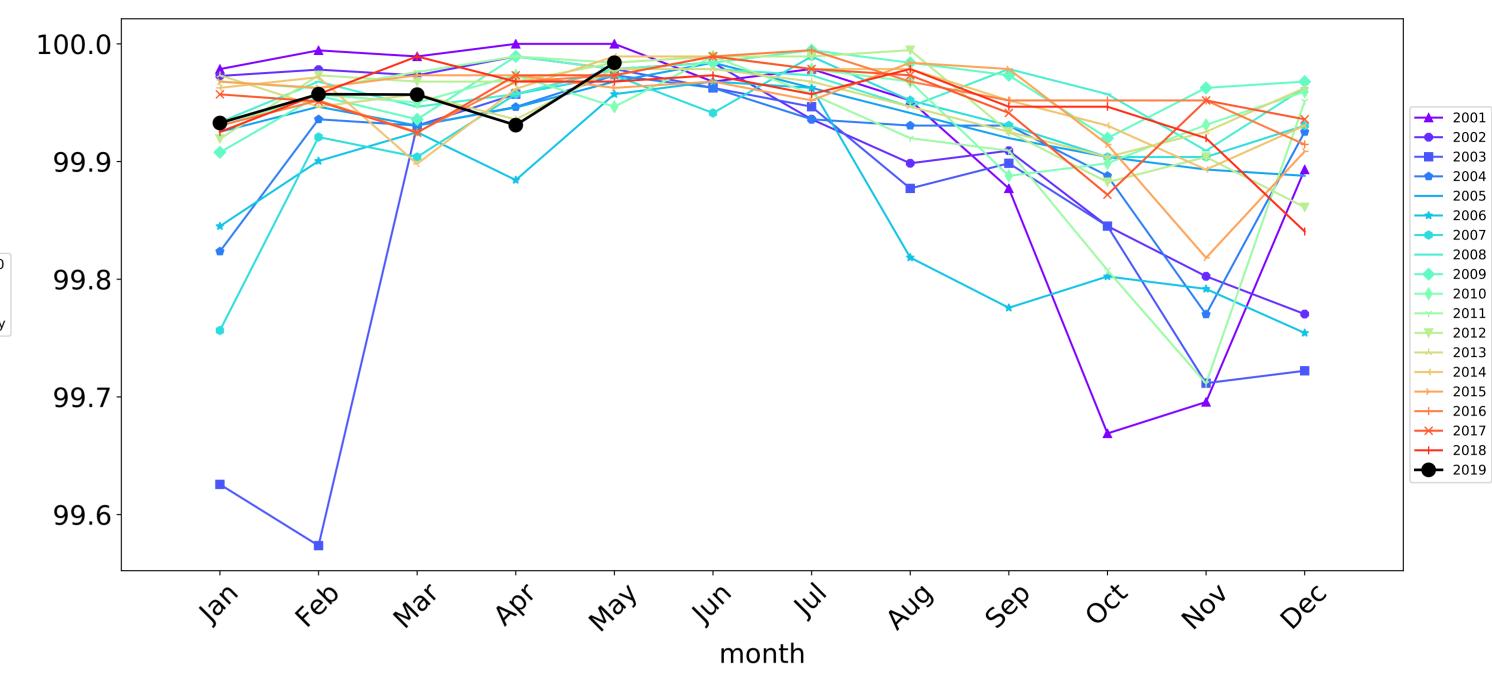


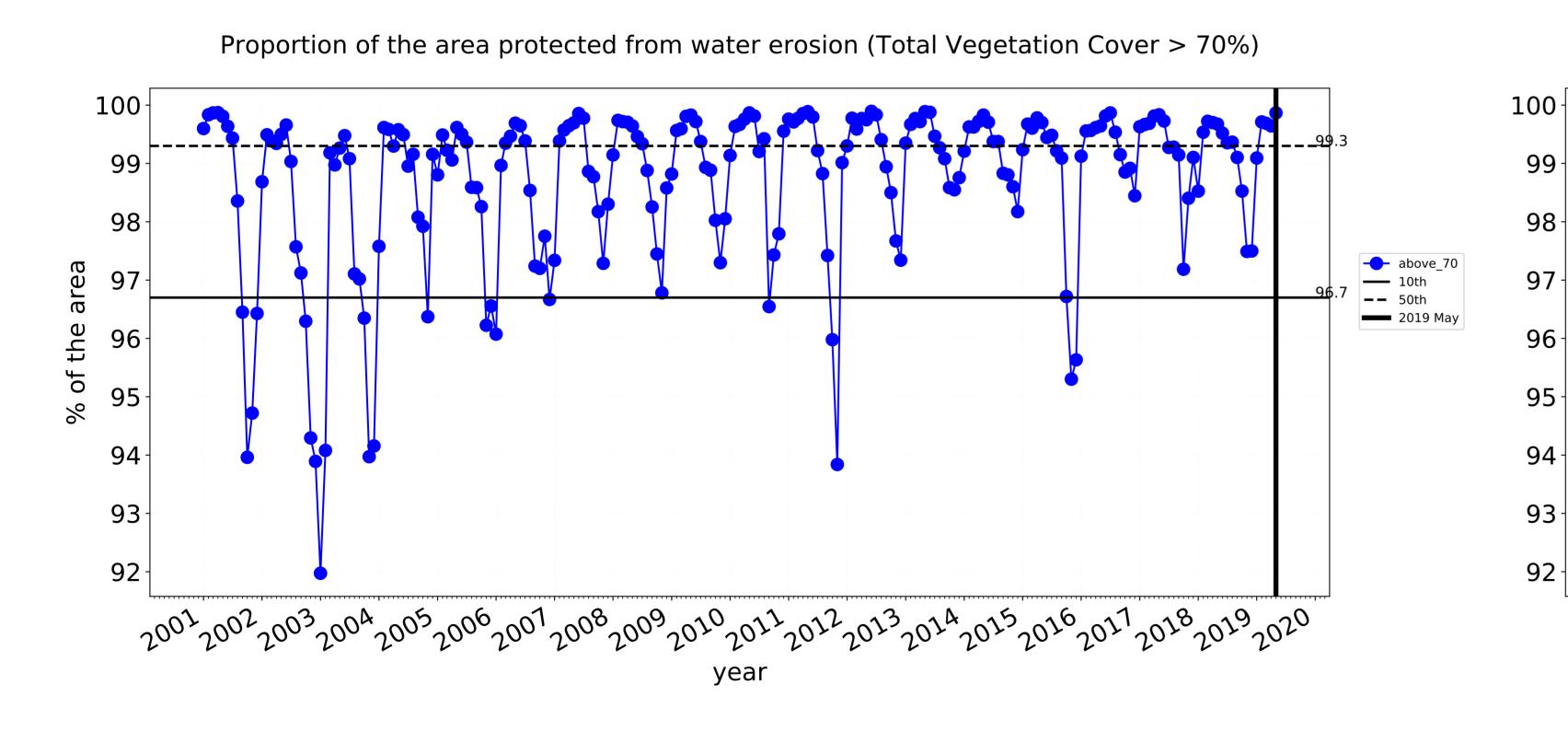


Agriculture timeseries

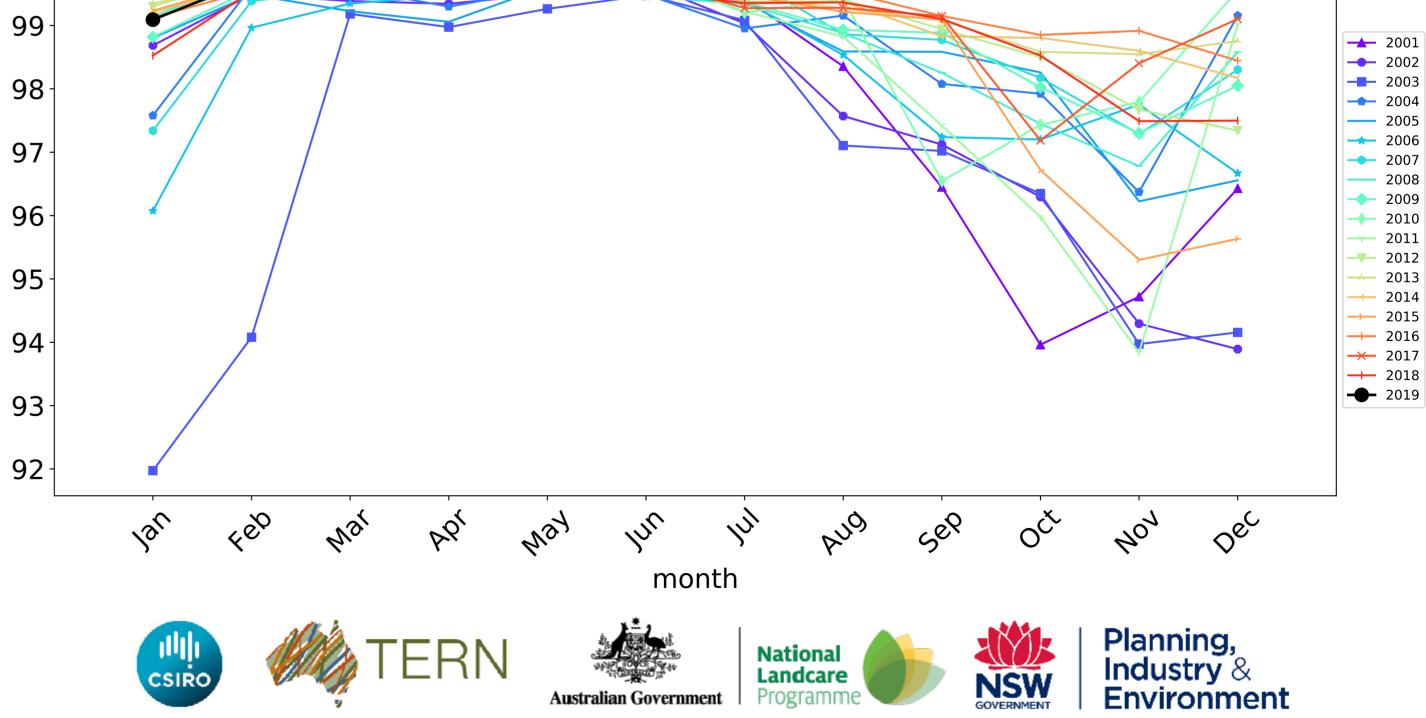




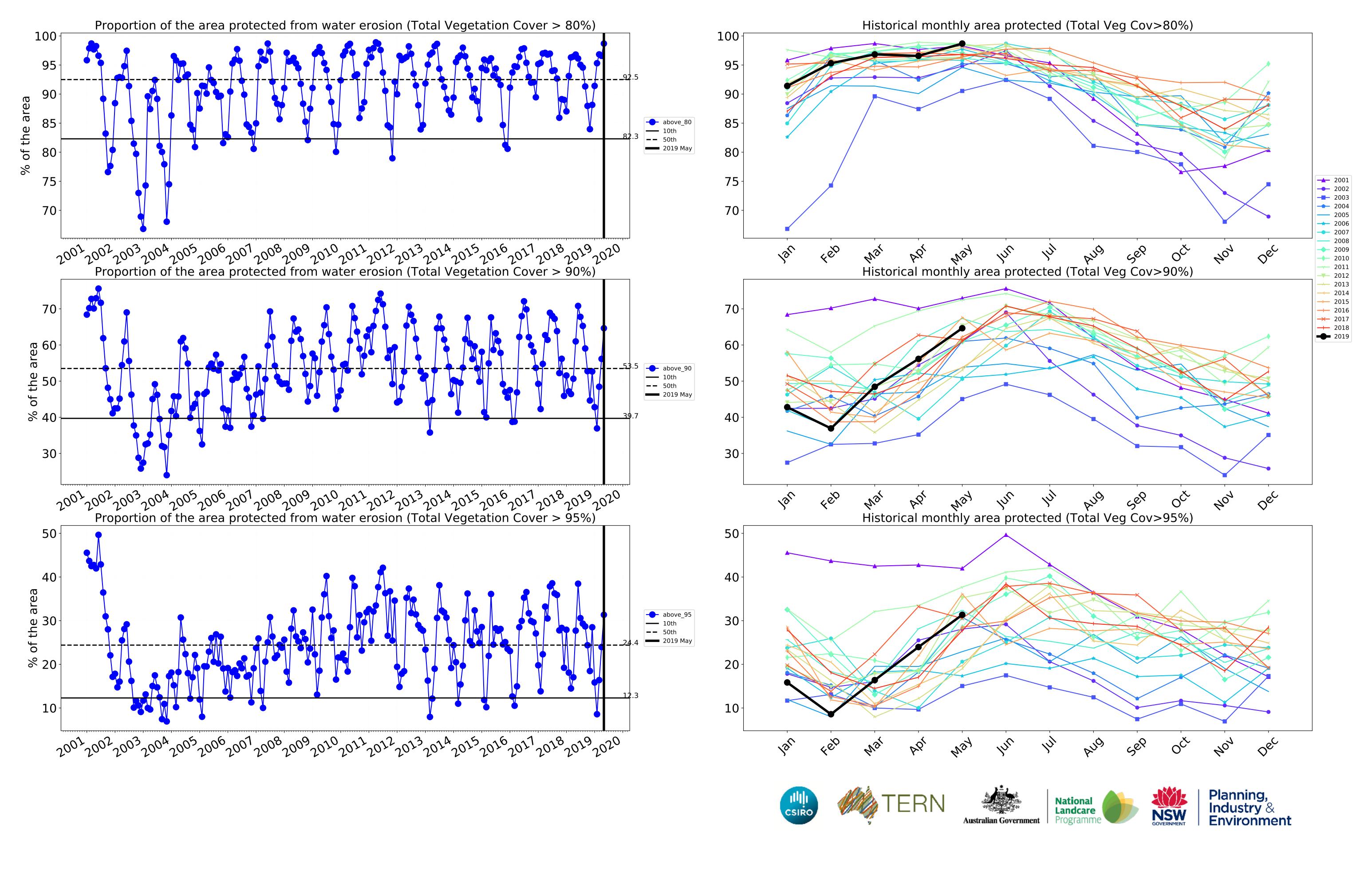




Landcare



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



Grazing

Catchment Scale Land Use and Forests of Australia (2018) Derived from Catchment Scale Land Use of Australia (2018) and Forests

of Australia (2018)

Anomaly show how many percetage points each

pixel is from

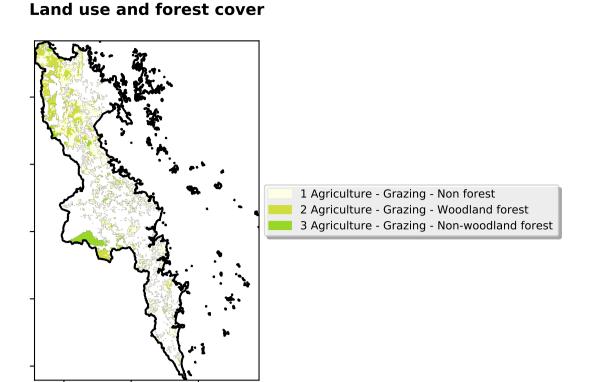
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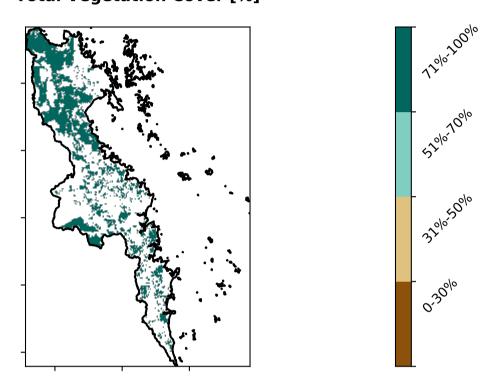
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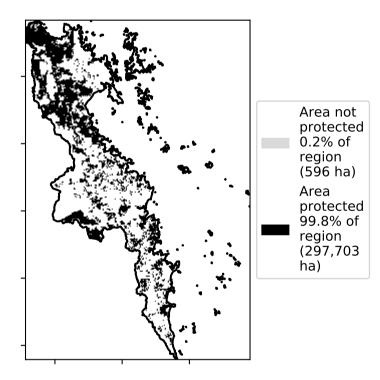
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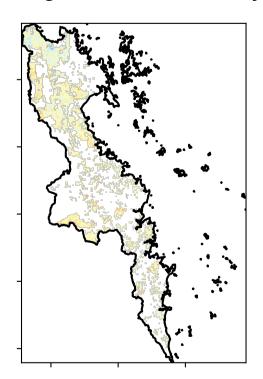
Total Vegetation Cover [%]

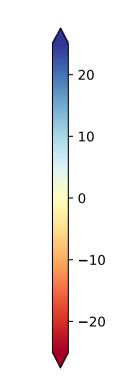


% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



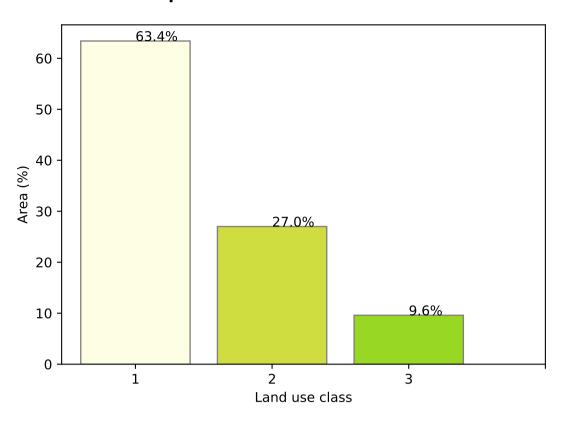
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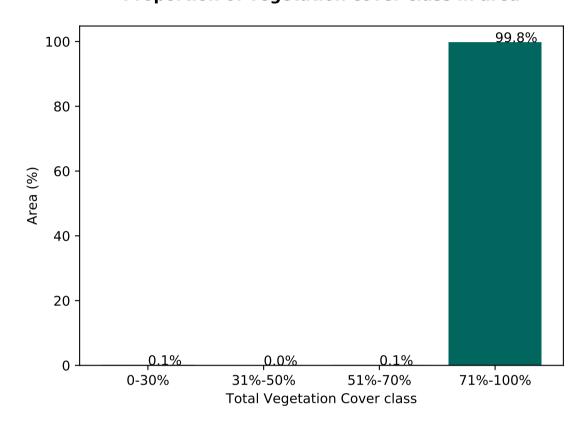


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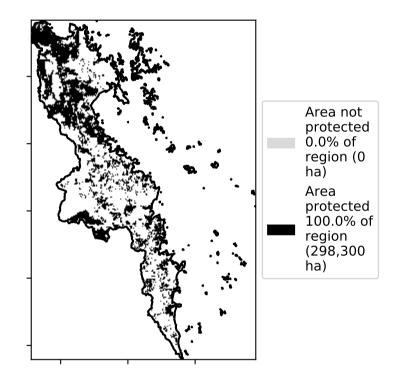
Proportion of each land class in area



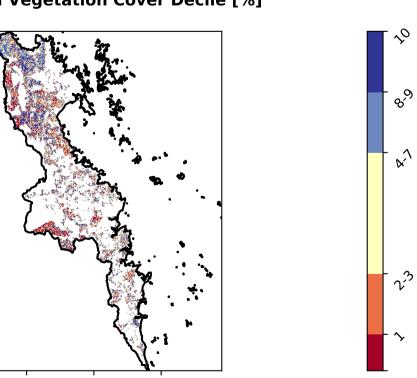
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]







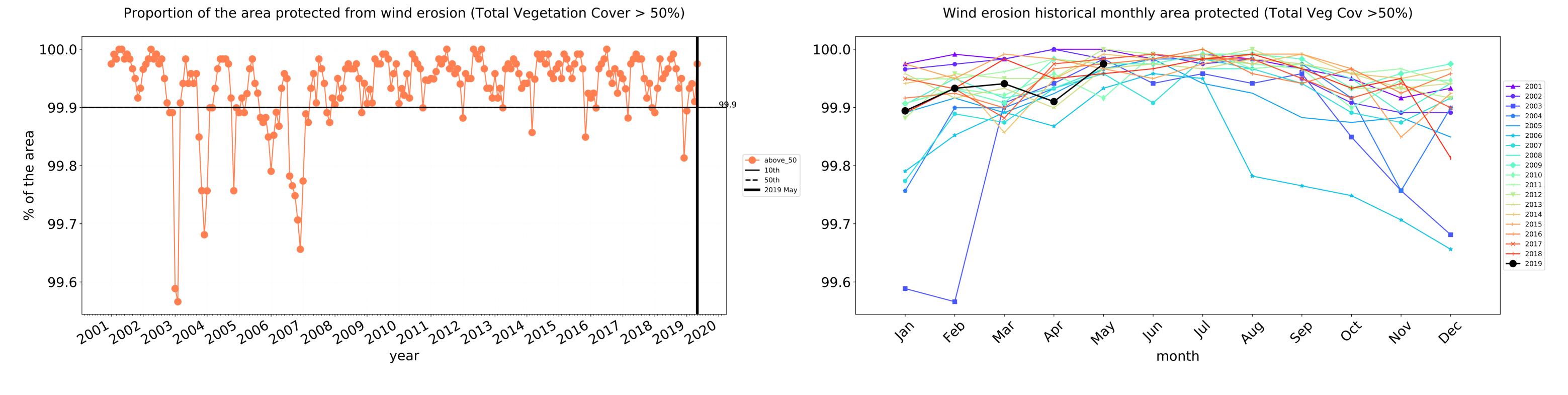


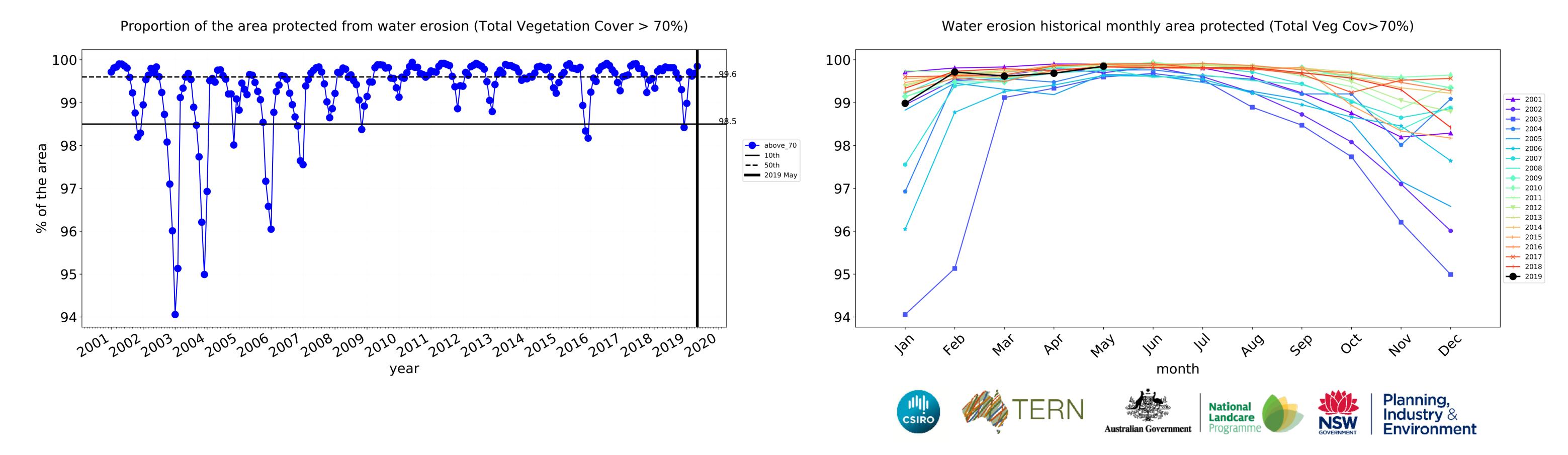


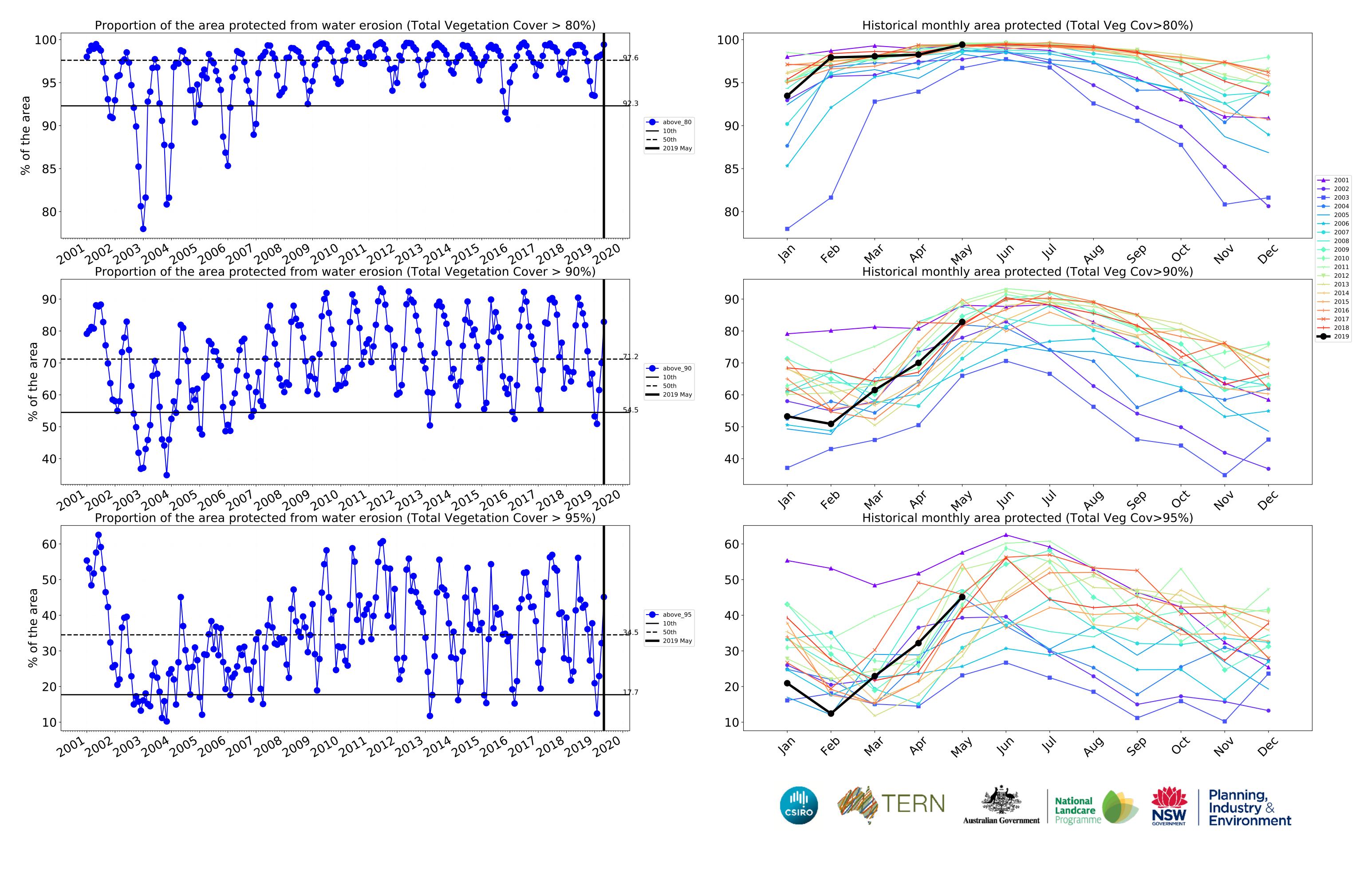




Grazing timeseries







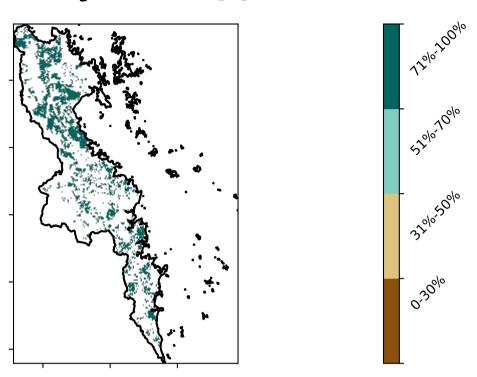
Grazing non forest

Land use and forest cover

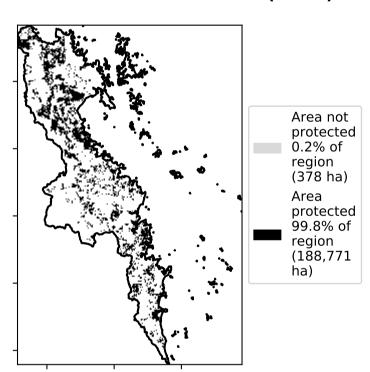
1 Agriculture - Grazing - Non forest

Catchment Scale Land Use and Forests of Australia (2018) Derived from Catchment Scale Land Use of Australia (2018) and Forests of Australia (2018)

Total Vegetation Cover [%]

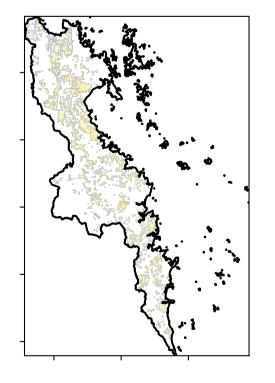


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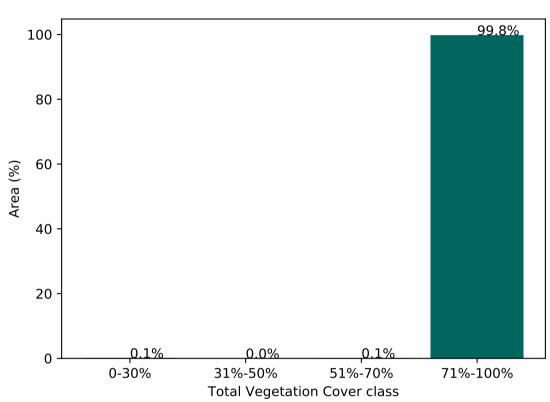


Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

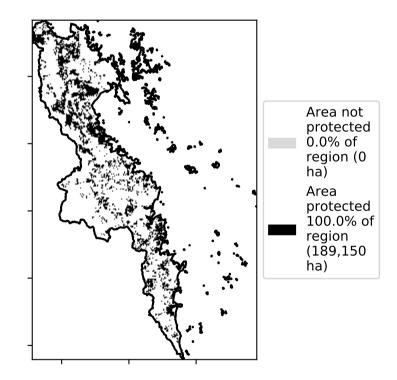
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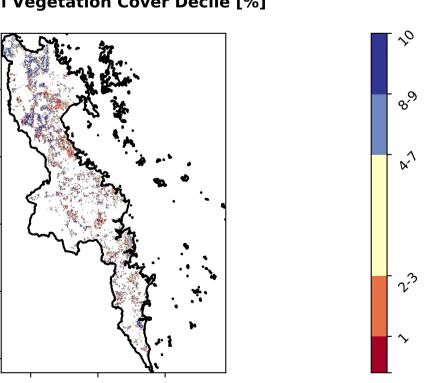
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]







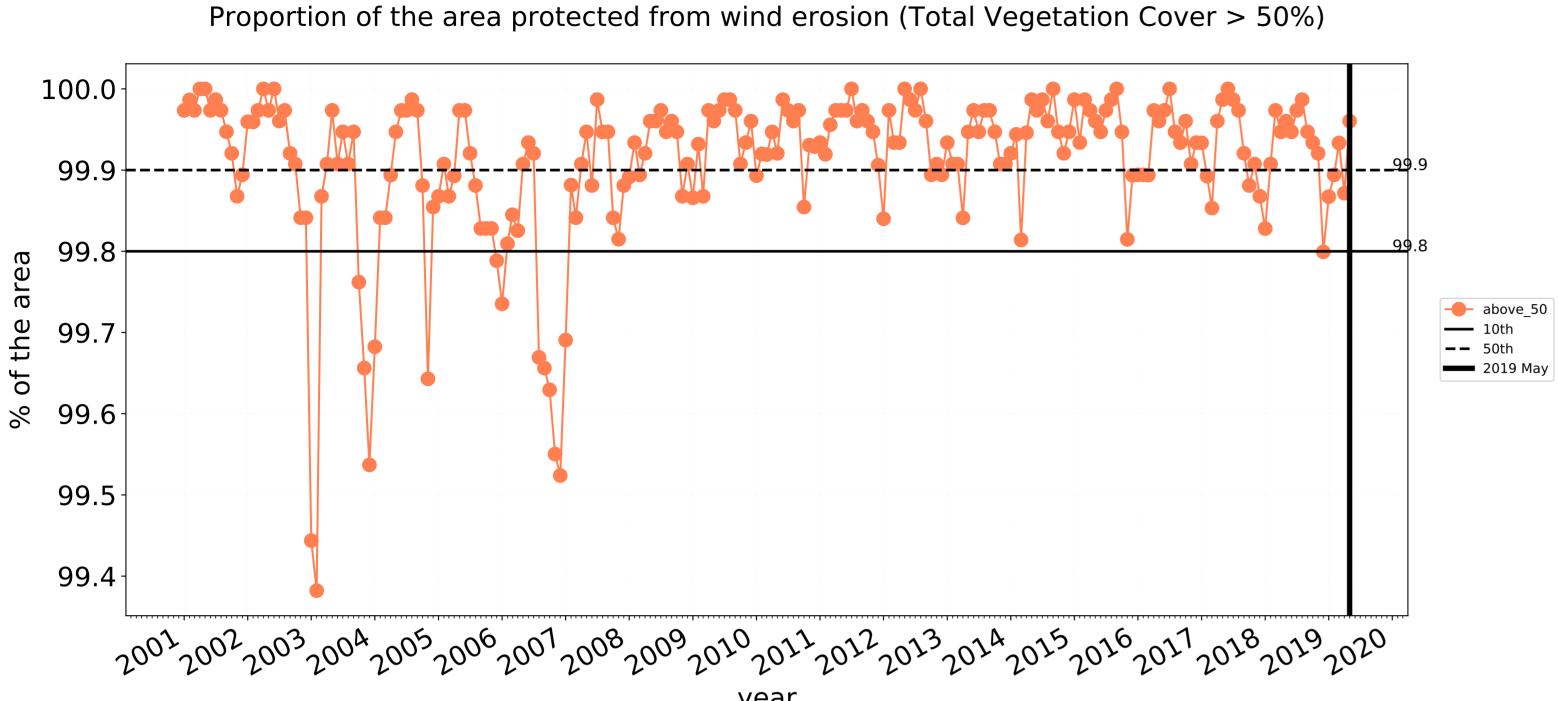


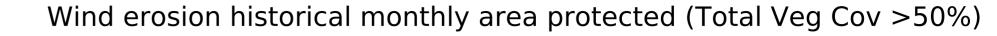


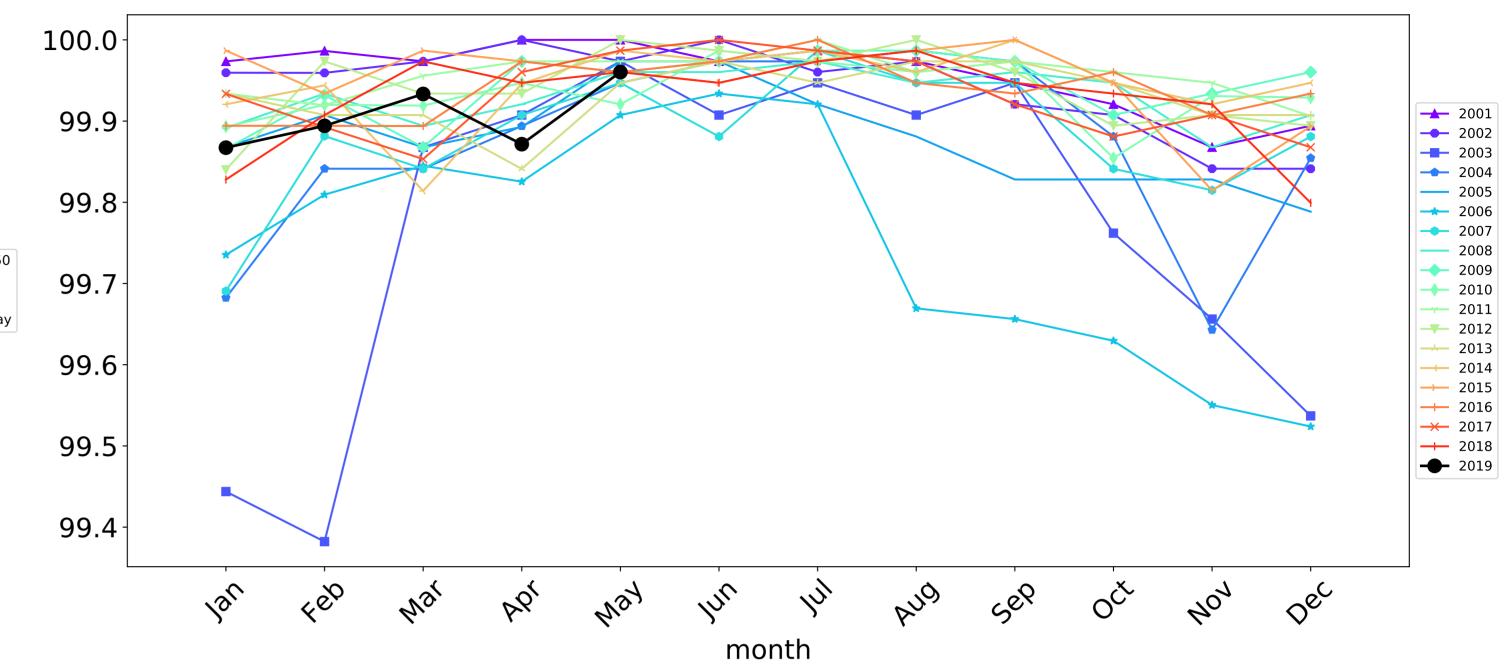


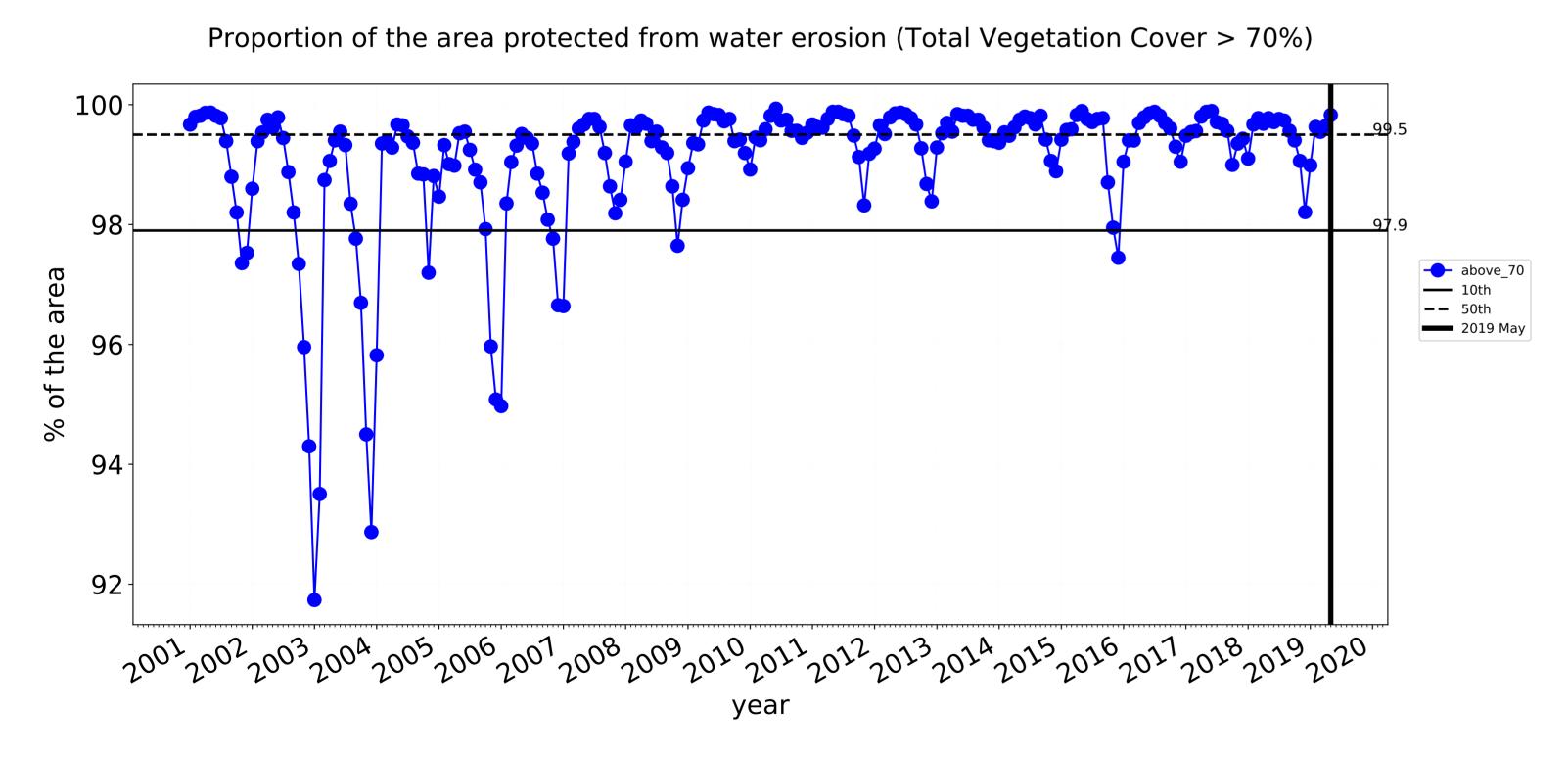


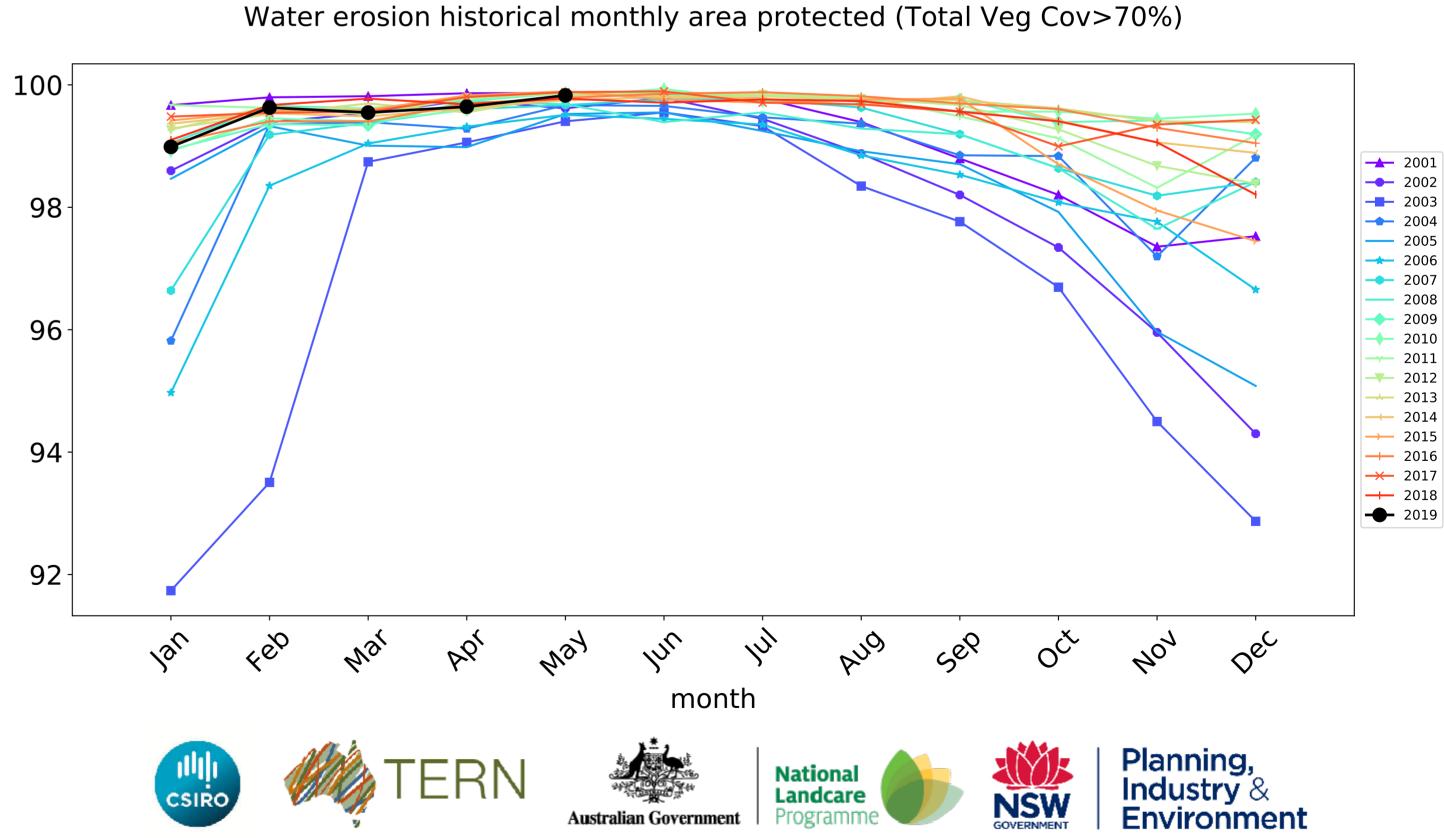
Grazing non forest timeseries

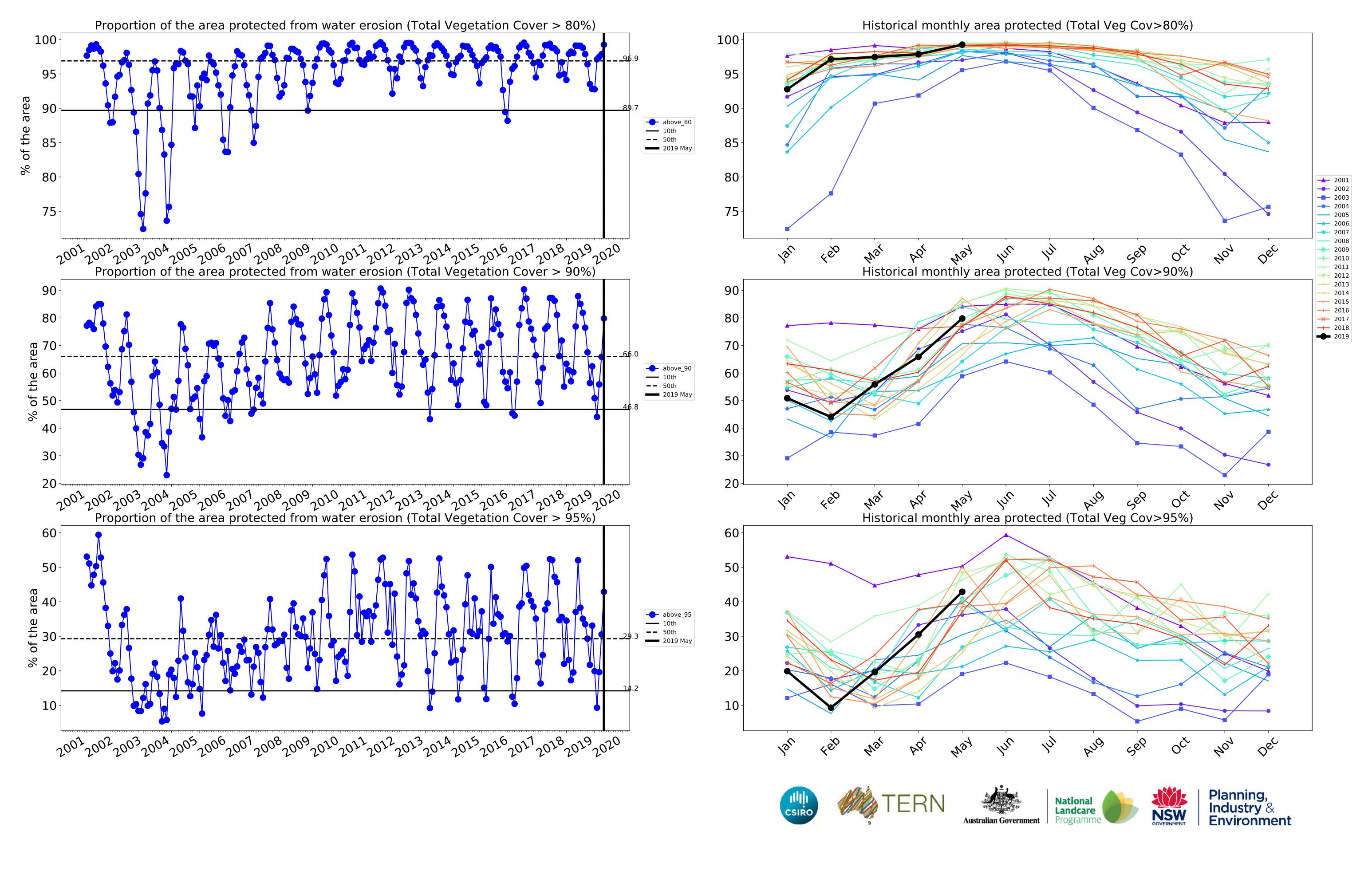












Grazing Woodland forest

Land use and forest cover

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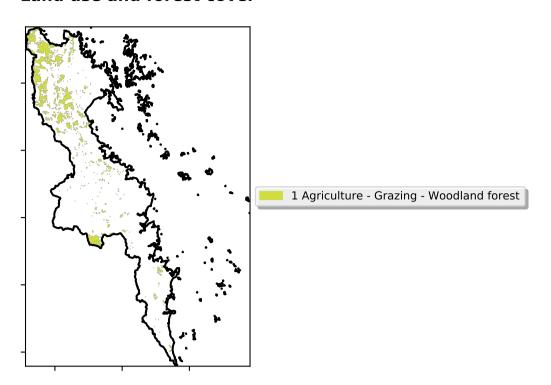
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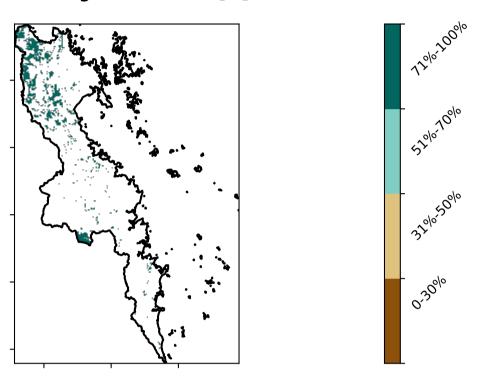
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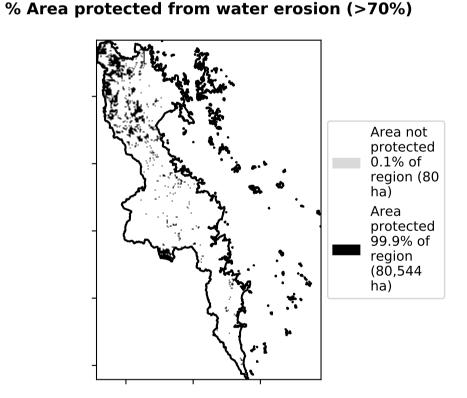
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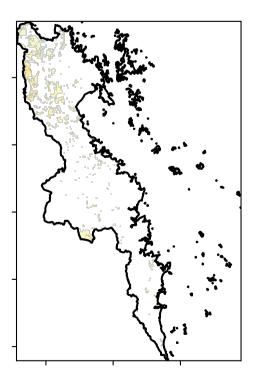


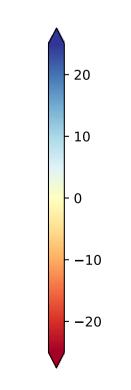
Total Vegetation Cover [%]





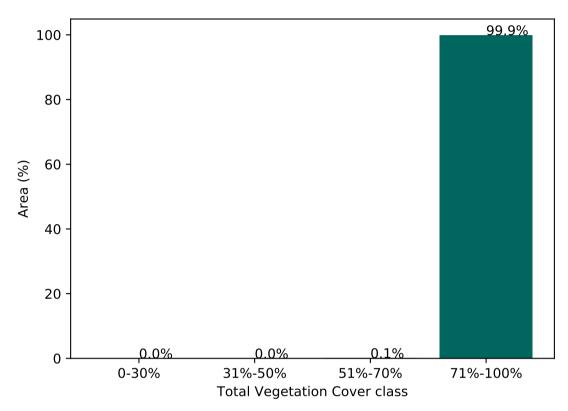
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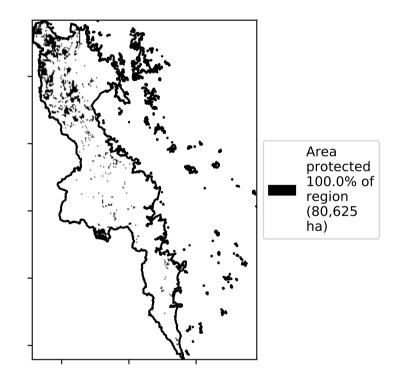


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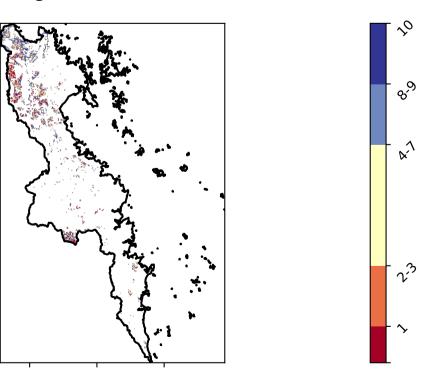
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]







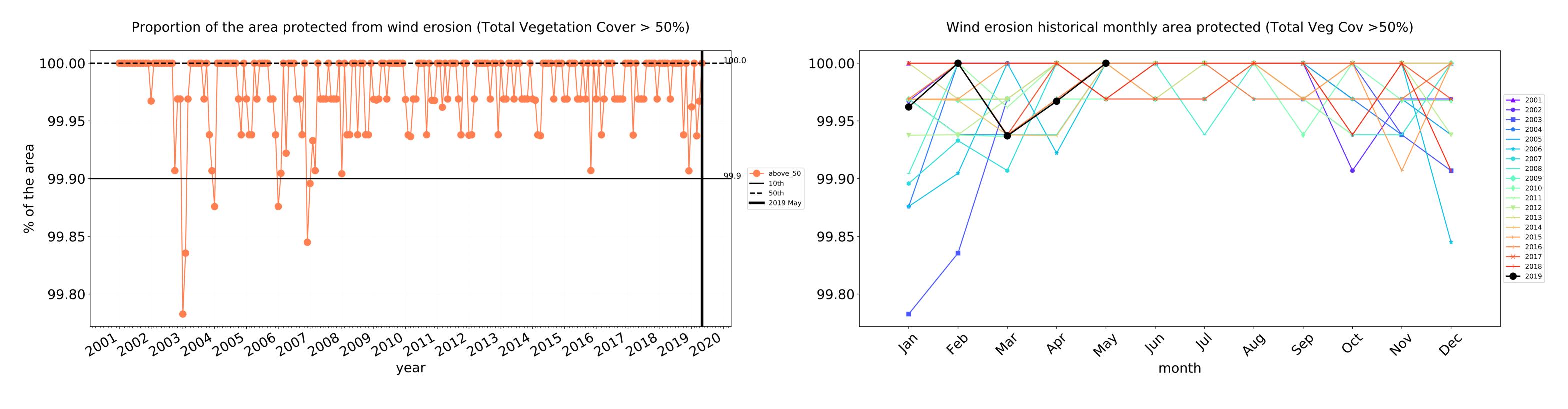


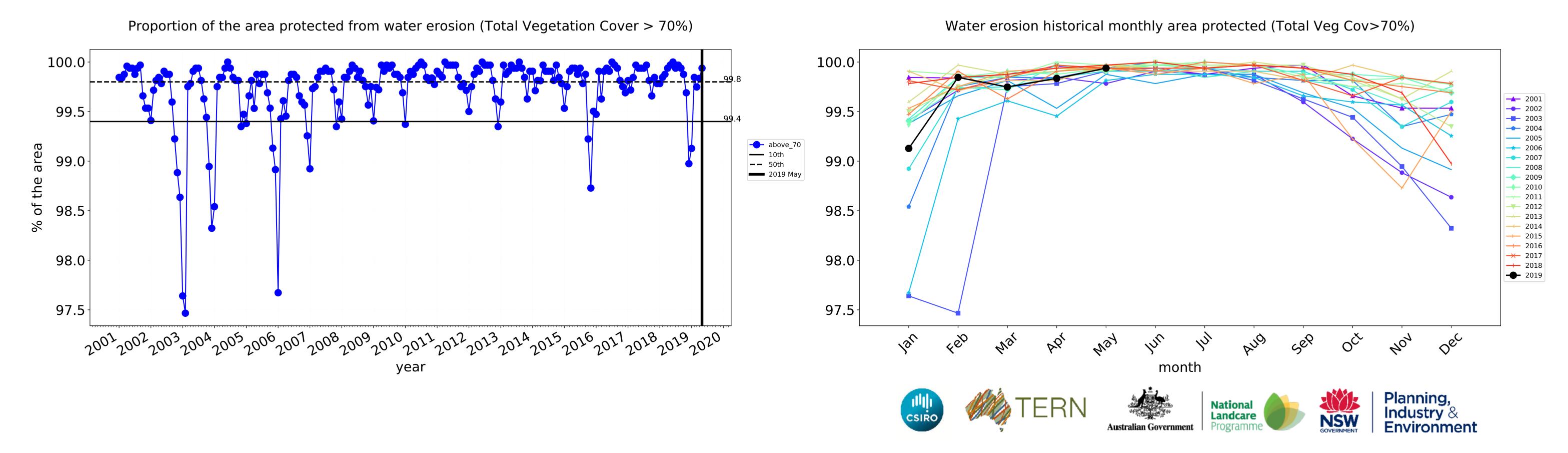


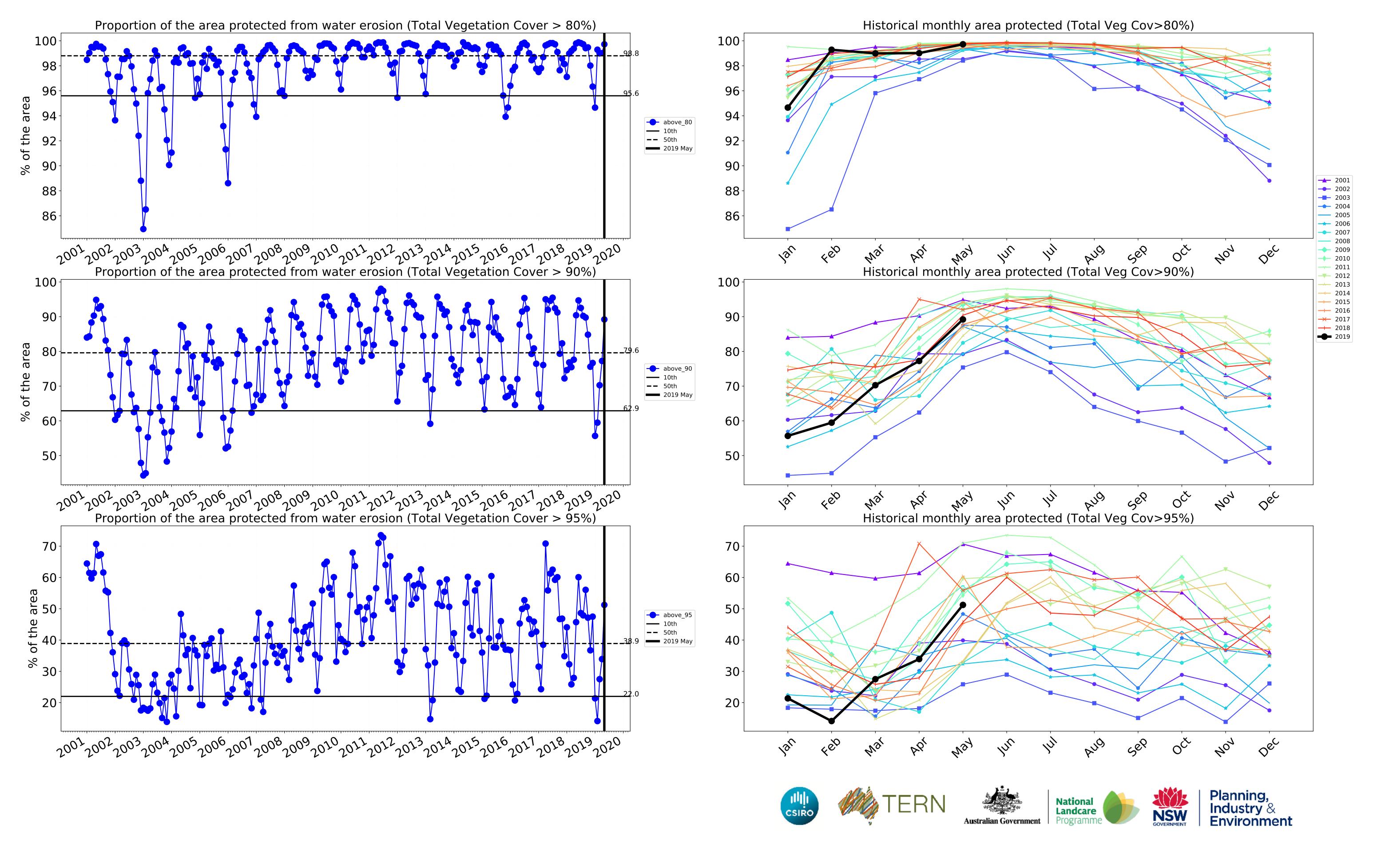




Grazing Woodland forest timeseries







Grazing - Forest (non woodland)

Land use and forest cover

1 Agriculture - Grazing - Non-woodland forest of Australia (2018)

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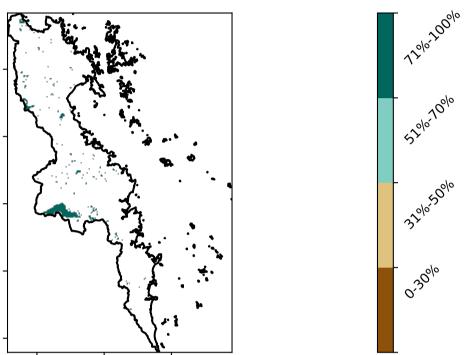
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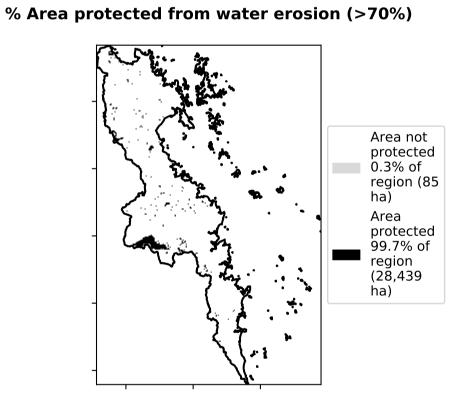
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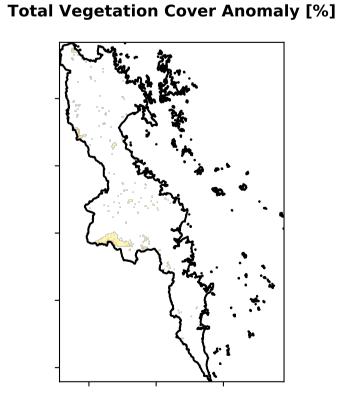
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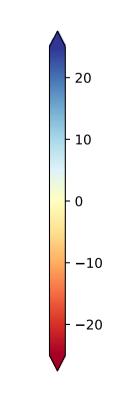
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Total Vegetation Cover [%]



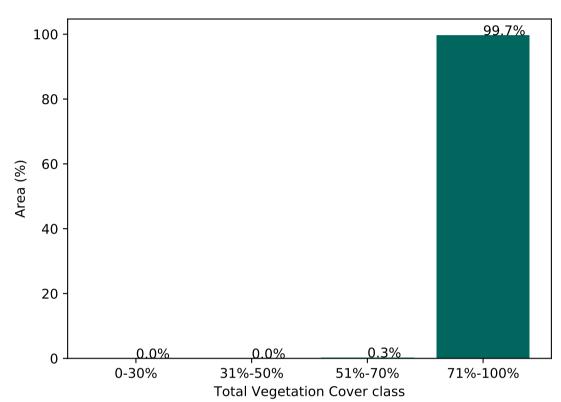




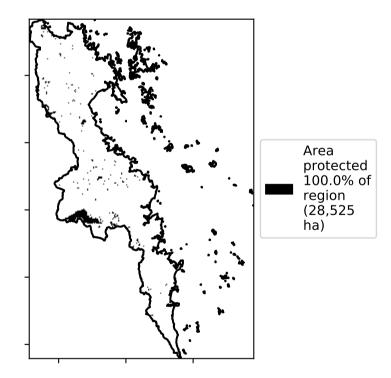


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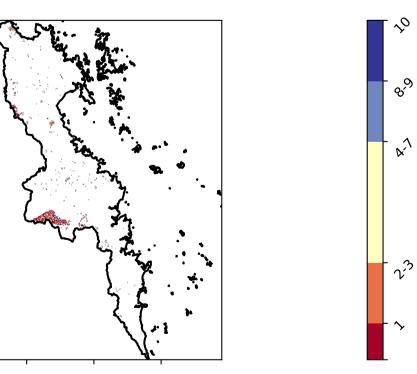
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]





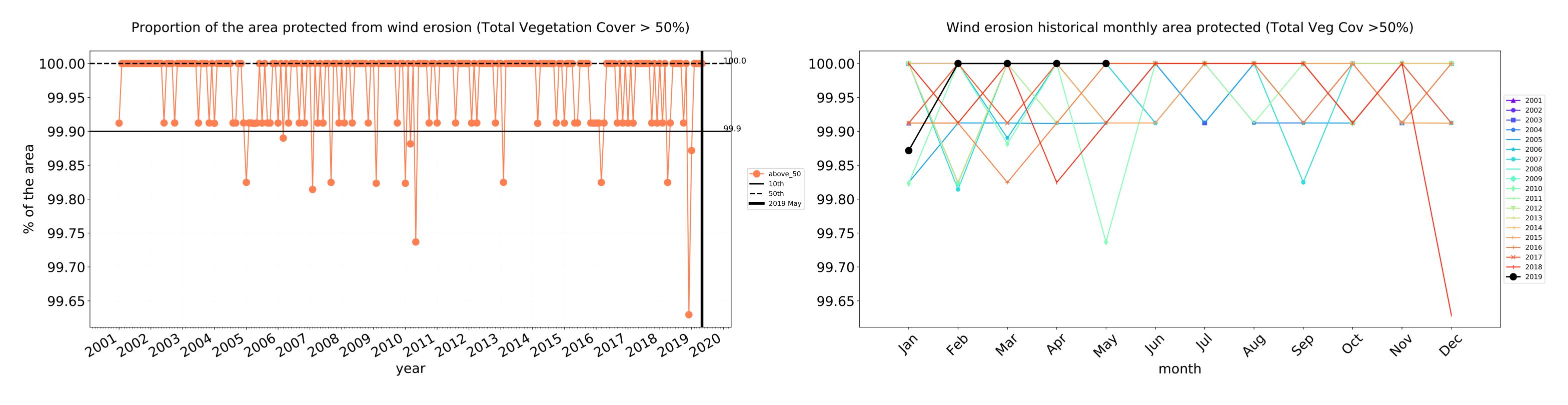


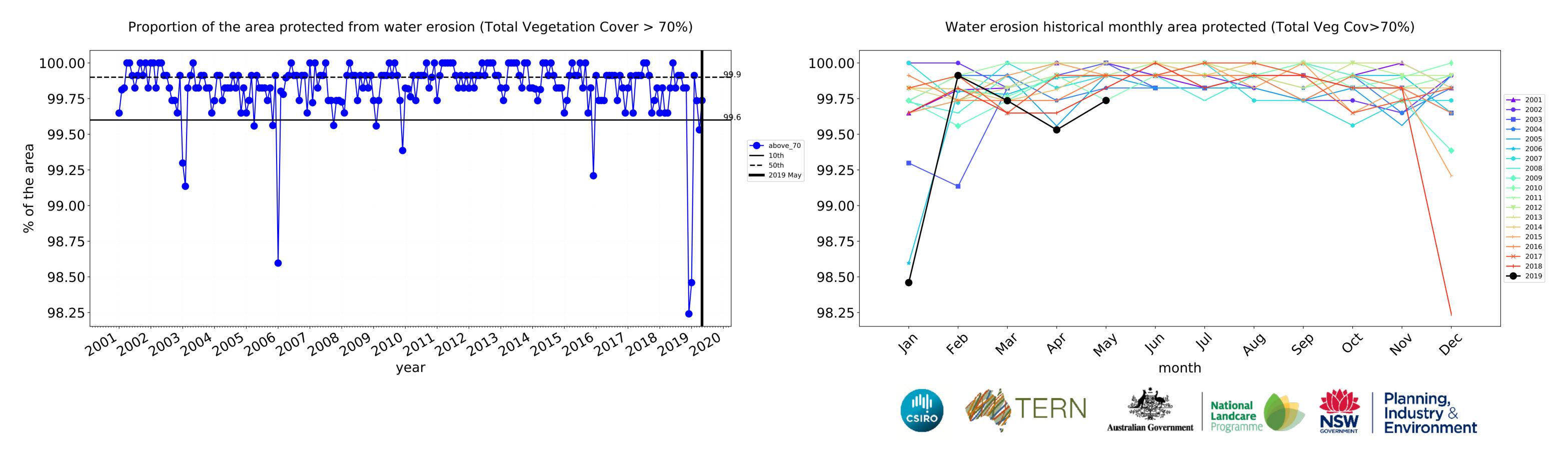


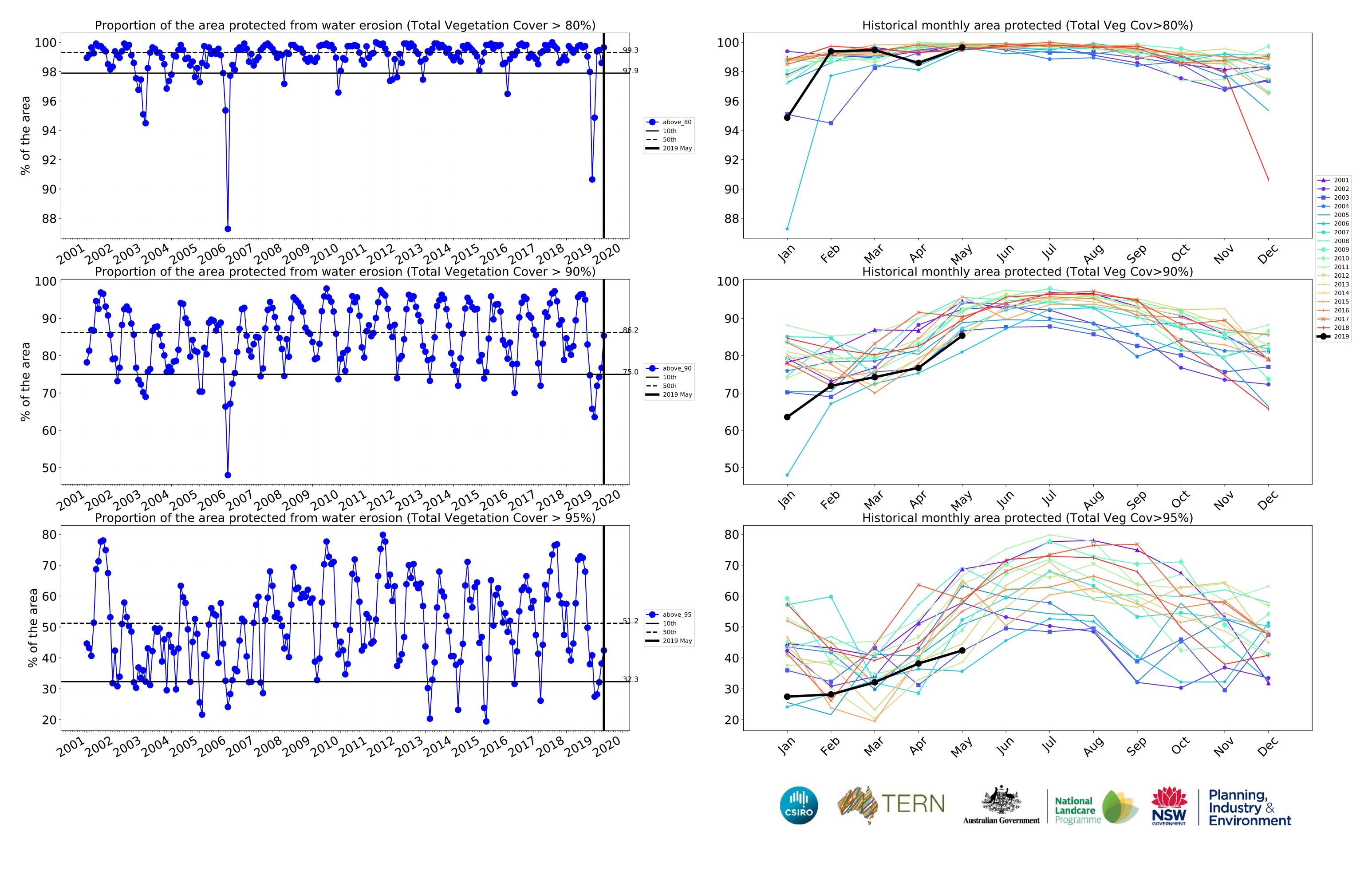








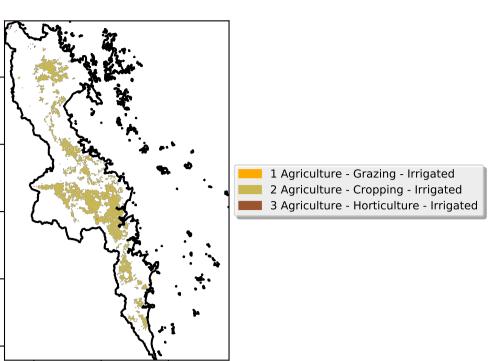




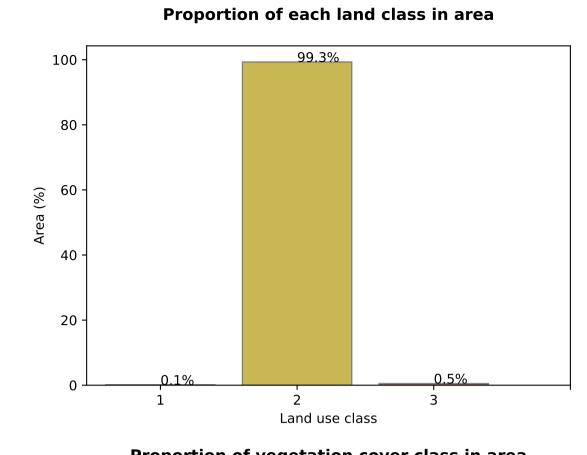
Irrigation

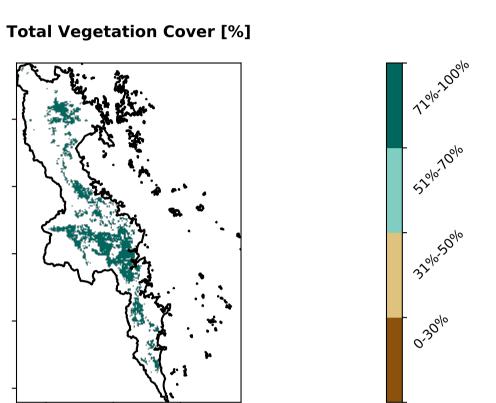
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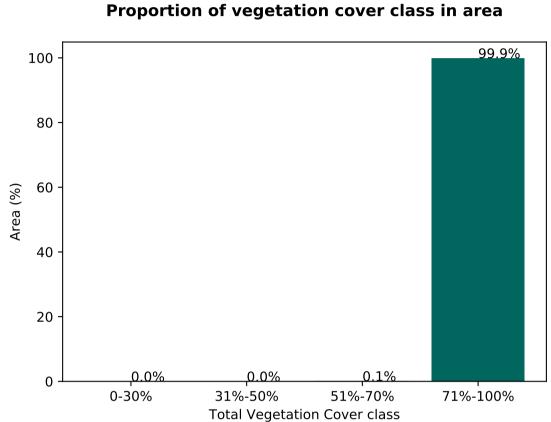
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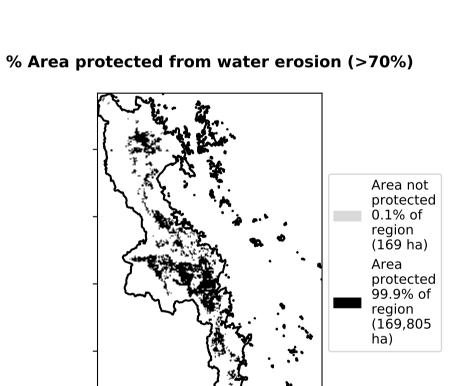


Land use and forest cover

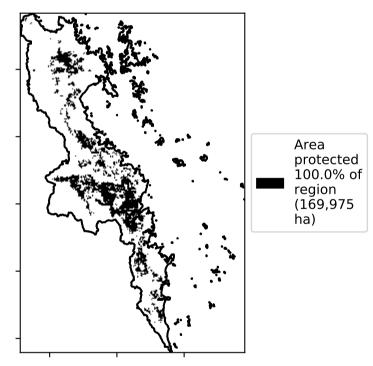






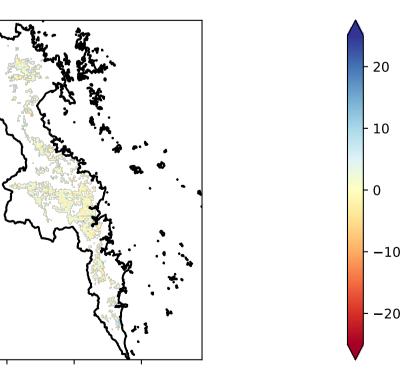


% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

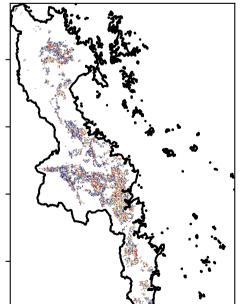


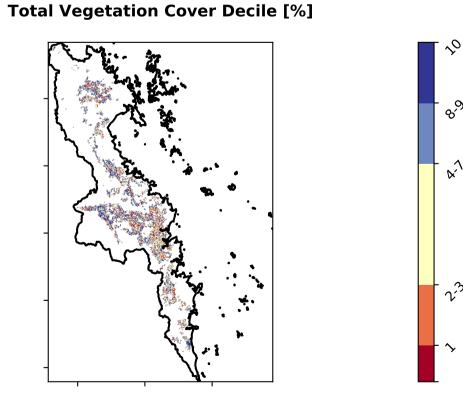
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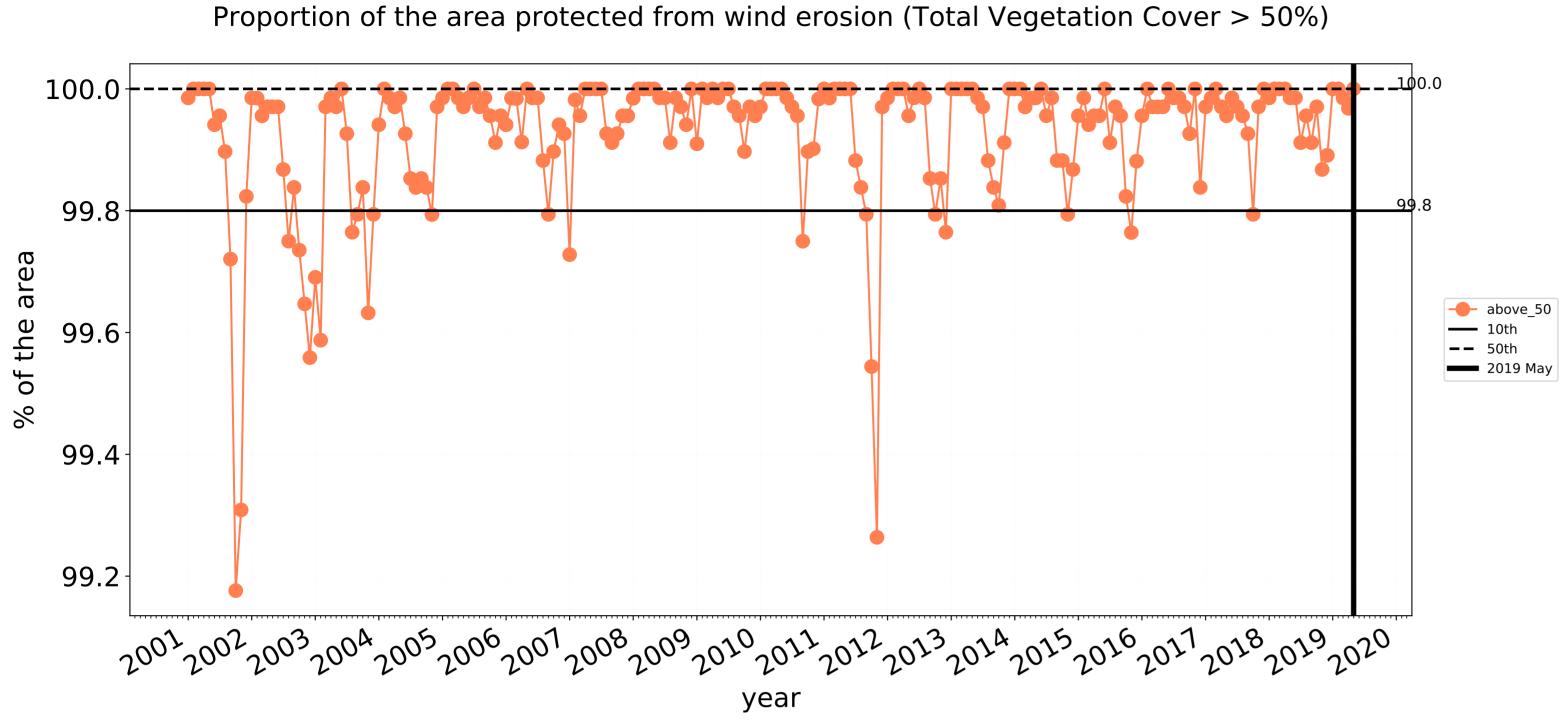


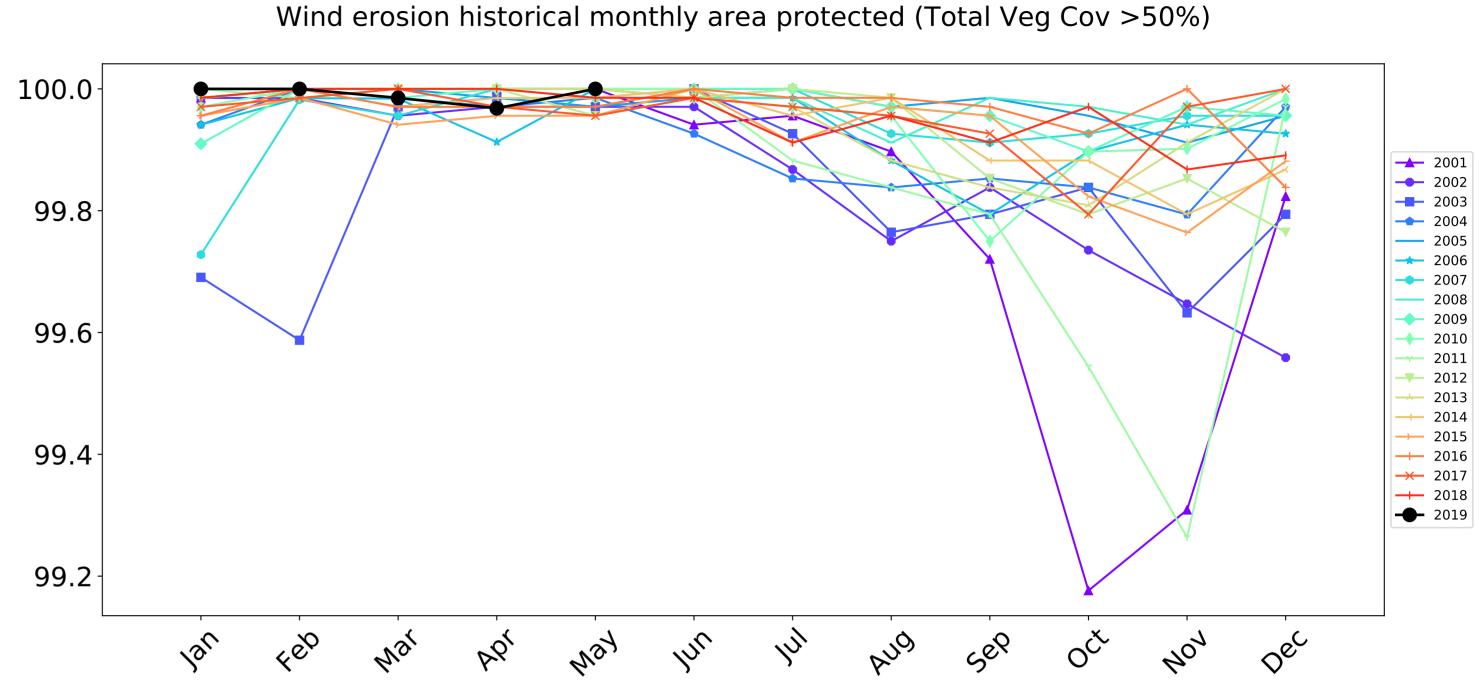




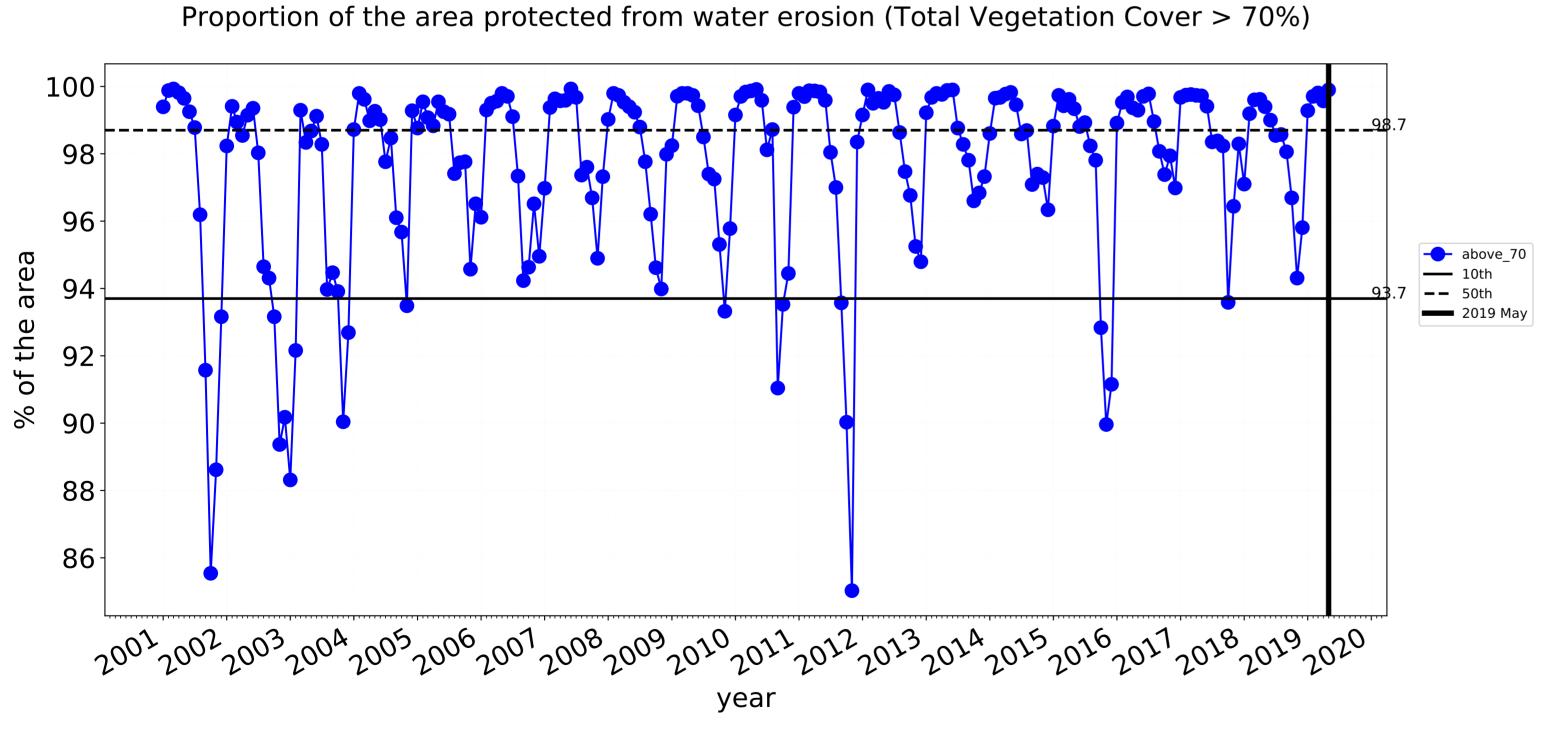


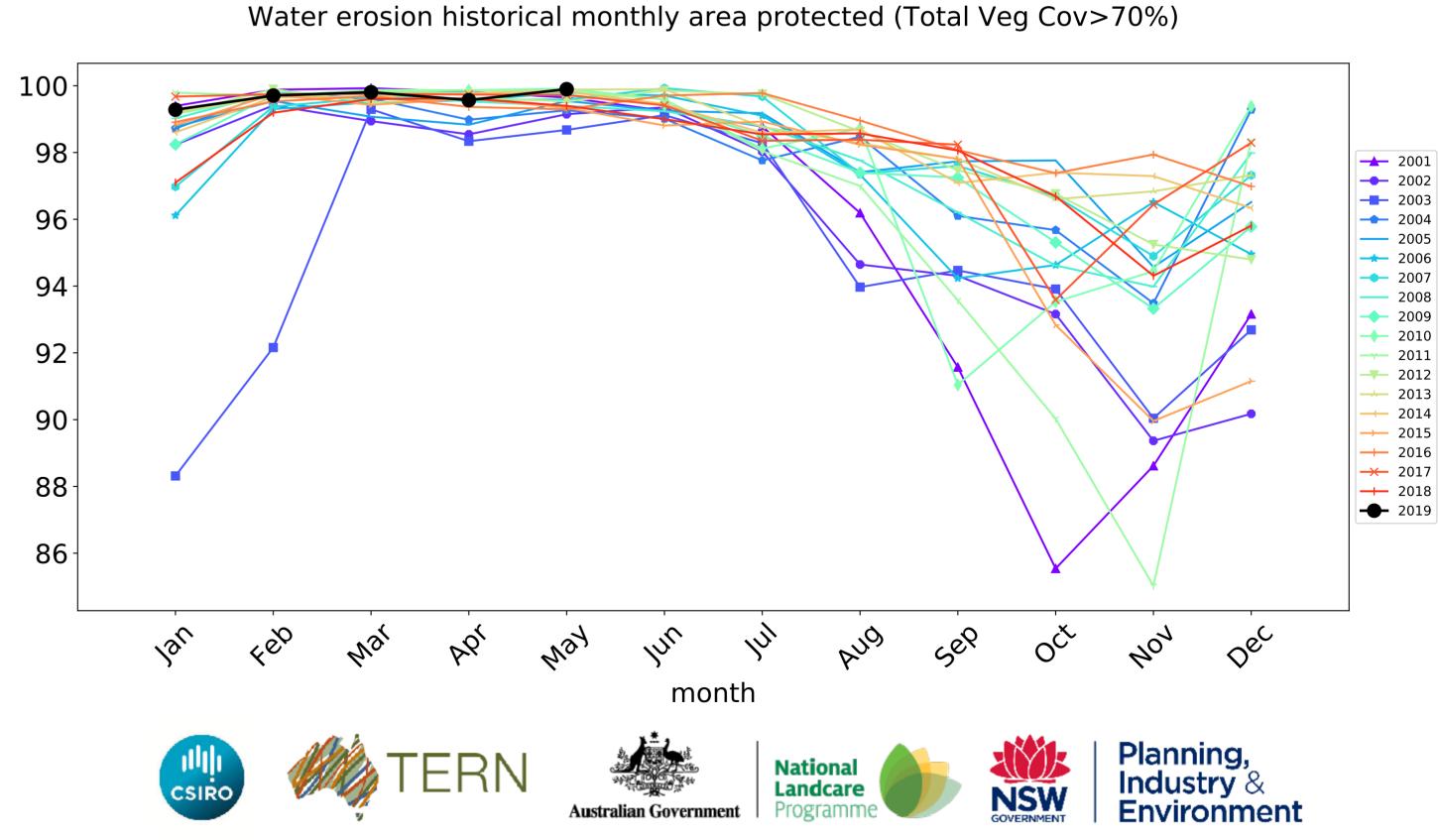
Irrigation timeseries

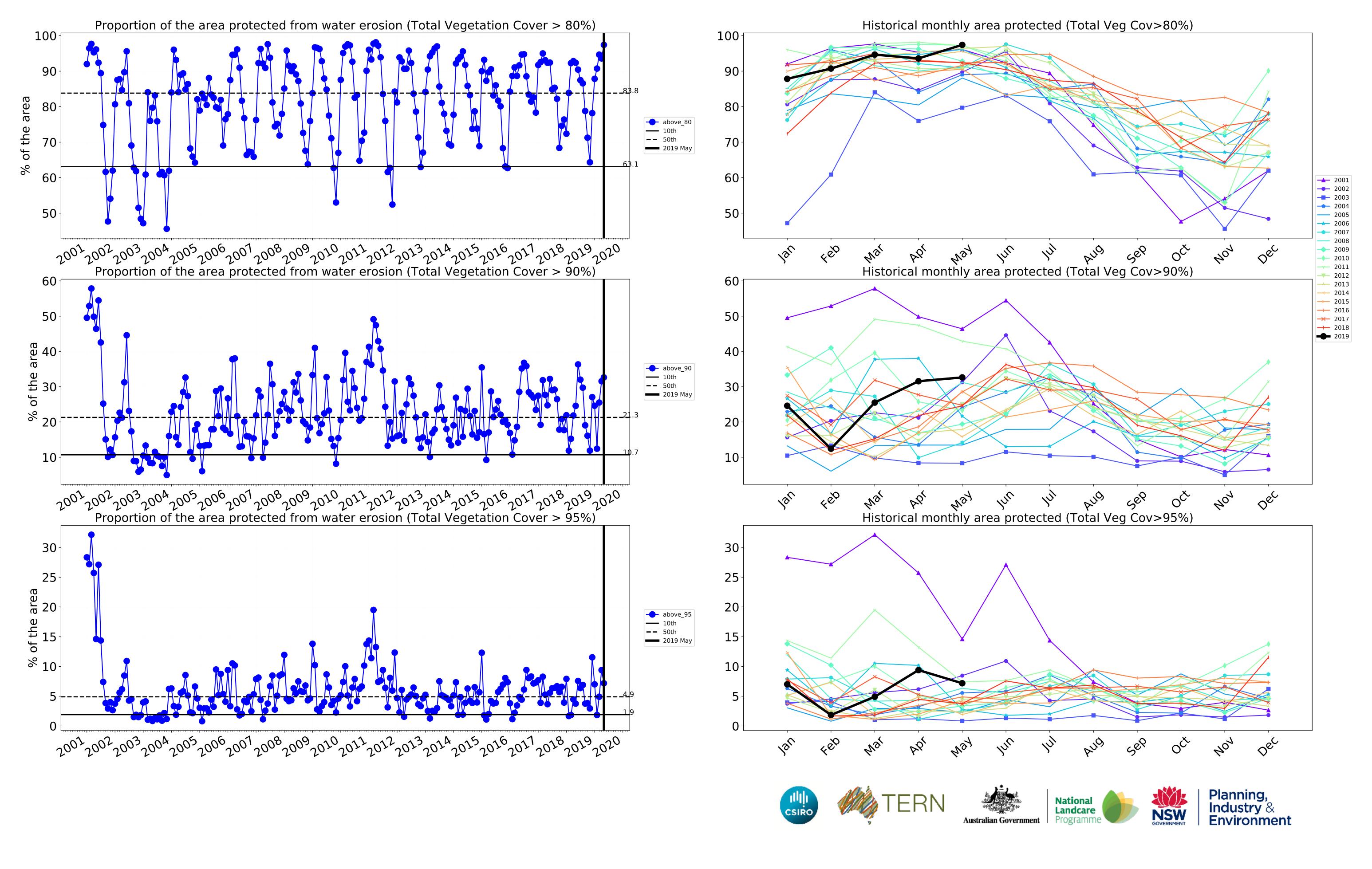




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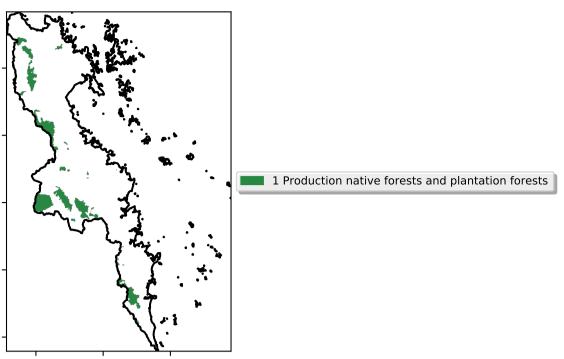




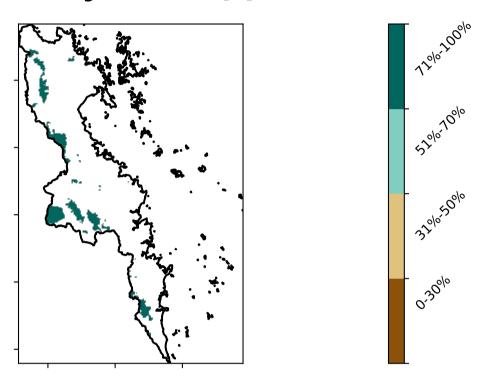
Production native forests and plantation forests

Land use and forest cover

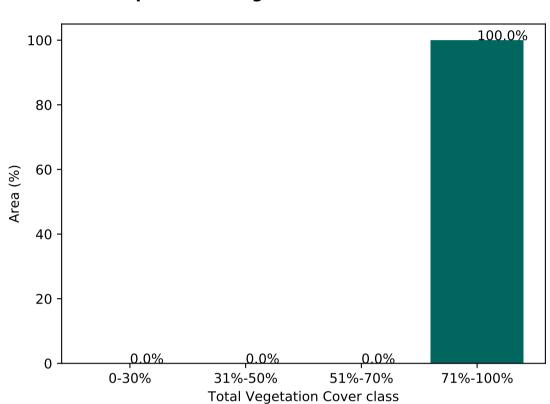
Catchment Scale
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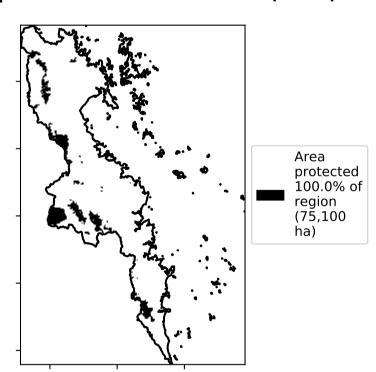
Total Vegetation Cover [%]



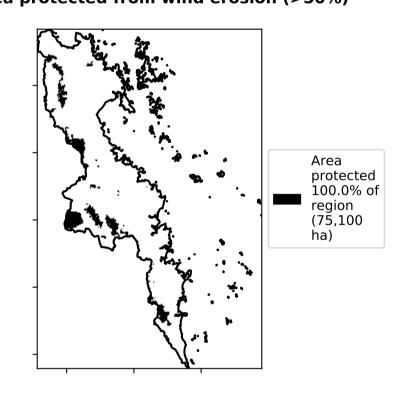
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



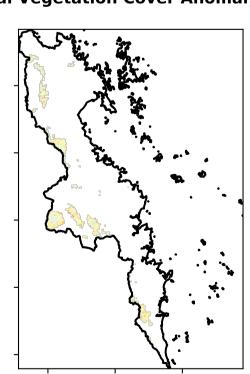
% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)

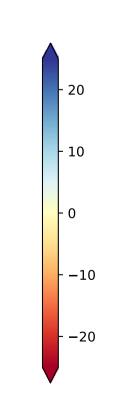


% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)



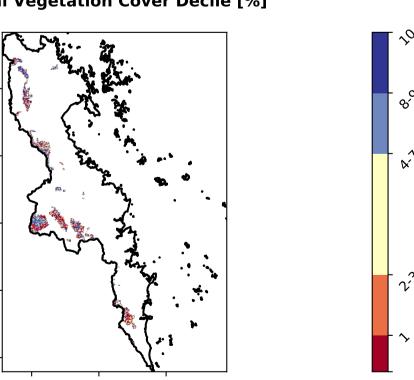
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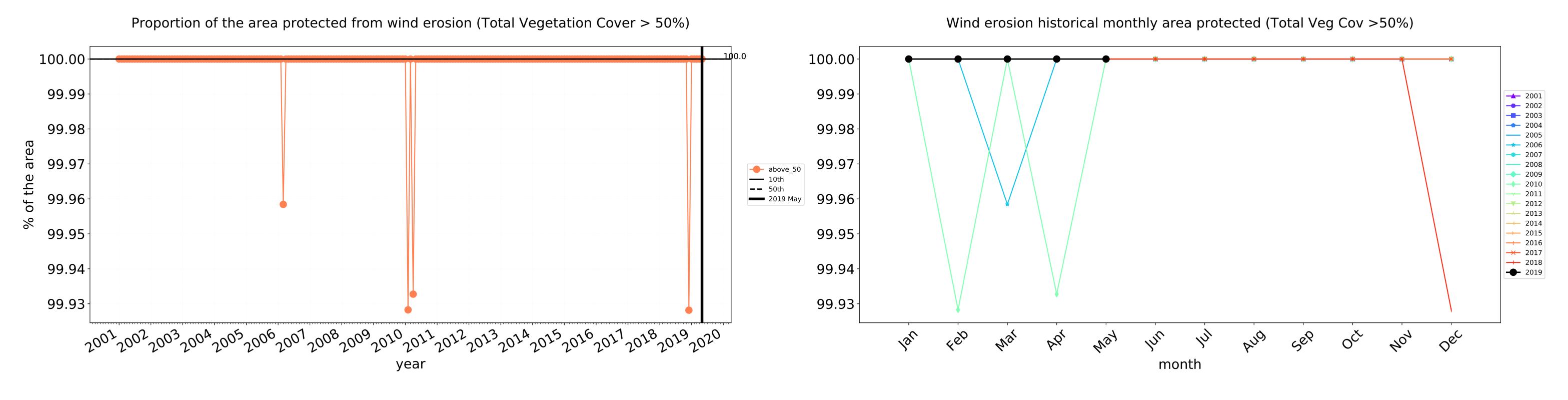


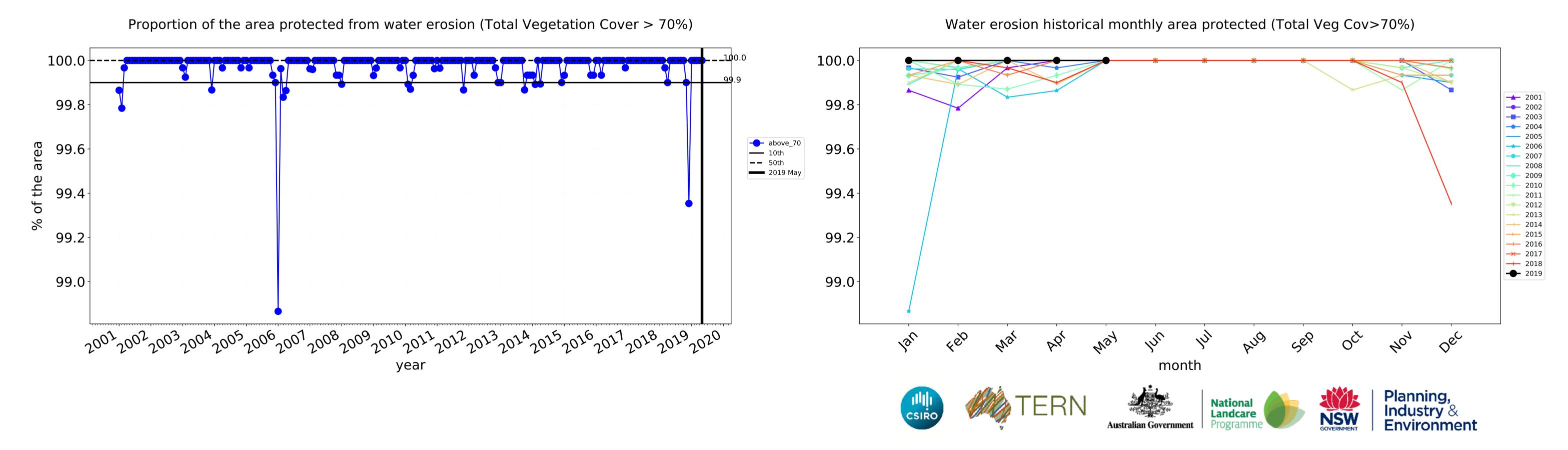


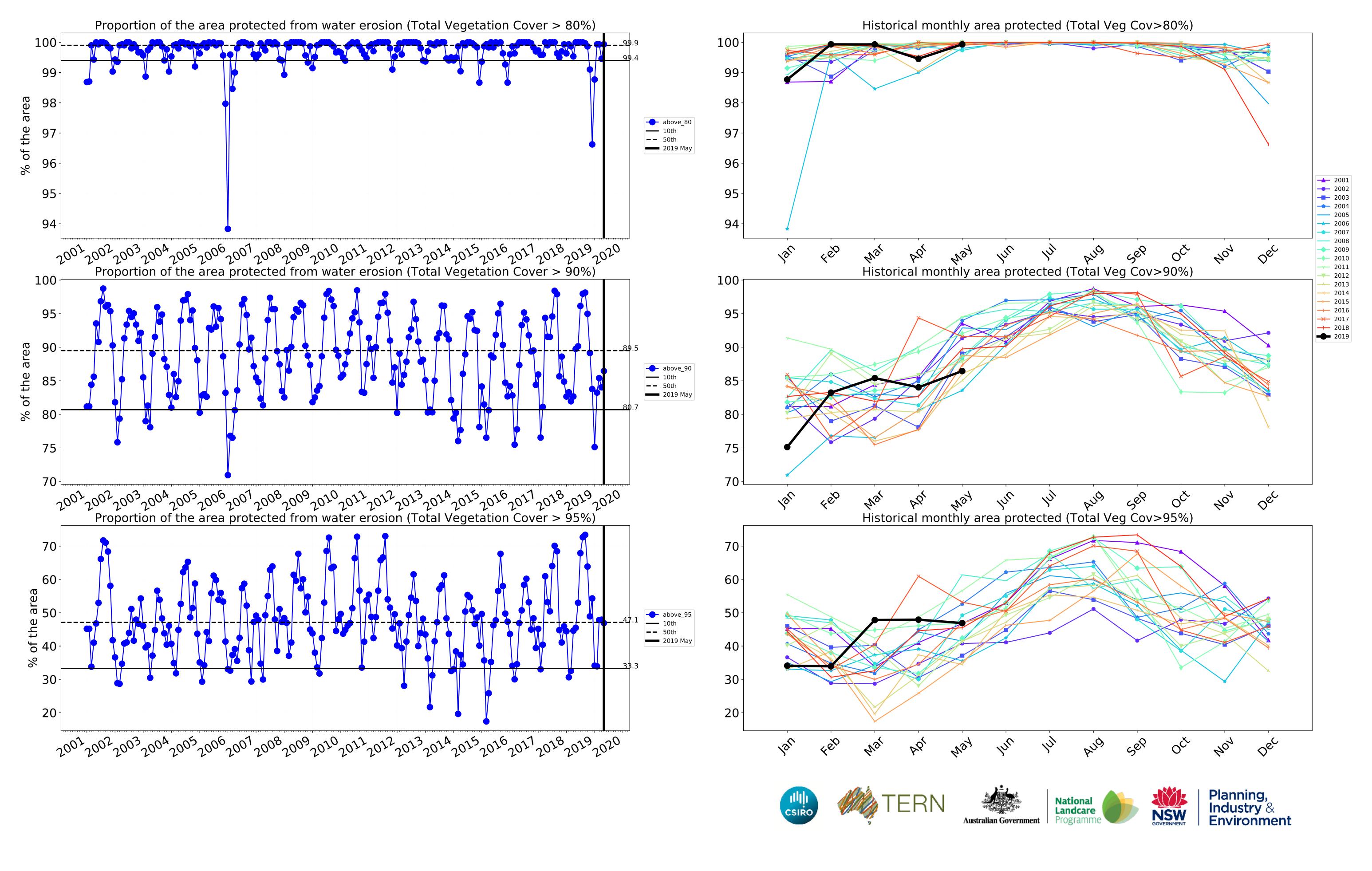




Production native forests and plantation forests timeseries







Mackay Whitsunday (904,525 ha and no data 28,535 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	904,525	99.9% 903,750	99.8% 902,350	98.8% 893,875	96.3% 871,200	67.8% 613,375	33.7% 305,200
Conservation and natural environments	272,400	99.9% 272,075	99.7% 271,475	98.7% 268,750	96.7% 263,475	77.6% 211,325	40.8% 111,125
Conservation and natural environments non forest	7,125	99.6% 7,100	97.2% 6,925	91.9% 6,550	83.9% 5,975	55.4% 3,950	28.1% 2,000
Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest	74,300	99.9% 74,250	99.8% 74,175	99.3% 73,775	97.7% 72,600	81.0% 60,150	39.1% 29,025
natural environments Forest (non woodland)	190,975	99.9% 190,725	99.7% 190,375	98.7% 188,425	96.8% 184,900	77.1% 147,225	41.9% 80,100
Agriculture	468,325	100.0% 468,325	100.0% 468,250	99.9% 467,700	98.7% 462,175	64.6% 302,725	31.3% 146,775
Grazing	298,300	100.0% 298,300	100.0% 298,225	99.8% 297,850	99.4% 296,575	82.9% 247,200	45.1% 134,550
Grazing non forest	189,150	100.0% 189,150	100.0% 189,075	99.8% 188,825	99.3% 187,750	79.8% 150,925	42.9% 81,150
Grazing Woodland forest	80,625	100.0% 80,625	100.0% 80,625	99.9% 80,575	99.7% 80,400	89.2% 71,925	51.2% 41,300
Grazing - Forest (non woodland)	28,525	100.0% 28,525	100.0% 28,525	99.7% 28,450	99.6% 28,425	85.4% 24,350	42.4% 12,100
Irrigation	169,975	100.0% 169,975	100.0% 169,975	99.9% 169,800	97.4% 165,550	32.6% 55,475	7.2% 12,200
Production native forests and plantation forests	75,100	100.0% 75,100	100.0% 75,100	100.0% 75,100	99.9% 75,050	86.5% 64,925	46.9% 35,225











