### Total vegetation cover soil protection Region:NRM East Gippsland VIC

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
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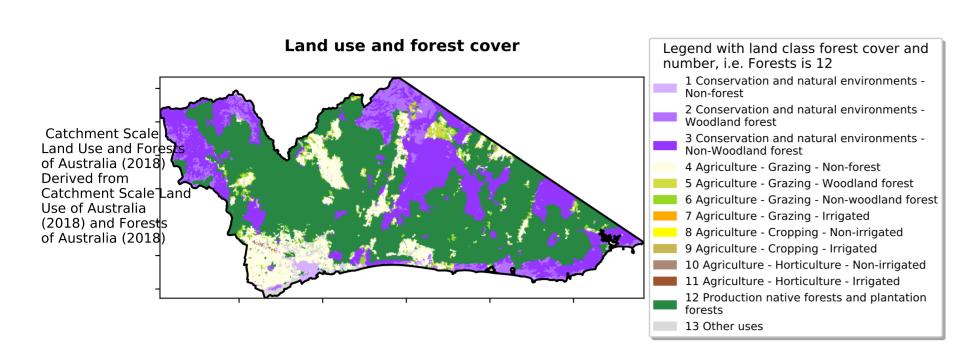


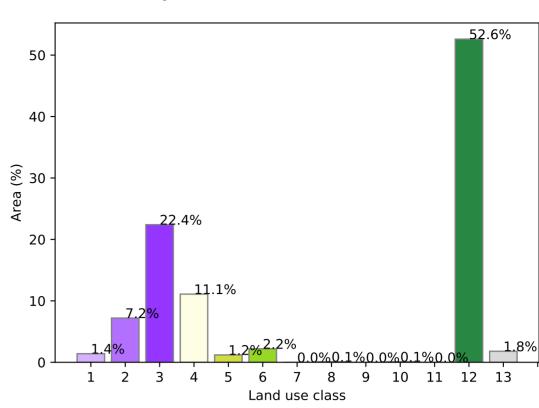
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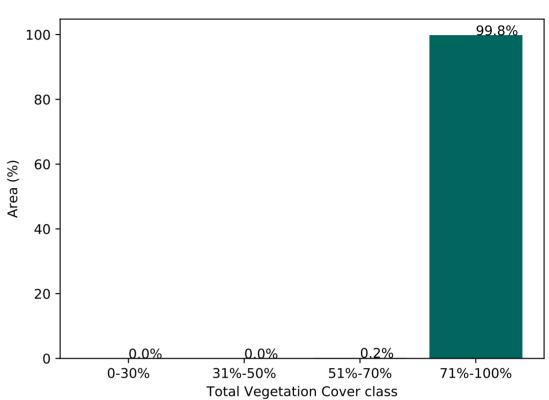
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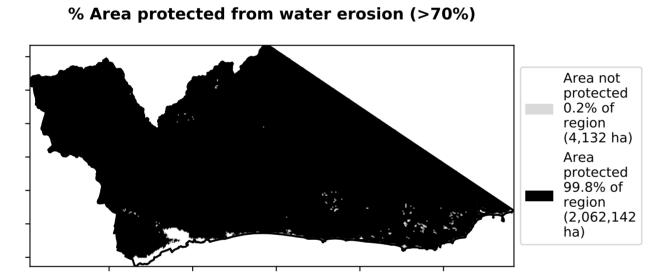




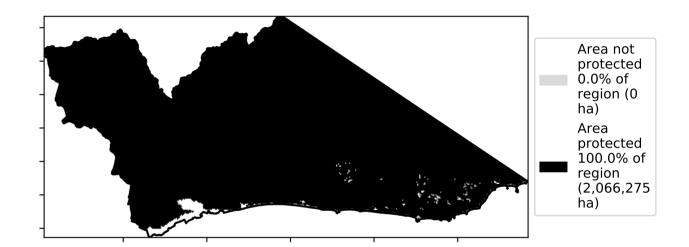
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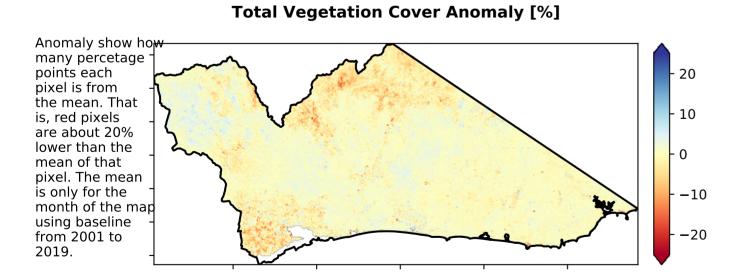


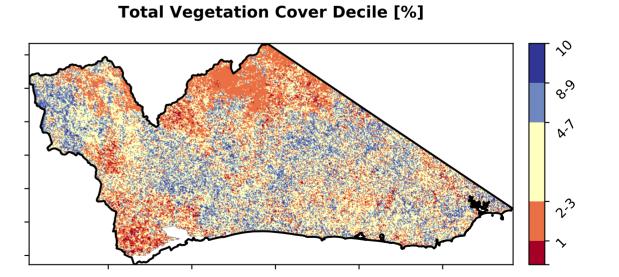




### % Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)









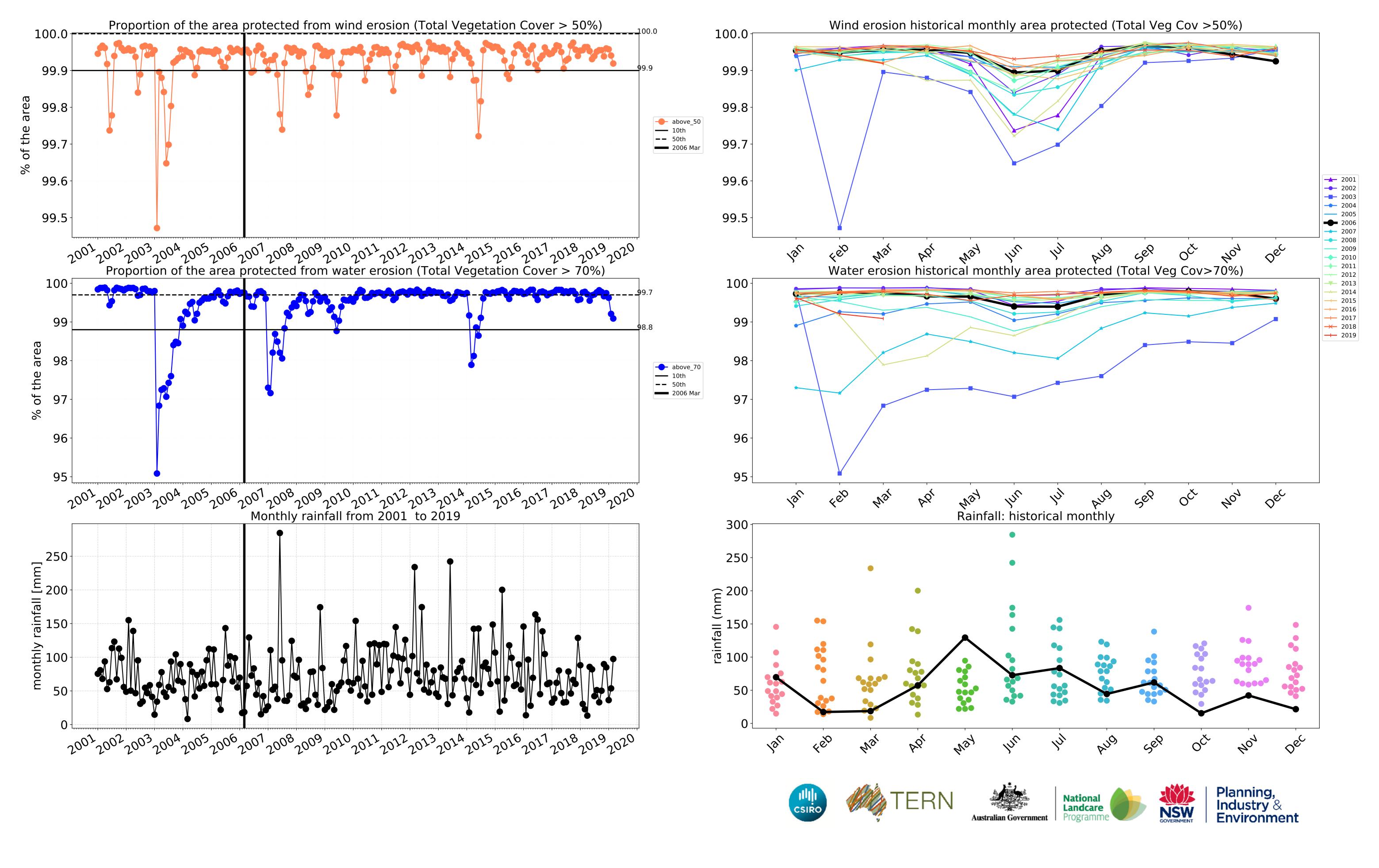


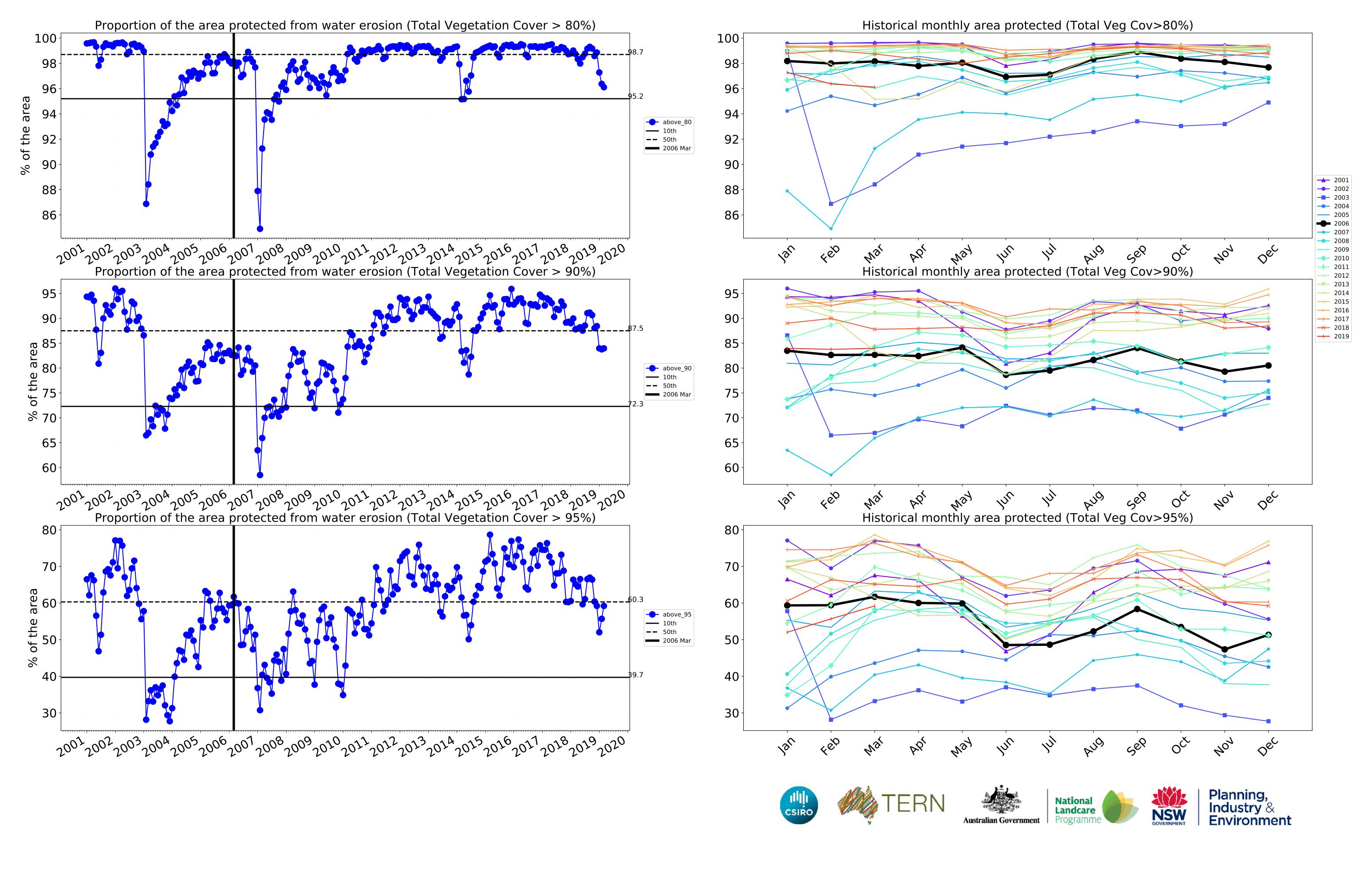






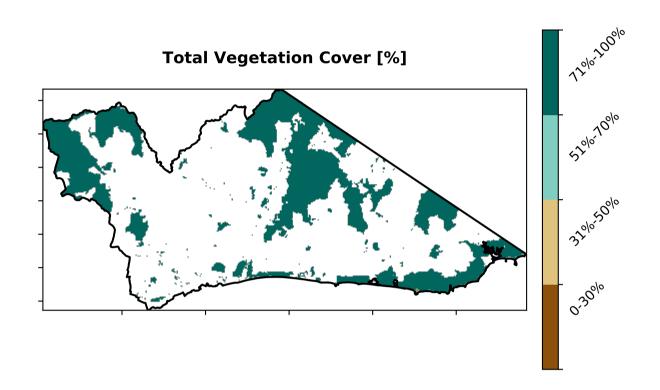


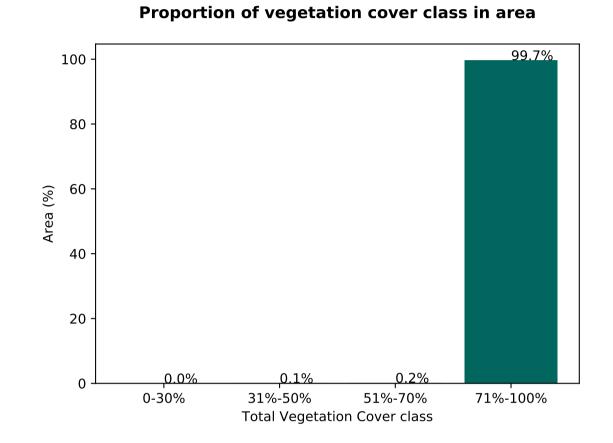




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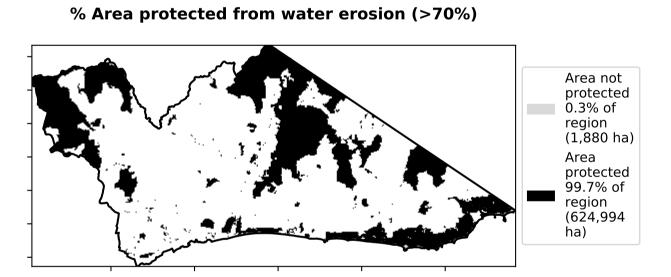
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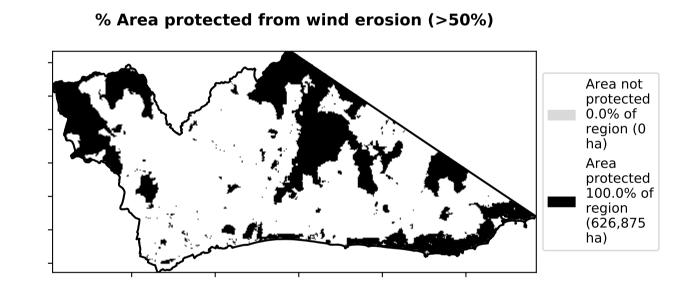


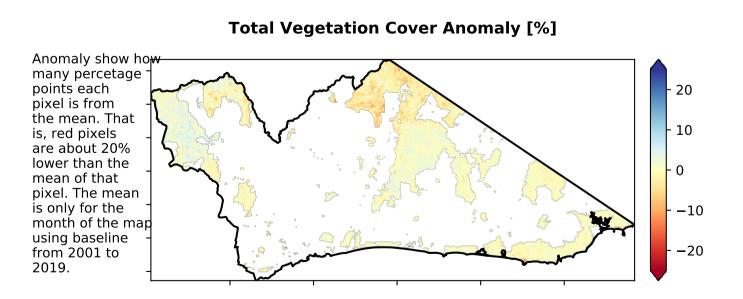


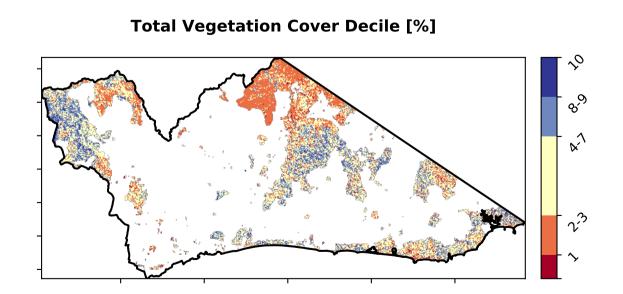
Land use class

**Proportion of each land class in area** 













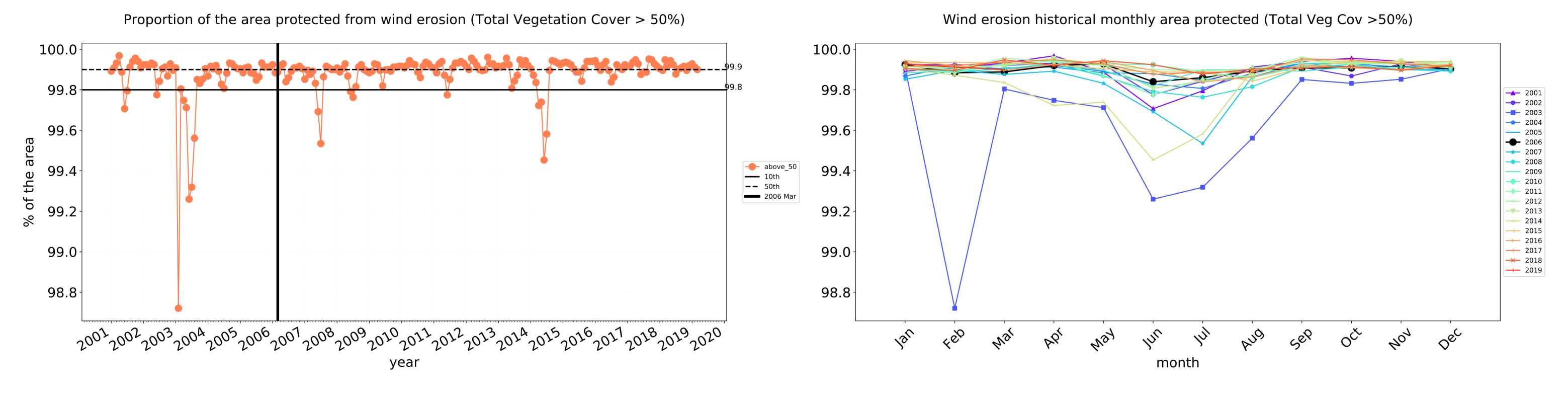


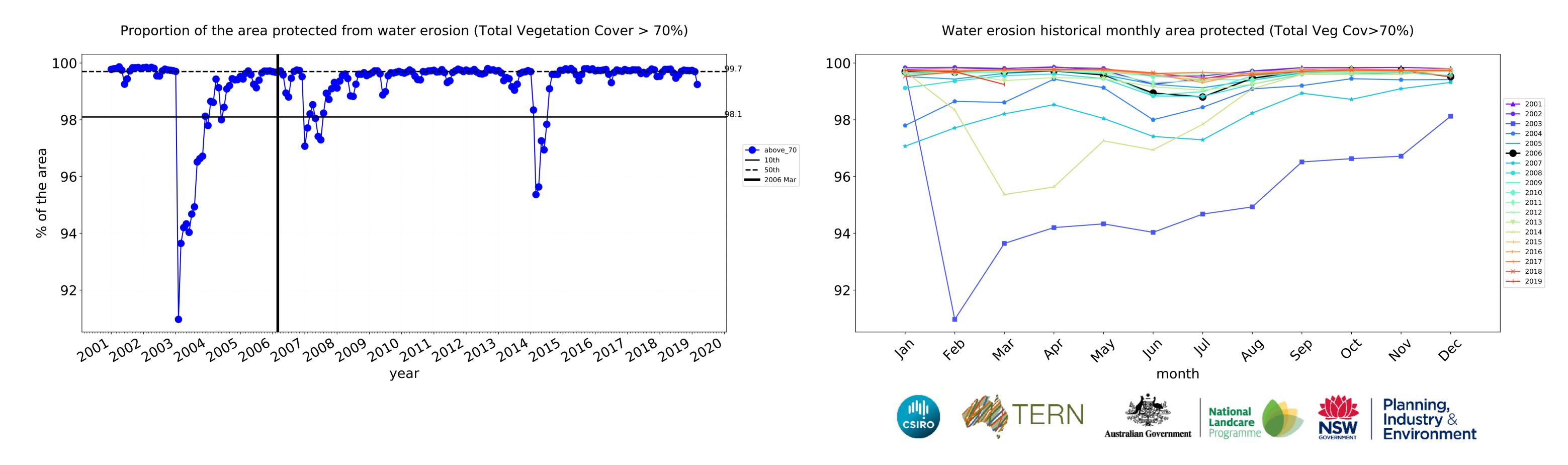


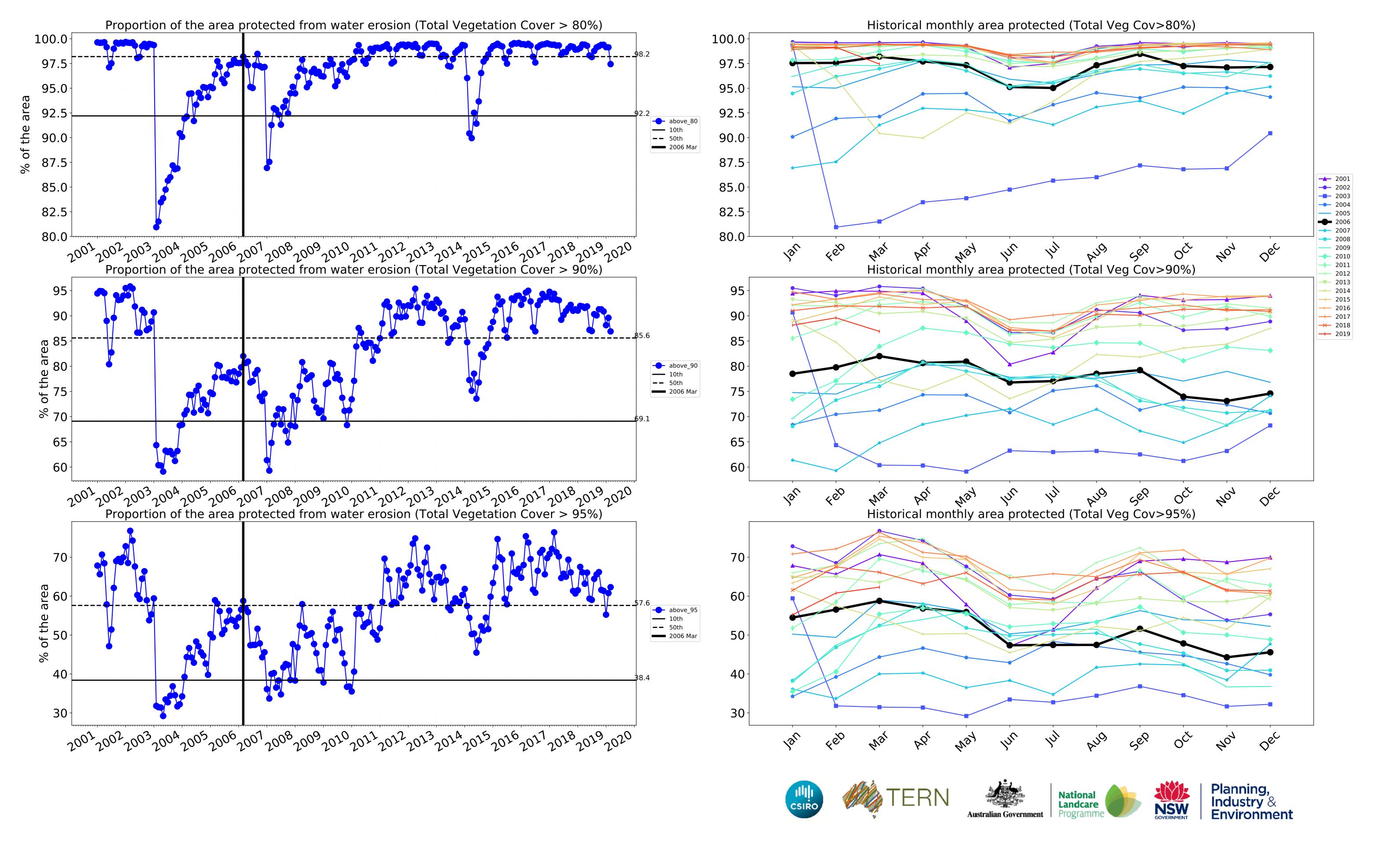




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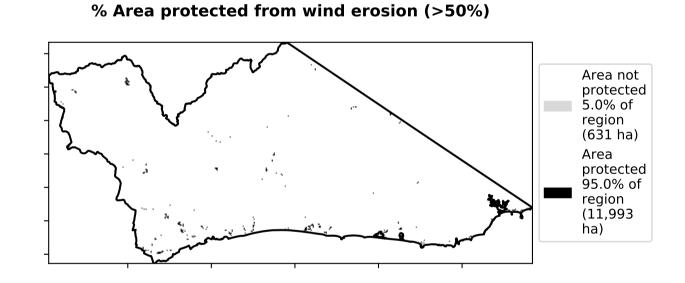
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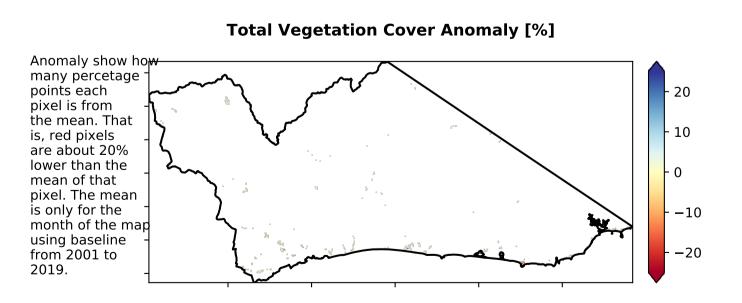
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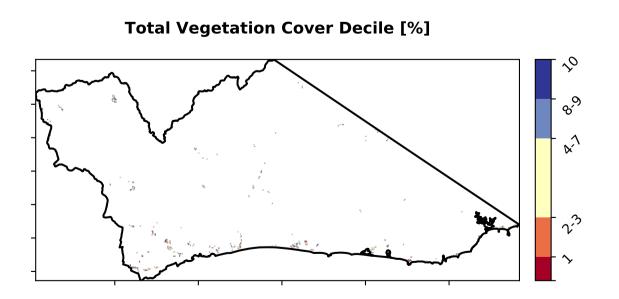
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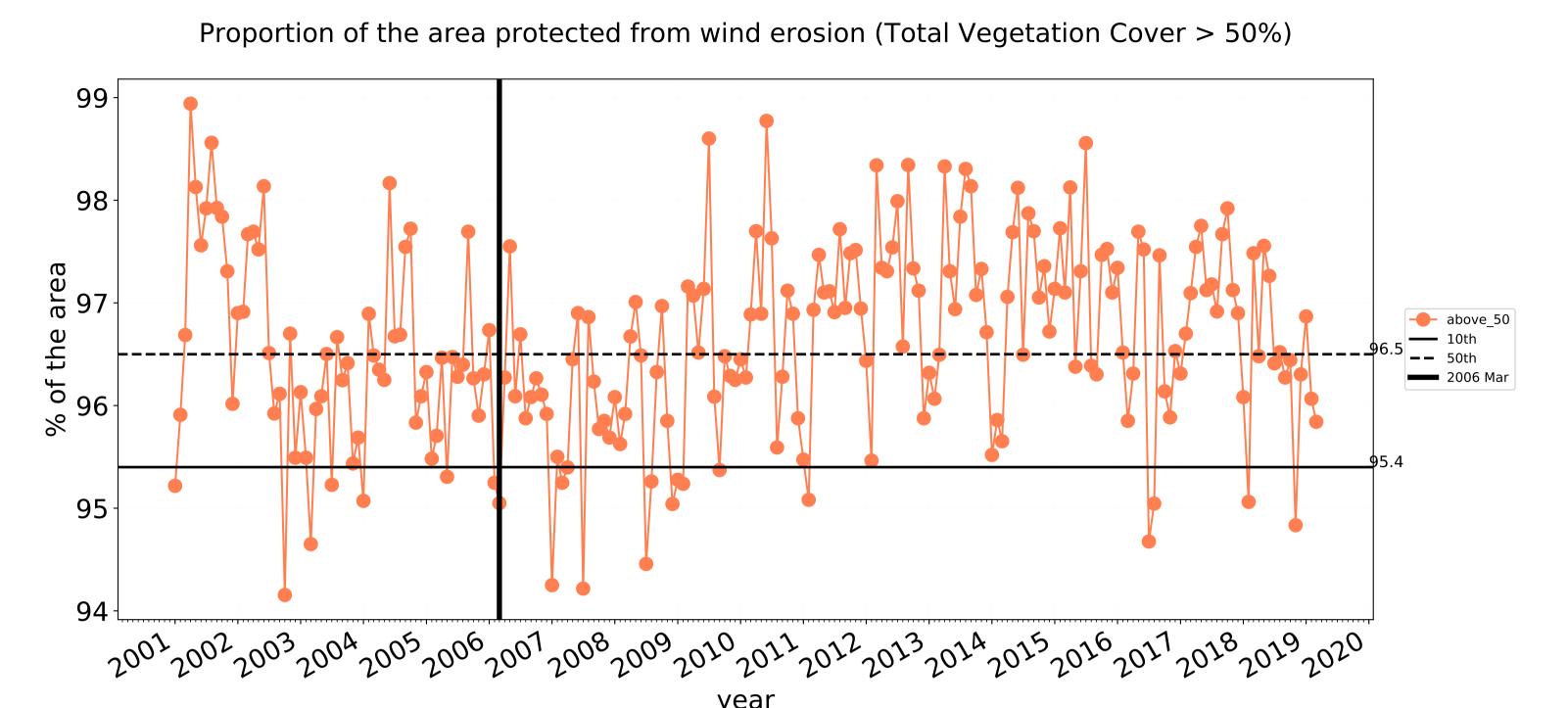




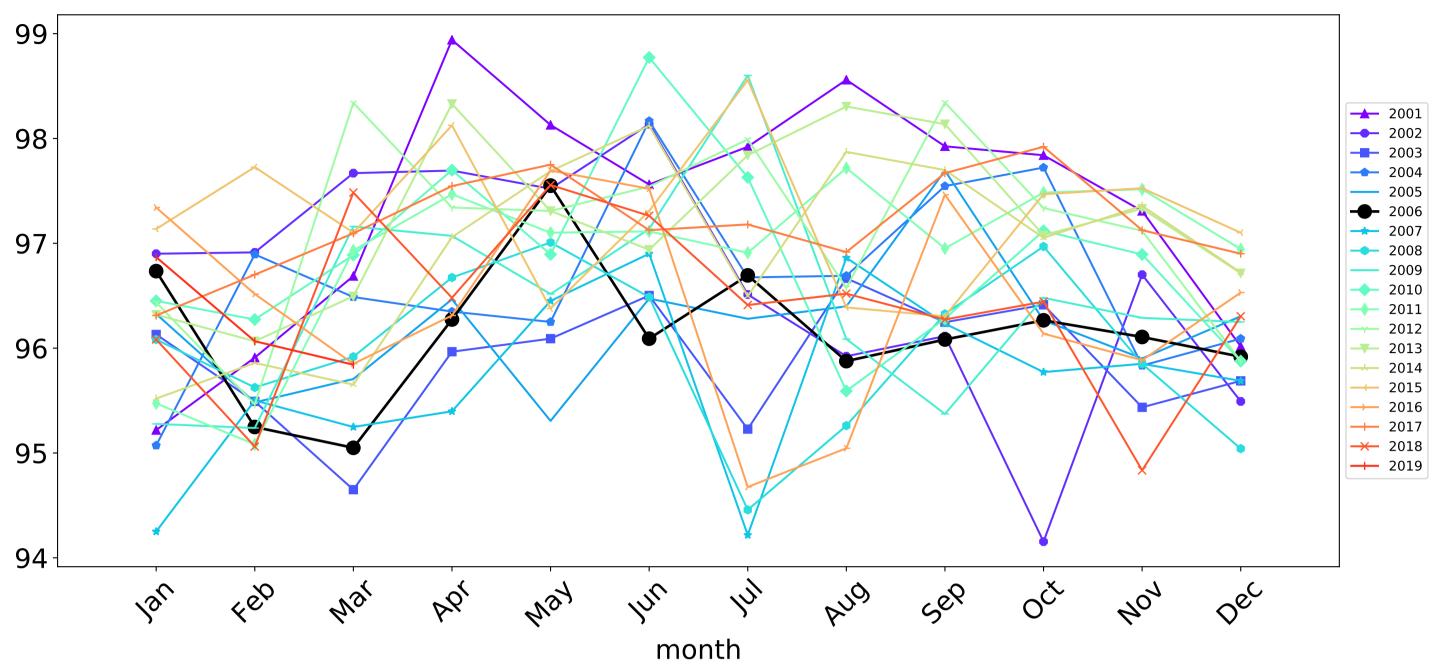




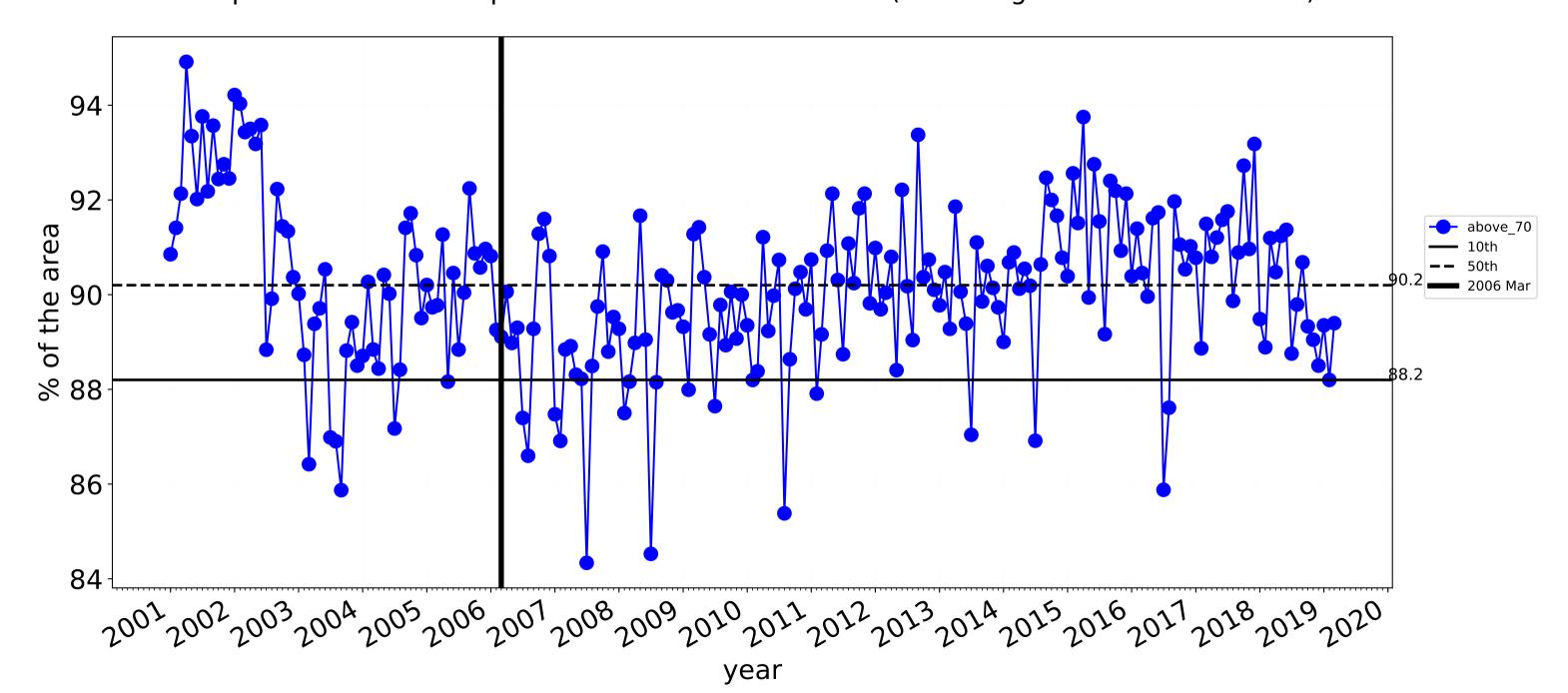
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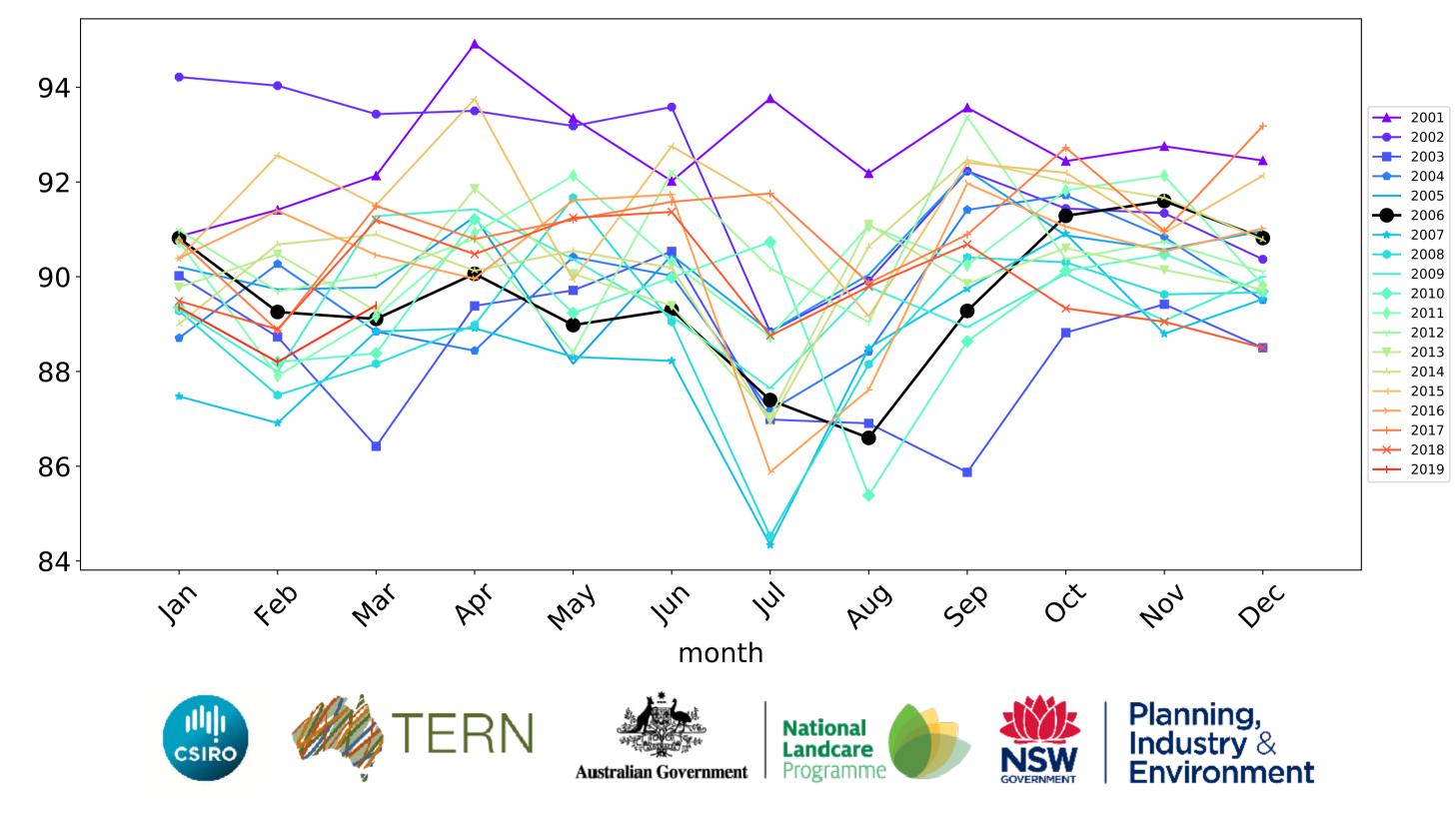




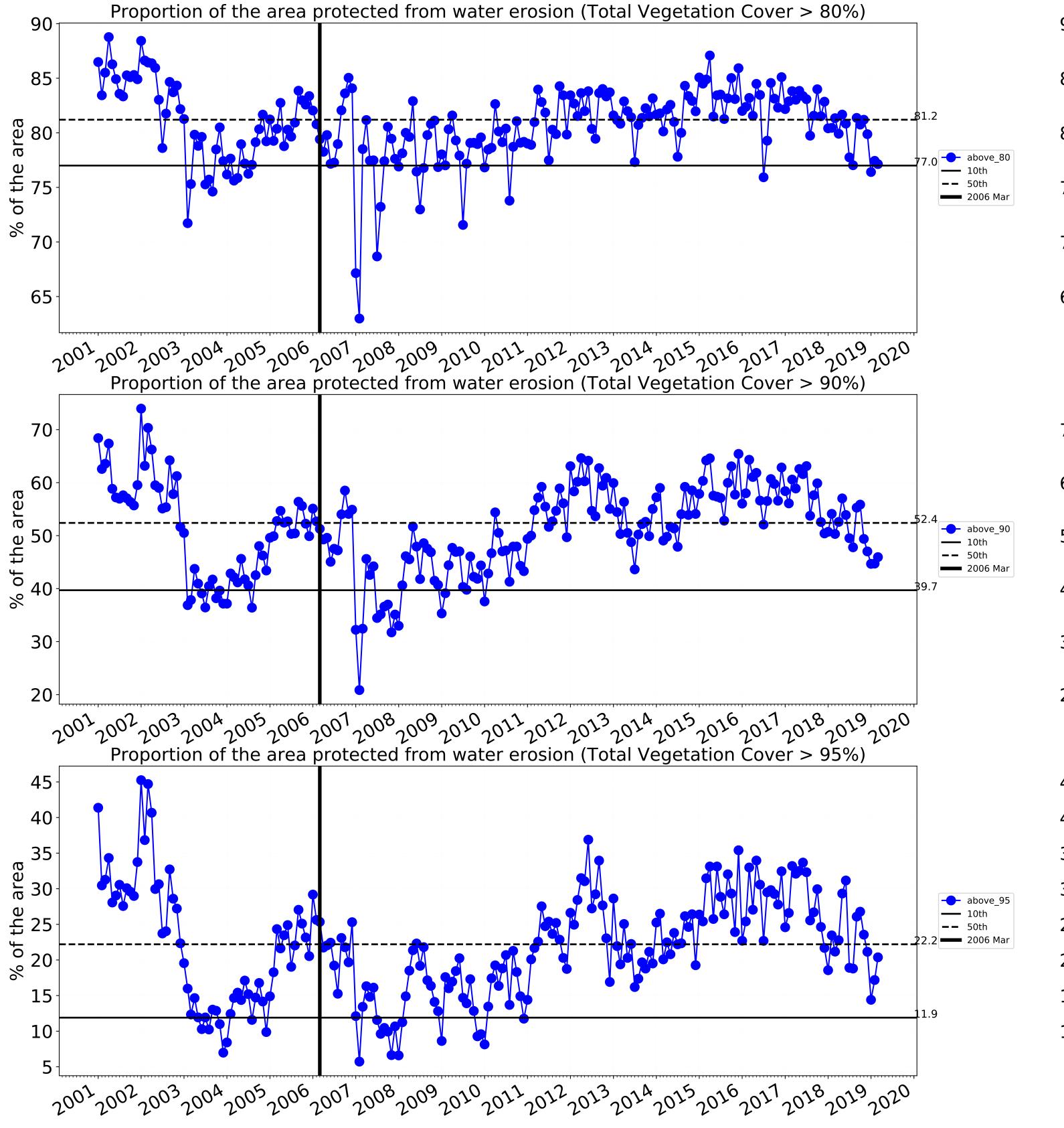
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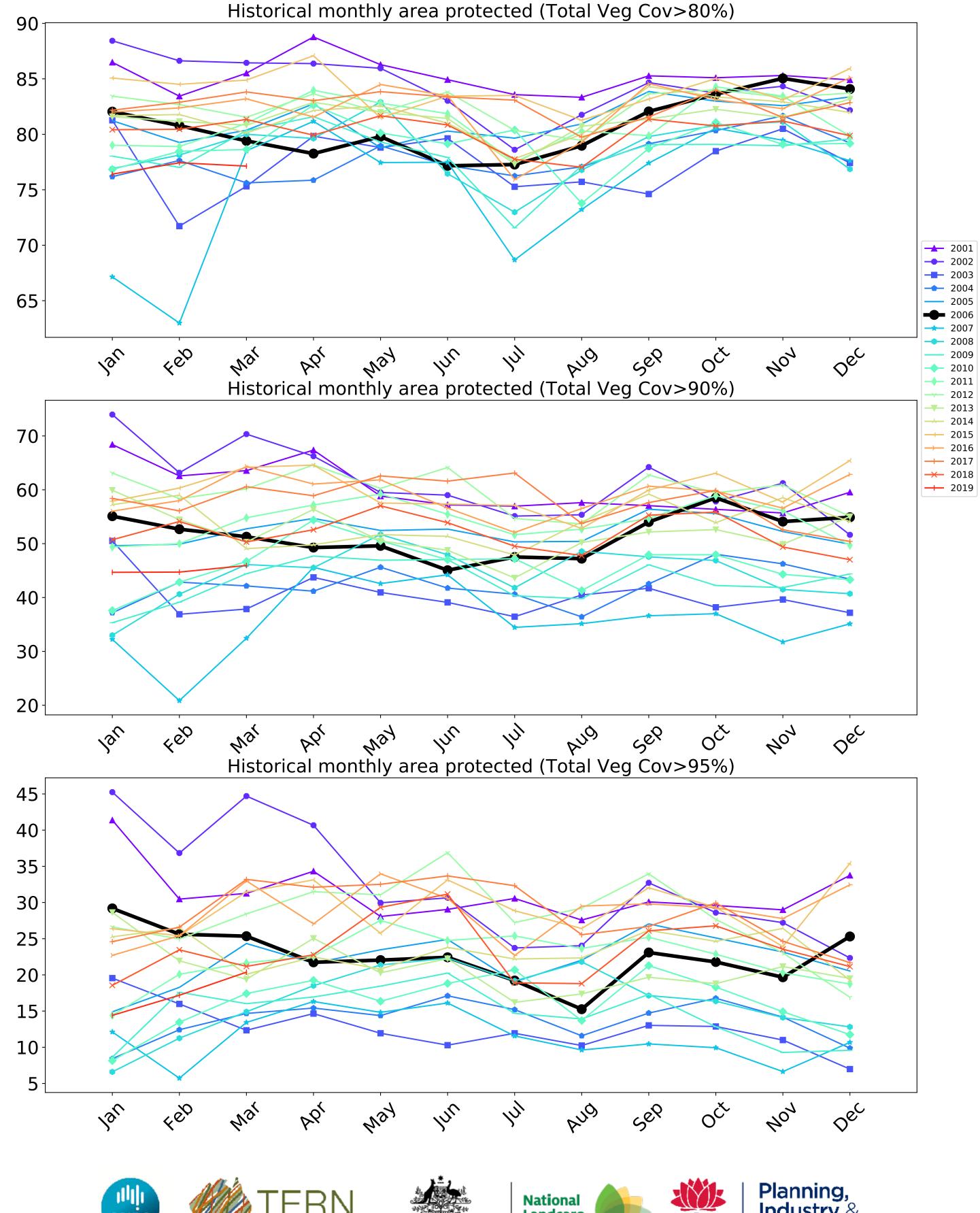


Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)



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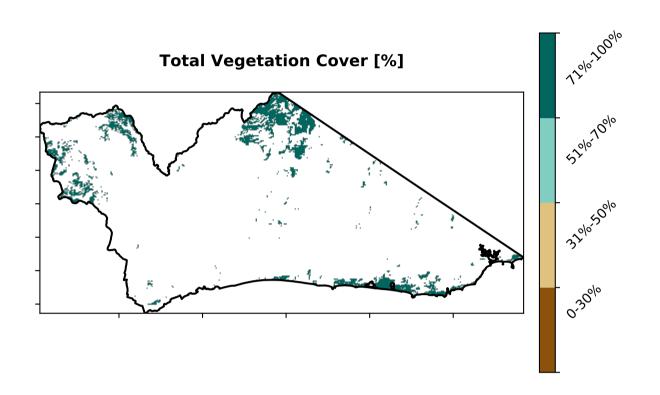


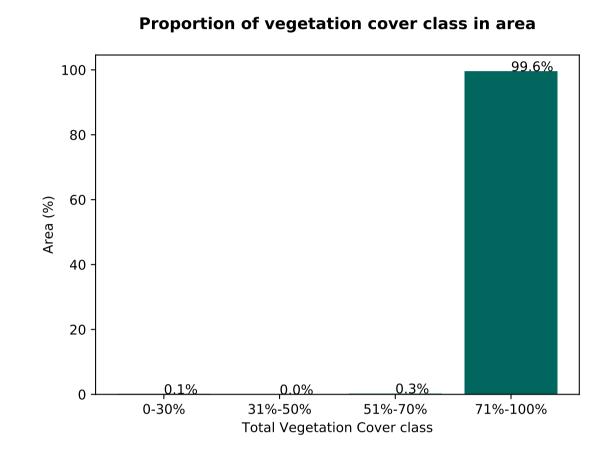


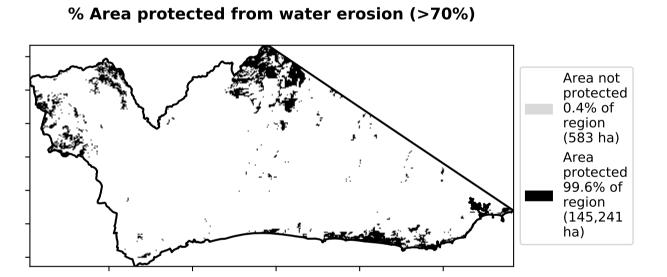


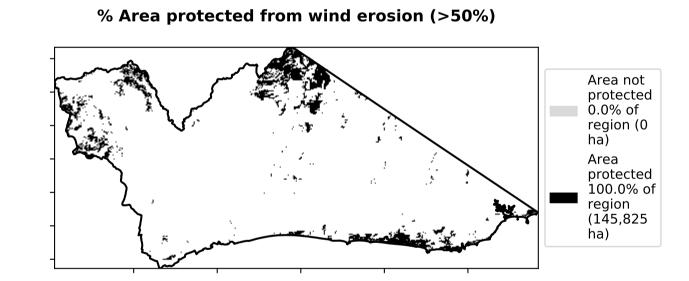
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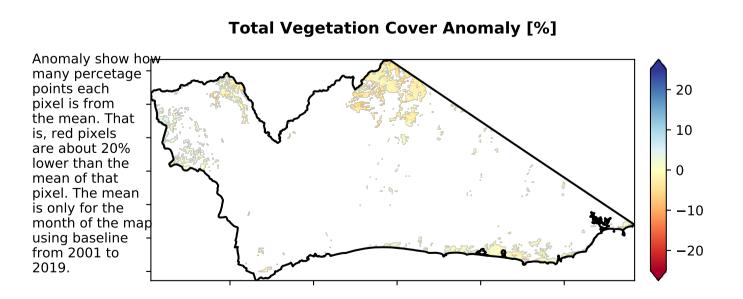
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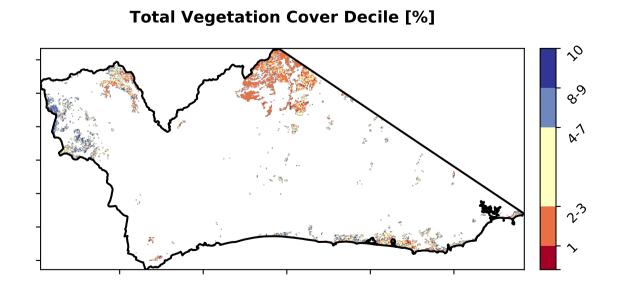














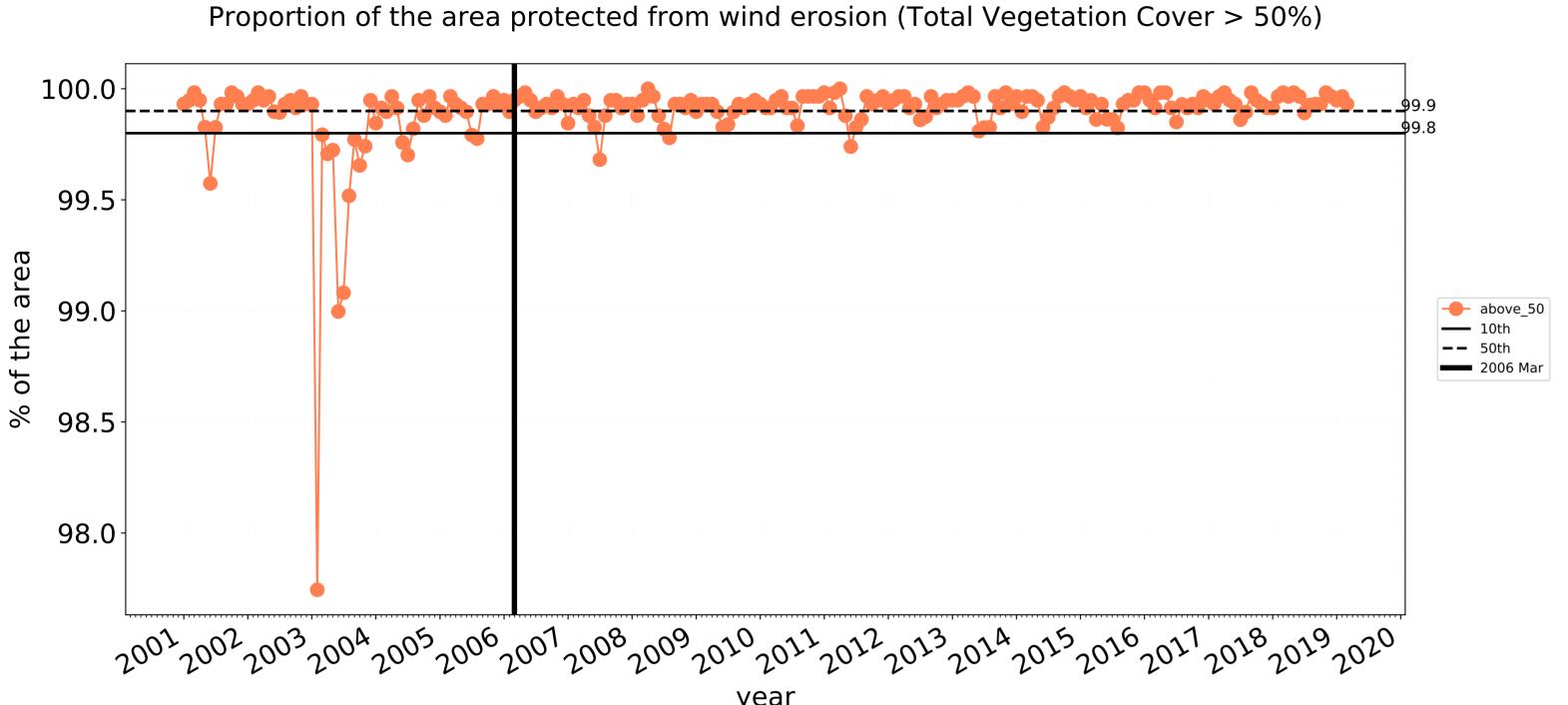


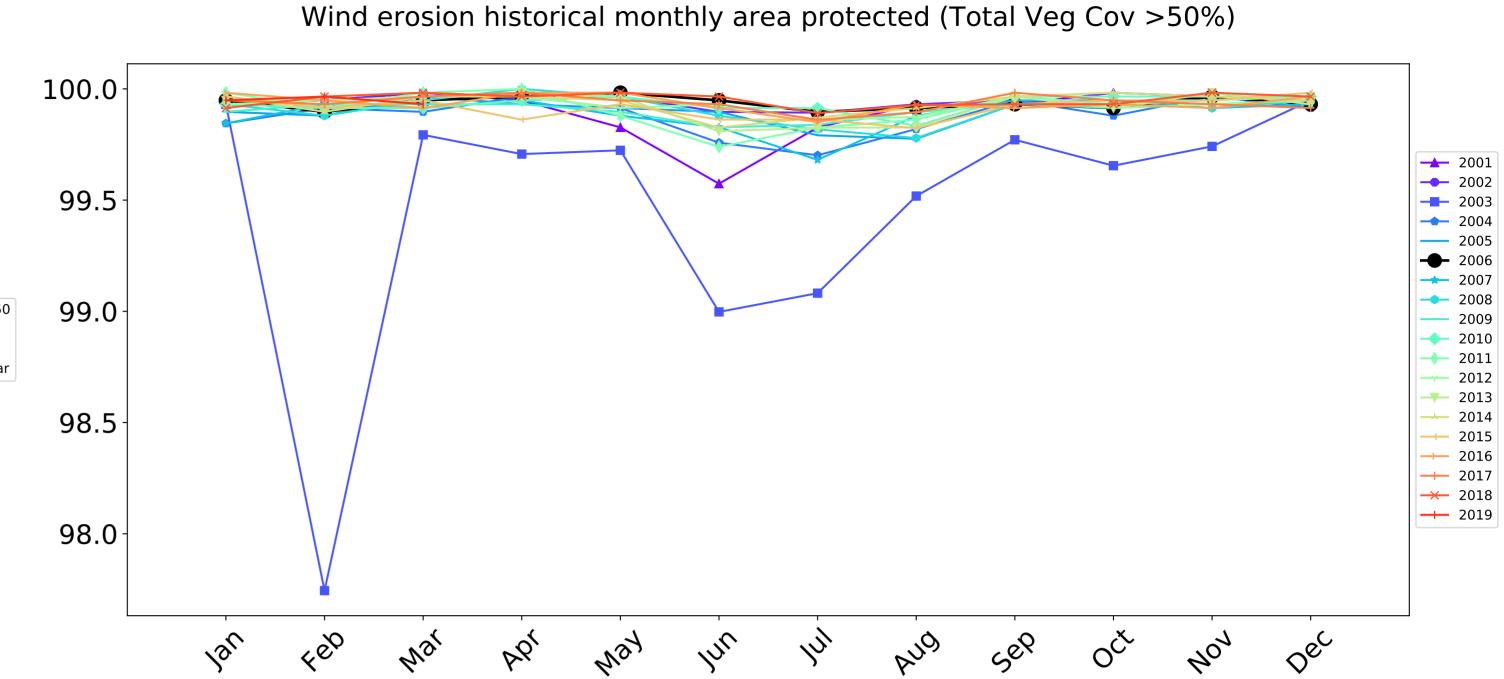




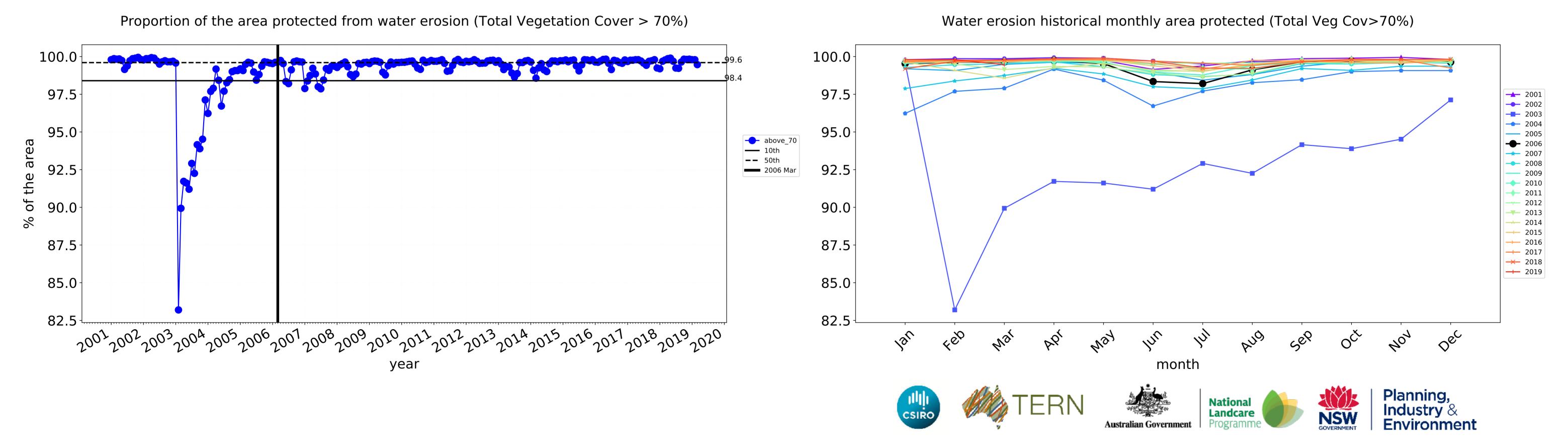


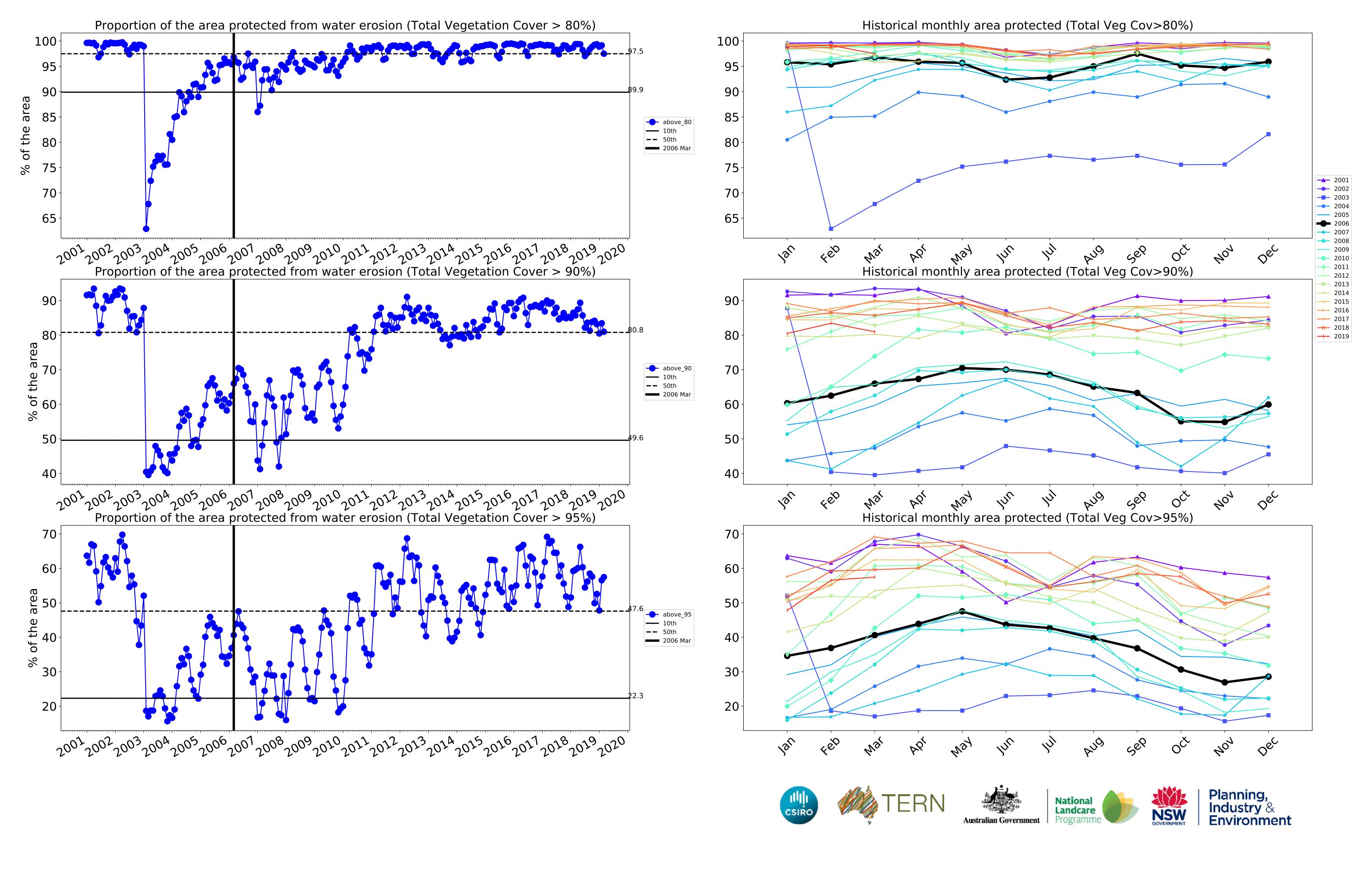






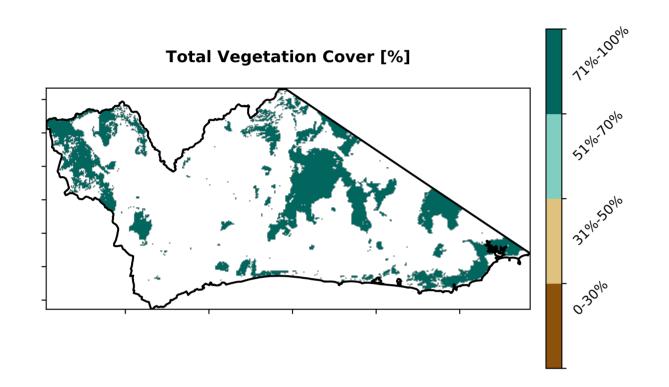
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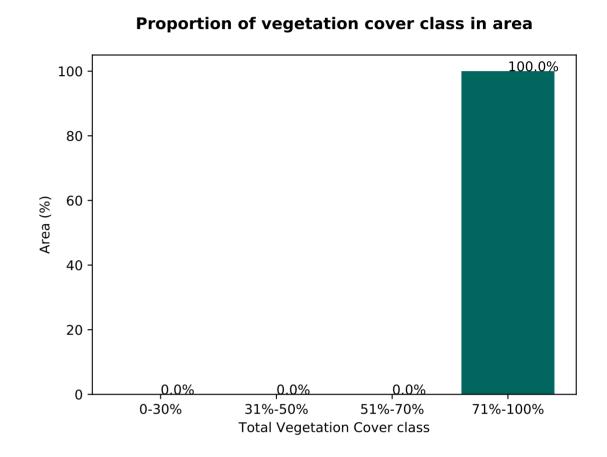


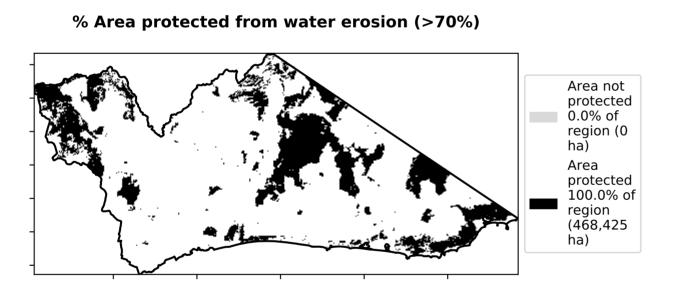


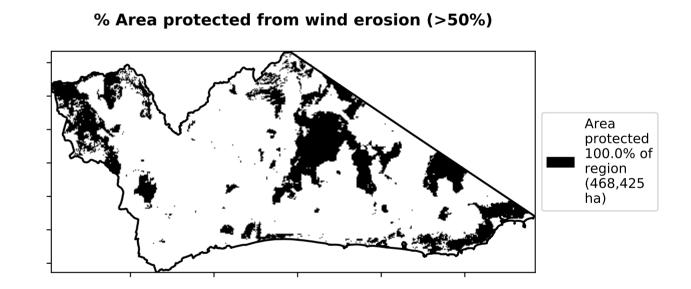
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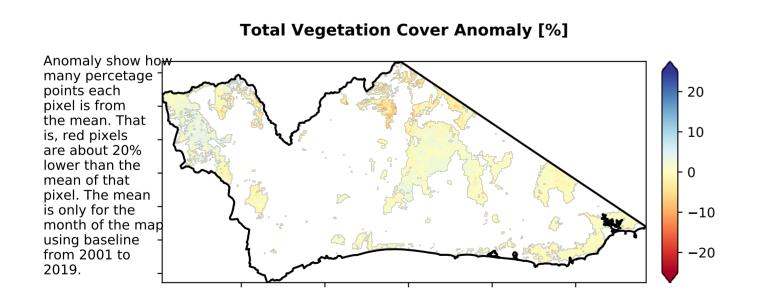
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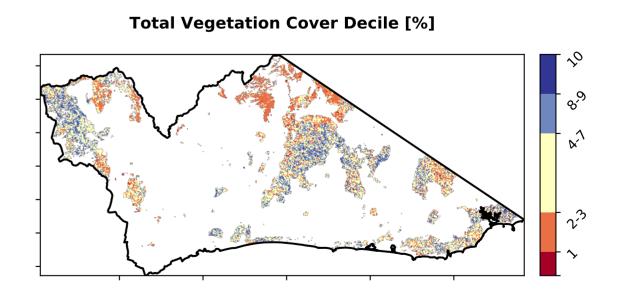














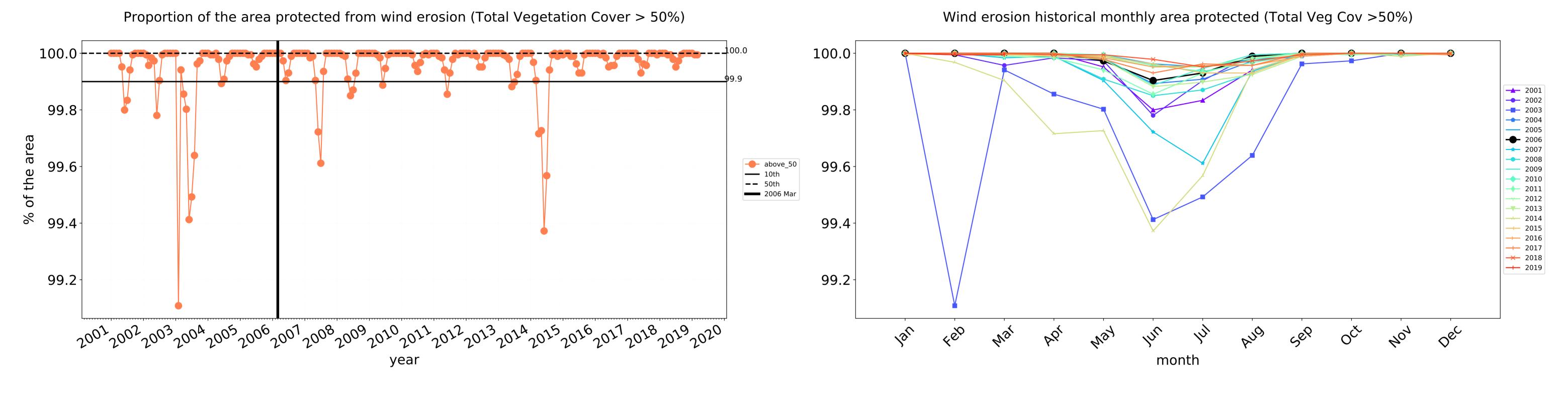


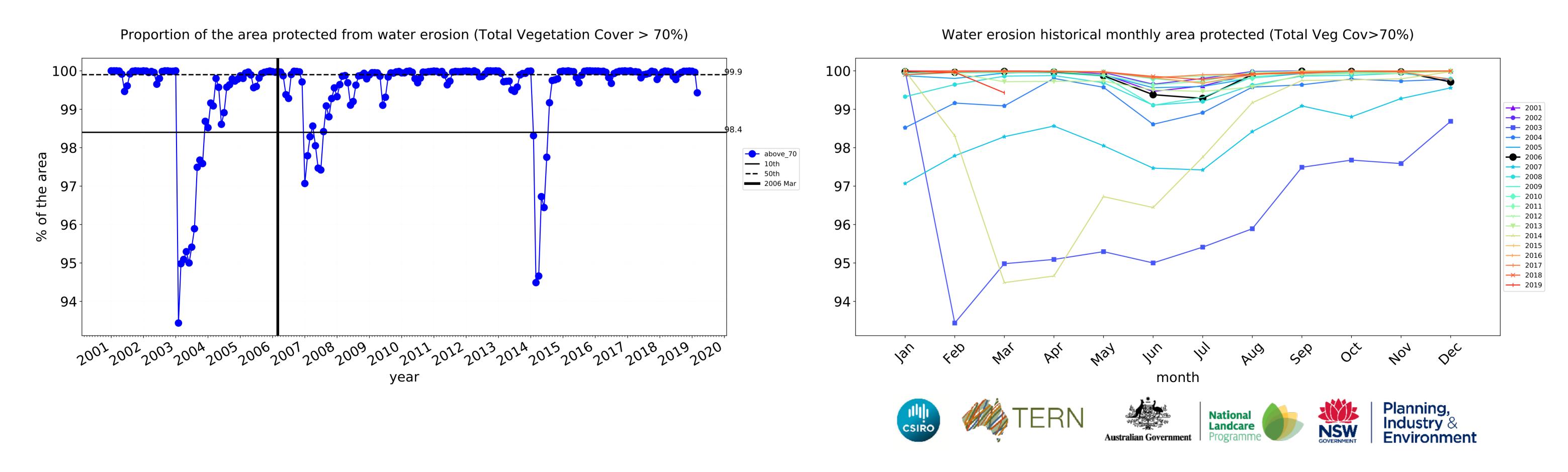


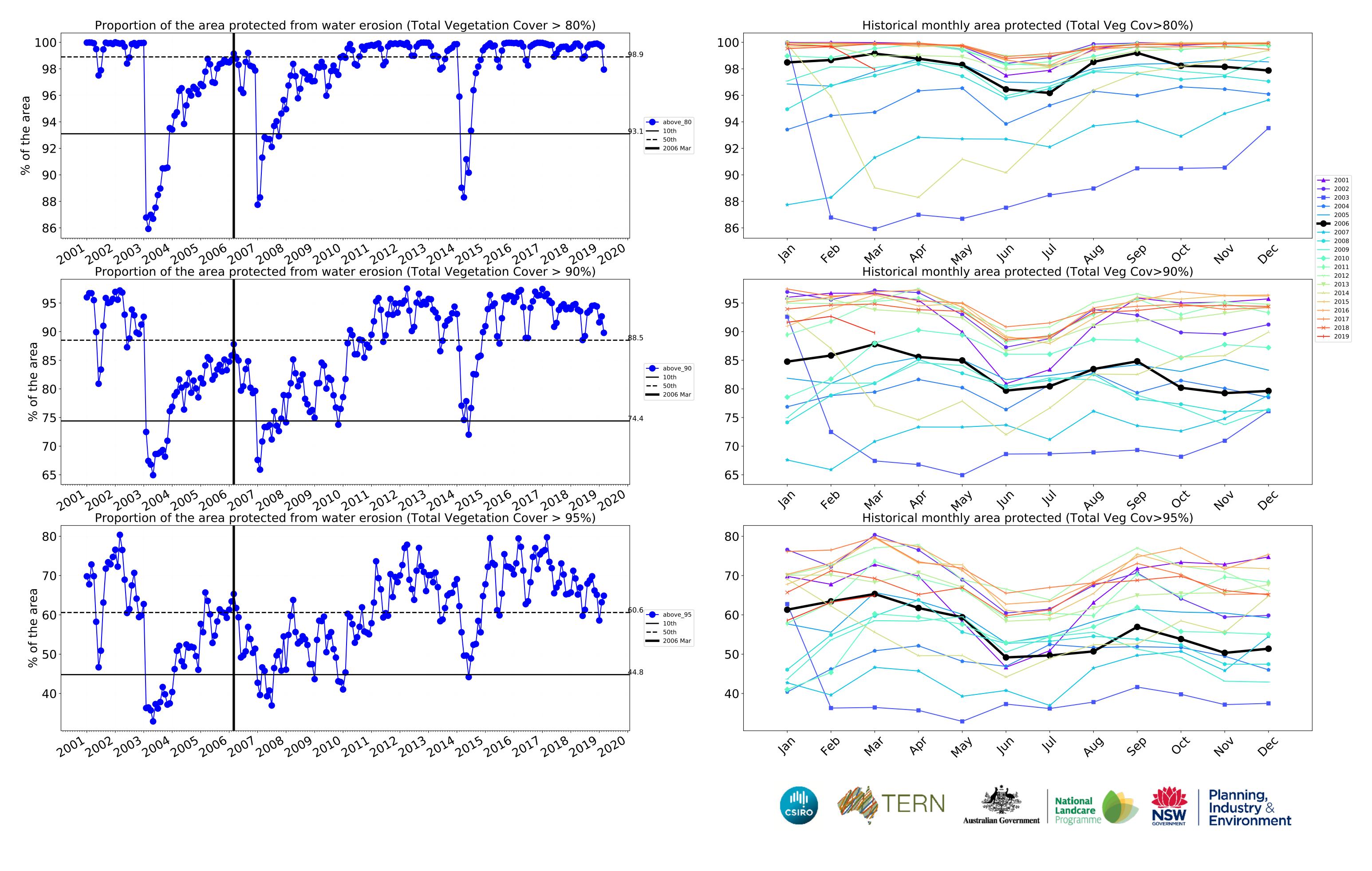








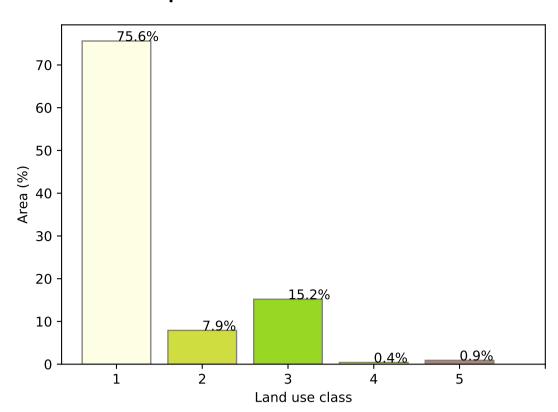




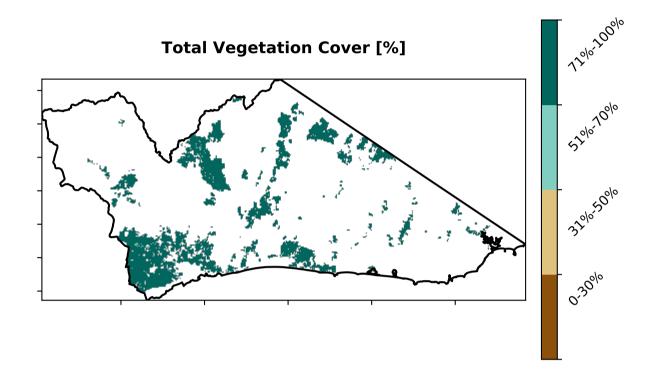
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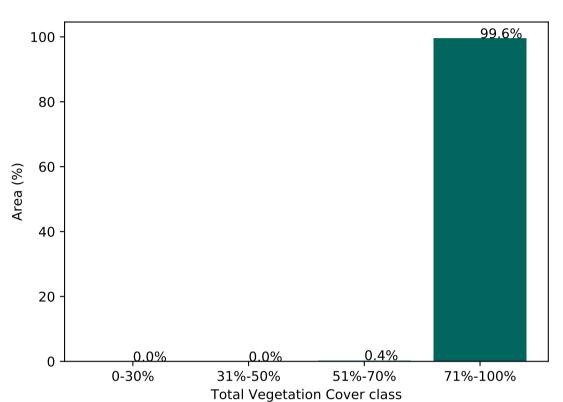
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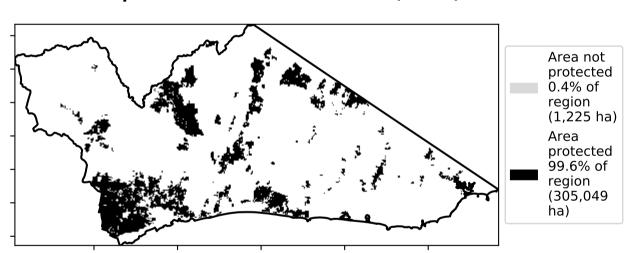




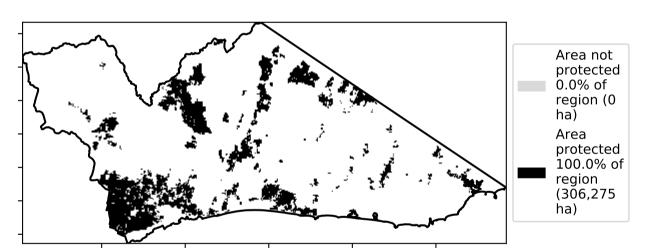




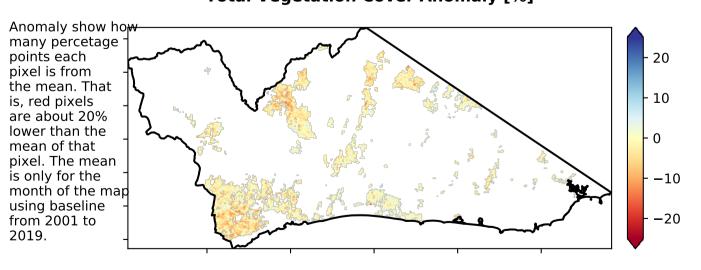
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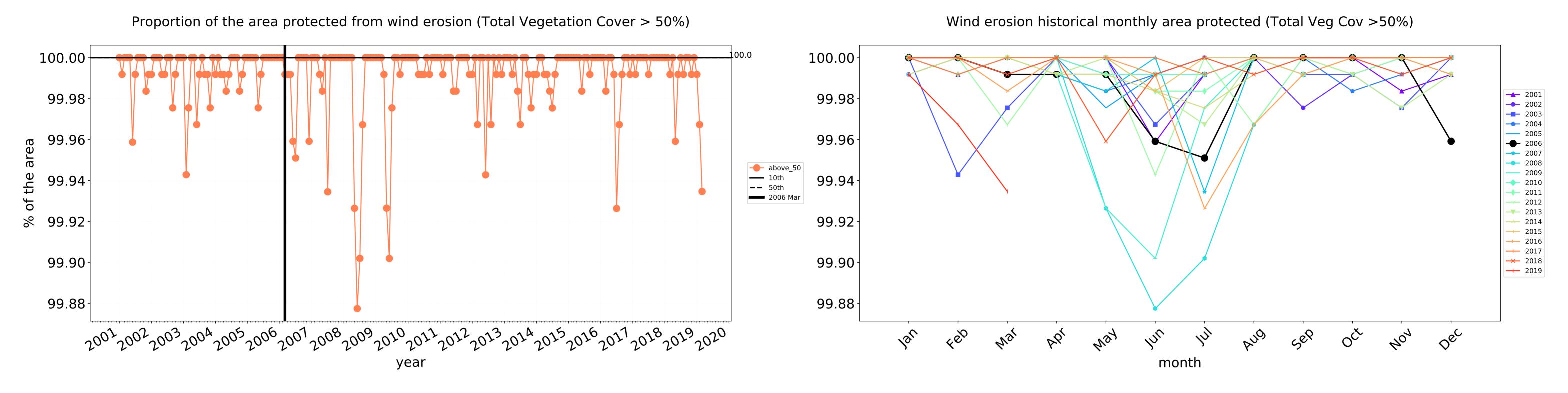


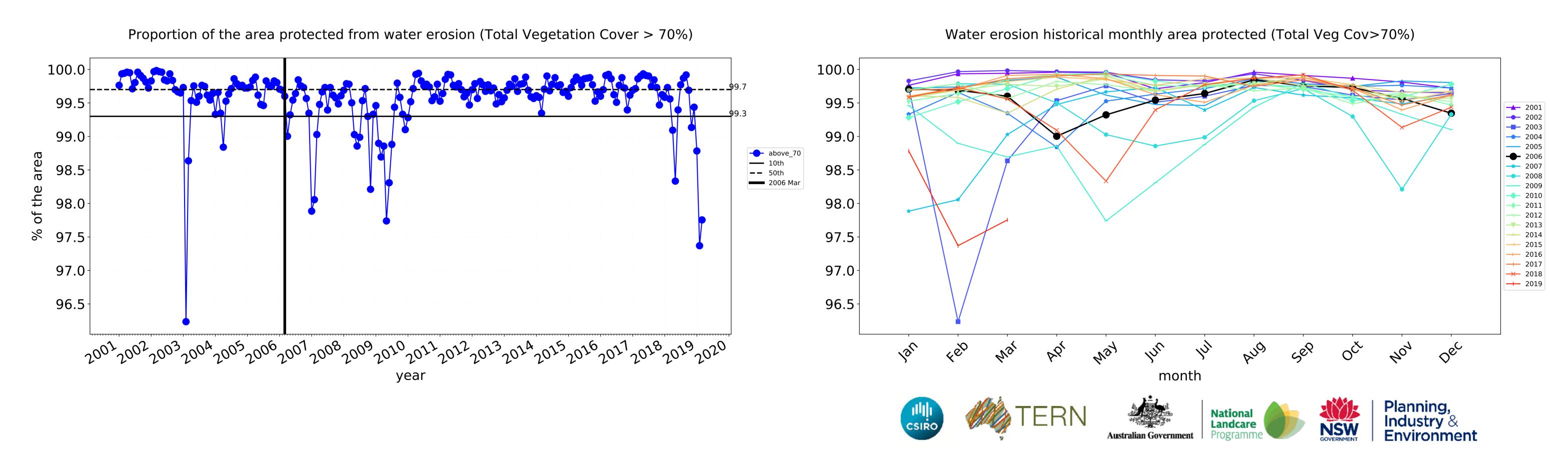


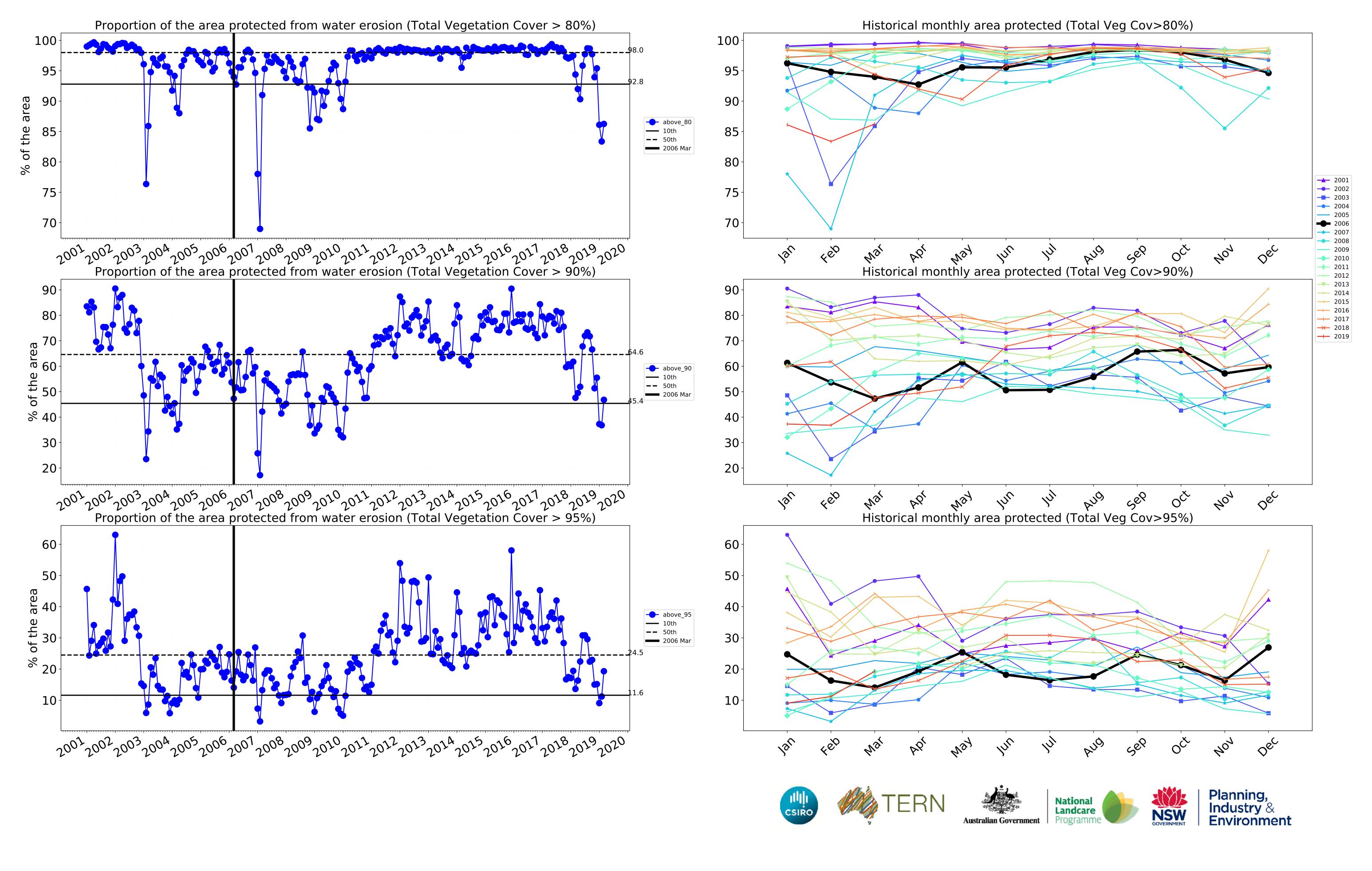




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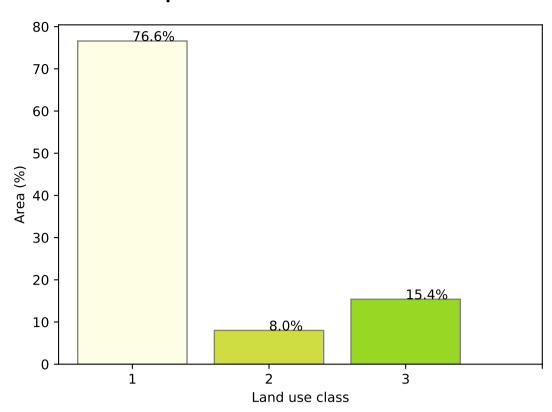




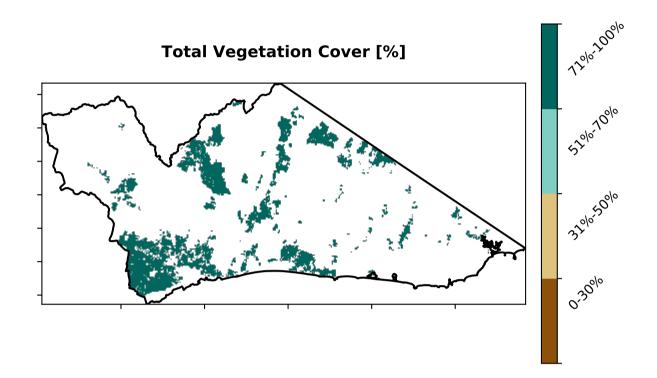
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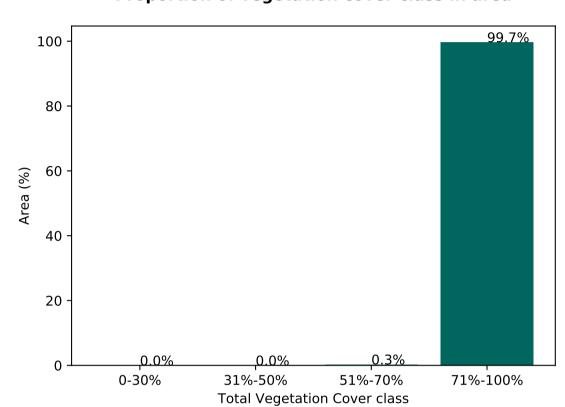
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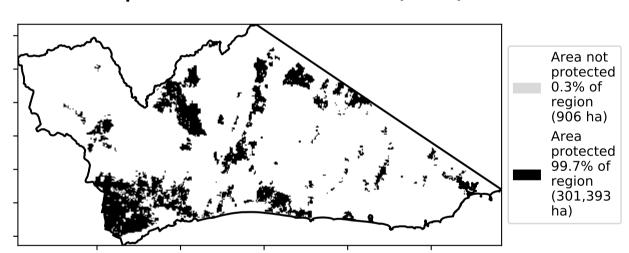




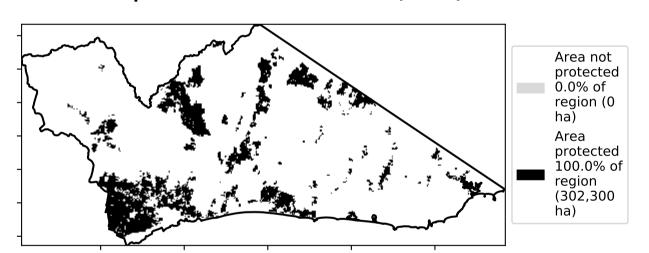




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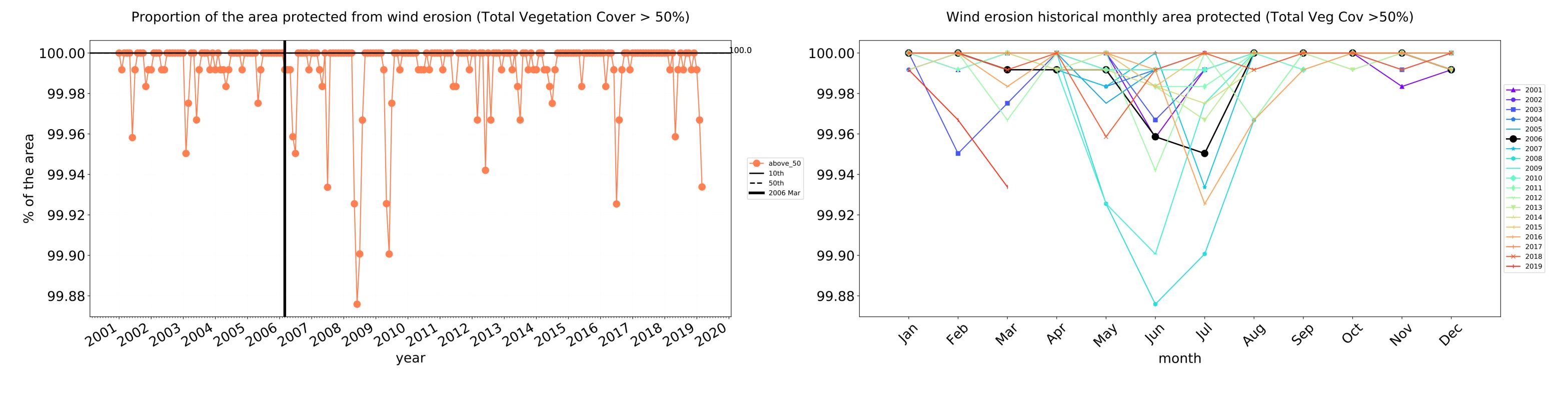


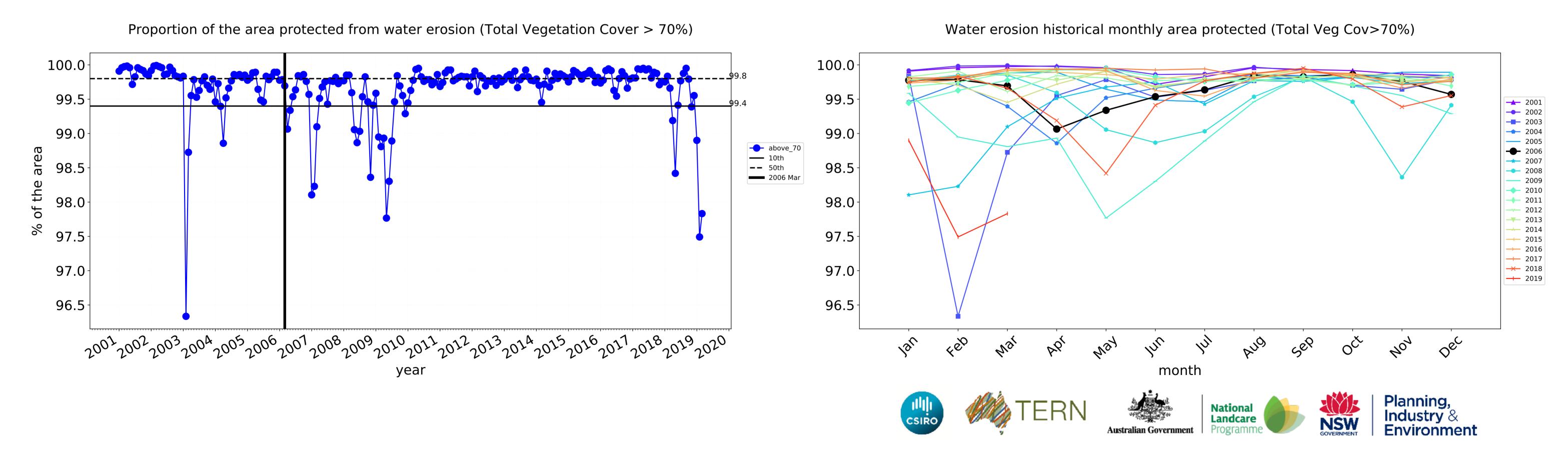


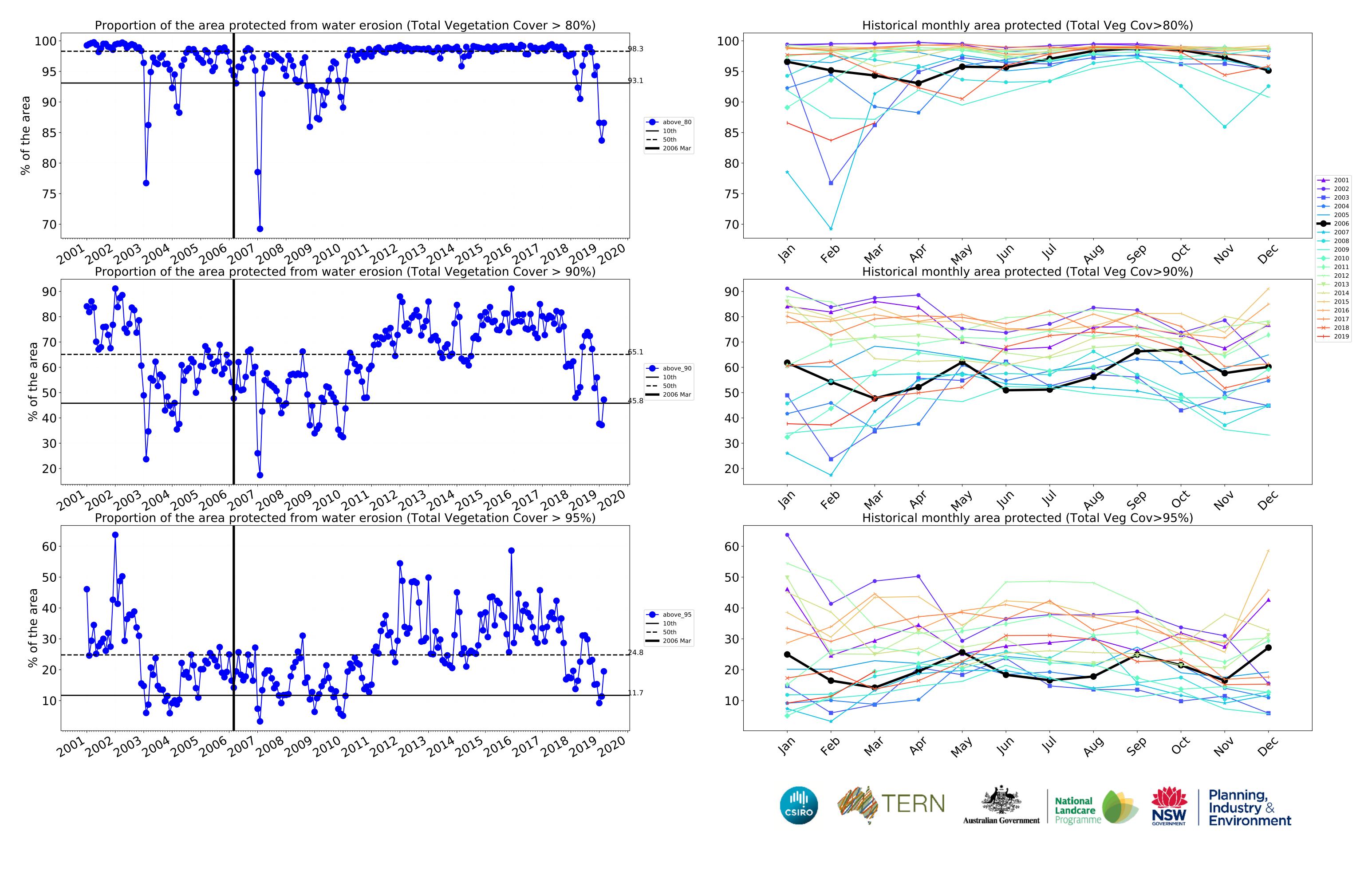




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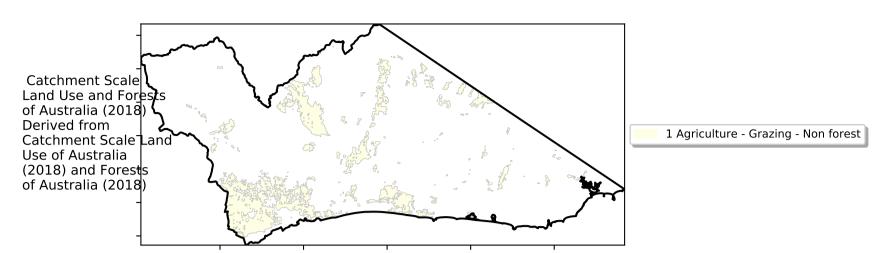






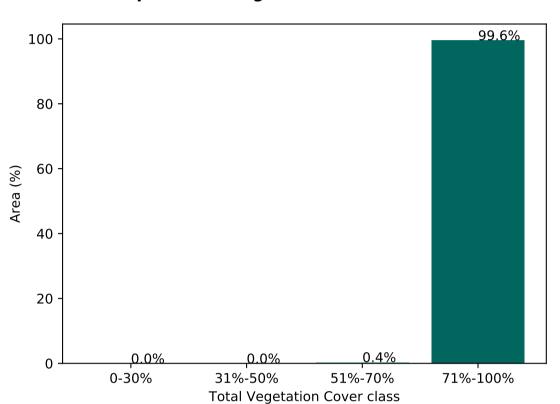
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### Land use and forest cover

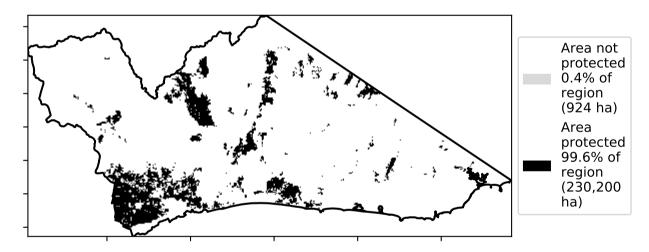


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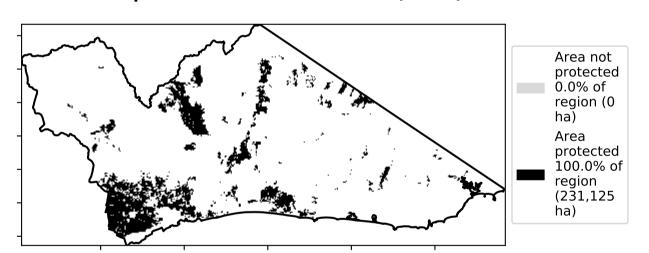
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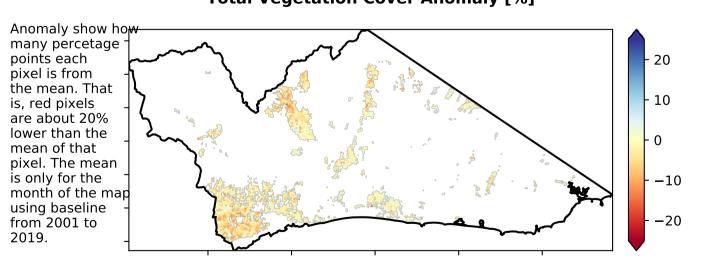
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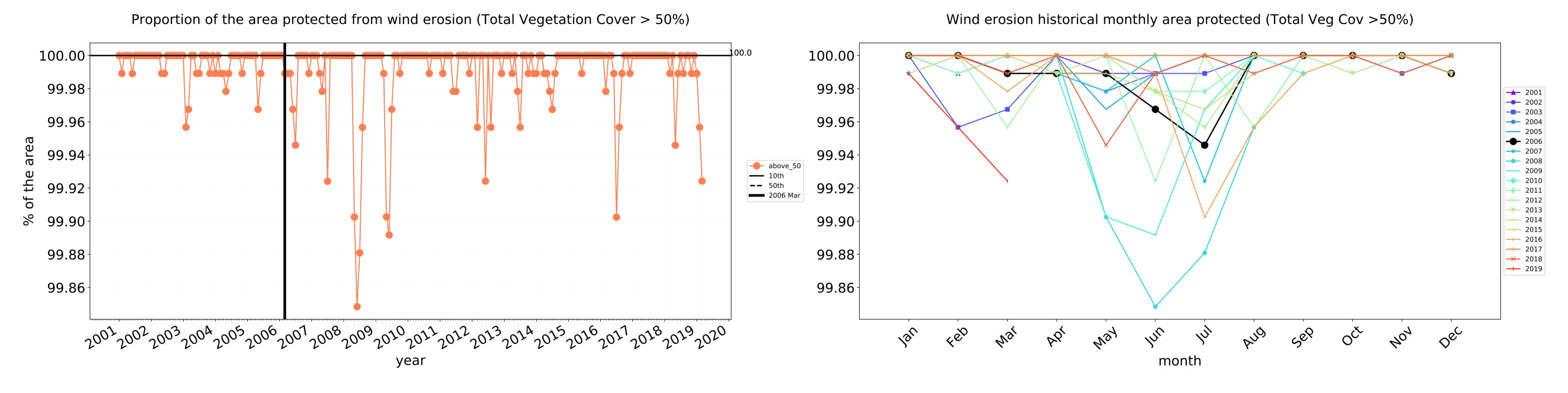


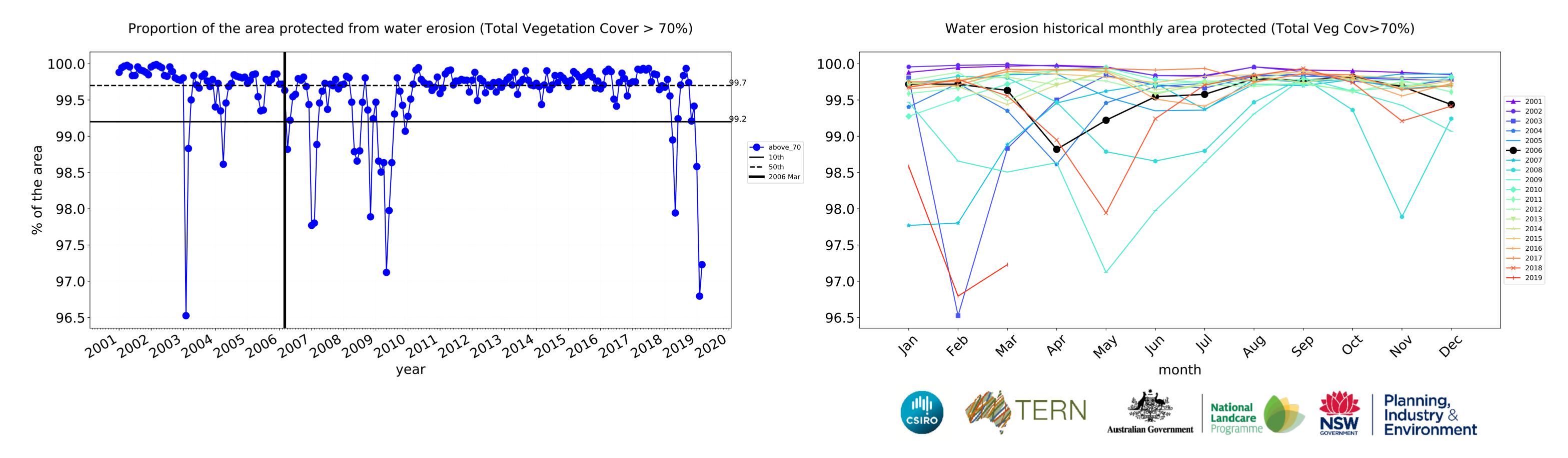


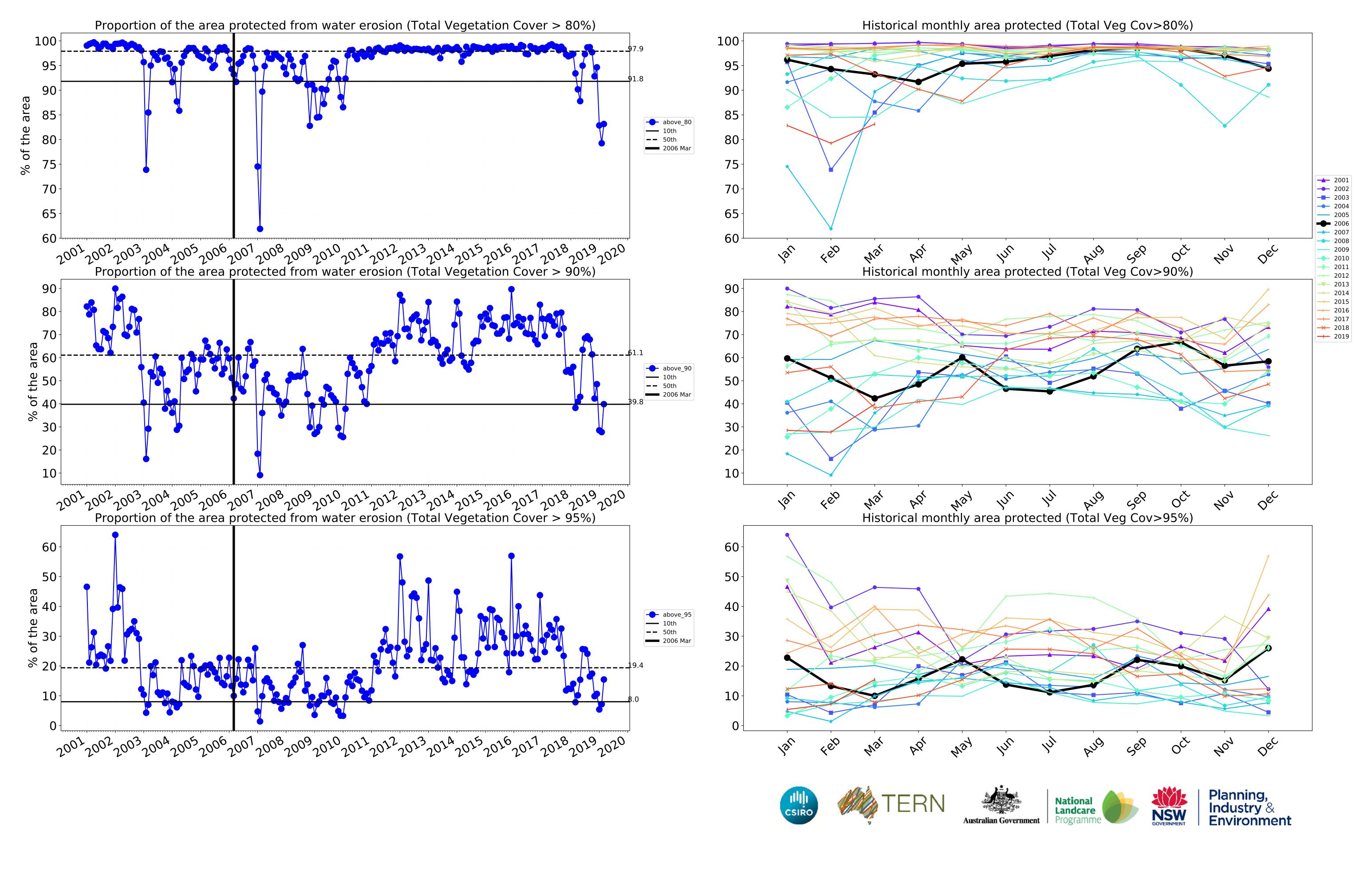




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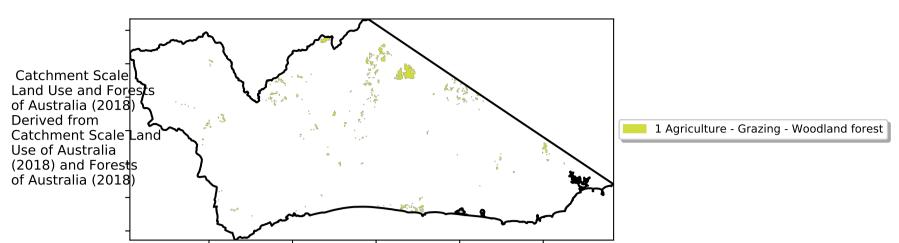






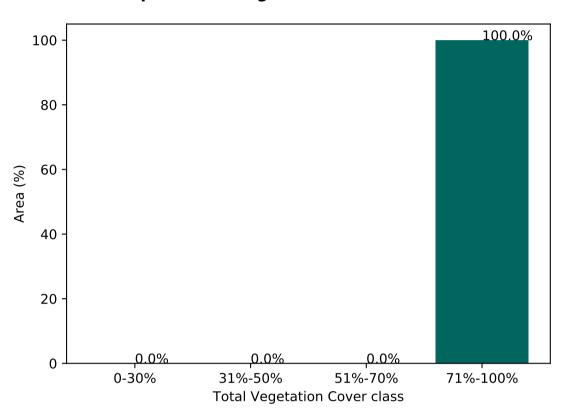
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### Land use and forest cover

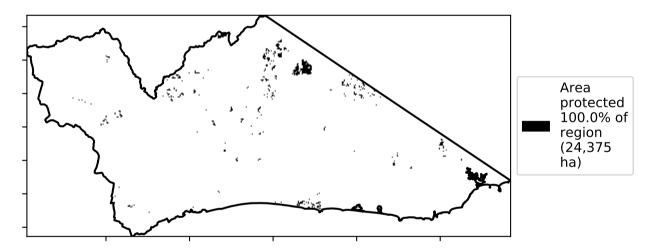


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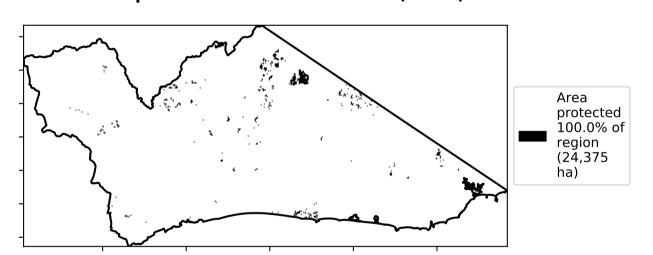
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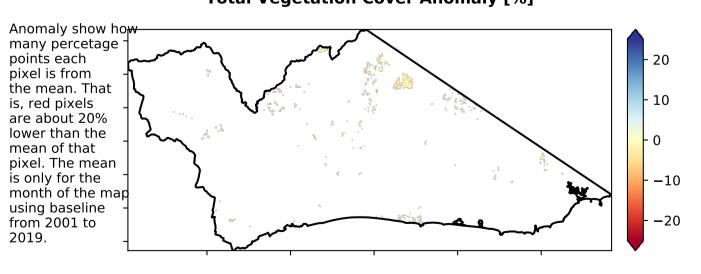
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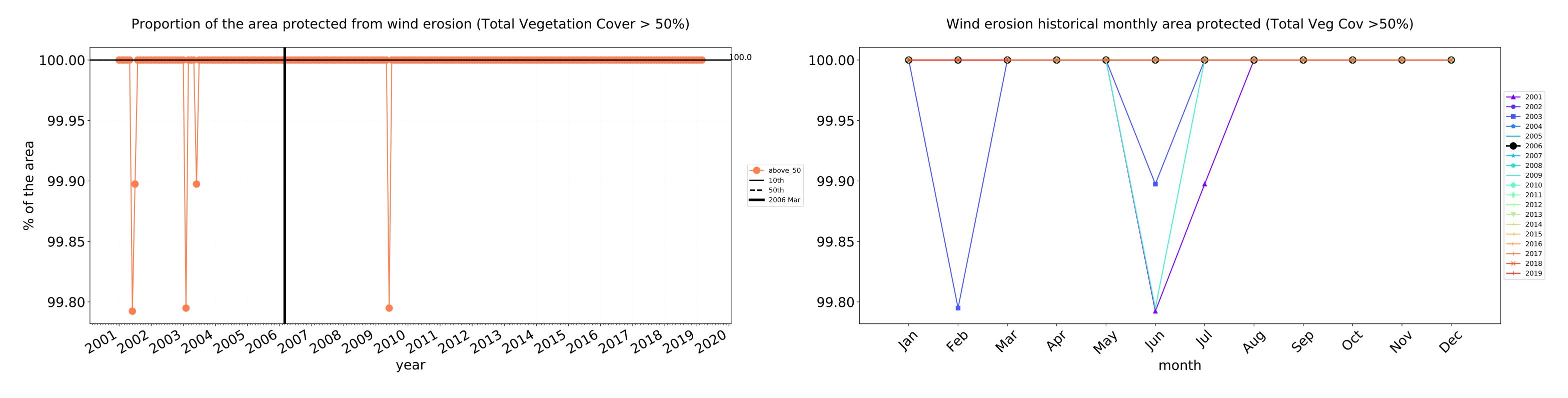


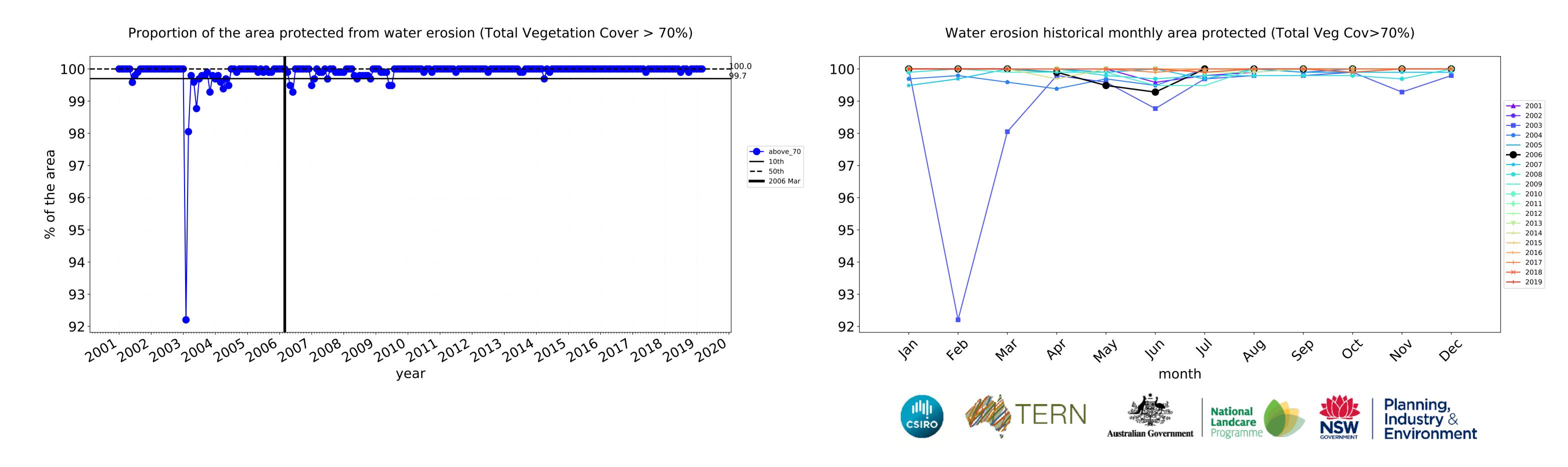


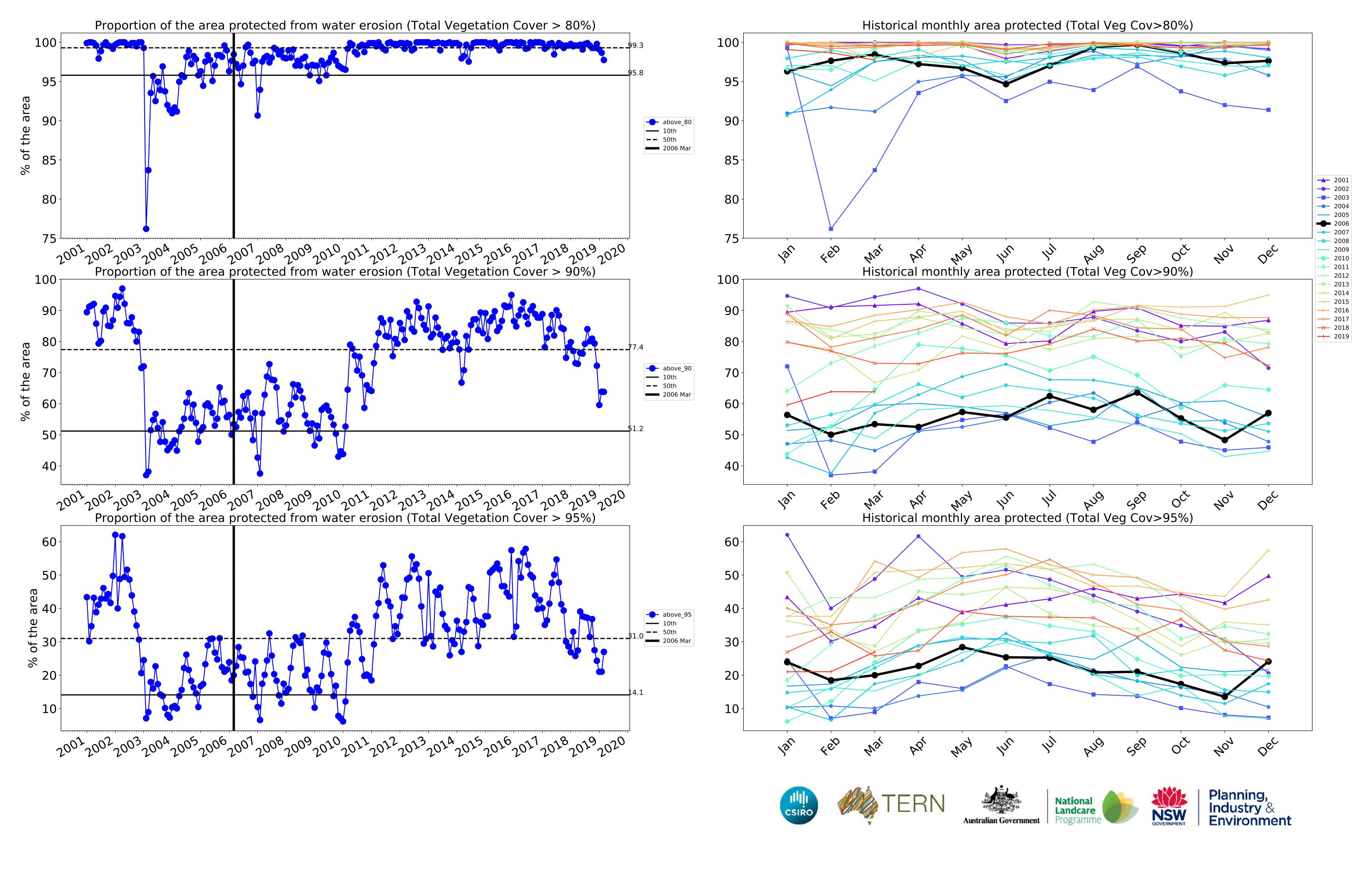




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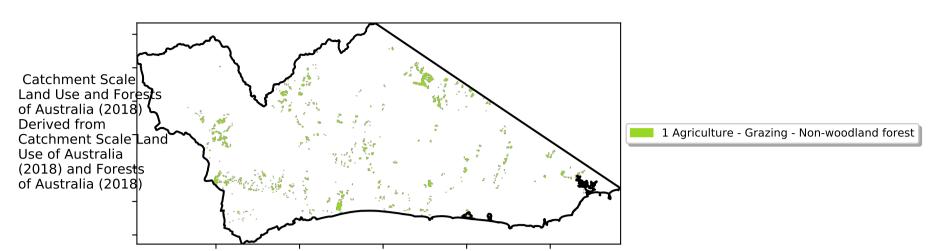






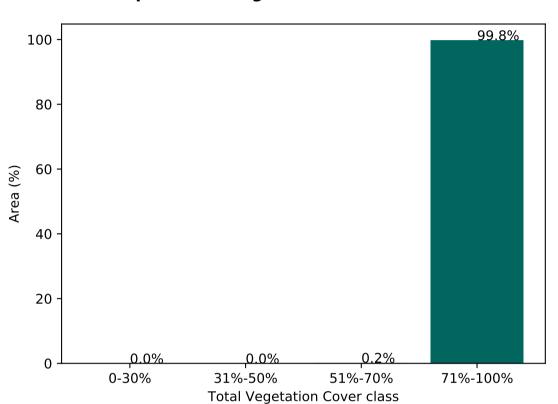
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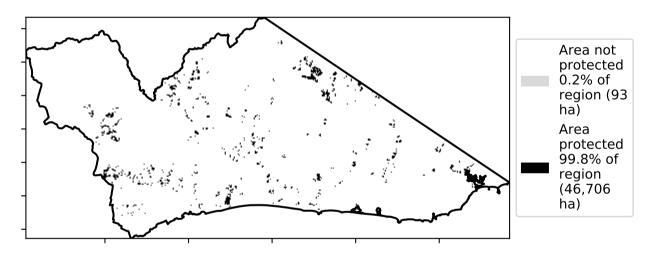


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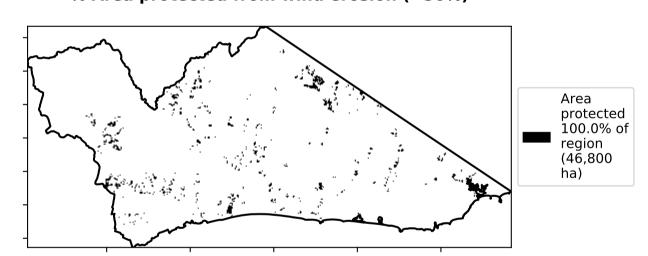
### **Proportion of vegetation cover class in area**



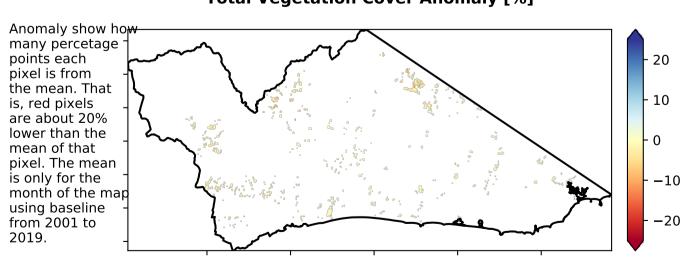
### % Area protected from water erosion (>70%)



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



### Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]



Deciles show where the pixel value lies in the record, from highest to lowest, for that month. That is, red pixels are in the lowest 10% of records for that month of the map using baseline from 2001 to 2019.



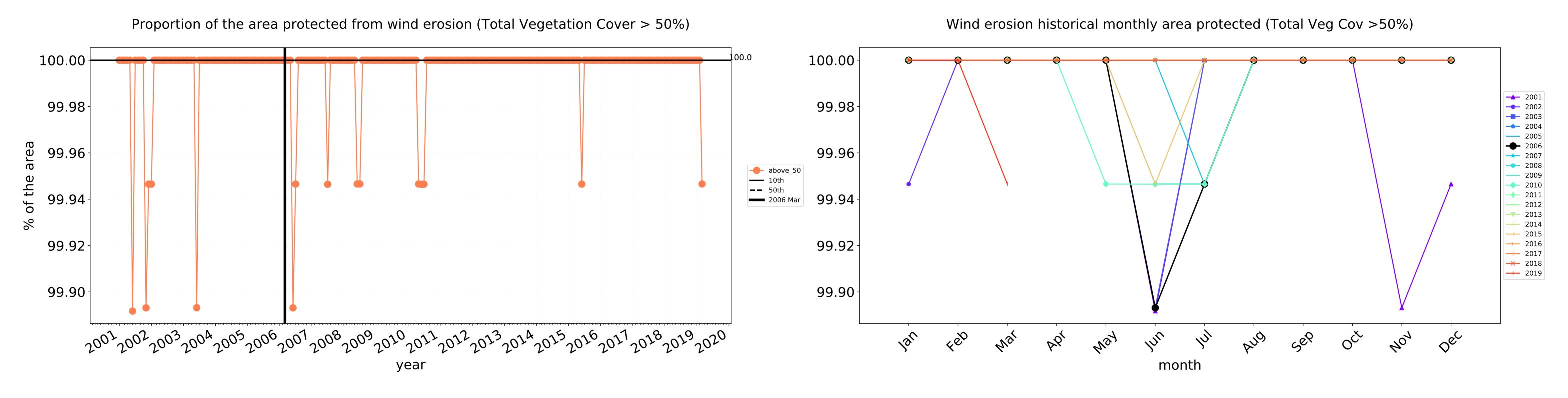


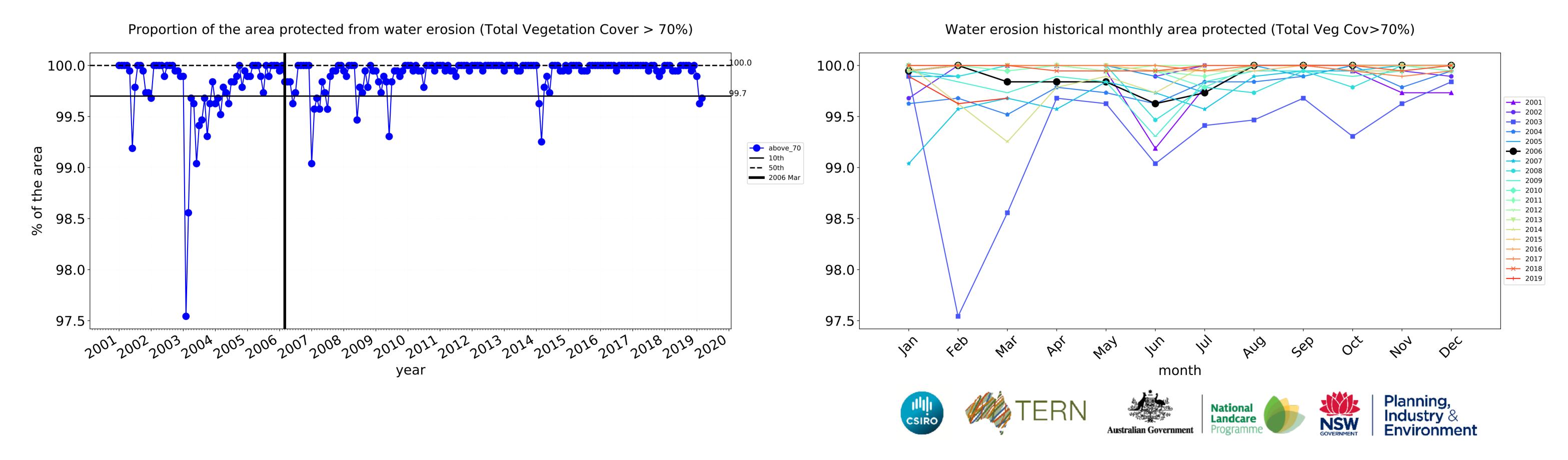


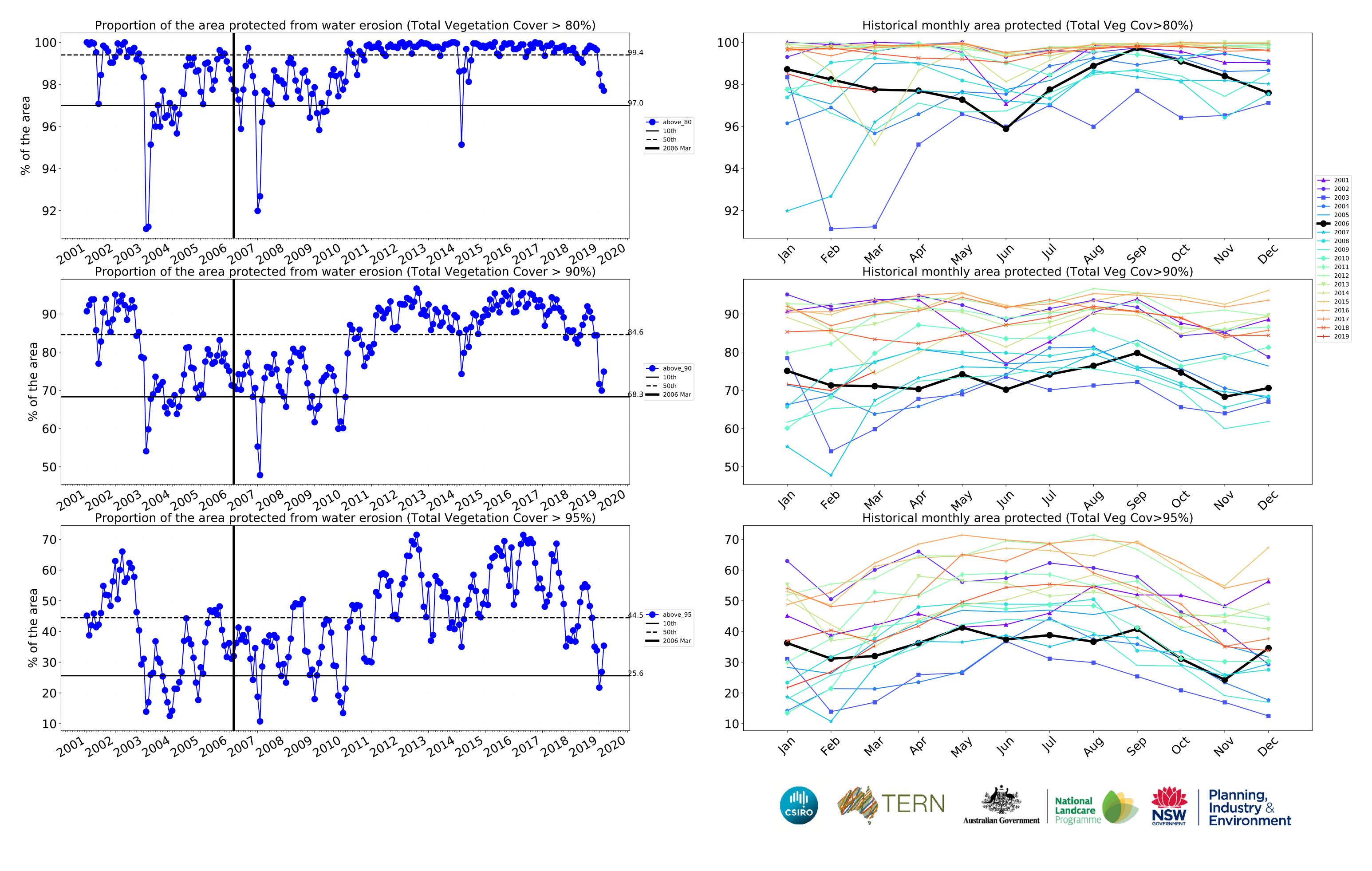






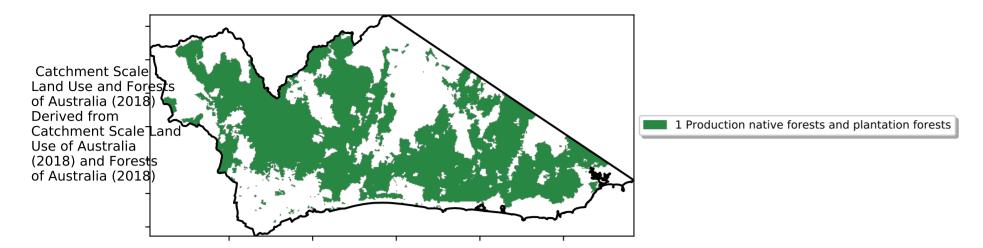






### **Production native forests and plantation forests**

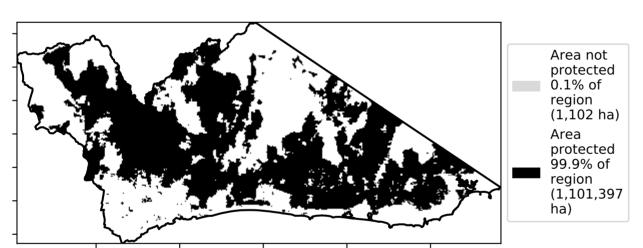
### Land use and forest cover



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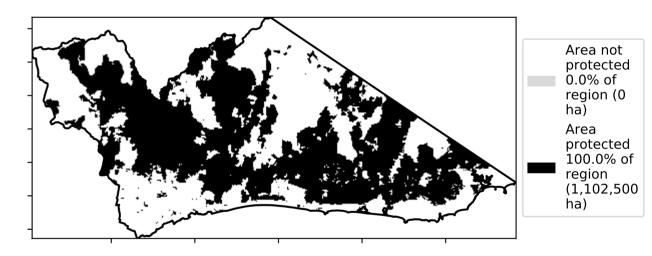
# Proportion of vegetation cover class in area 99.9% 80 - 99.9% 40 - 20 - 0.0% 0.0% 0.1% 0-30% 31%-50% 51%-70% 71%-100%

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

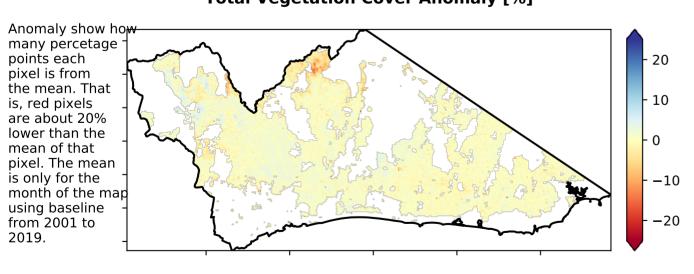


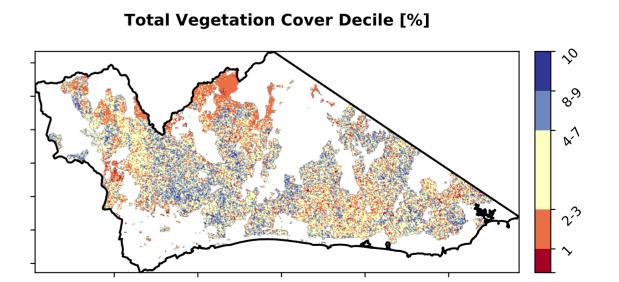
### % Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

**Total Vegetation Cover class** 



### Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]









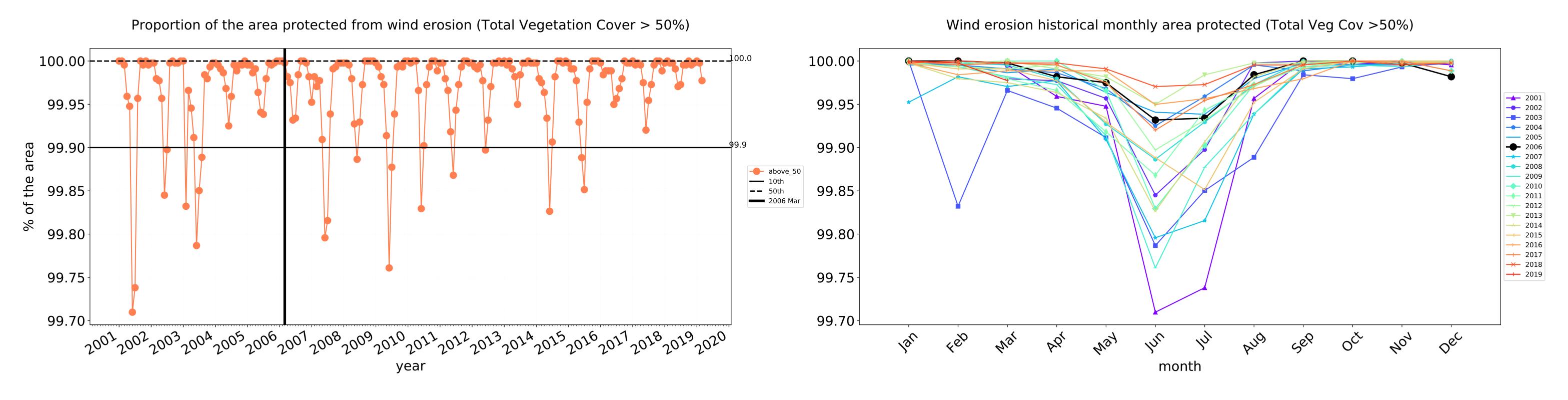


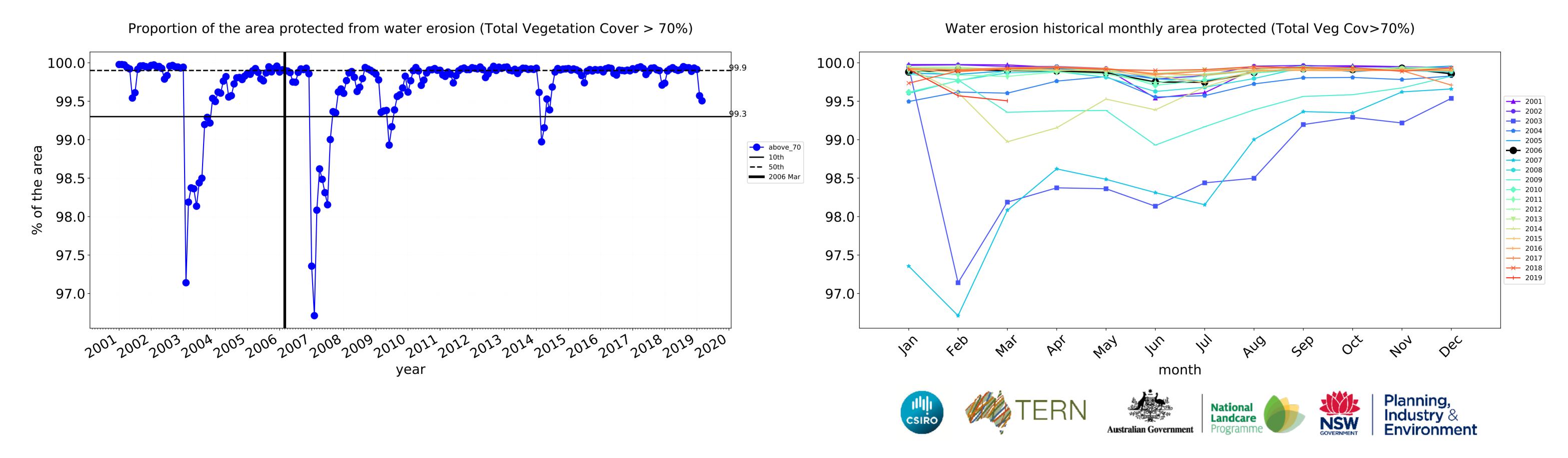


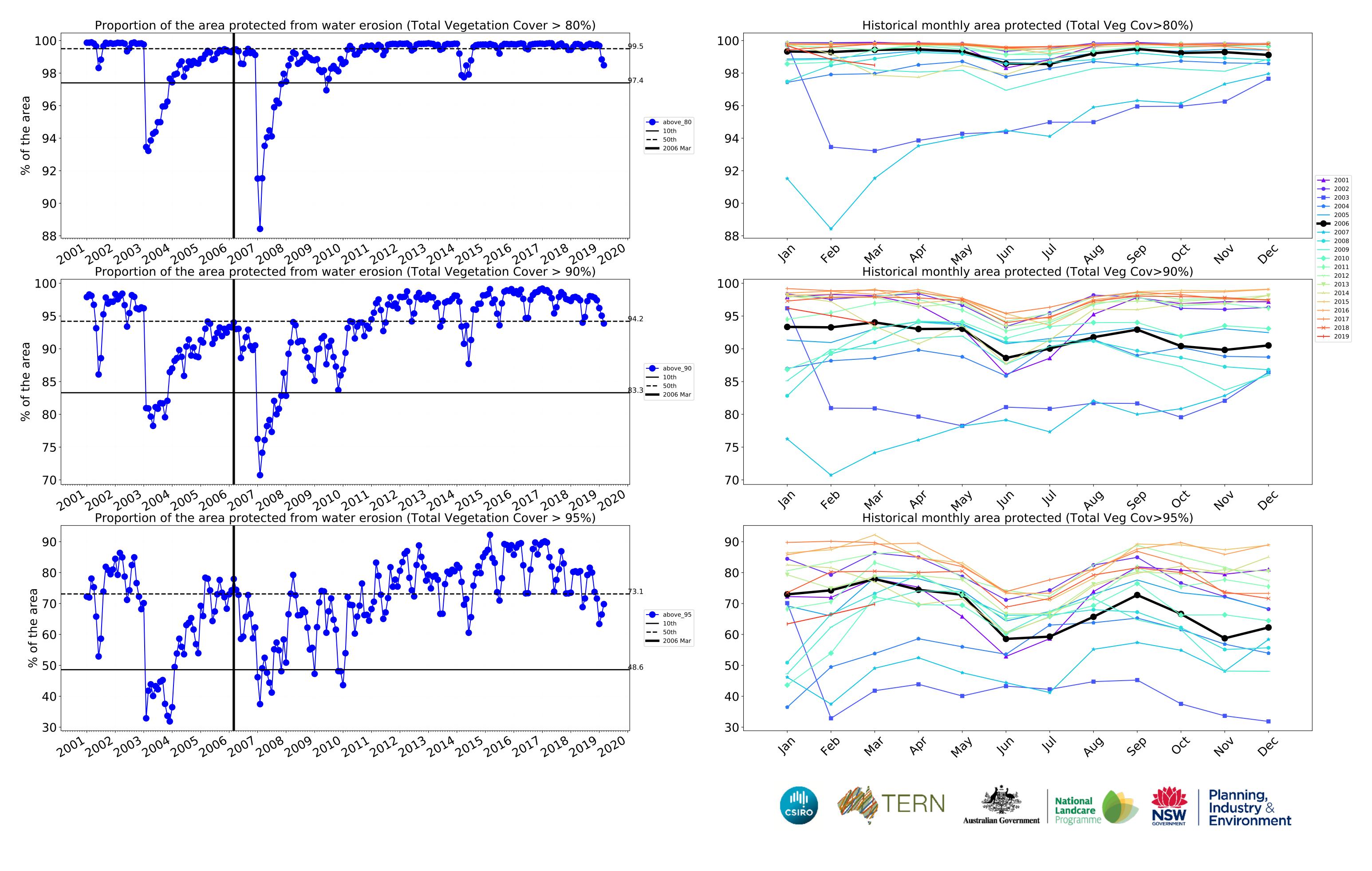




### **Production native forests and plantation forests timeseries**







### East Gippsland (2,066,275 ha and no data 33,438 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	2,066,275	100.0% 2,065,999	100.0% 2,065,374	99.8% 2,061,248	98.2% 2,028,186	82.7% 1,708,324	61.7% 1,274,922
Conservation and natural environments	626,875	100.0% 626,650	99.9% 626,175	99.7% 624,900	98.2% 615,625	82.0% 514,025	58.8% 368,425
Conservation and natural environments non forest	12,625	98.4% 12,425	95.0% 12,000	89.1% 11,250	79.4% 10,025	51.3% 6,475	25.3% 3,200
Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest	145,825	100.0% 145,800	99.9% 145,750	99.6% 145,300	96.8% 141,175	66.0% 96,225	40.6% 59,250
Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)	468,425	100.0% 468,425	100.0% 468,425	100.0% 468,350	99.1% 464,425	87.8% 411,325	65.3% 305,975
Agriculture	306,275	100.0% 306,275	100.0% 306,250	99.6% 305,050	94.0% 287,900	47.3% 144,775	14.1% 43,050
Grazing	302,300	100.0% 302,300	100.0% 302,275	99.7% 301,375	94.3% 285,175	47.7% 144,175	14.2% 42,900
Grazing non forest	231,125	100.0% 231,125	100.0% 231,100	99.6% 230,275	93.2% 215,425	42.3% 97,875	10.0% 23,050
Grazing Woodland forest	24,375	100.0% 24,375	100.0% 24,375	100.0% 24,375	98.5% 24,000	53.4% 13,025	20.0% 4,875
Grazing - Forest (non woodland)	46,800	100.0% 46,800	100.0% 46,800	99.8% 46,725	97.8% 45,750	71.1% 33,275	32.0% 14,975
Production native forests and plantation forests	1,102,500	100.0% 1,102,475	100.0% 1,102,475	99.9% 1,101,400	99.4% 1,096,200	94.0% 1,036,675	77.9% 859,300











