Total vegetation cover soil protection Region:NRM East Gippsland VIC

Date: April 2014

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 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.

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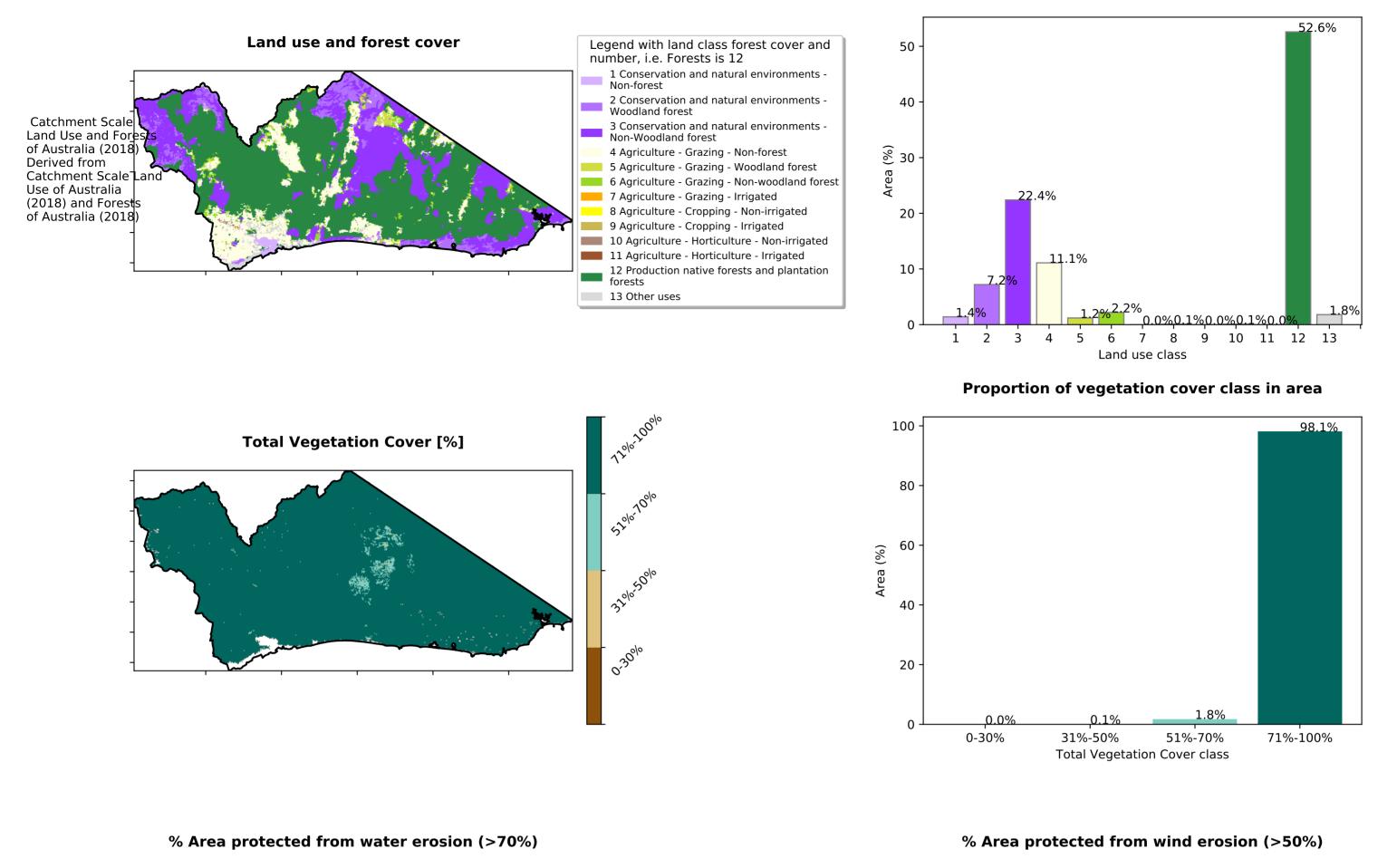
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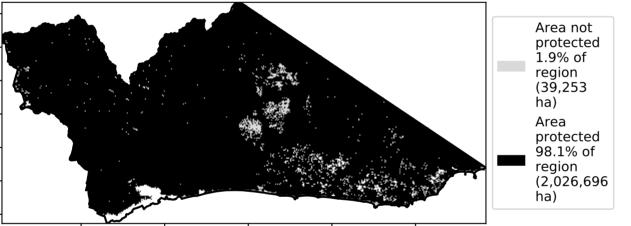
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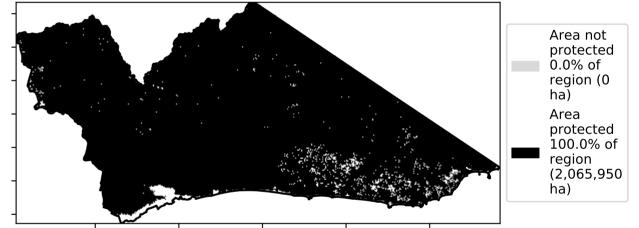


Vegetation Cover Apr 2014

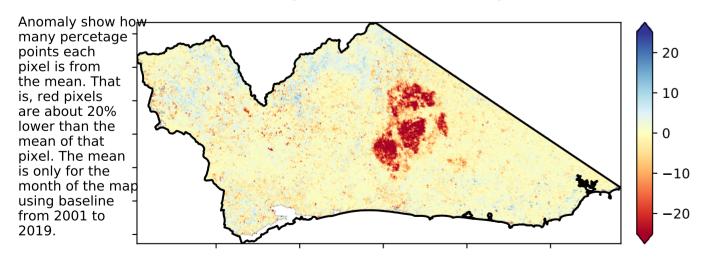
Proportion of each land class in area





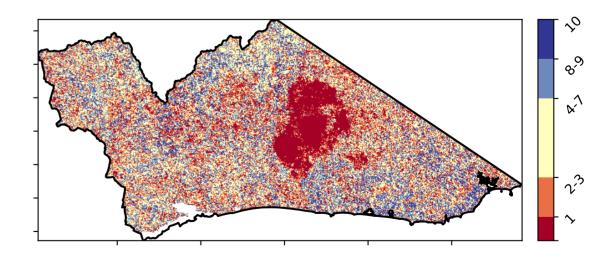


Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

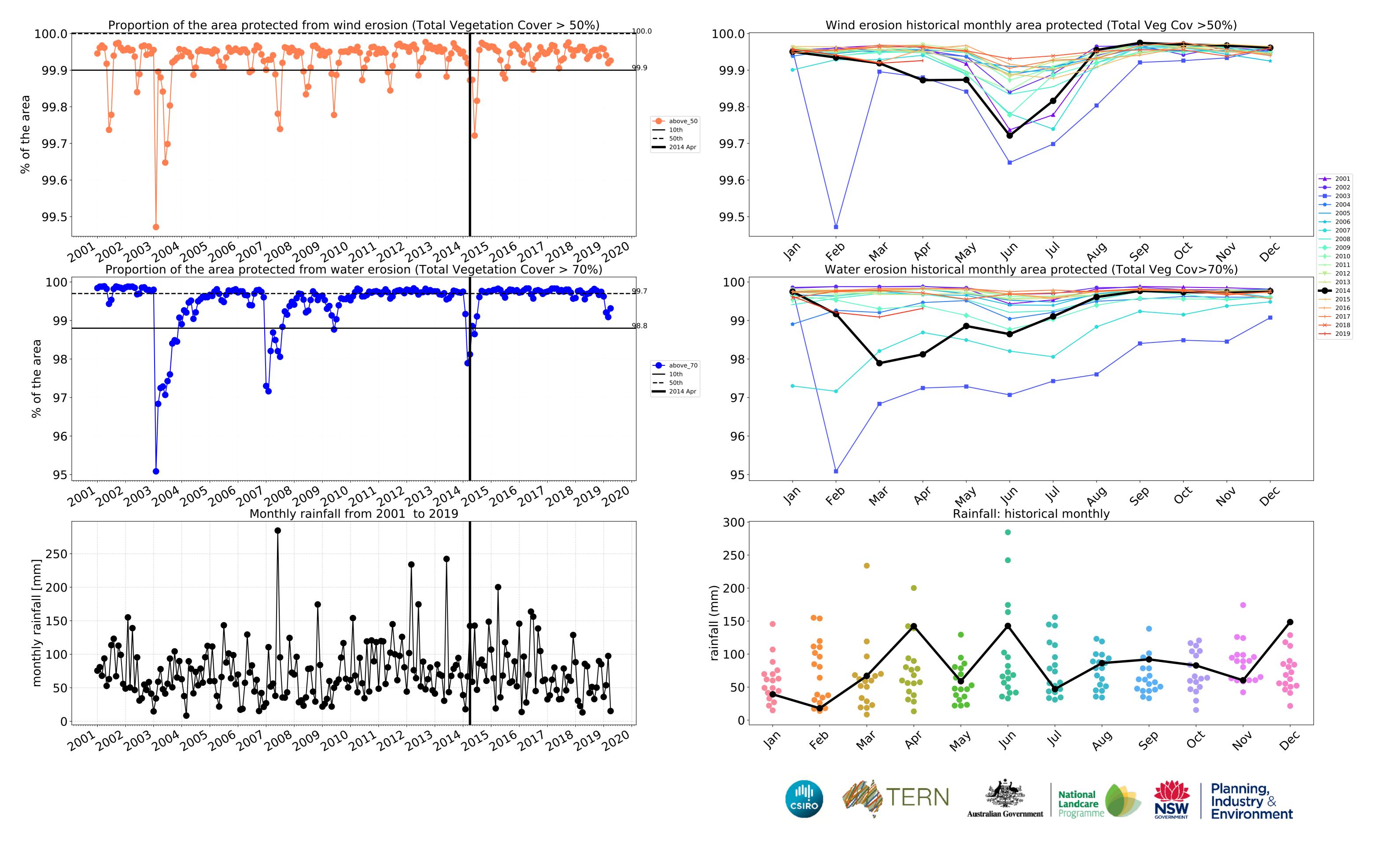


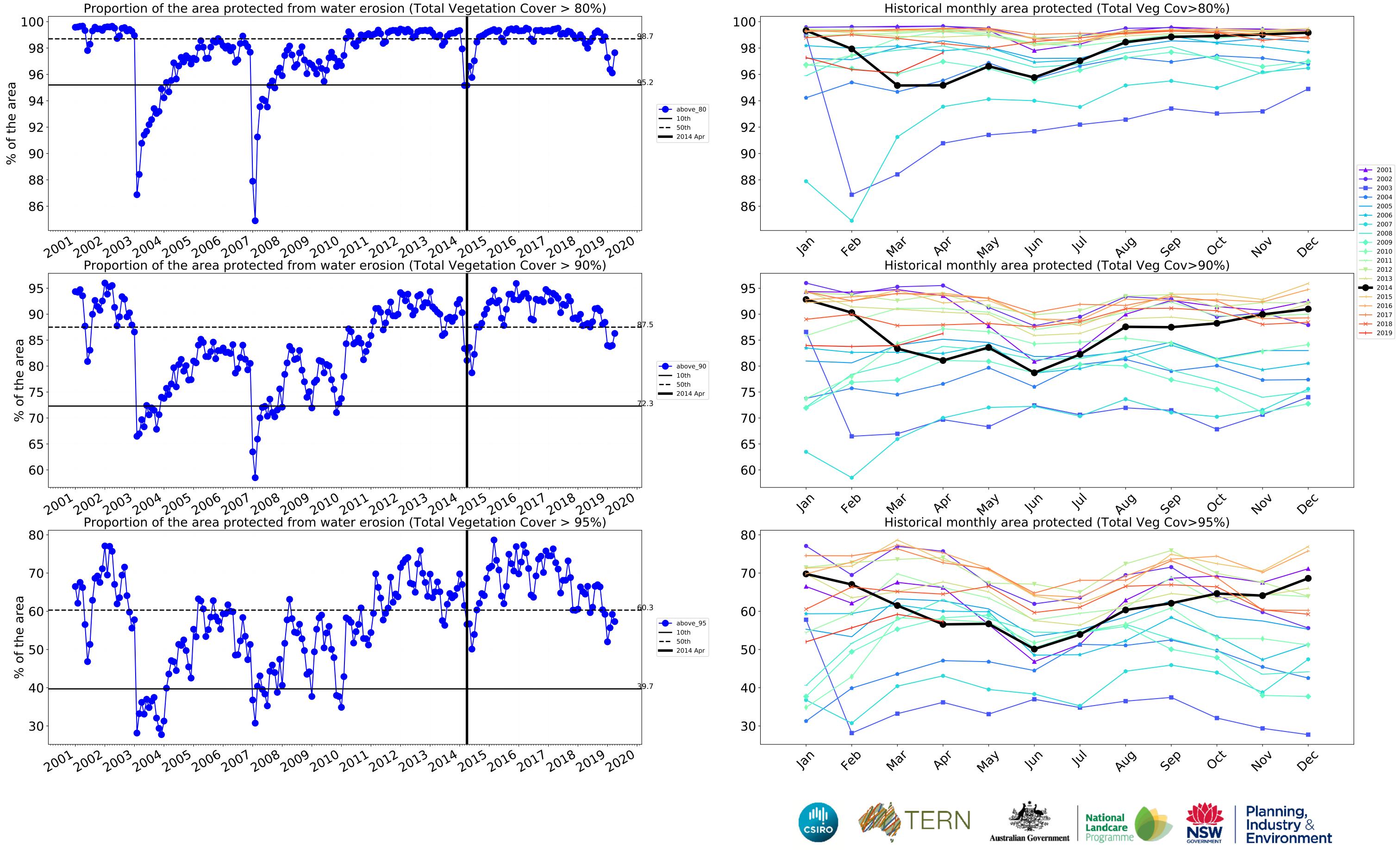
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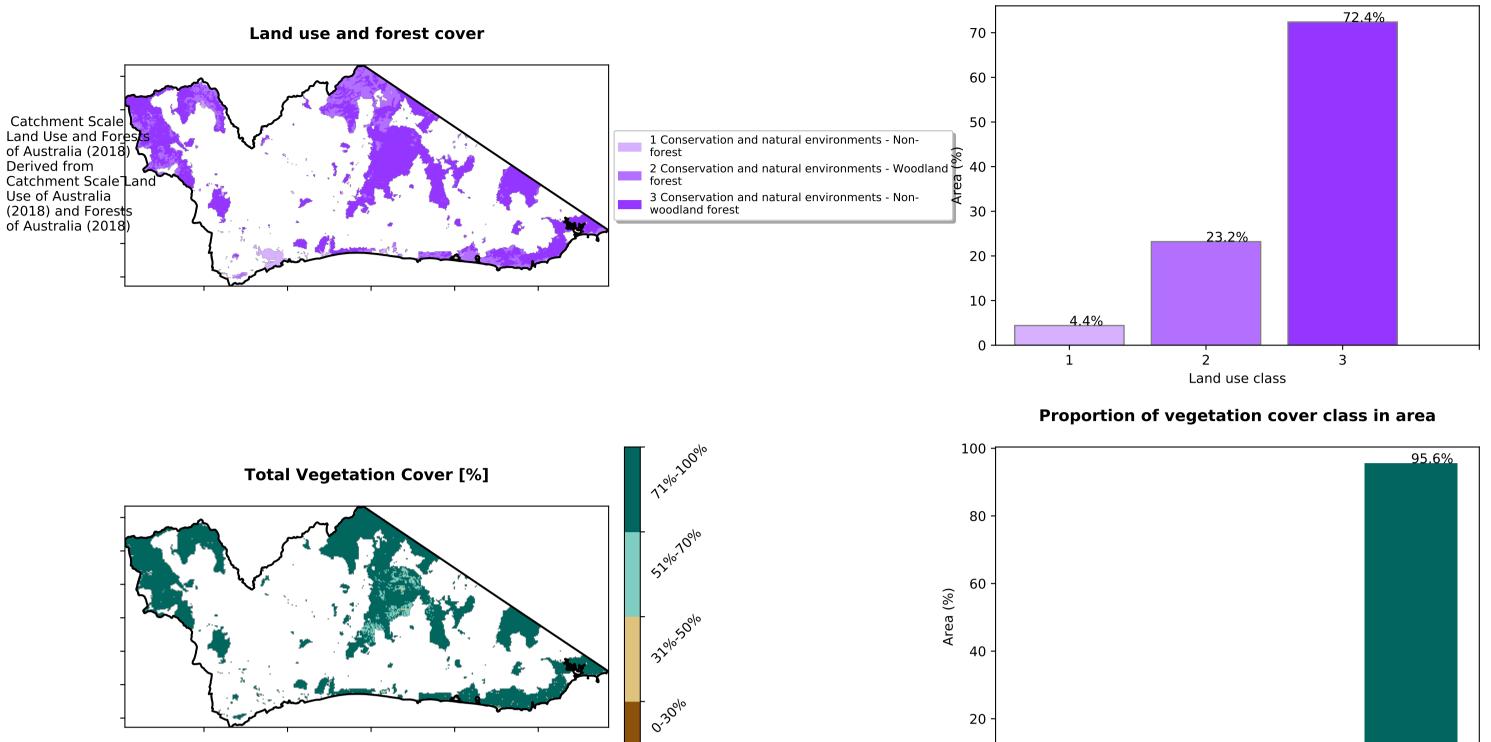






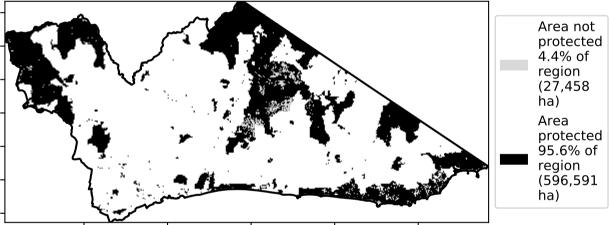


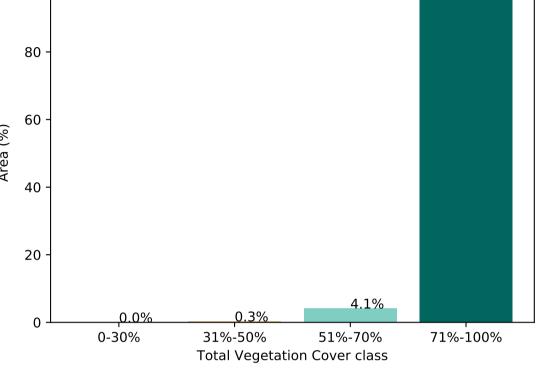
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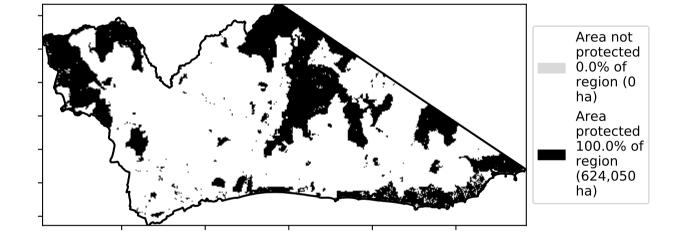
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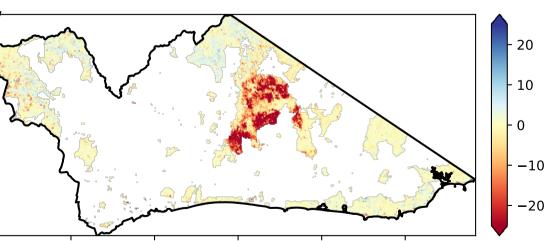


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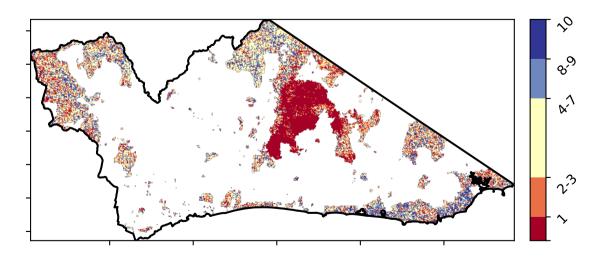
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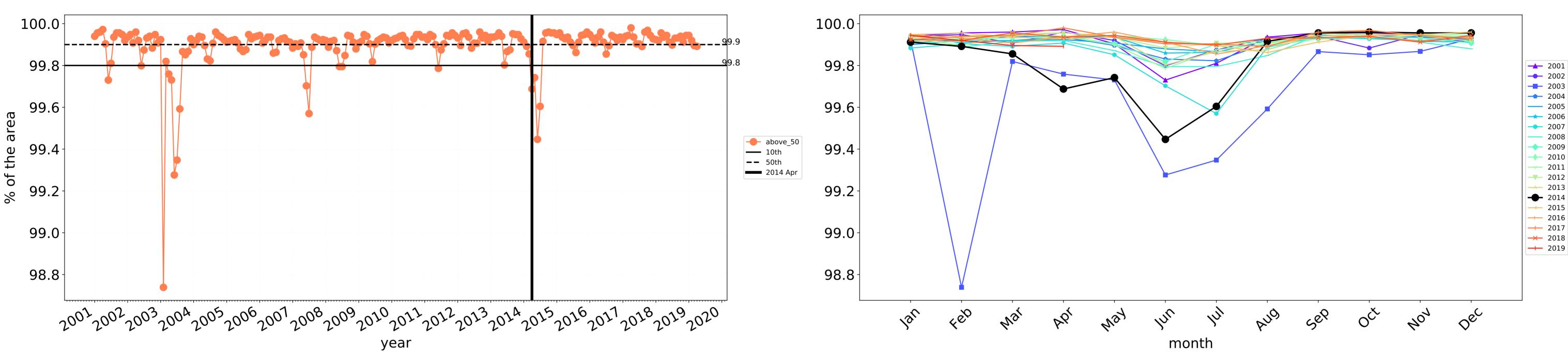


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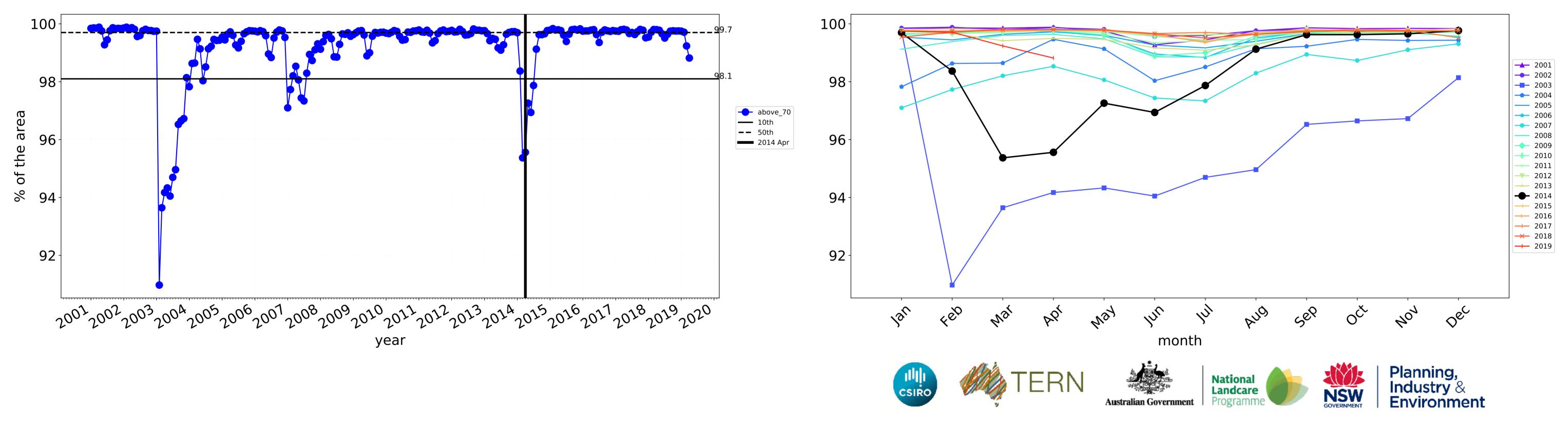
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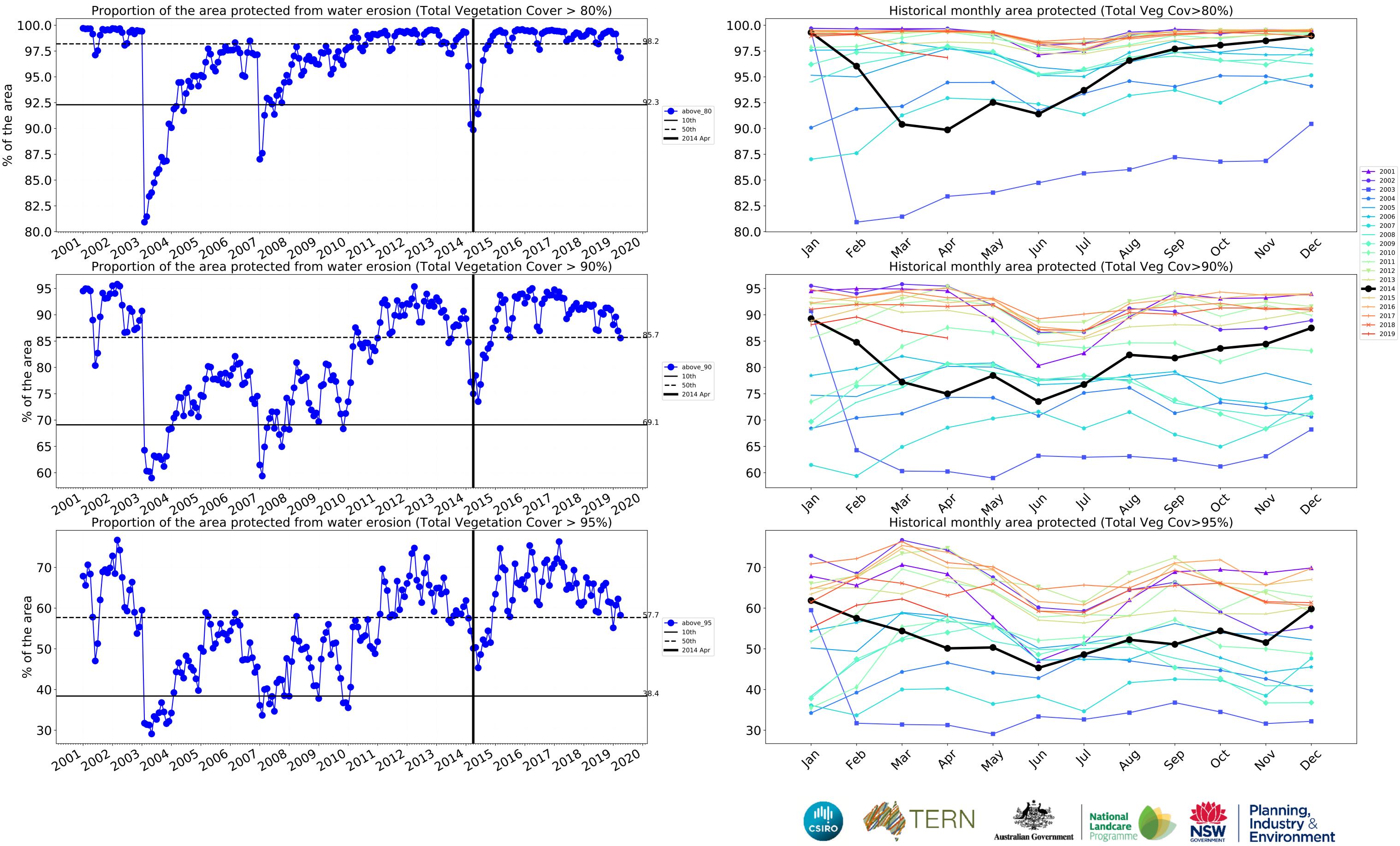


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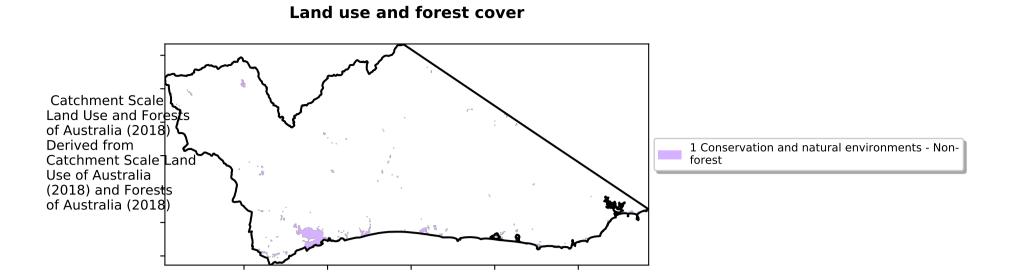


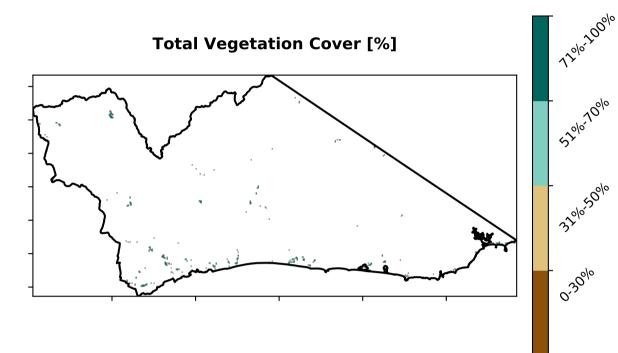


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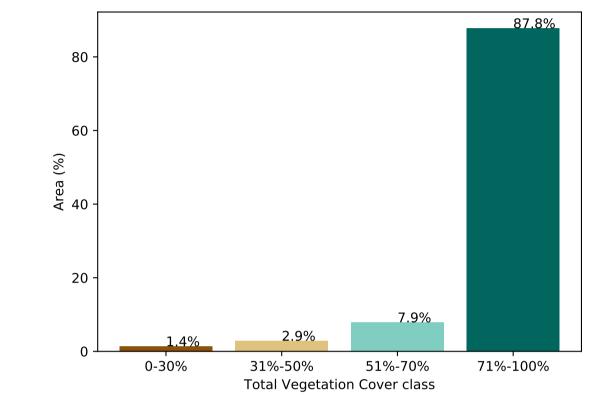


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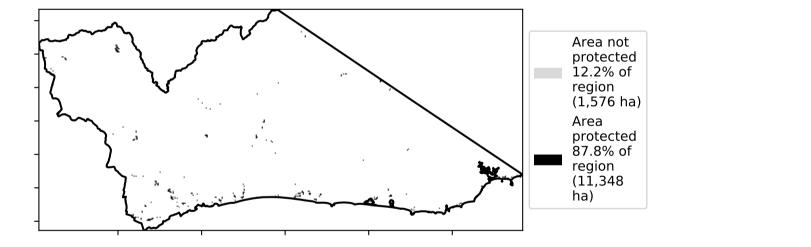


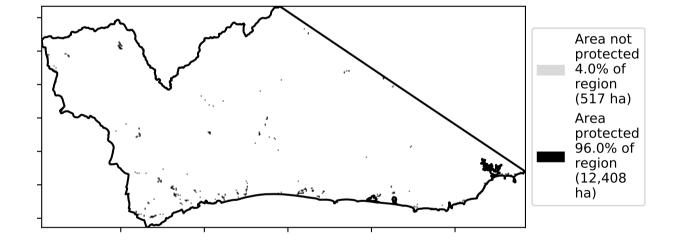


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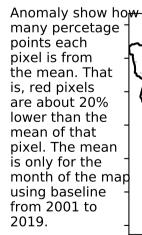


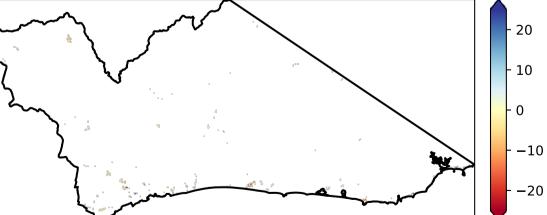
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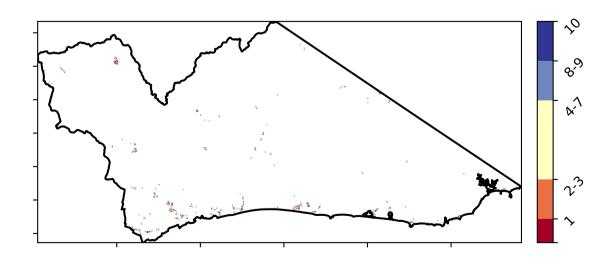
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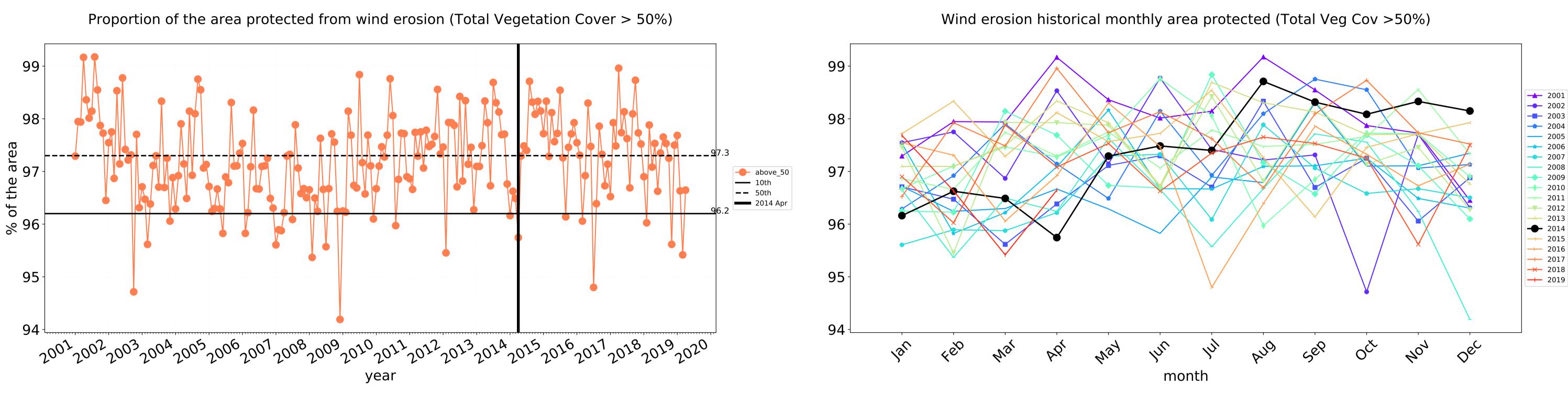


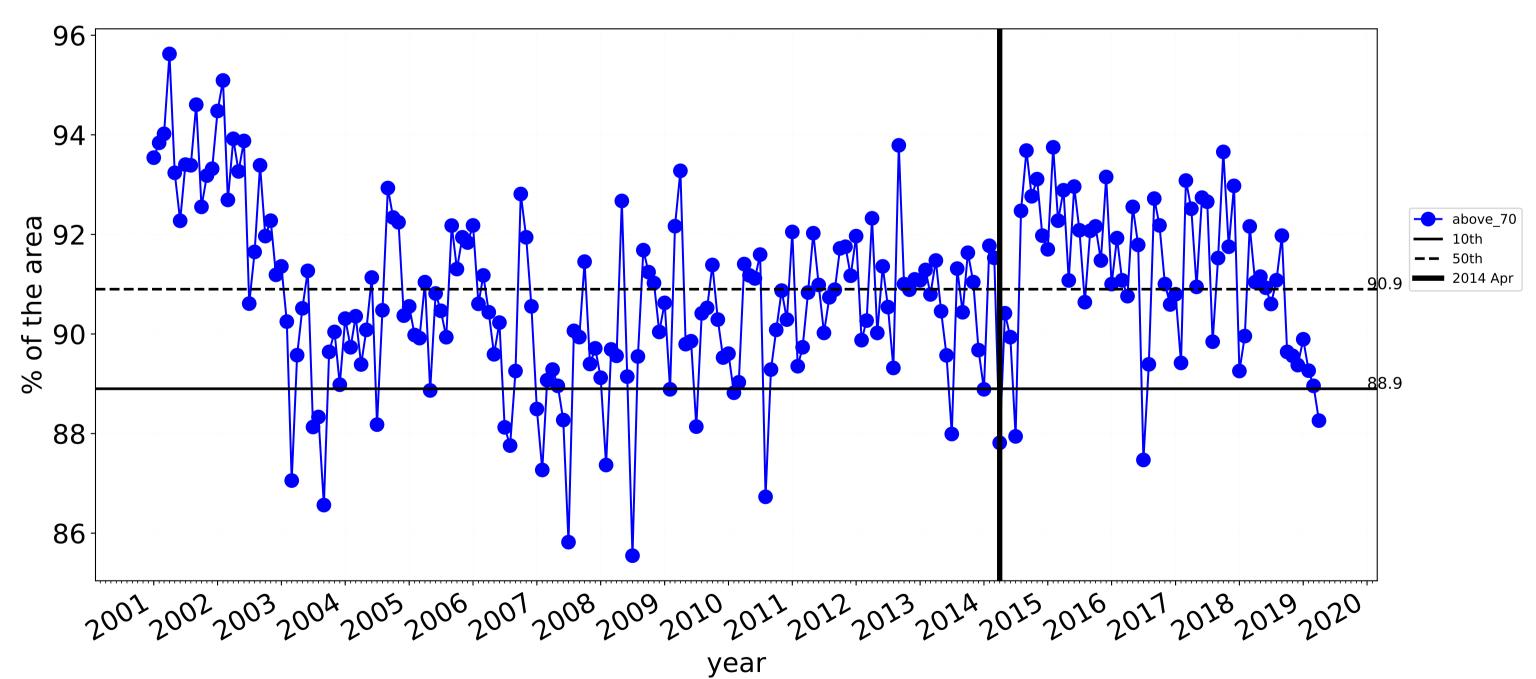
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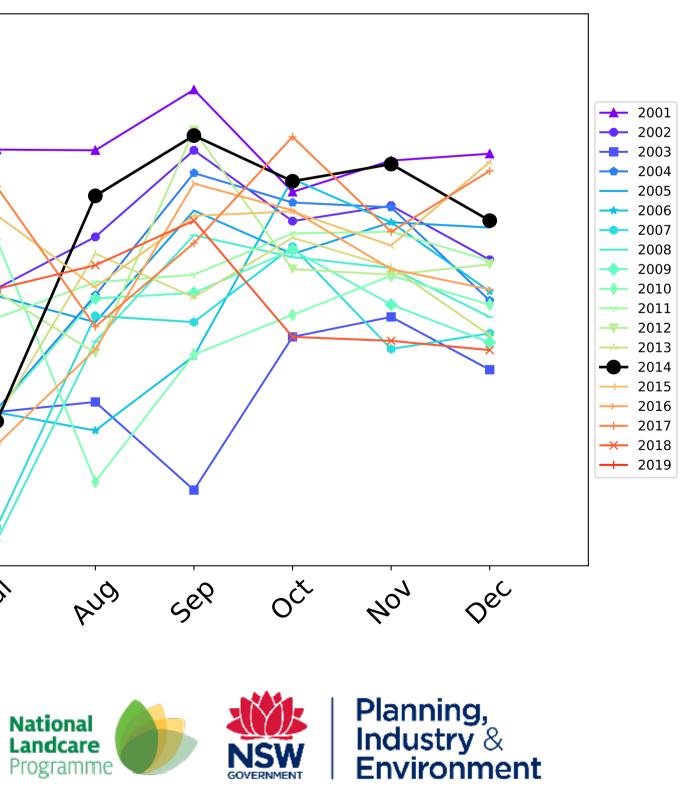


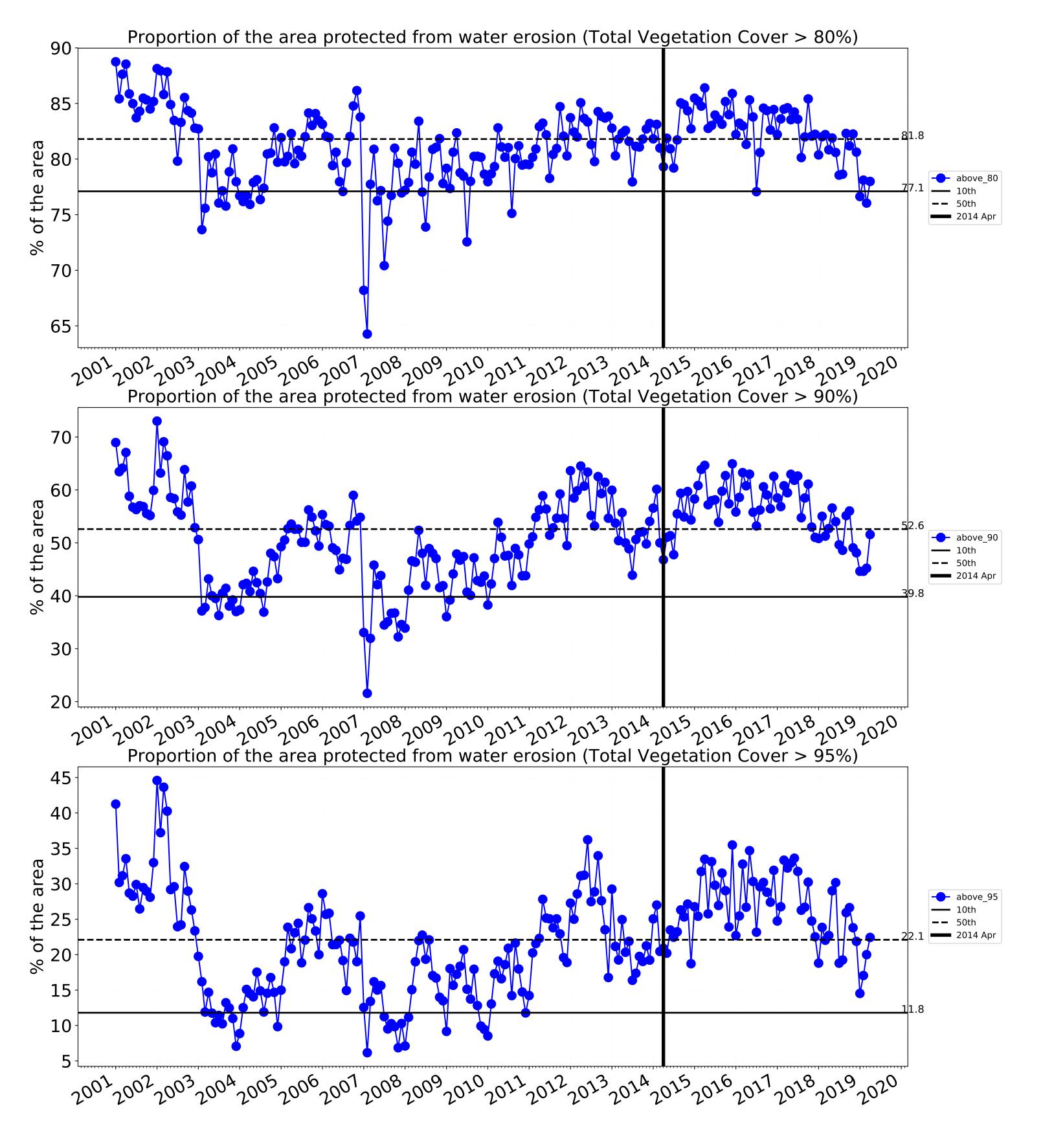


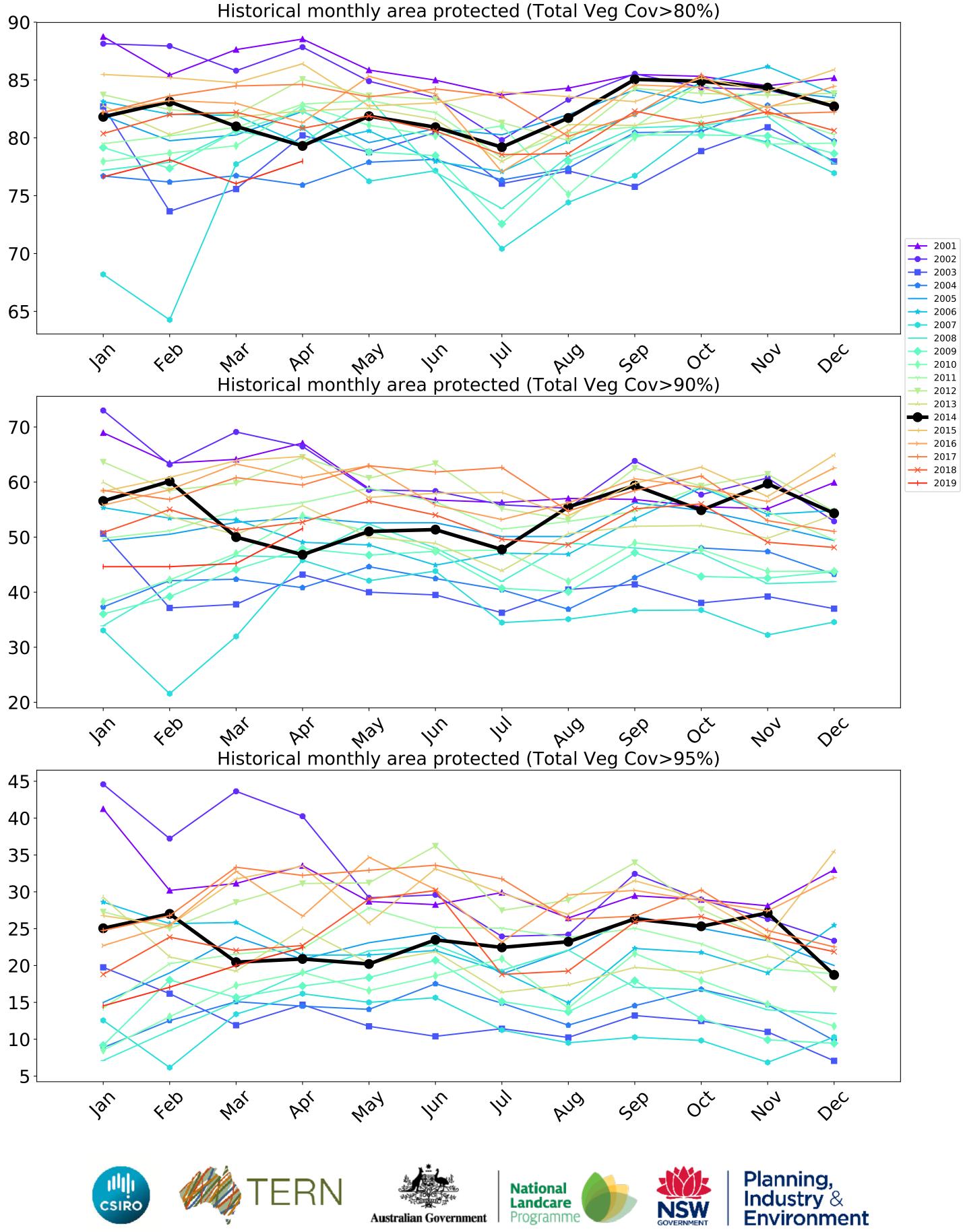


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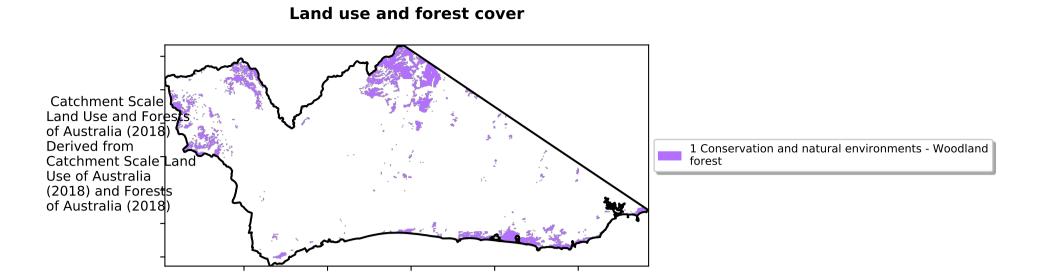
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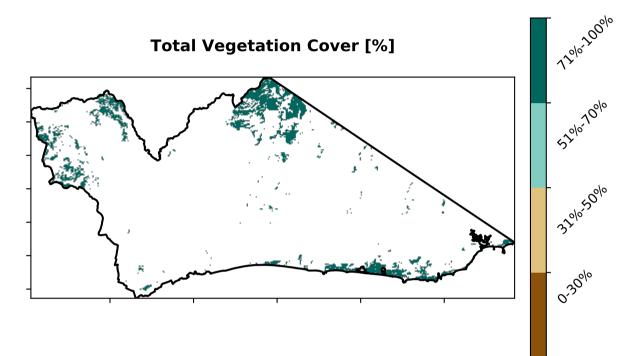




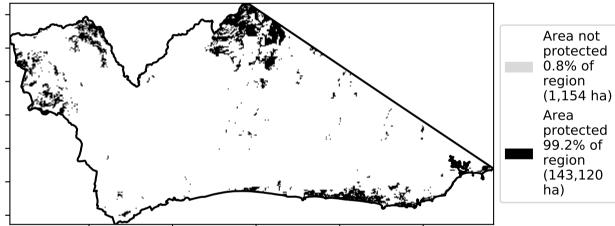


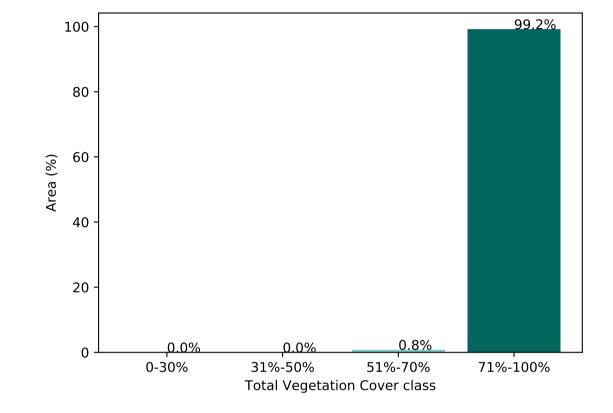
Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest



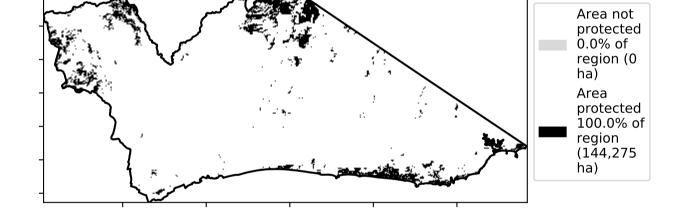


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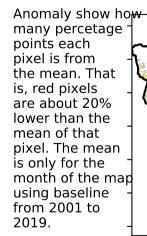


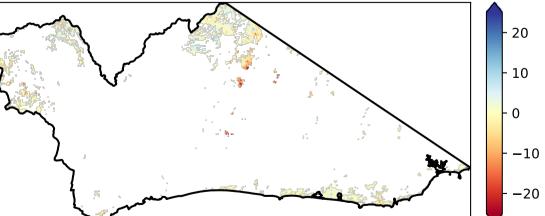


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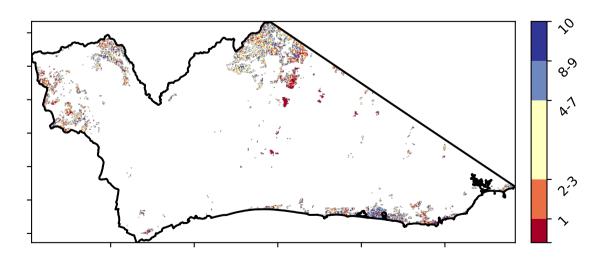
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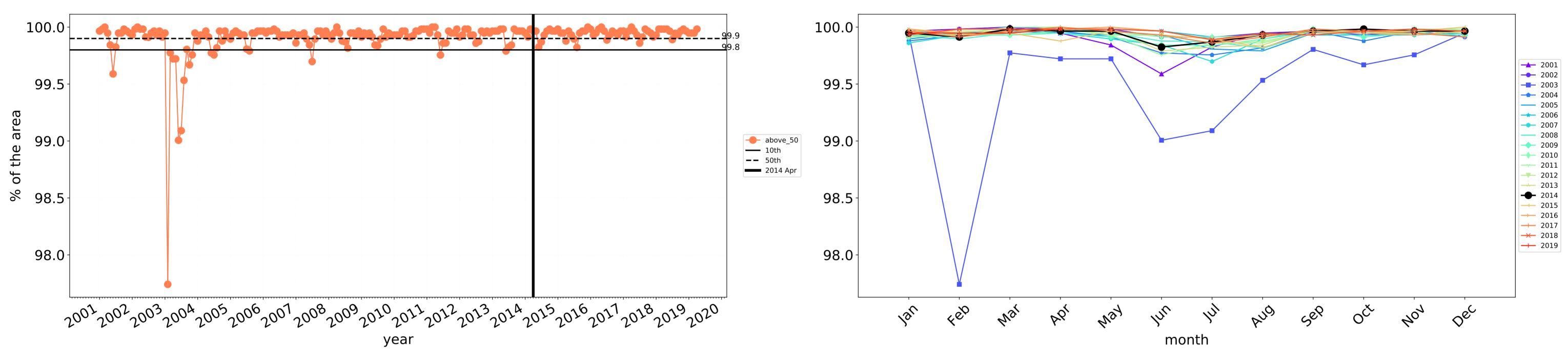


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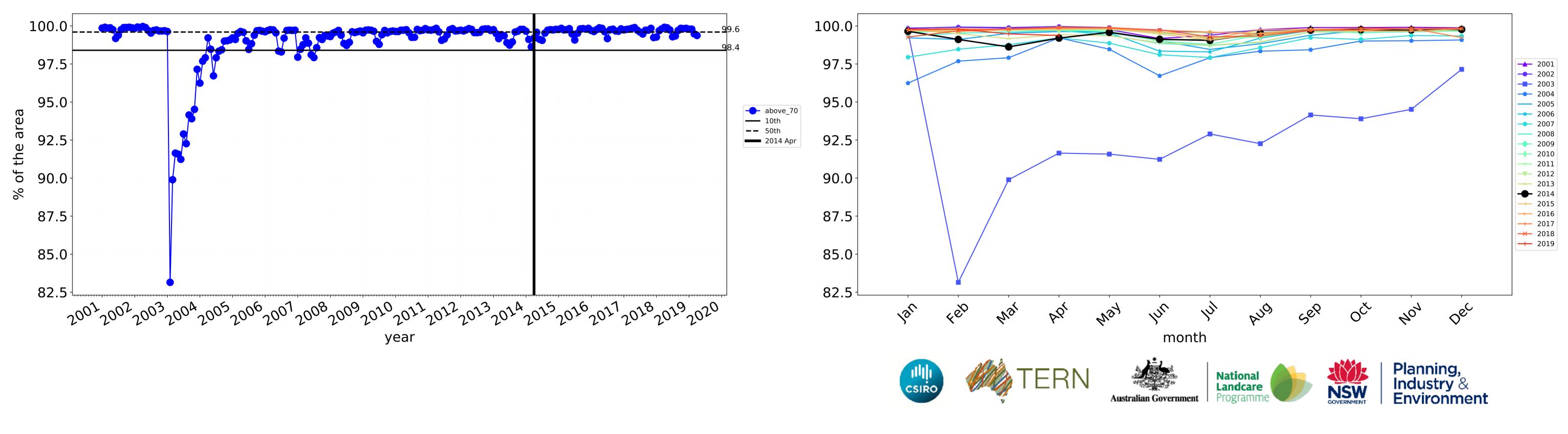
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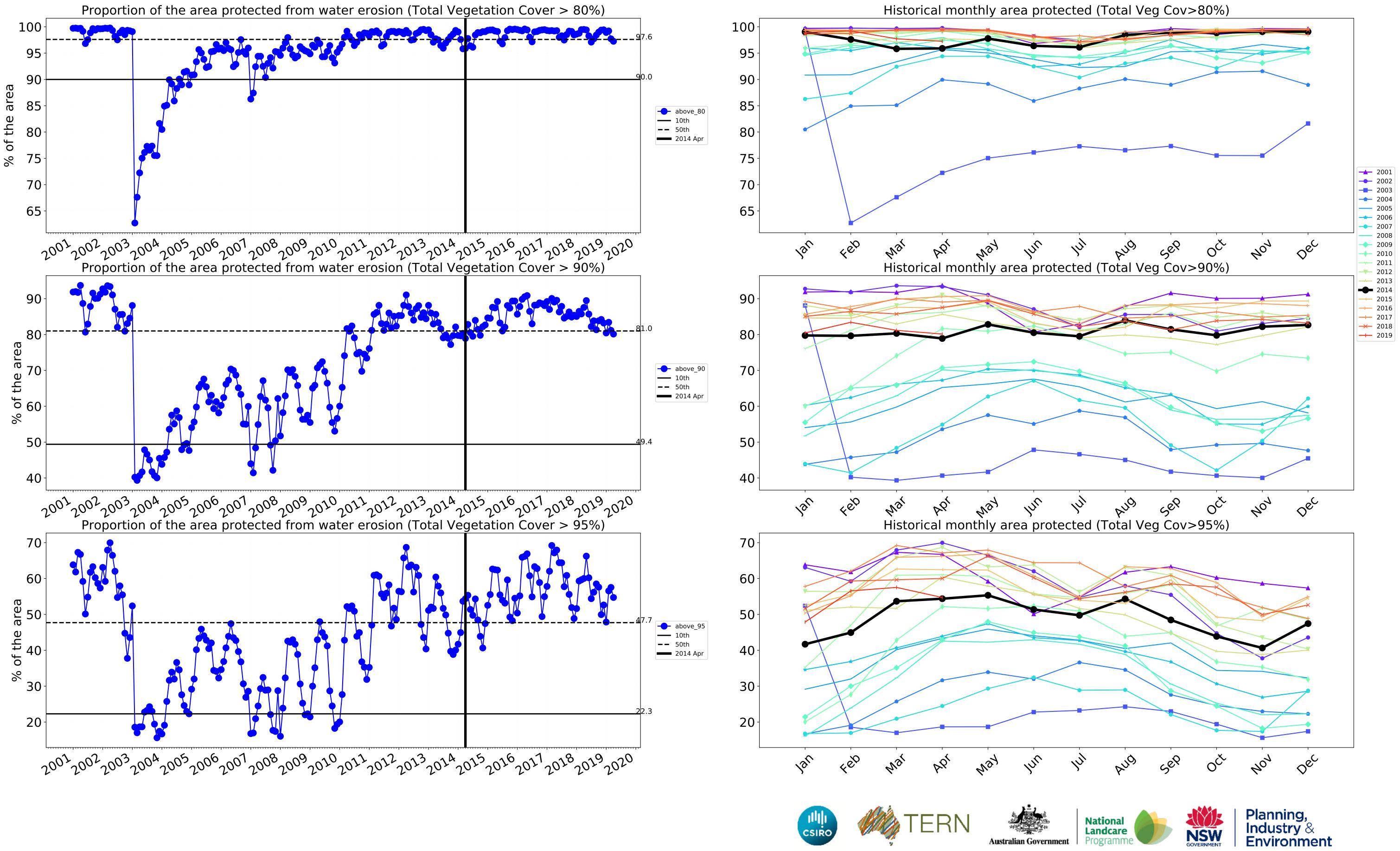


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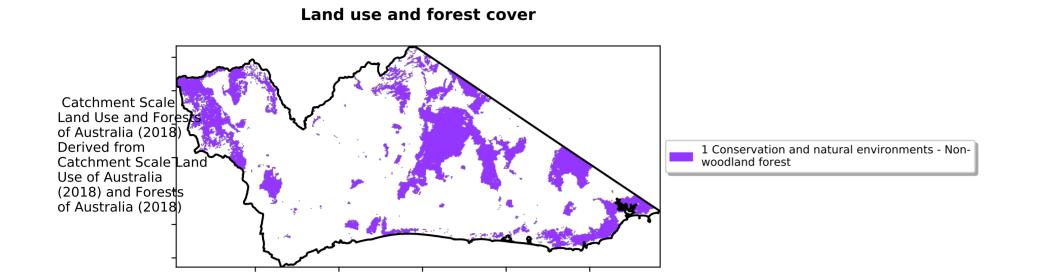




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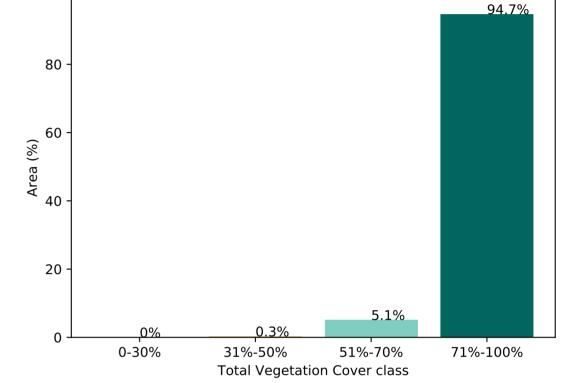
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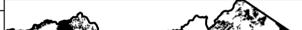
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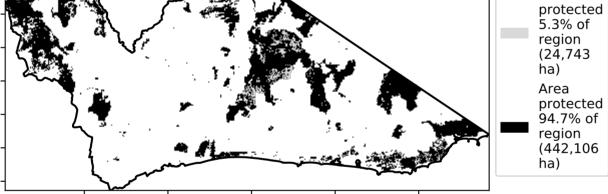




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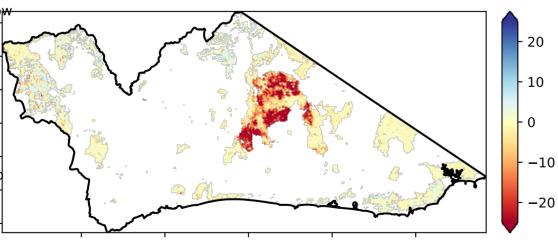
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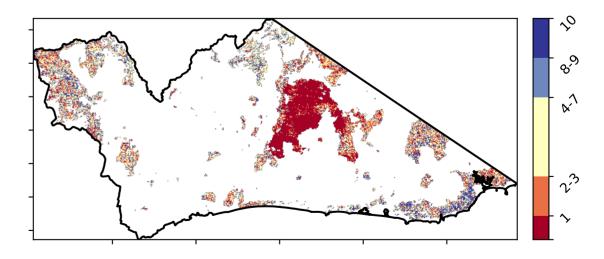
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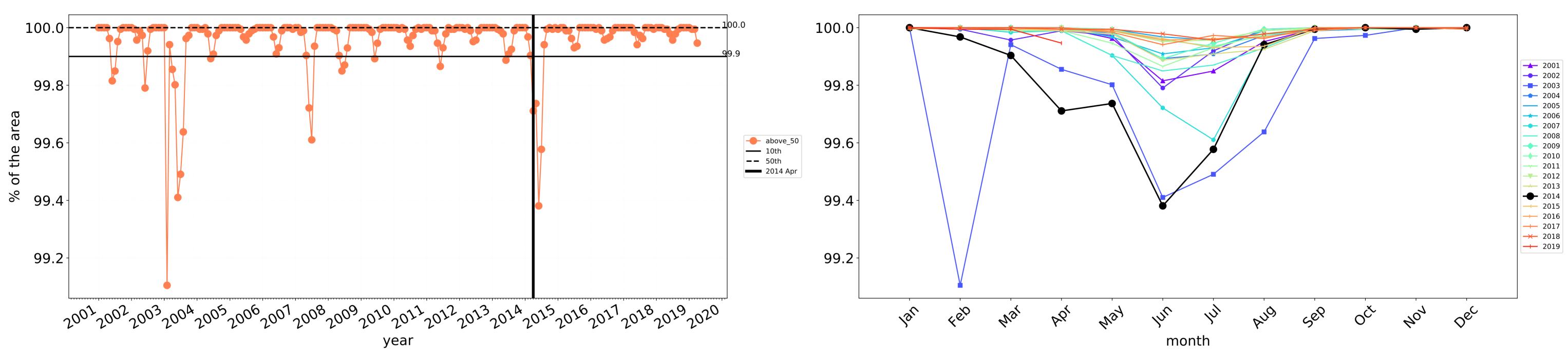
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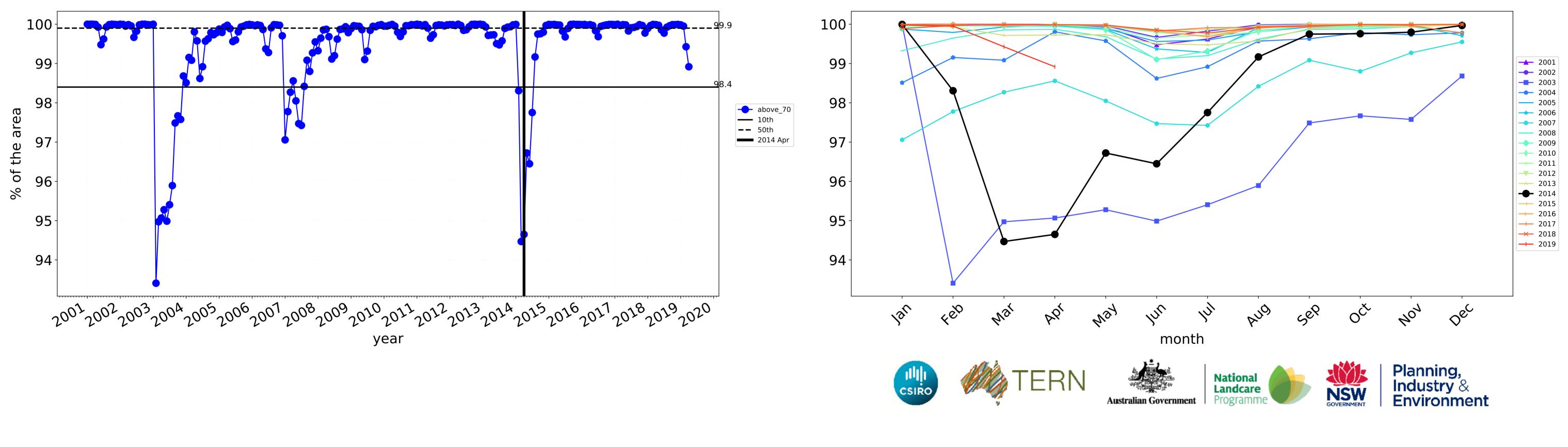




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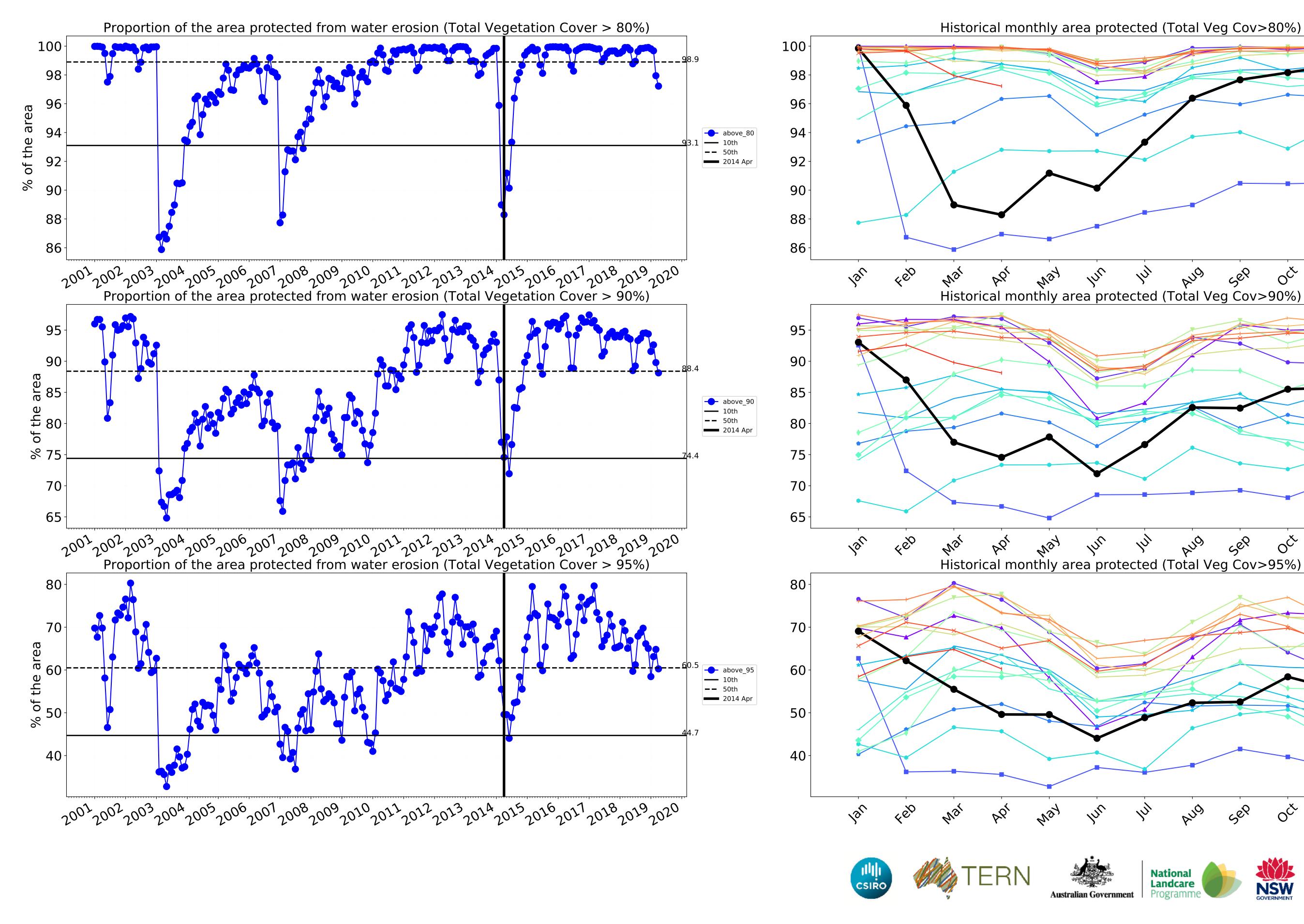


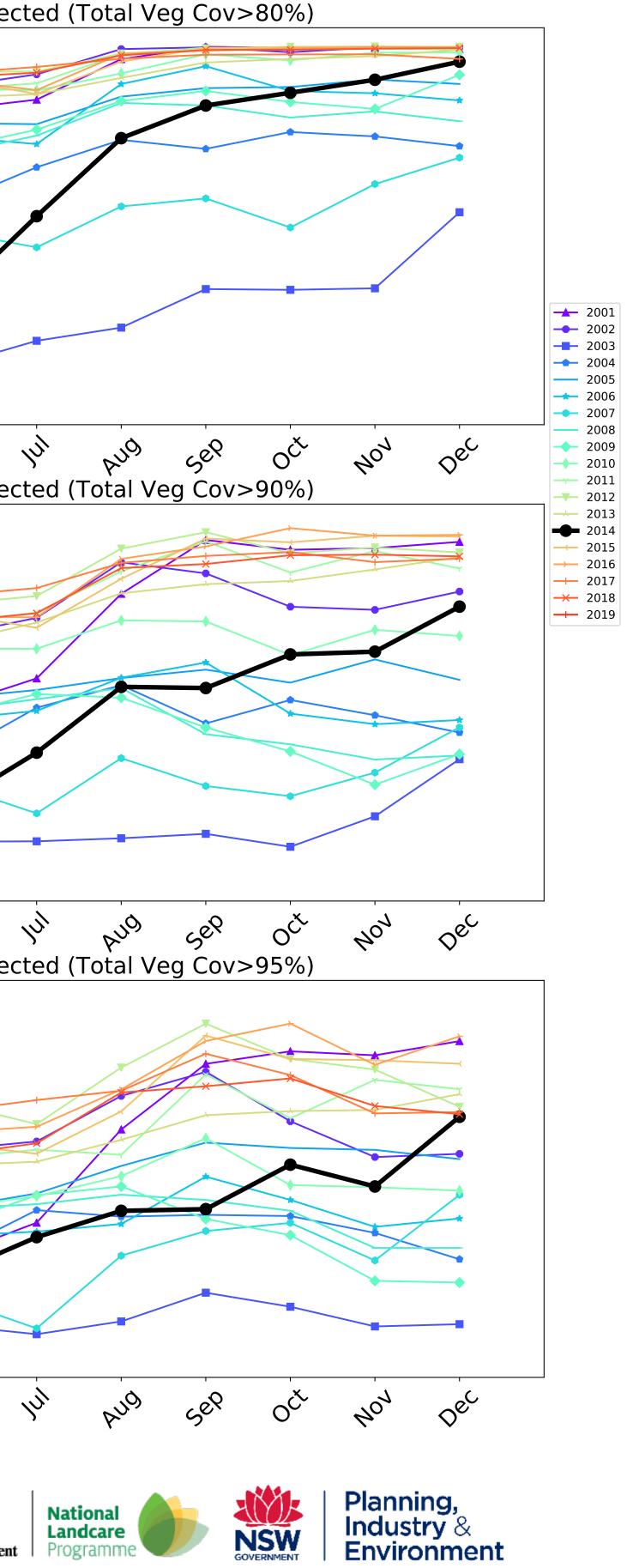
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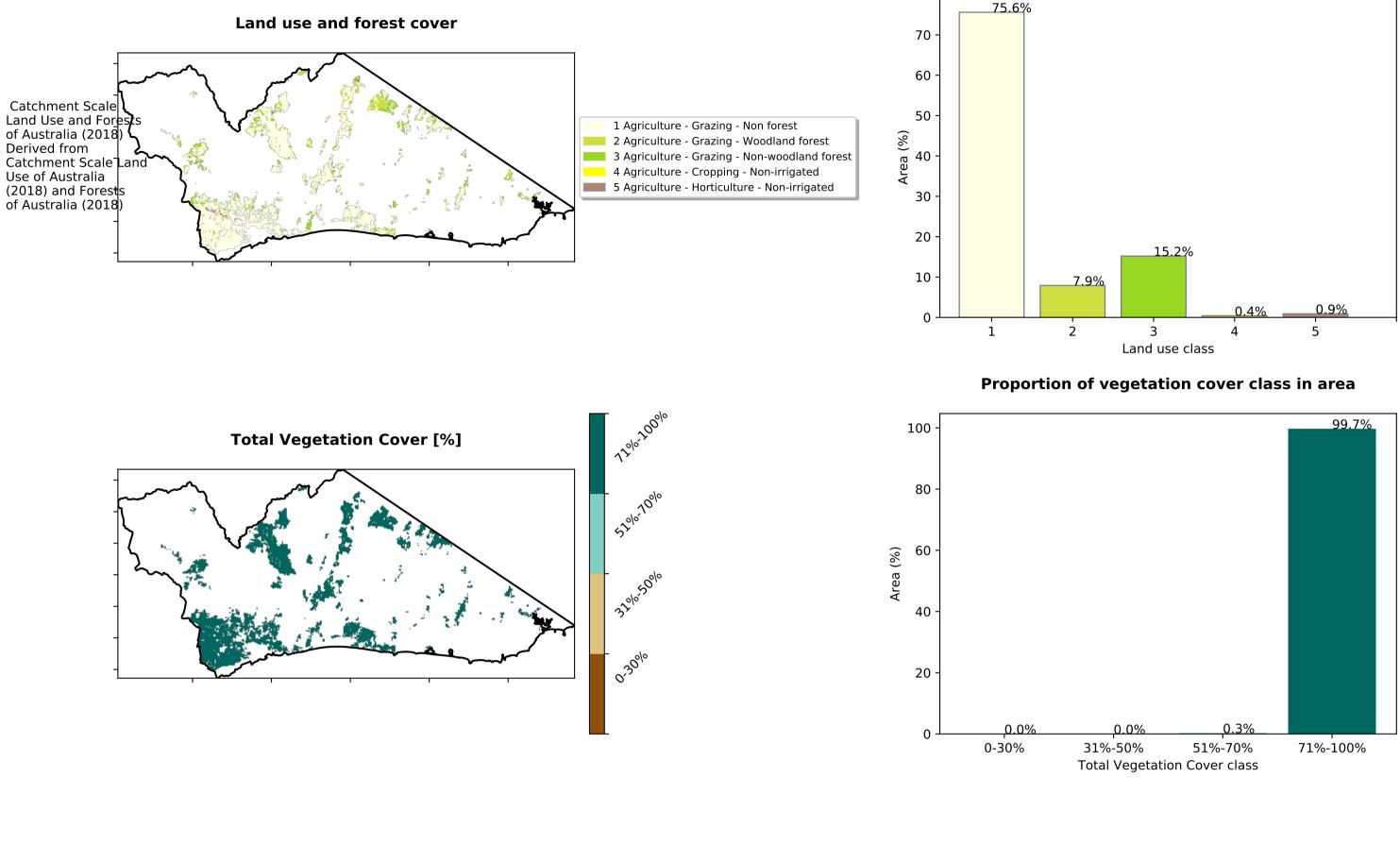
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Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)





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% Area protected from wind erosion (>50%)

Proportion of each land class in area

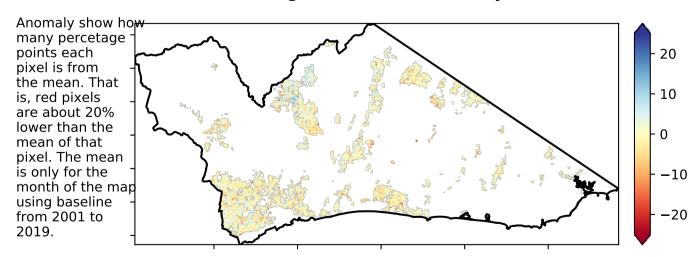
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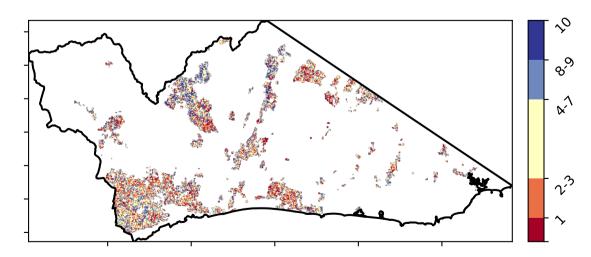


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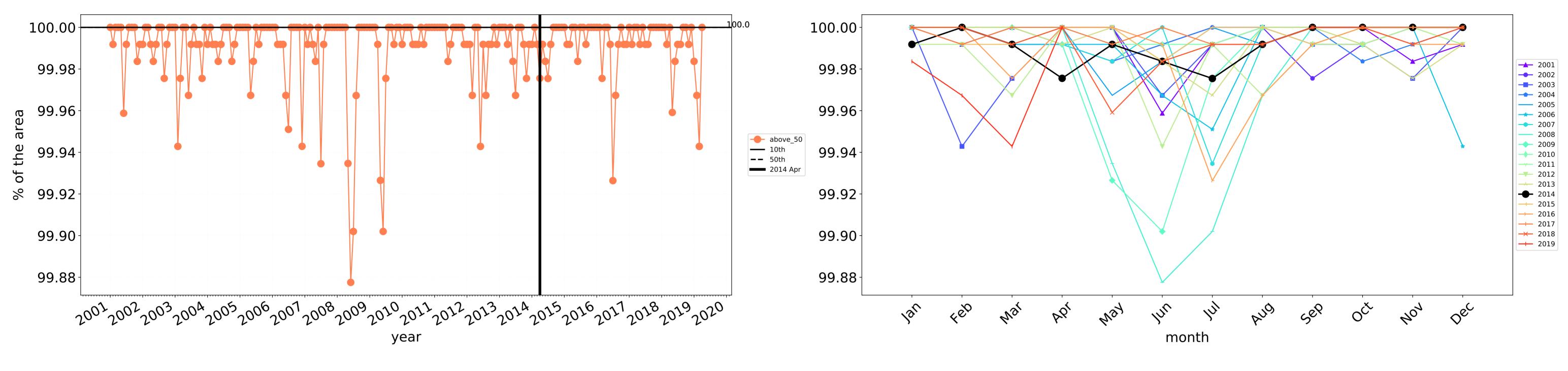


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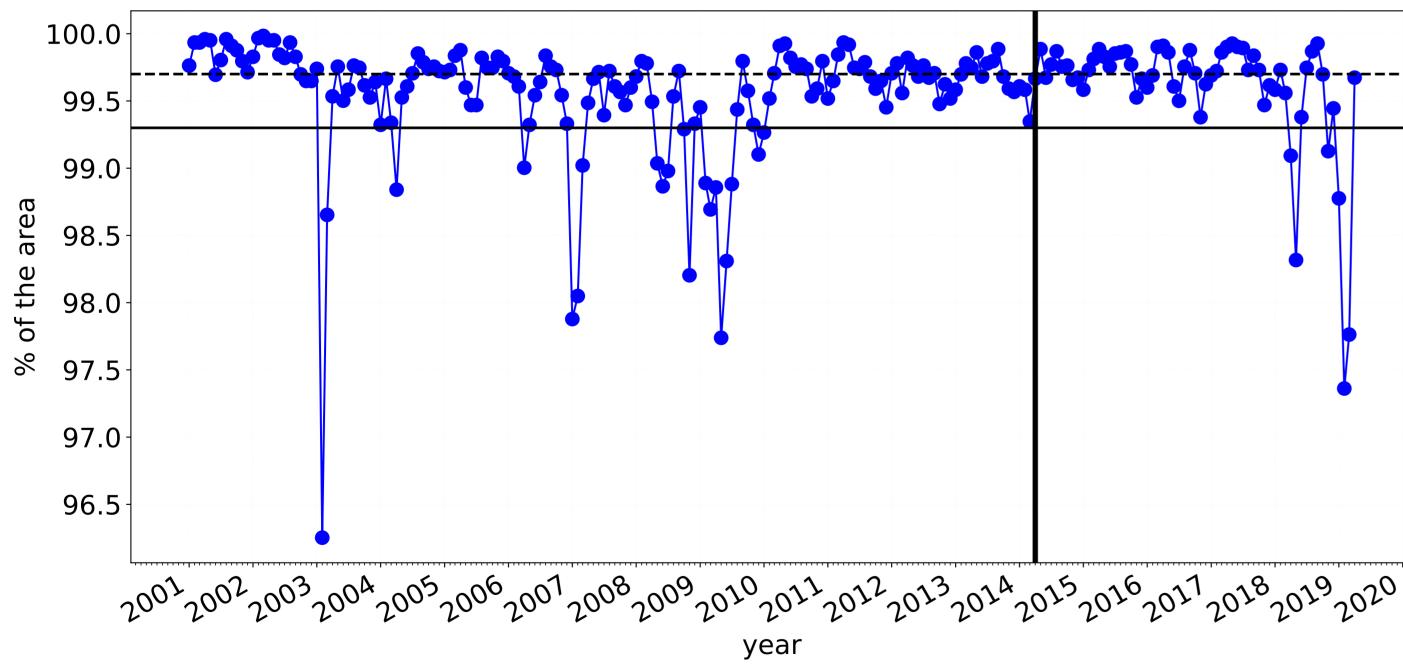






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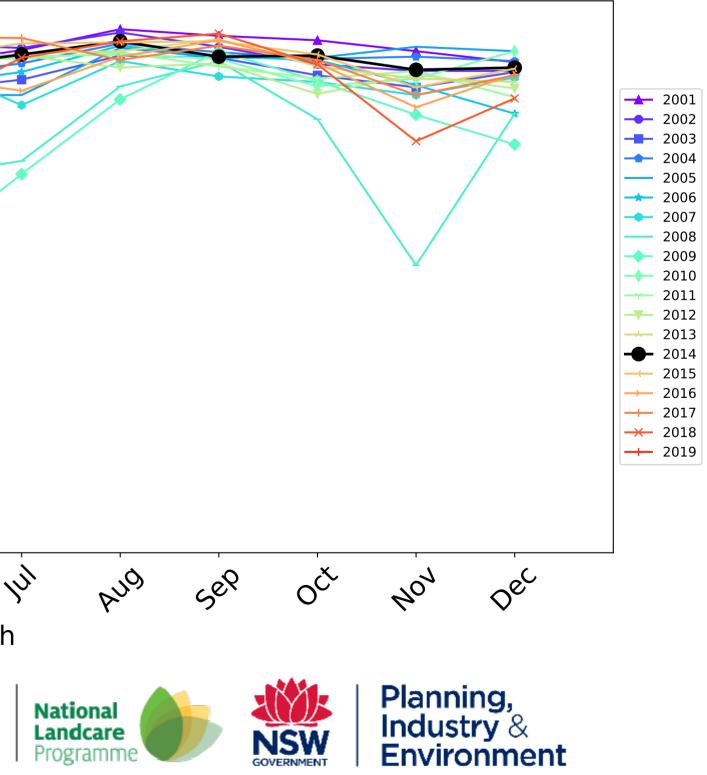
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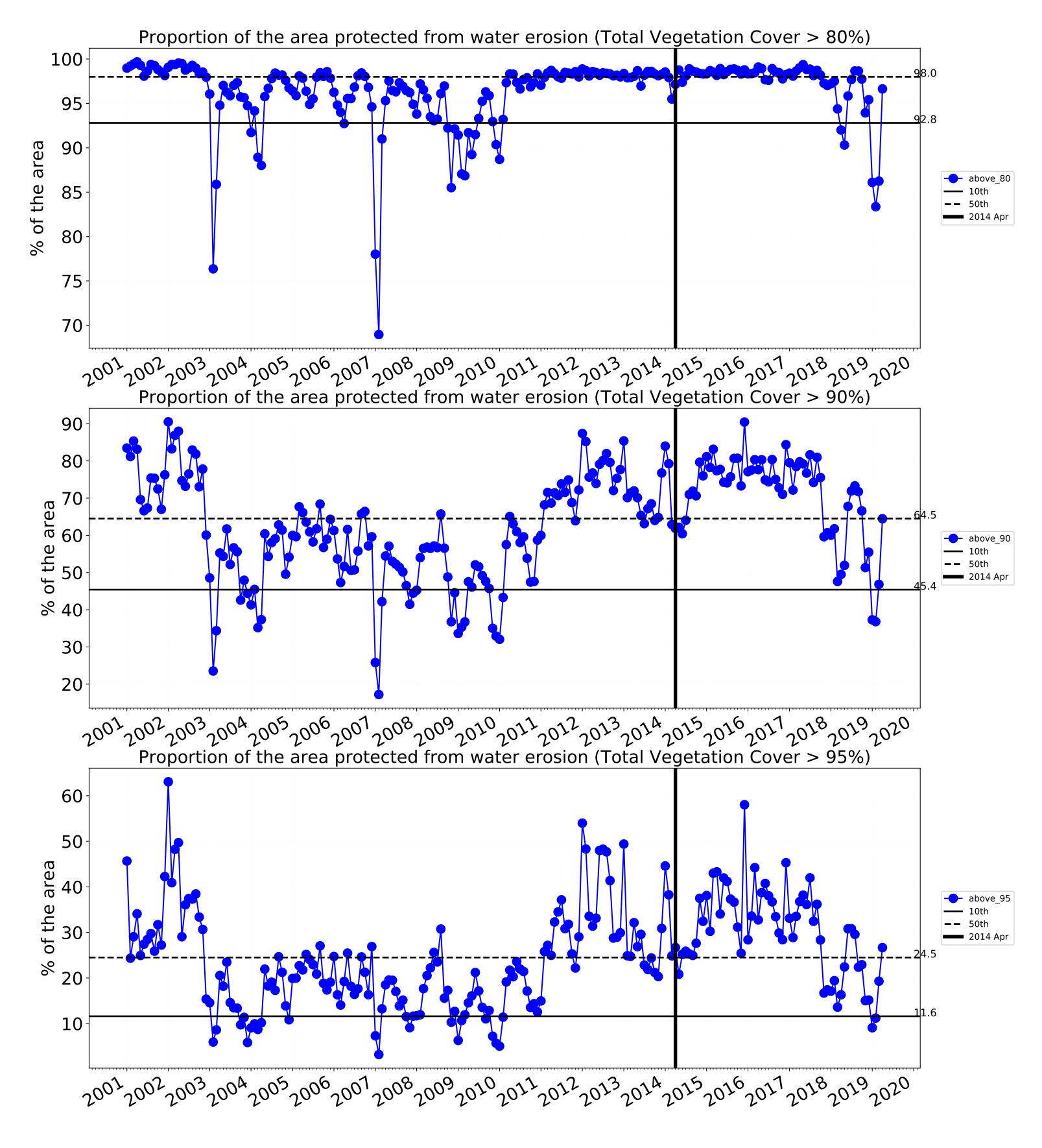


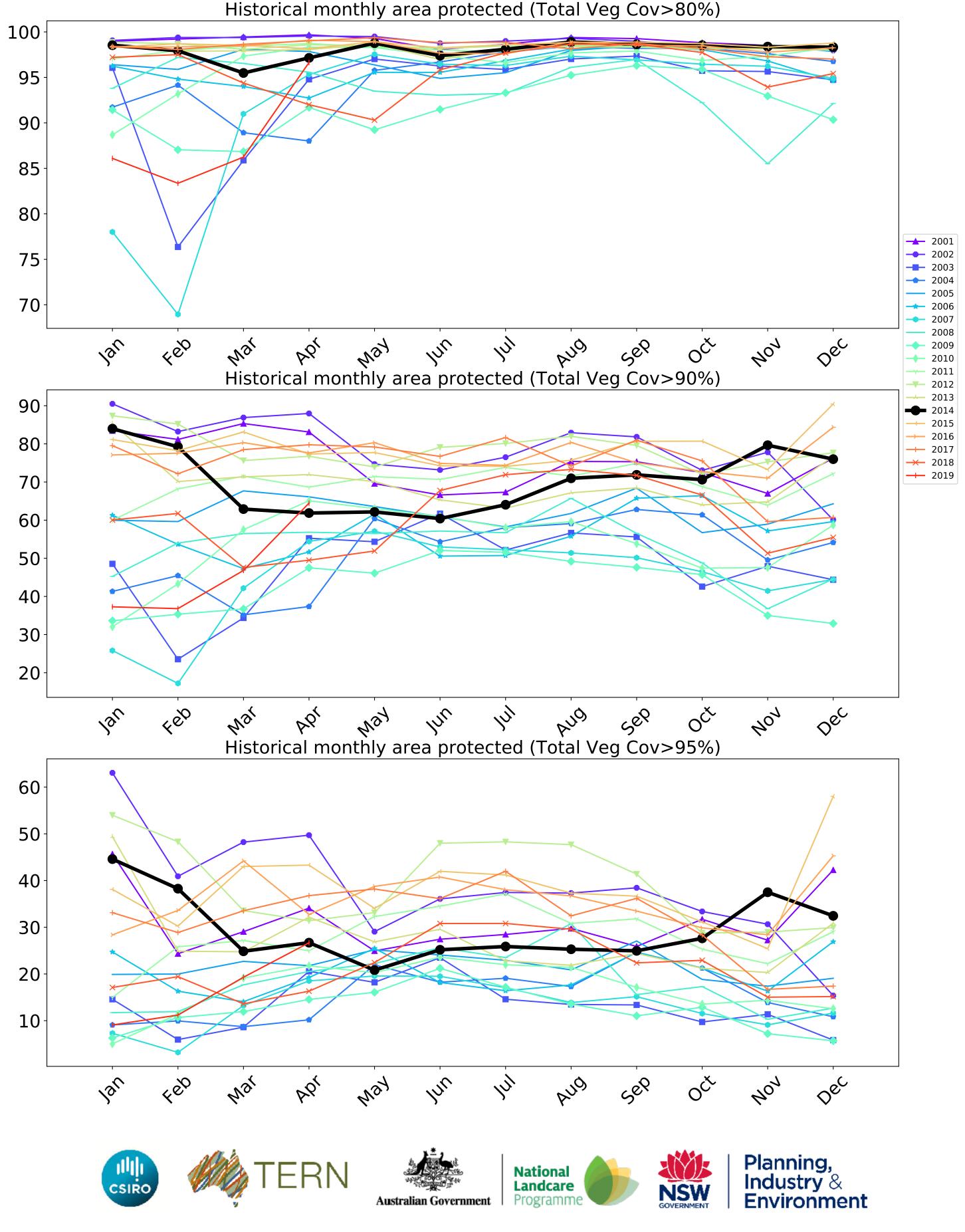
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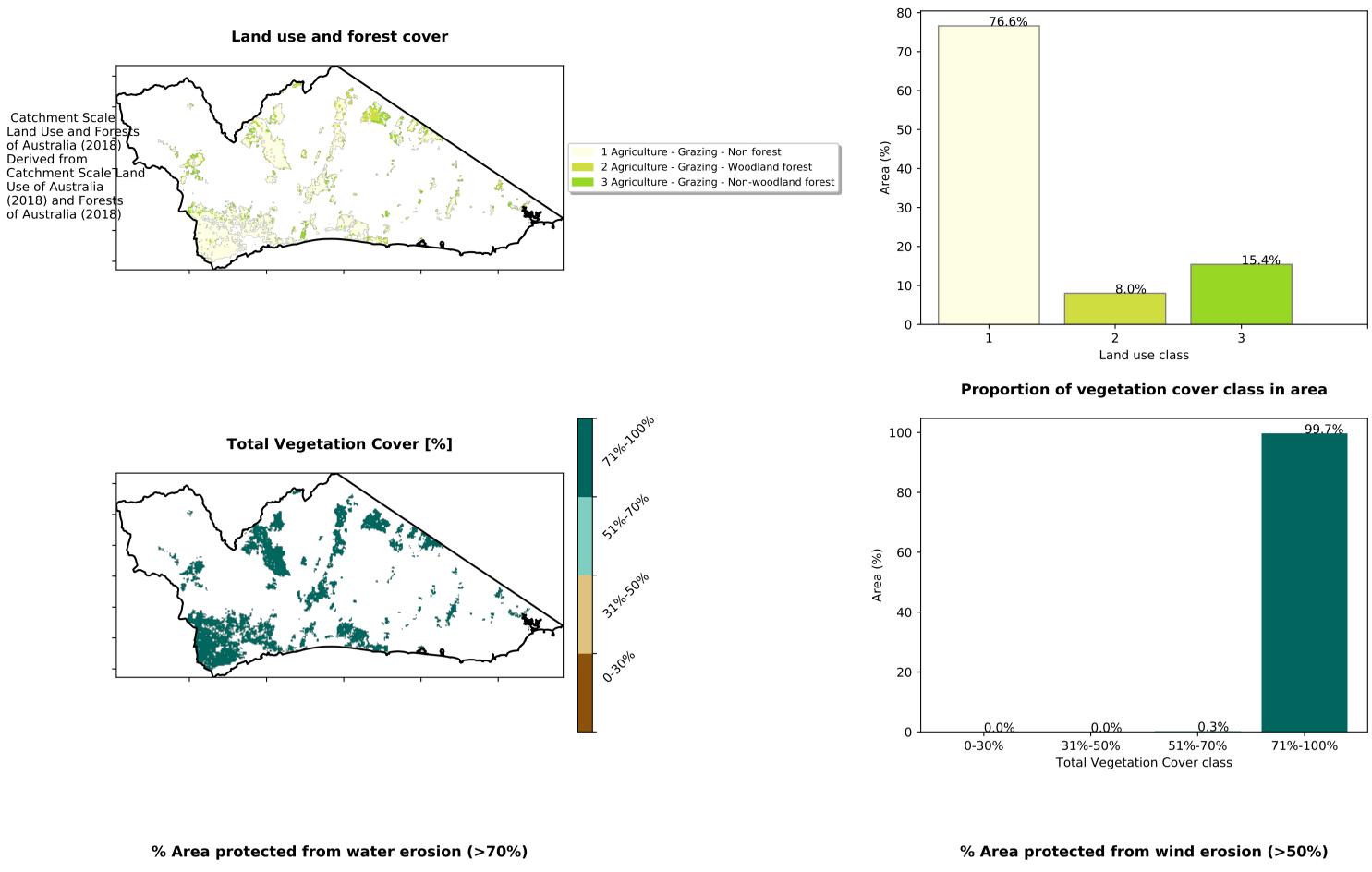




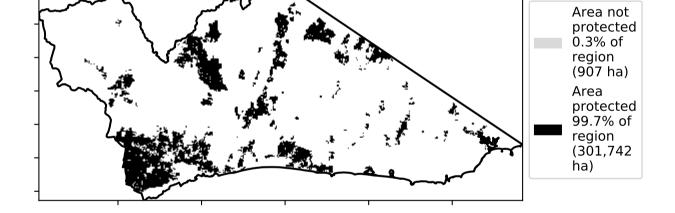




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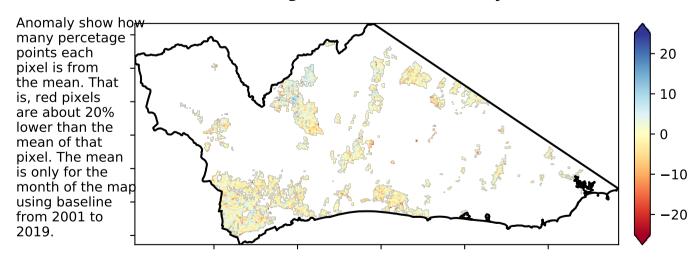


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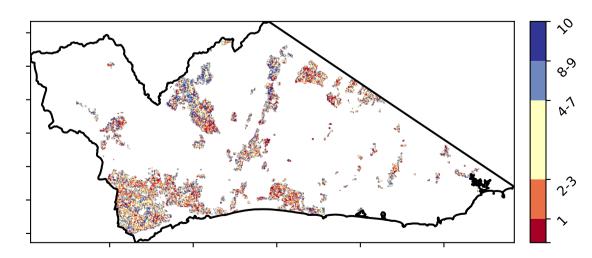


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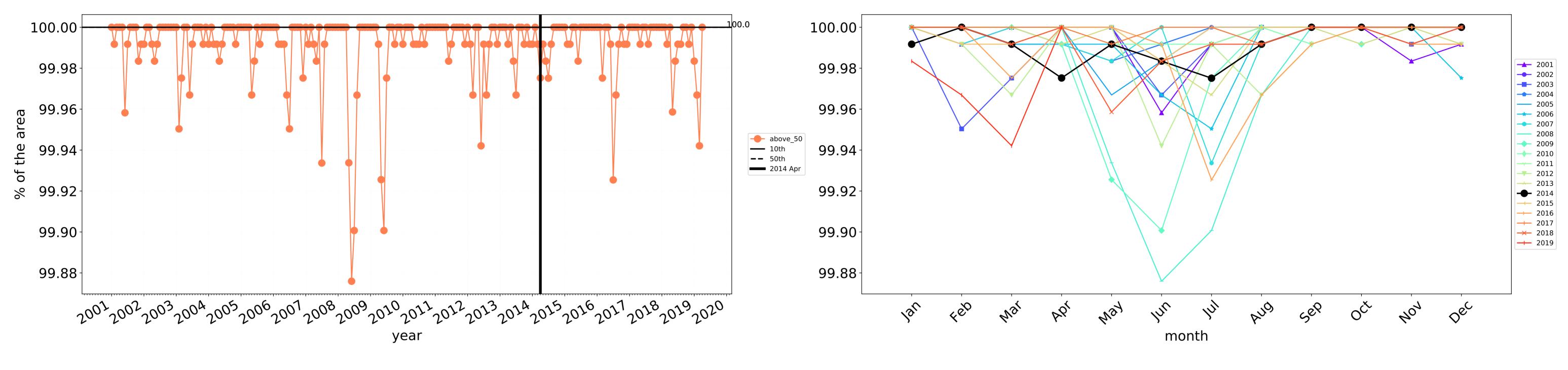


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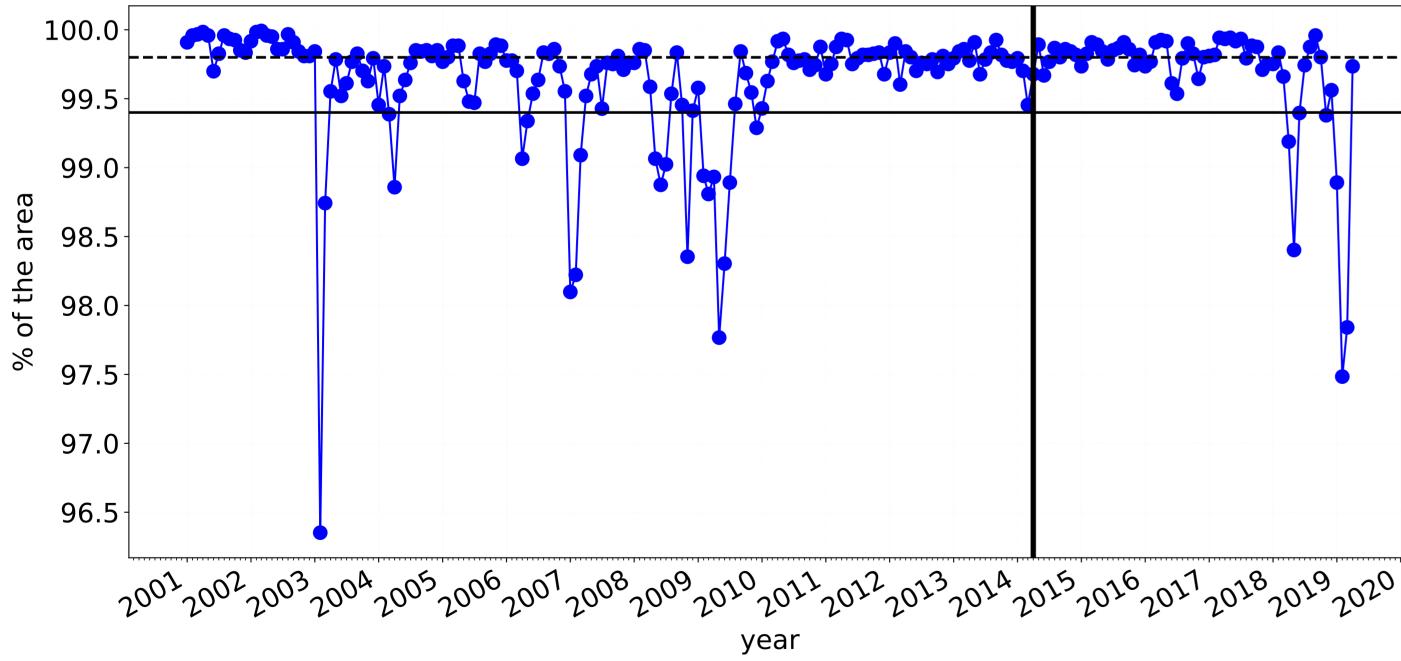






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Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)

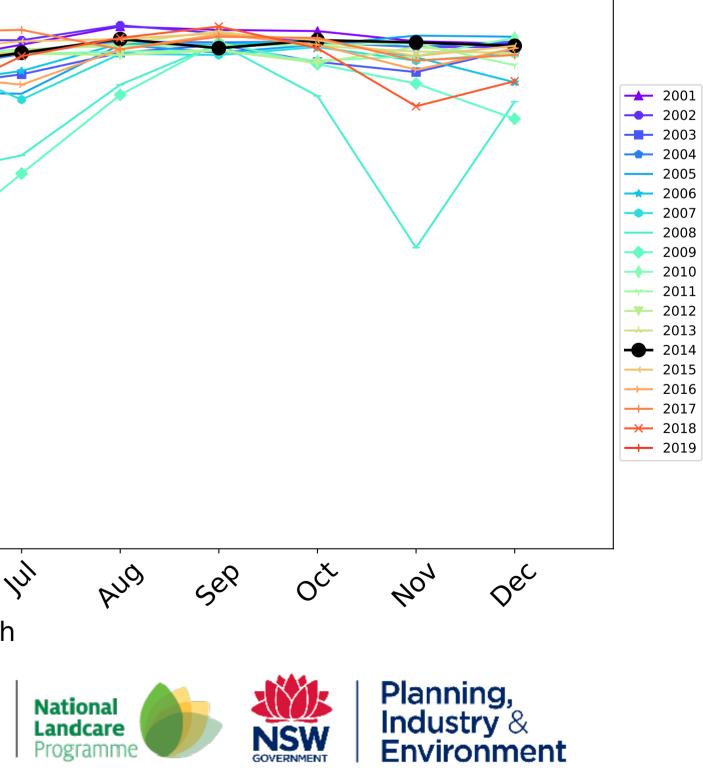


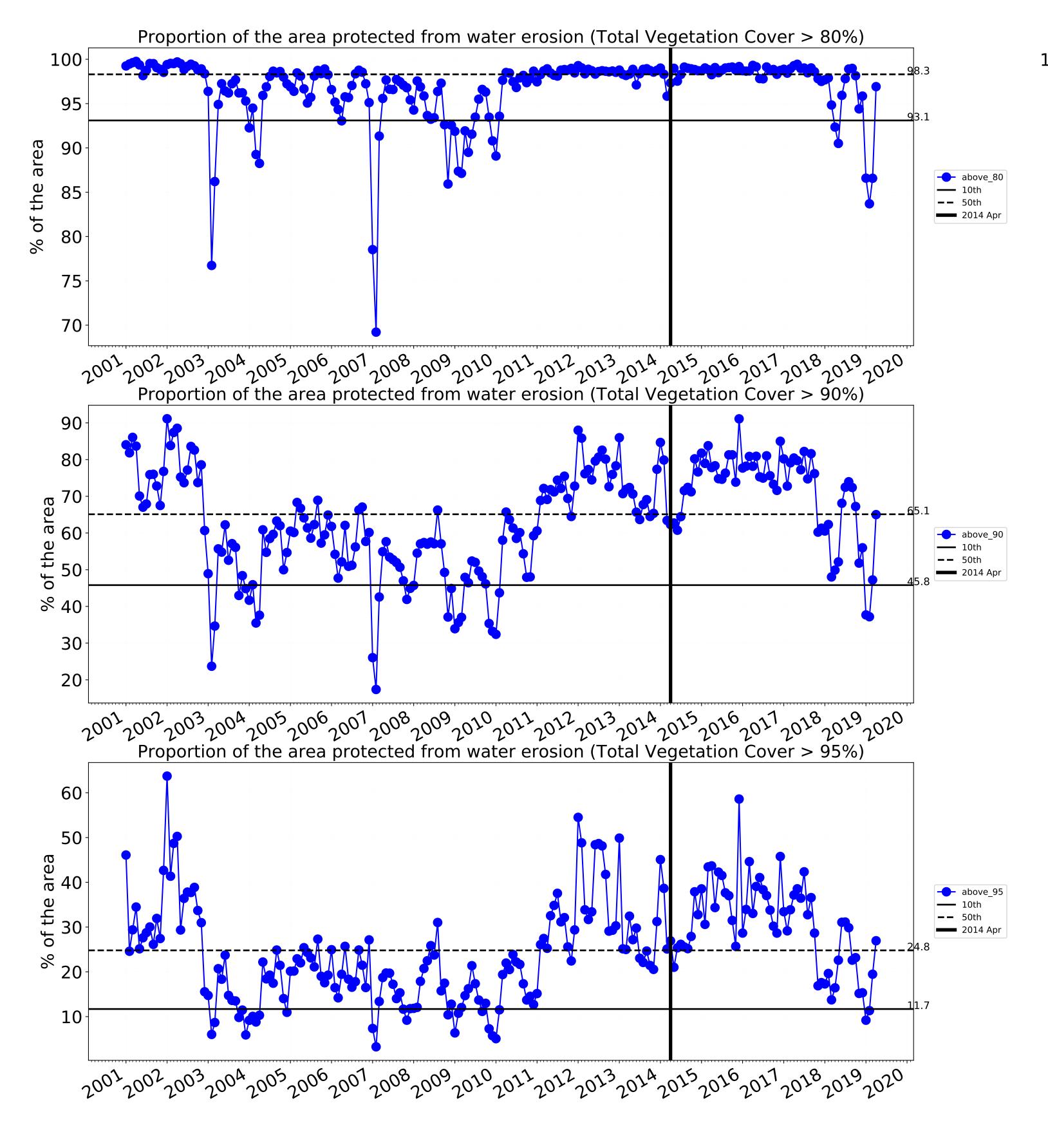
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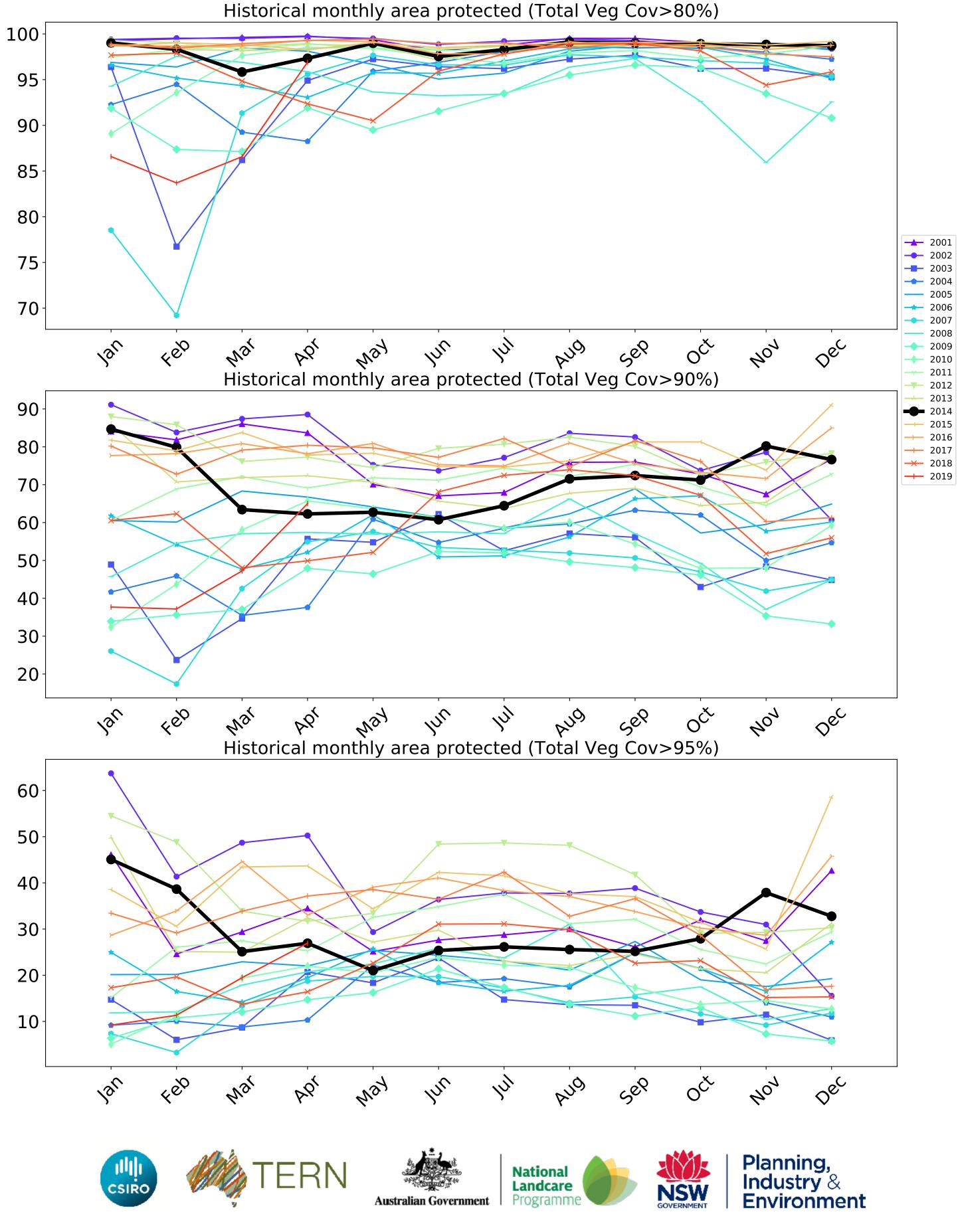


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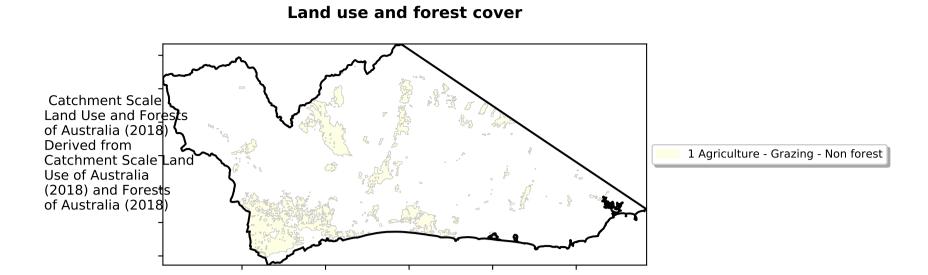
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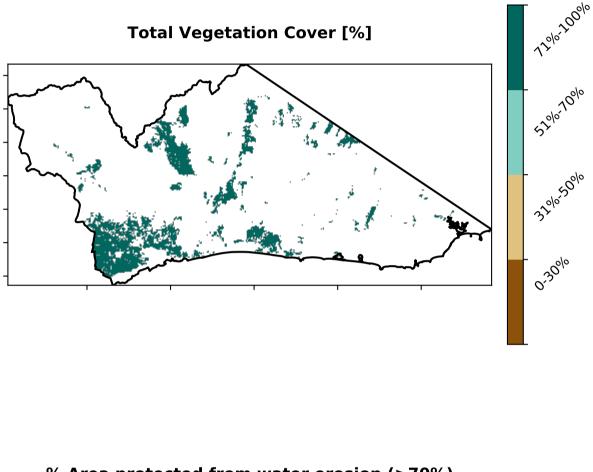




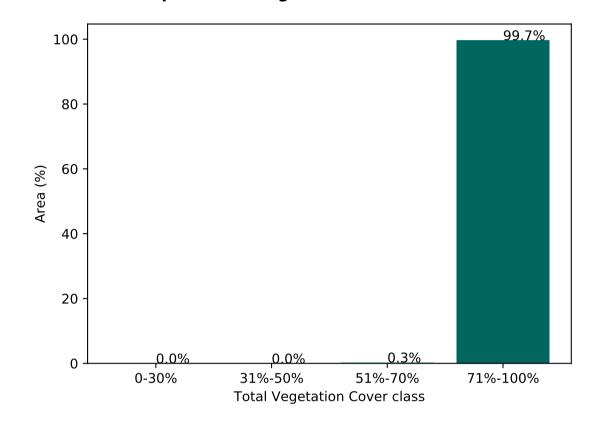


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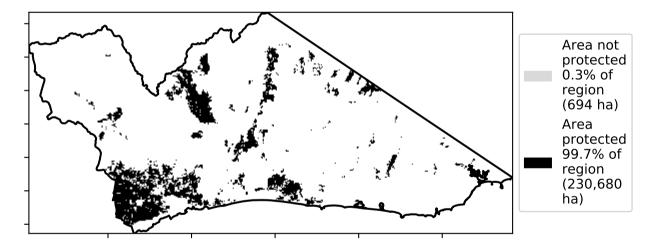


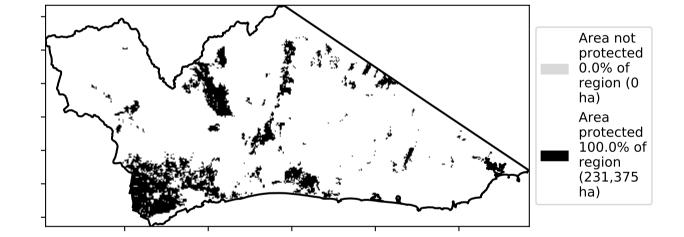
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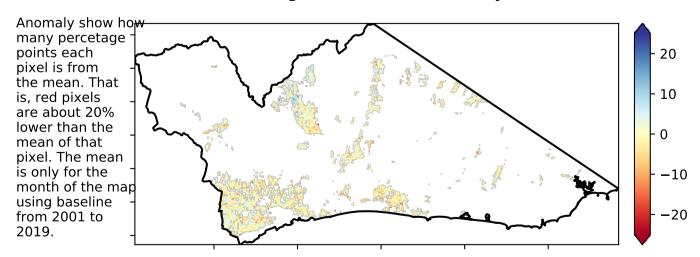
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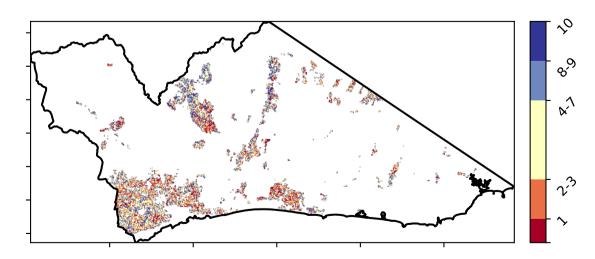


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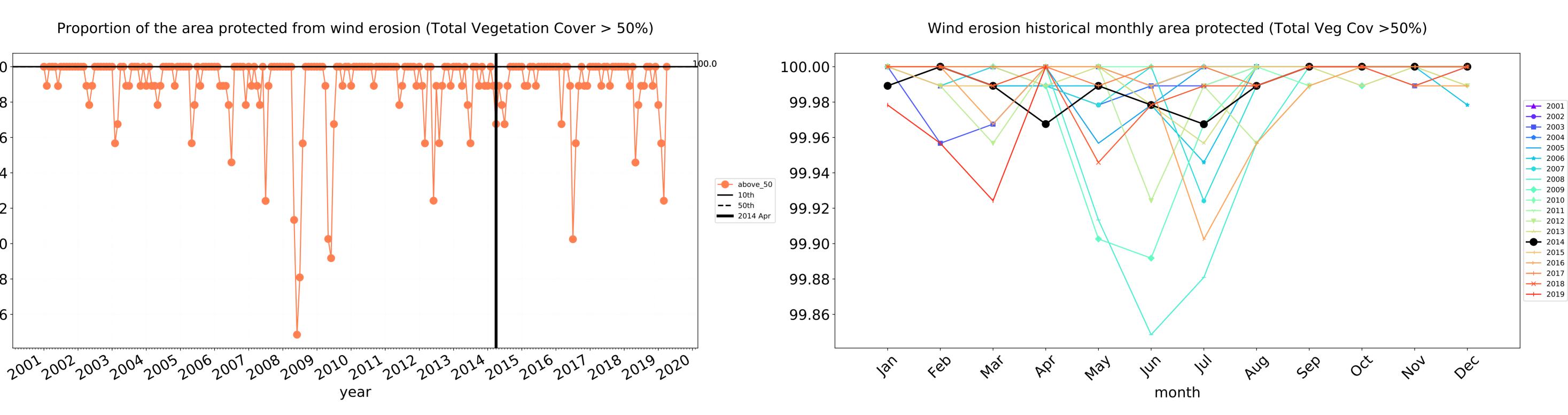


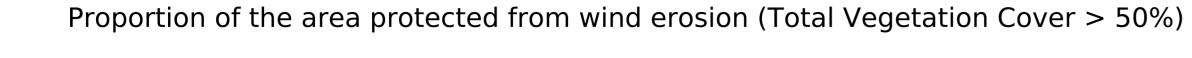
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Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]









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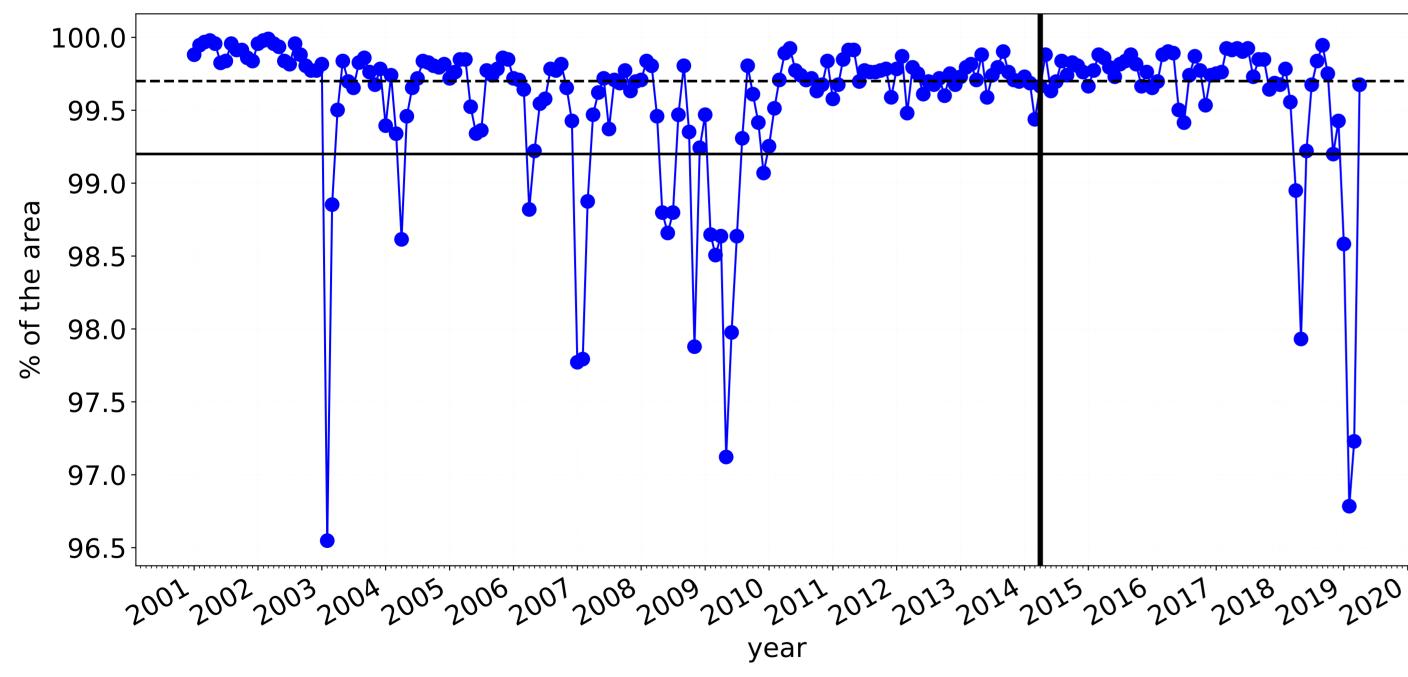
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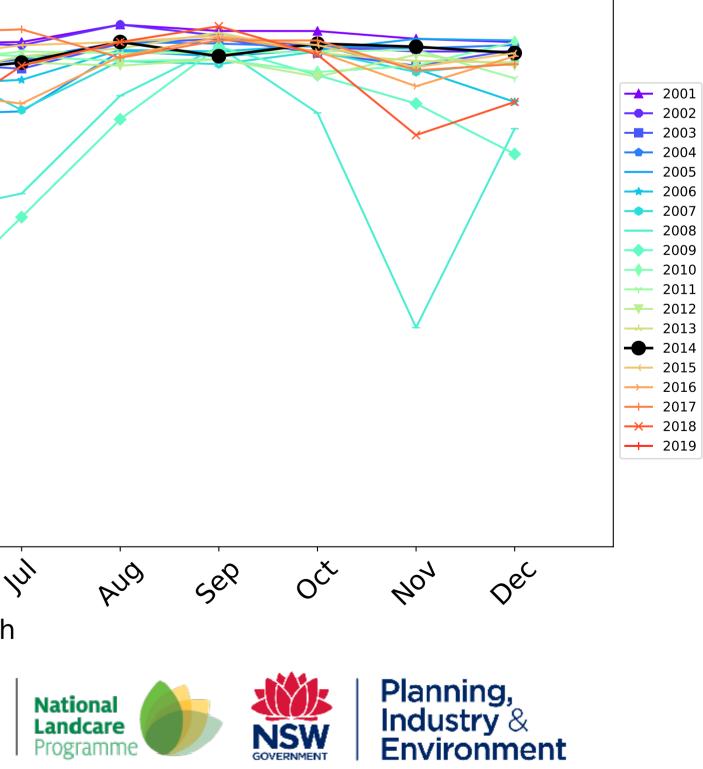
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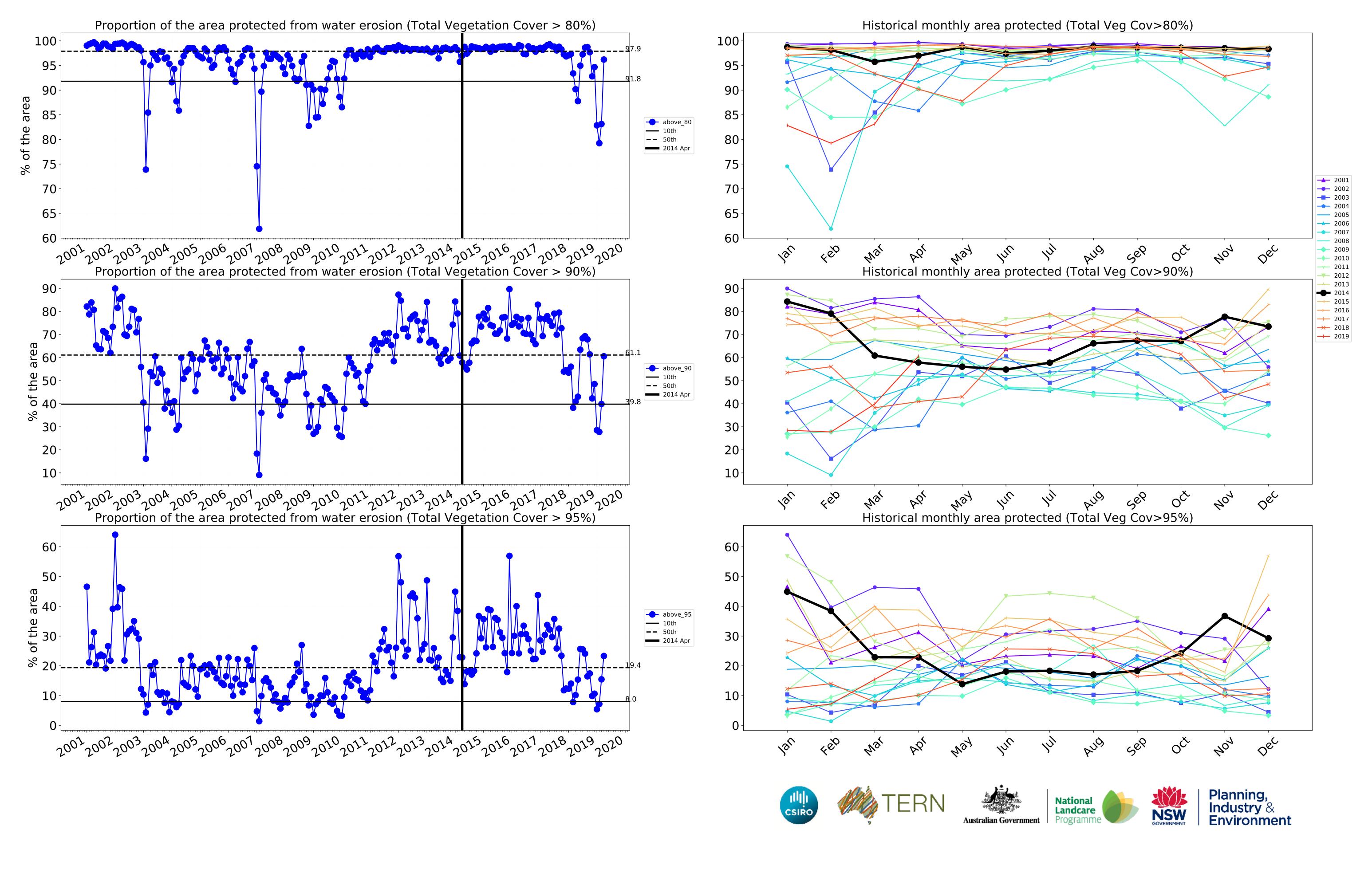




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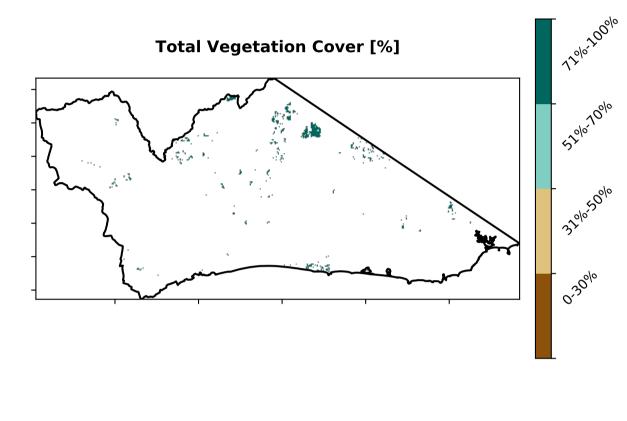
Water erosion historical monthly area protected (Total Veg Cov>70%)



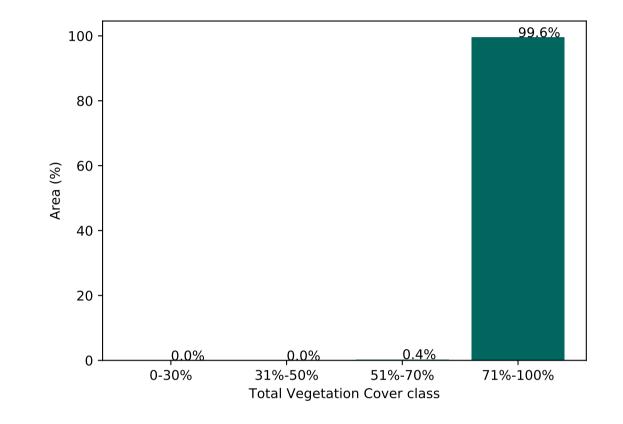


Grazing Woodland forest

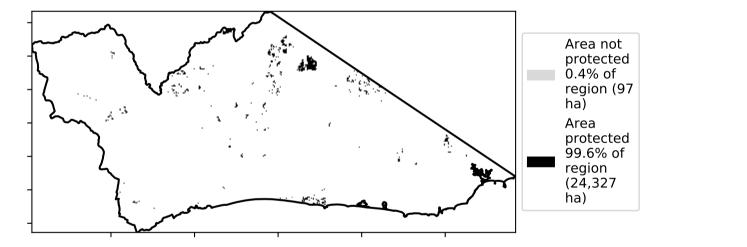


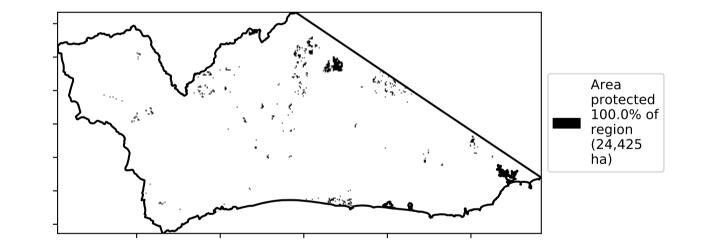


% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)

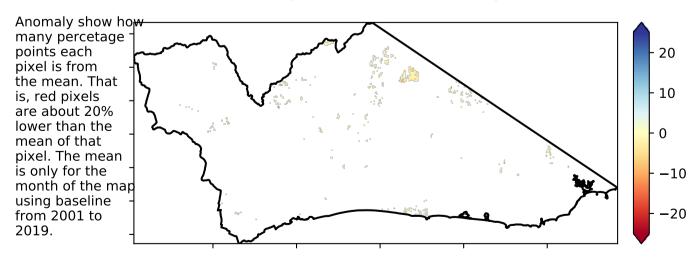


Proportion of vegetation cover class in area



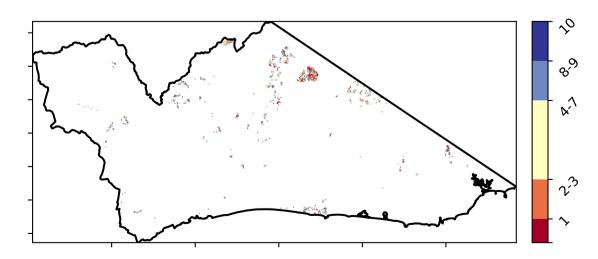


Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

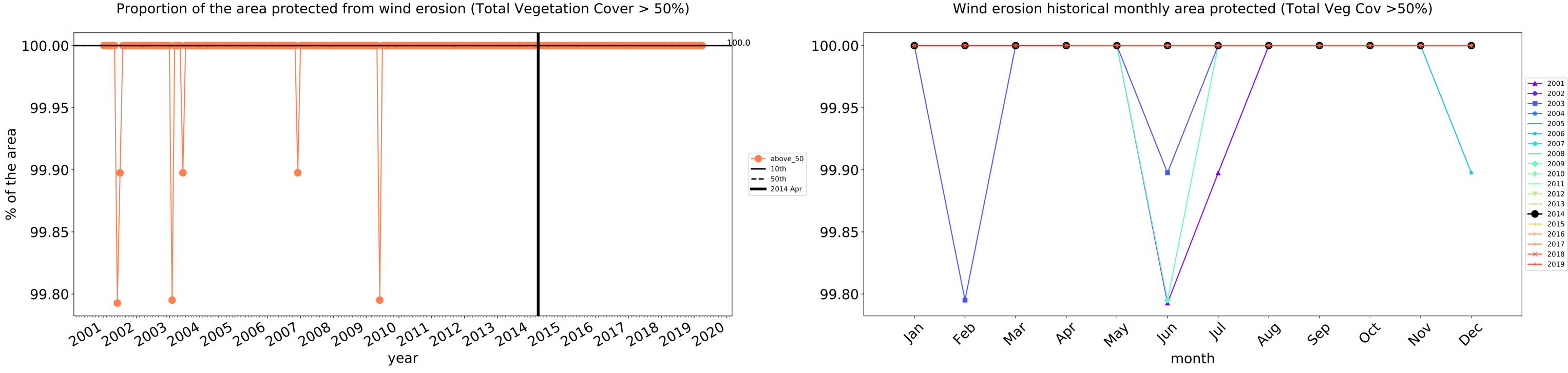


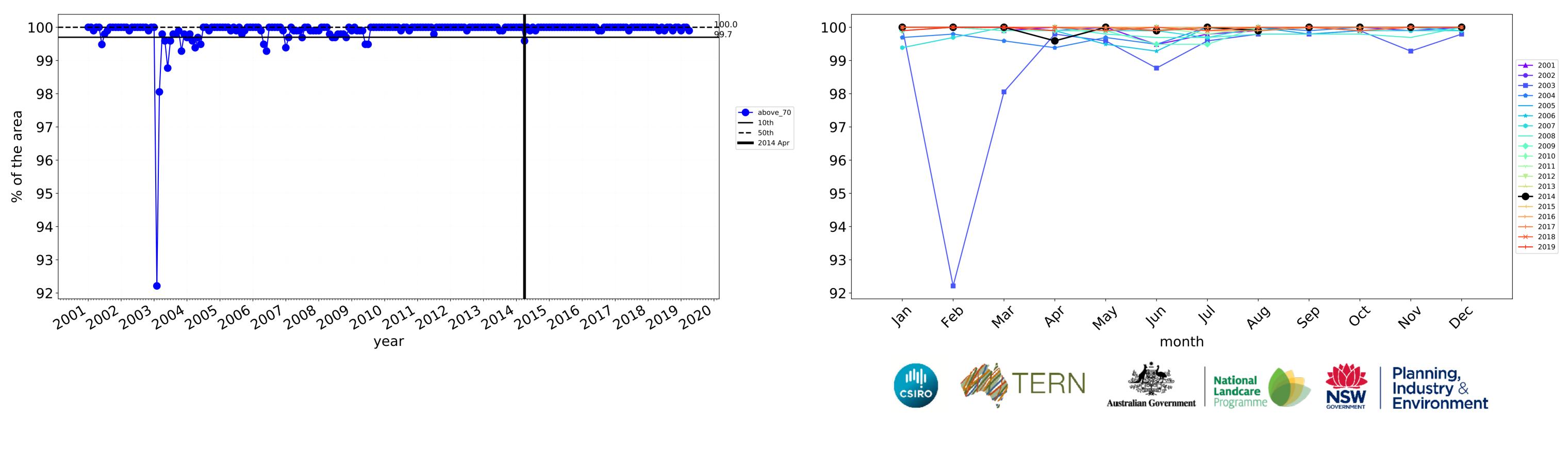
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Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]

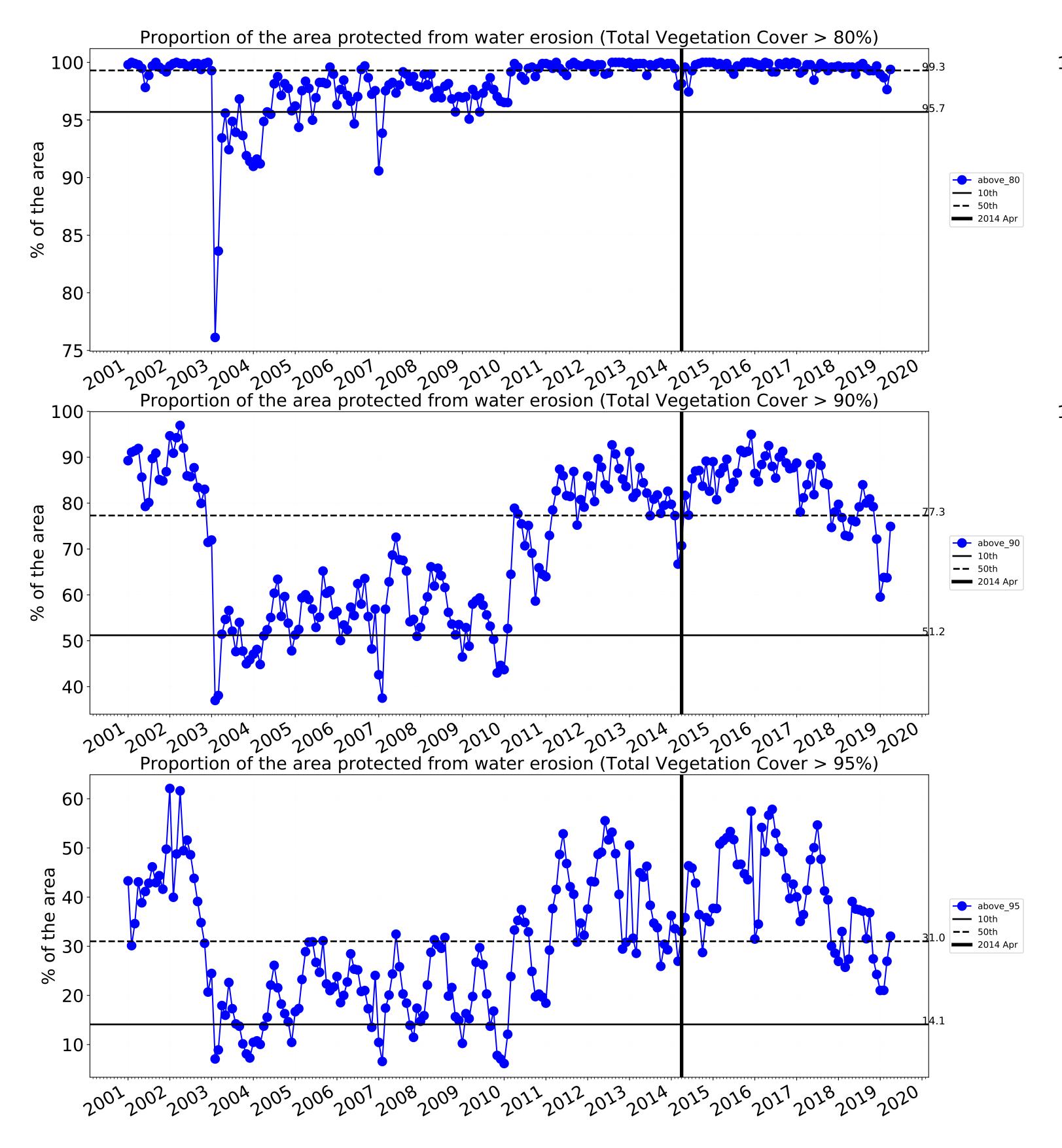


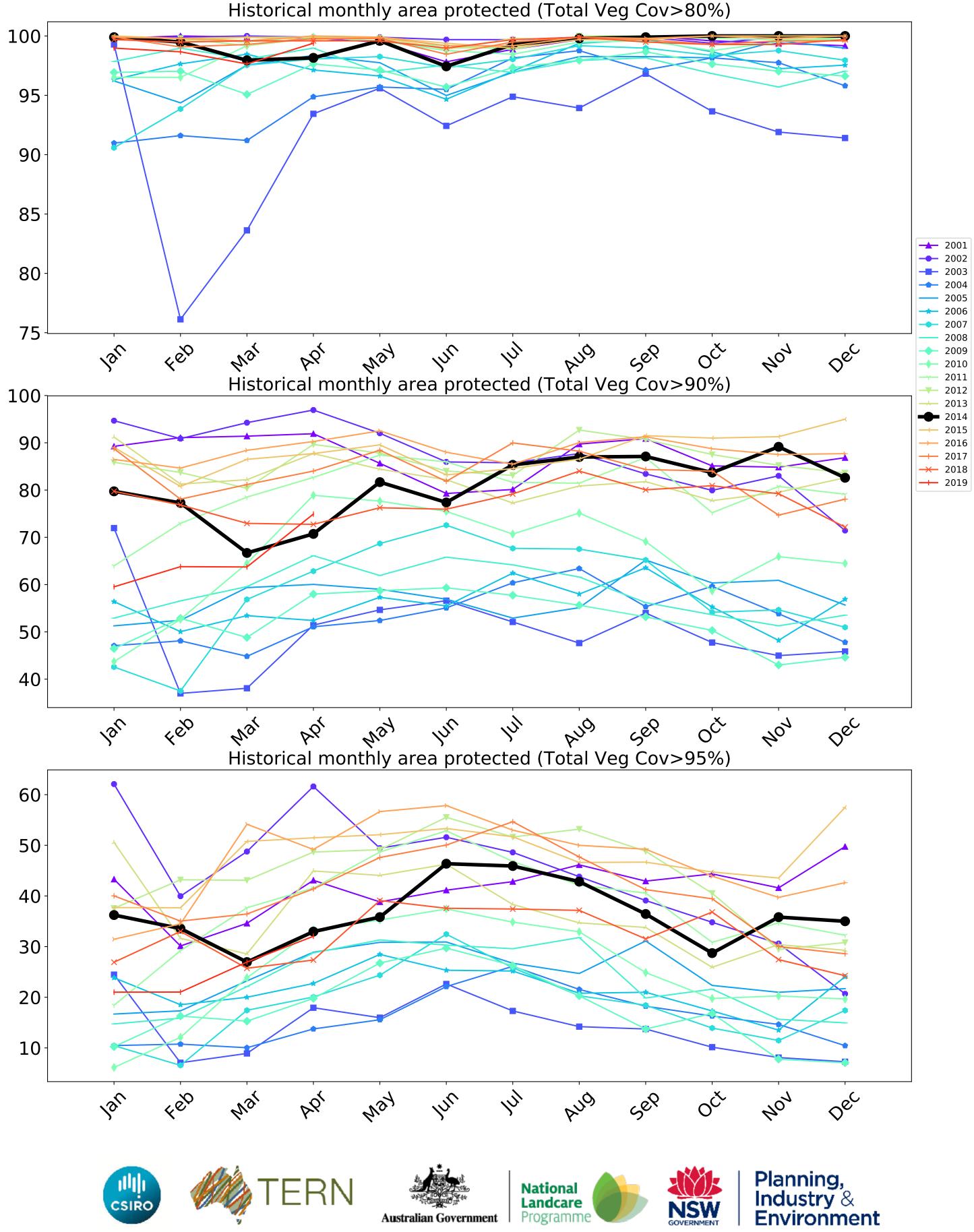






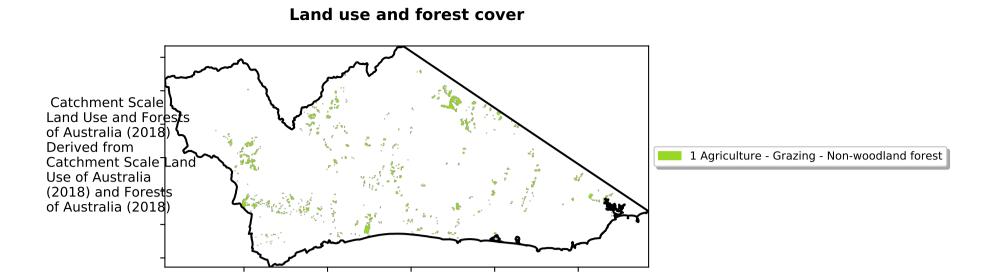
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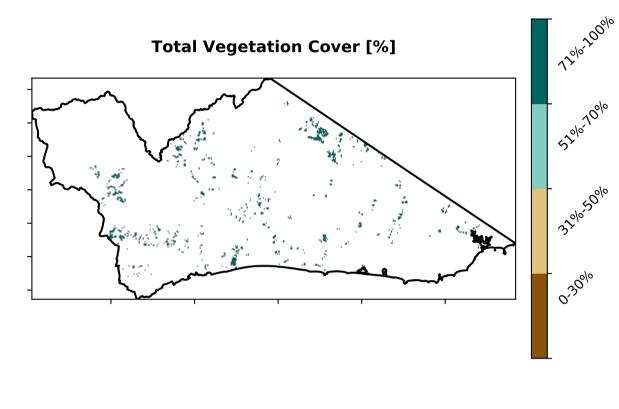




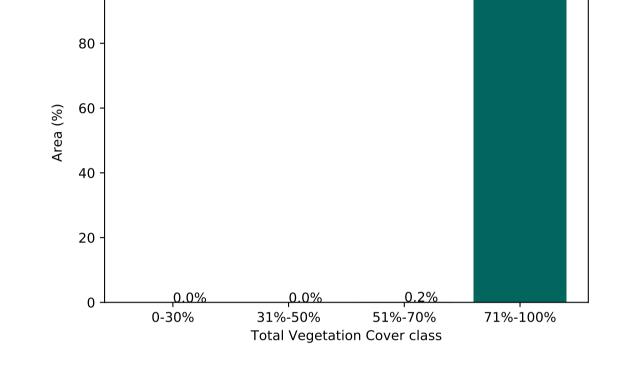
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Grazing - Forest (non woodland)





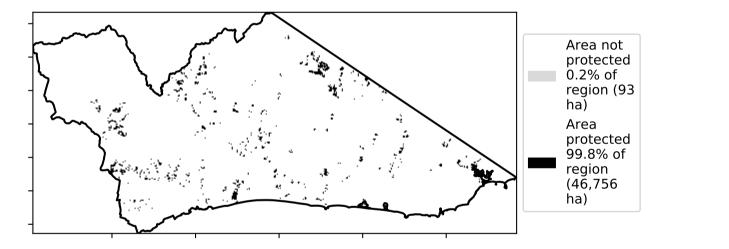
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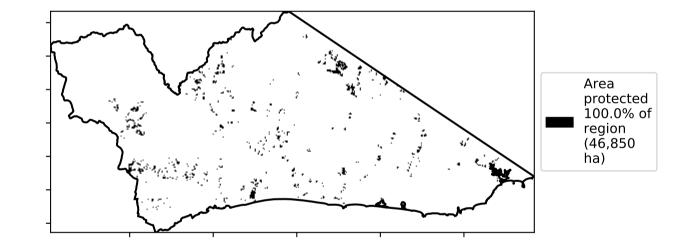


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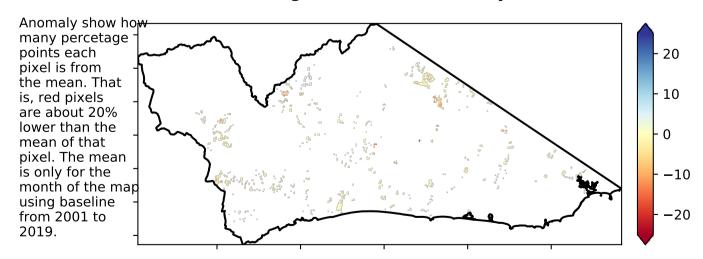
Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

99.8%



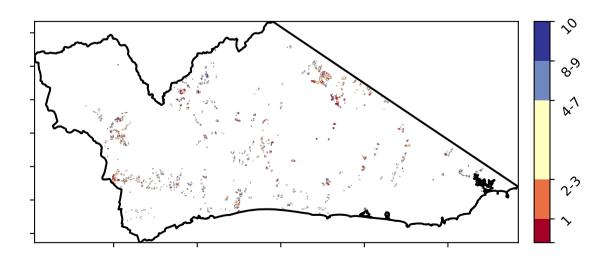


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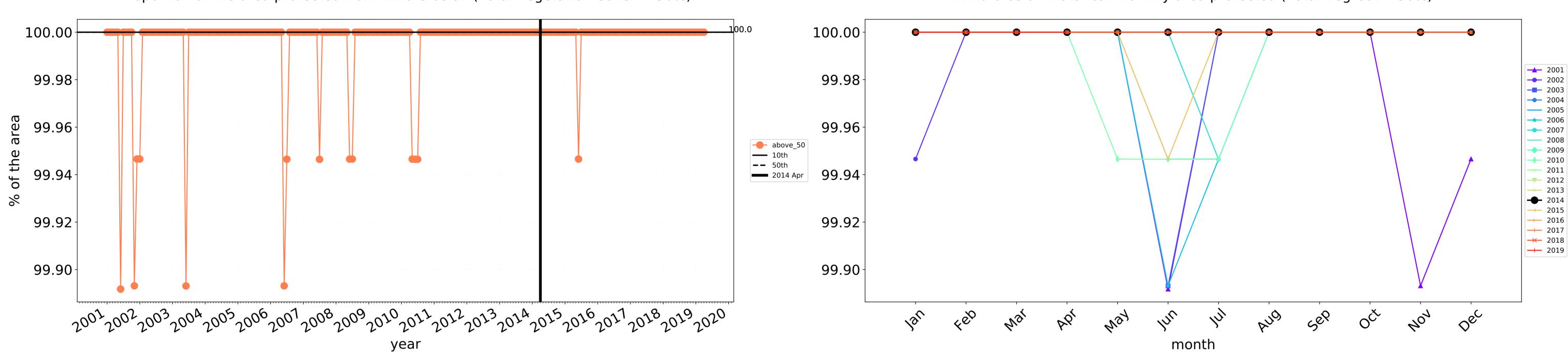


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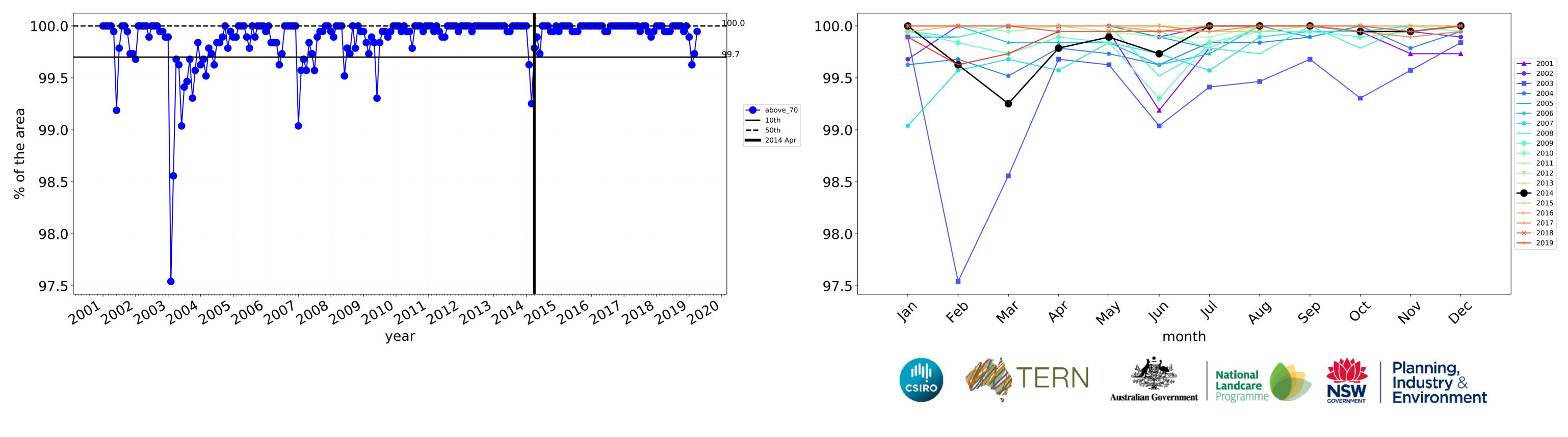
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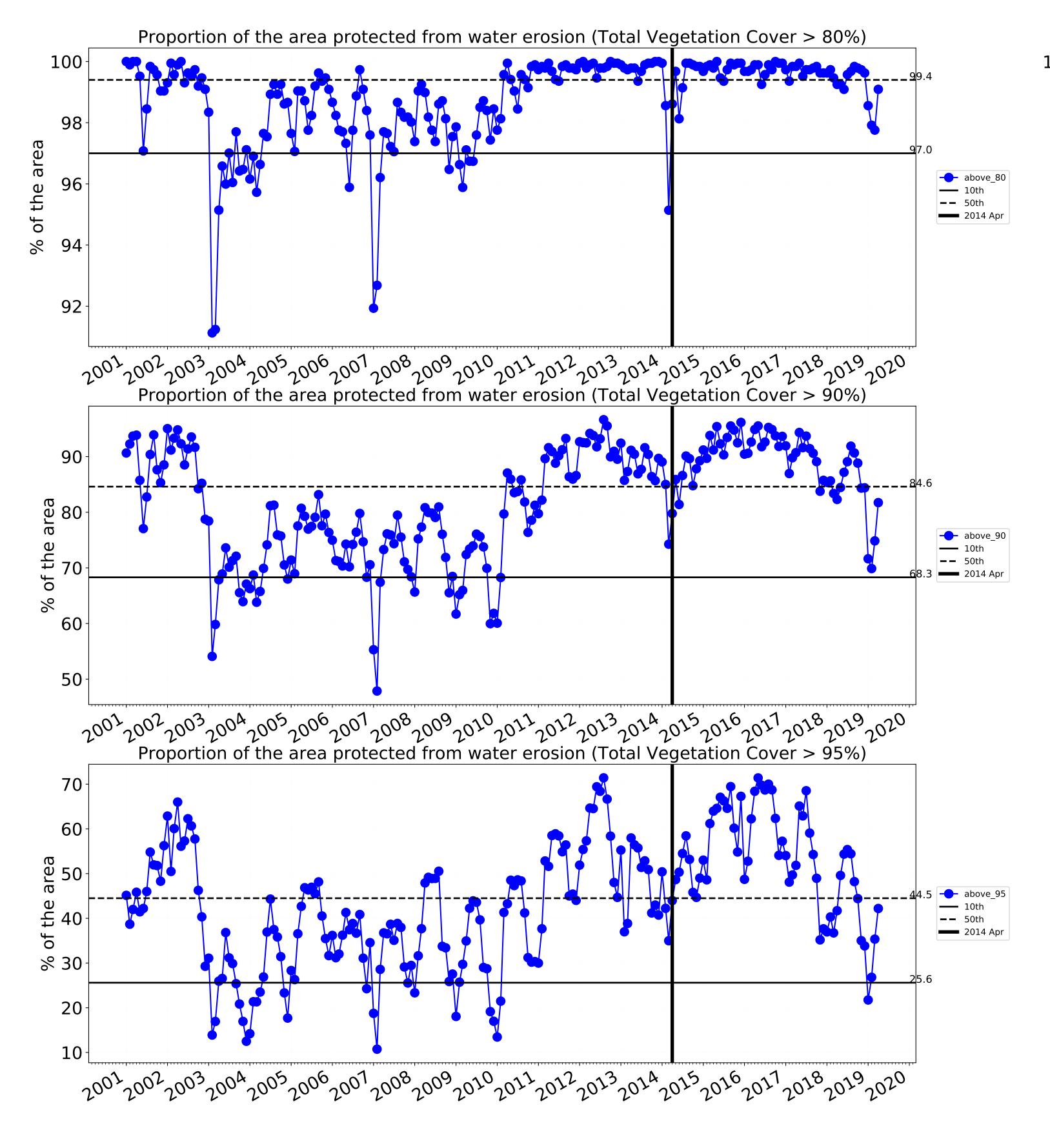


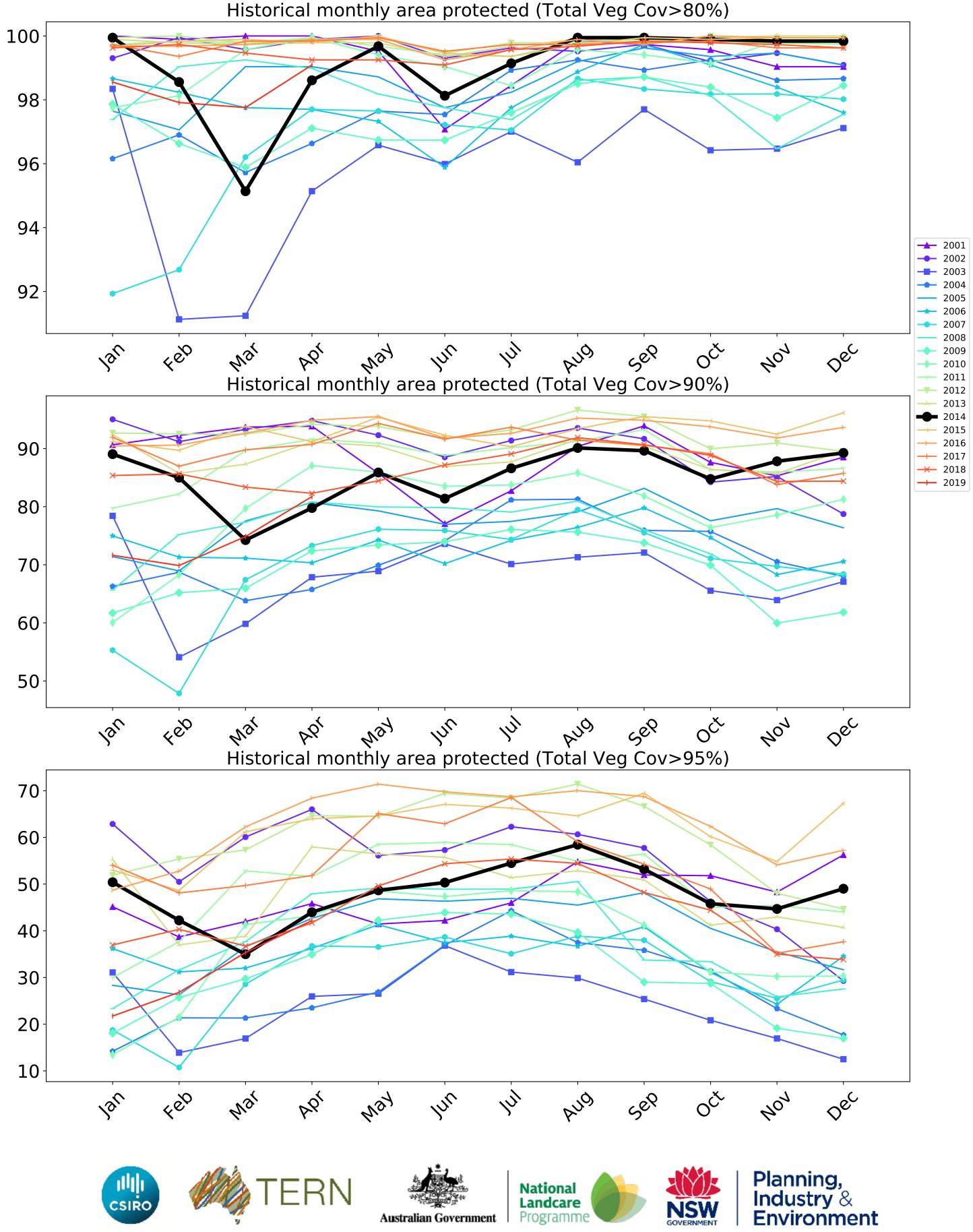
Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)



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

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



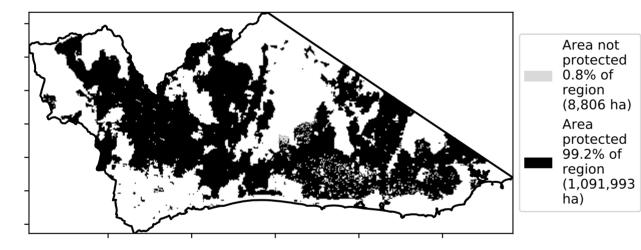


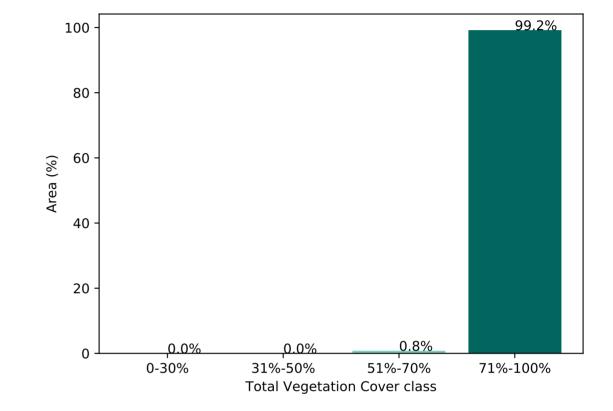
Production native forests and plantation forests



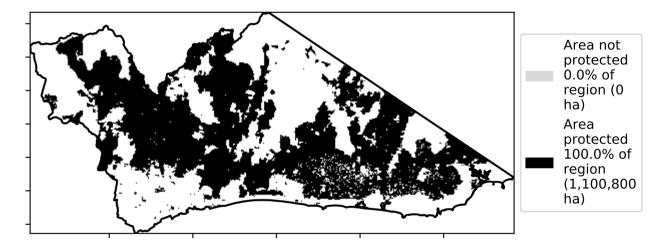
Total Vegetation Cover [%]

% Area protected from water erosion (>70%)

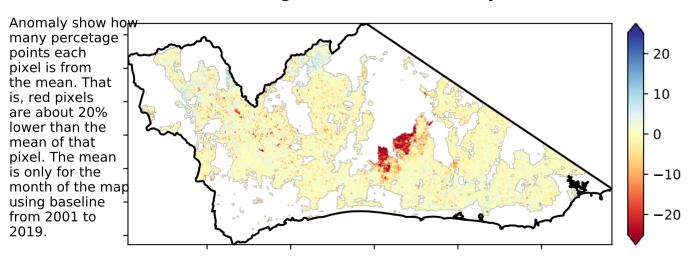




Proportion of vegetation cover class in area

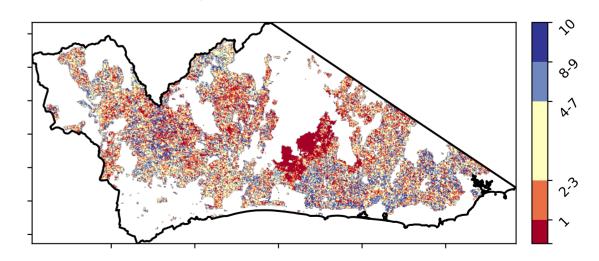


Total Vegetation Cover Anomaly [%]

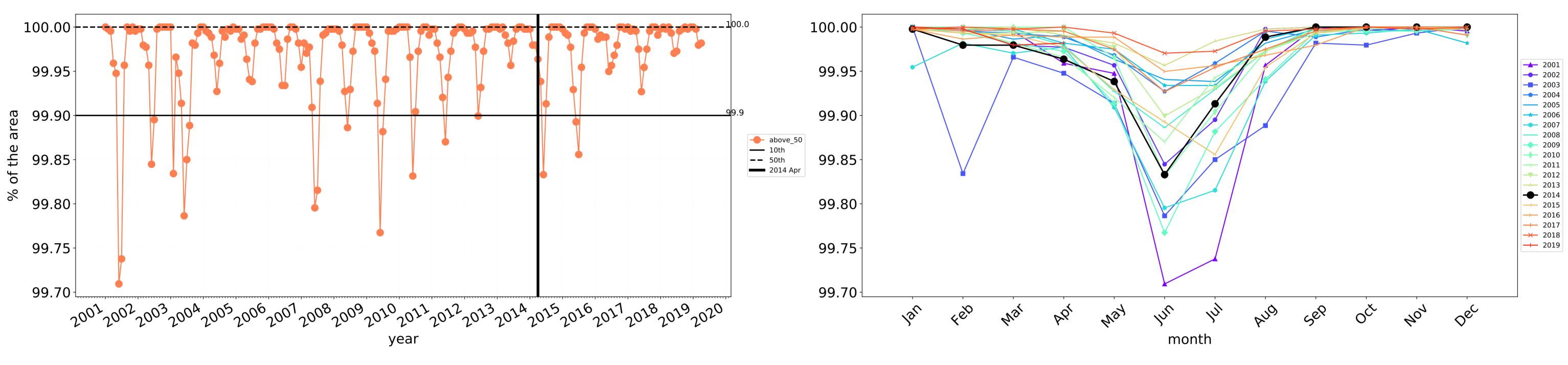


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Total Vegetation Cover Decile [%]

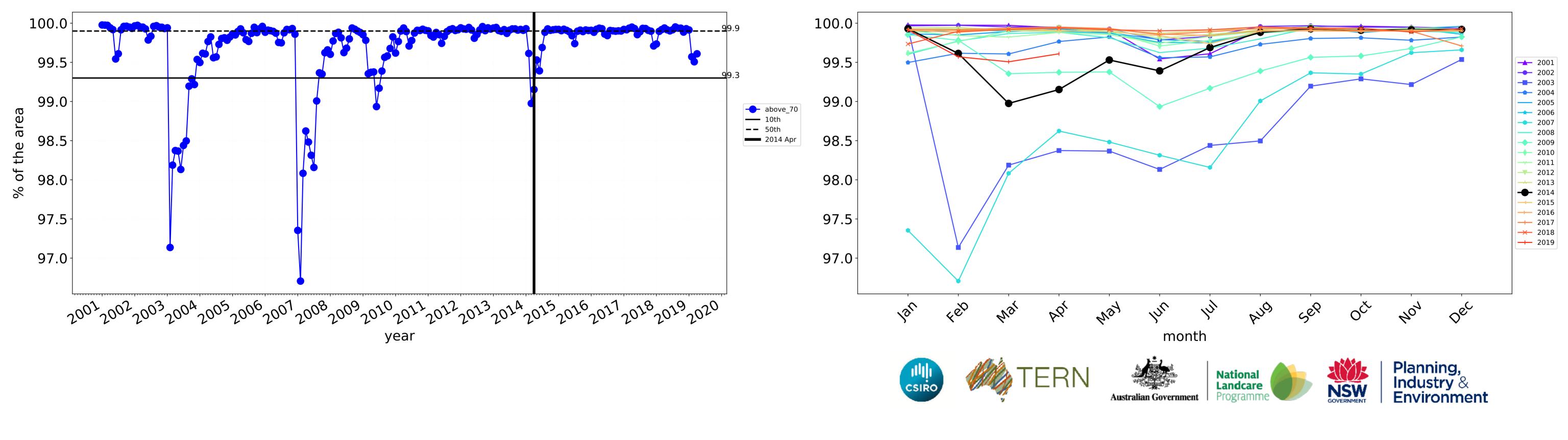






Proportion of the area protected from wind erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 50%)

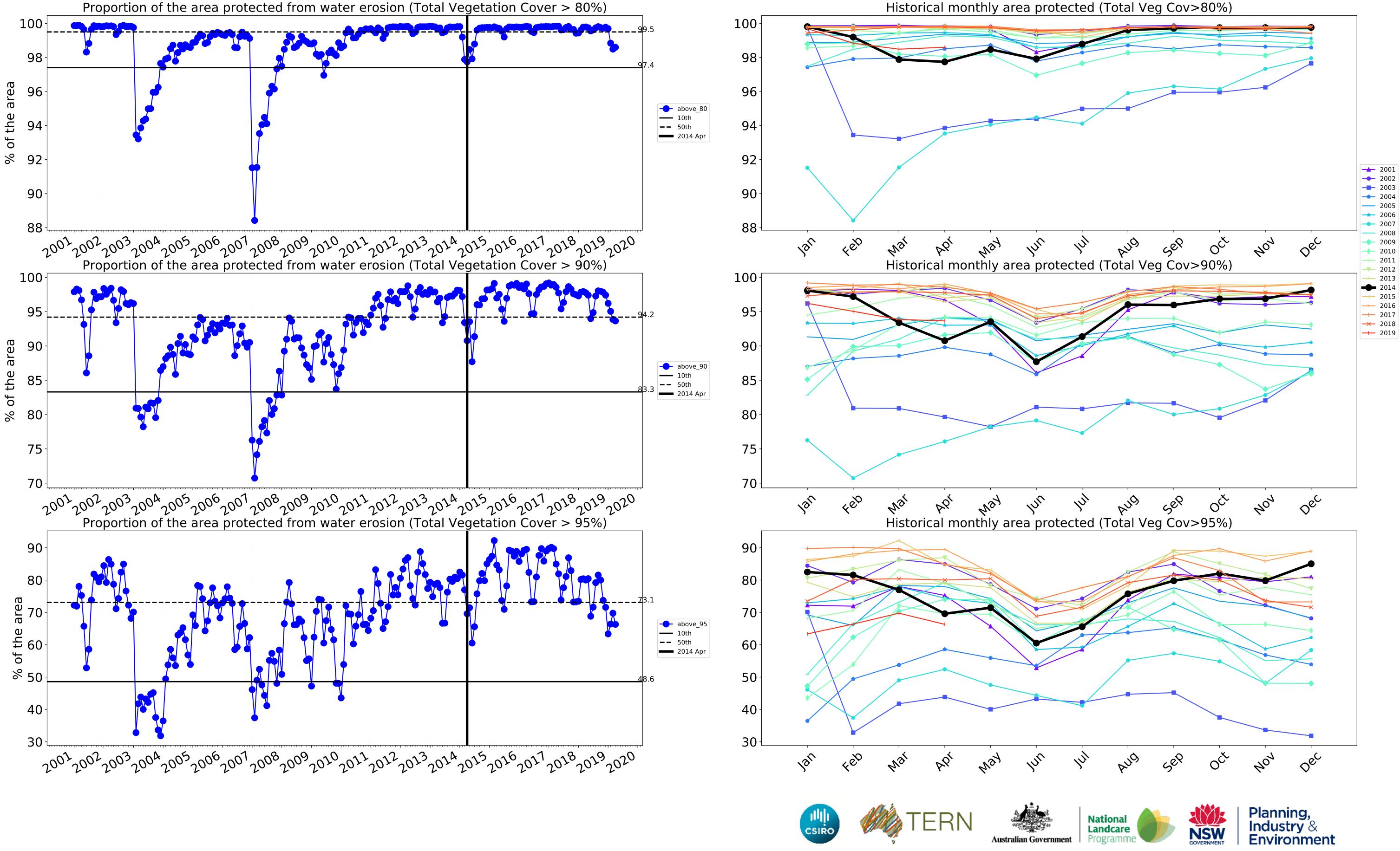
Proportion of the area protected from water erosion (Total Vegetation Cover > 70%)



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

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





East Gippsland (2,065,950 ha and no data 33,763 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	2,065,950	100.0% 2,065,499	99.9% 2,063,319	98.1% 2,027,142	95.2% 1,966,262	81.1% 1,675,067	56.6% 1,168,889
Conservation and natural environments	624,050	100.0% 623,825	99.7% 622,100	95.6% 596,350	89.9% 560,775	75.0% 467,975	50.1% 312,750
Conservation and natural environments non forest	12,925	98.6% 12,750	95.7% 12,375	87.8% 11,350	79.3% 10,250	46.8% 6,050	20.9% 2,700
Conservation and natural environments Woodland forest	144,275	100.0% 144,275	100.0% 144,225	99.2% 143,125	95.9% 138,350	78.9% 113,850	54.4% 78,450
Conservation and natural environments Forest (non woodland)	466,850	100.0% 466,800	99.7% 465,500	94.7% 441,875	88.3% 412,175	74.6% 348,075	49.6% 231,600
Agriculture	306,625	100.0% 306,600	100.0% 306,550	99.7% 305,600	97.1% 297,875	61.9% 189,700	26.7% 81,875
Grazing	302,650	100.0% 302,625	100.0% 302,575	99.7% 301,675	97.3% 294,575	62.3% 188,500	26.9% 81,500
Grazing non forest	231,375	100.0% 231,350	100.0% 231,300	99.7% 230,600	97.0% 224,400	57.8% 133,850	22.8% 52,850
Grazing Woodland forest	24,425	100.0% 24,425	100.0% 24,425	99.6% 24,325	98.2% 23,975	70.7% 17,275	33.0% 8,050
Grazing - Forest (non woodland)	46,850	100.0% 46,850	100.0% 46,850	99.8% 46,750	98.6% 46,200	79.8% 37,375	44.0% 20,600
Production native forests and plantation forests	1,100,800	100.0% 1,100,700	100.0% 1,100,400	99.2% 1,091,475	97.7% 1,075,925	90.8% 999,125	69.6% 766,150

