

## ***Supplementary Information***

### **ENSO feedback drives variations in dieback for a marginal mangrove site**

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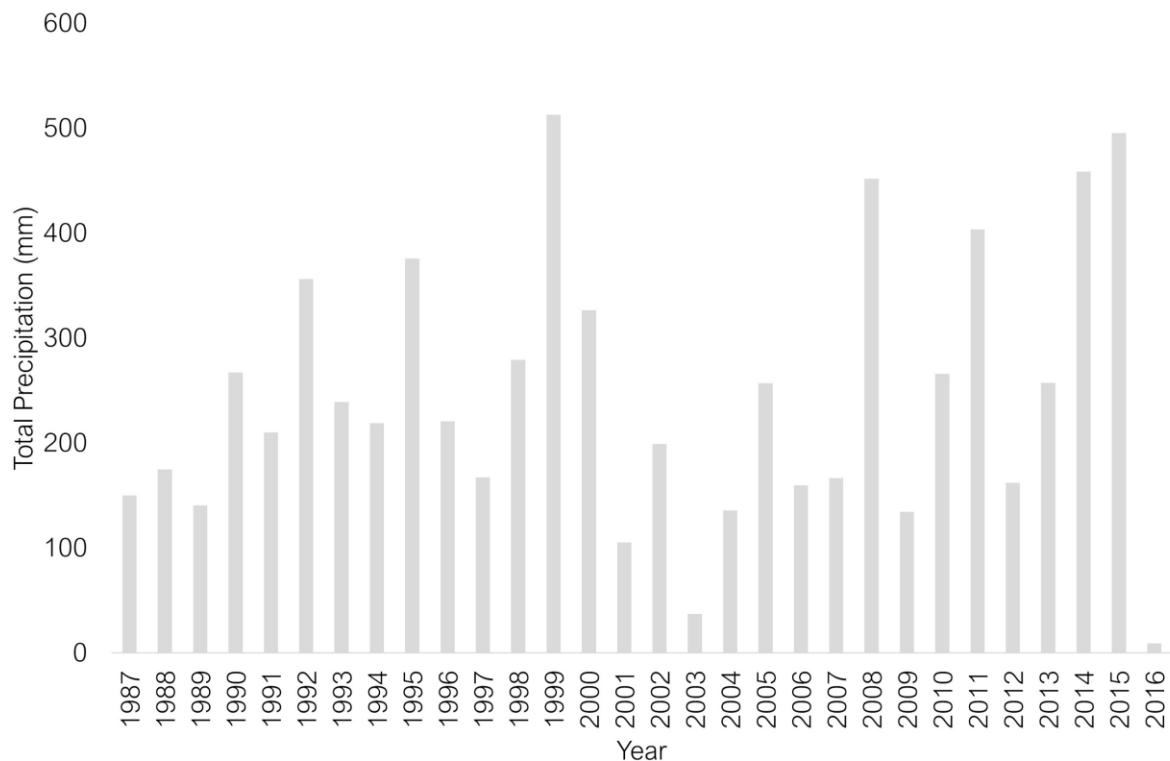
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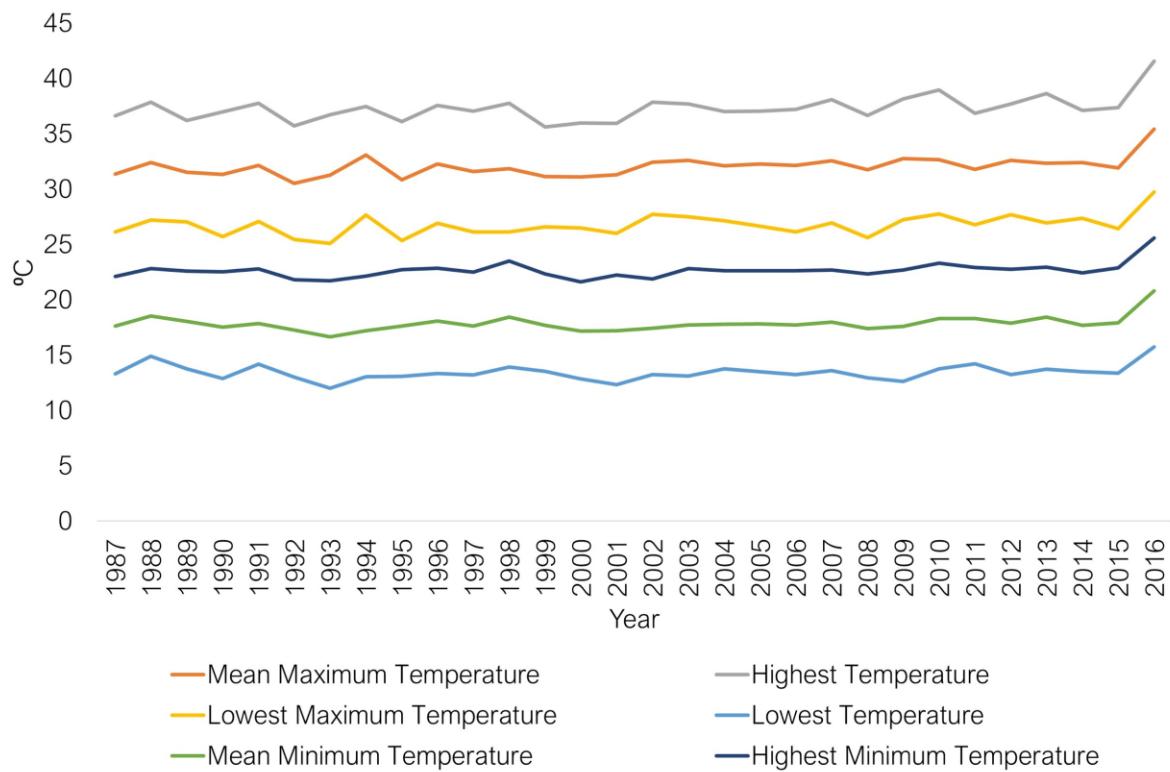
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SI1 Figure A: Total annual precipitation recorded for Mangrove Bay (measured at Learmonth Bureau of Meteorology station) used in GAMM analysis. Low precipitation in 2003 coincided with El Nino and mangrove dieback at the site (Lovelock et al., 2017).



SI1 Figure B: Annual averages of temperature variables used in GAMM analysis recorded for Mangrove Bay (measured at Learmonth Bureau of Meteorology station).

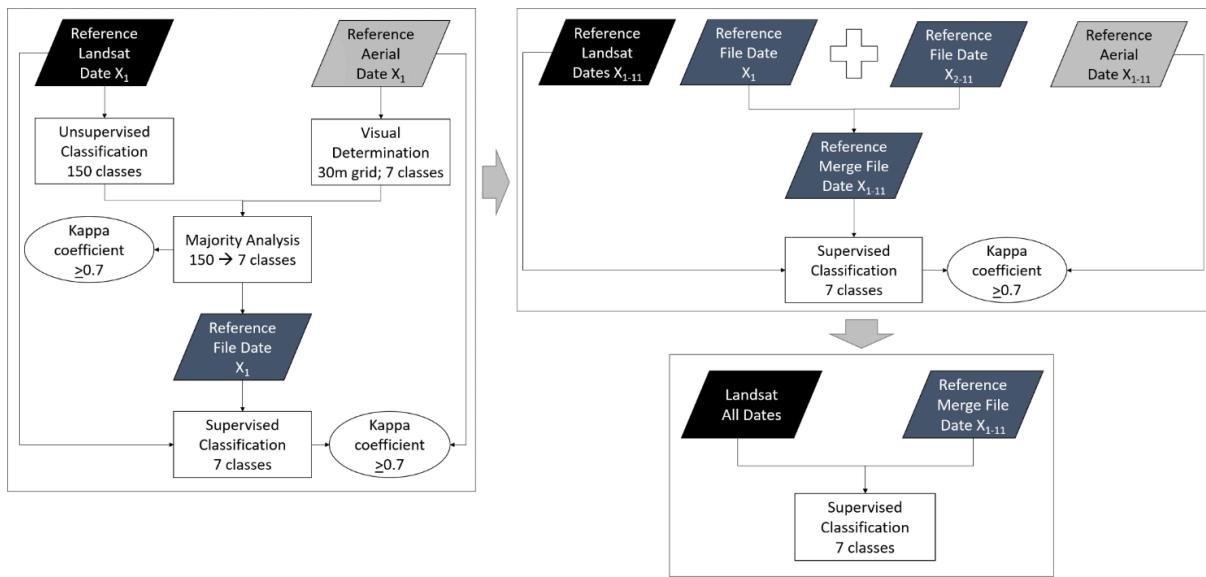


Figure SI2: Conceptual diagram showing the process of mangrove classification, showing initial unsupervised classification and supervised classification. A maximum likelihood algorithm was used. Accuracy assessment was undertaken using kappa coefficients (see Table ).

Table SI3: Bands and wavelengths utilised in the mangrove classification for Landsat 5, 7 TM and 8 OLI.

Bands Landsat 5 and 7	Landsat 5 TM Wavelength (micrometers)	Landsat 7 TM Wavelength (micrometers)	Bands Landsat 8	Landsat 8 OLI Wavelength (micrometers)
Band 1 - Blue	0.45-0.52	0.45-0.52	Band 2 - Blue	0.452 - 0.512
Band 2 - Green	0.52-0.60	0.52-0.60	Band 3 - Green	0.533 - 0.590
Band 3 - Red	0.63-0.69	0.63-0.69	Band 4 - Red	0.636 - 0.673
Band 4 - Near Infrared (NIR)	0.76-0.90	0.77-0.90	Band 5 - Near Infrared (NIR)	0.851 - 0.879
Band 5 - Shortwave Infrared (SWIR) 1	1.55-1.75	1.55-1.75	Band 6 - Shortwave Infrared (SWIR) 1	1.566 - 1.651
Band 7 - Shortwave Infrared (SWIR) 2	2.08-2.35	2.09-2.35	Band 7 - Shortwave Infrared (SWIR) 2	2.107 - 2.294

SI4: Description of classes used to classify the Mangrove bay site from aerial and Landsat scenes.  
Only the class, mangrove is analysed in this study.

Vegetation Type	Description
Mangrove	Dense mangrove trees, or trees covering 80% surface area
Mangrove/Saltmarsh	Combined area of mangrove and saltmarsh. Mangrove is the majority component (>50%)
Other vegetation/sand	Combined area of coastal grasses on sand
Mangrove/ saltmarsh/saltflat/sand (may include coastal grasses)	Combined area of saltflat, saltmarsh and mangrove
Saltflat/sand	Saltflat or sand area that is adjacent to mangroves and/or saltmarsh but has minimal (<20%) vegetation
Water	Water including adjacent coast, and internal lagoons
Mangrove/Water	Combined mangrove and lagoon area. May also be mangroves fringing coast, or lagoon entrance

SI5: Results of the accuracy assessment of mangrove classification. Error matrices of supervised classification with reference data. Error matrices were carried out on all pixels (30mx30m) ( $n_{pixels} = 8400$ ) within study region. Kappa coefficients and overall accuracy show strong agreement across reference data and supervised classification.

Landsat Scene Date (Landsat series)	Orthorectified Aerial Image Date	Error Measurement (%)	Kappa	overall accuracy
May-1987 (5)	Mar-1985	Agreement	93.27	
		Omission	6.73	0.82
		Commission	32.64	88.37
Dec-1999 (5)	Aug-2000	Agreement	90.48	
		Omission	9.52	0.78
		Commission	29.15	85.30
Jul-2003 (5)	Jul-2003	Agreement	94.34	
		Omission	5.66	0.80
		Commission	34.64	86.92
Oct-2006 (5)	Oct-2006	Agreement	95.00	
		Omission	5.00	0.79
		Commission	39.77	86.32
Aug-2007 (5)	Aug-2007	Agreement	91.22	
		Omission	8.78	0.71
		Commission	20.86	80.06
Nov-2008 (5)	Nov-2008	Agreement	96.54	
		Omission	3.46	0.76
		Commission	26.40	83.55
Dec-2010 (5)	Oct-2010	Agreement	95.40	
		Omission	4.60	0.81
		Commission	22.19	87.19
Jun-2011 (5)	Jul-2011	Agreement	83.96	
		Omission	16.04	0.80
		Commission	15.51	86.49
Aug-2000 (7)	Aug-2000	Agreement	81.86	
		Omission	18.14	0.85
		Commission	21.08	90.49
Sept-2013 (8)	Sept-2013	Agreement	91.18	
		Omission	8.82	0.80
		Commission	13.55	85.63
Jul-2014 (8)	Jul-2014	Agreement	93.12	
		Omission	6.89	0.80
		Commission	19.12	86.35

SI6: AICc results of GAMMs analysis (top 10 models). + indicates the variable is included in the model. The best model is 1: SOI and mean minimum temperature indicated by the lowest AICc score, and lowest number of variables. The model with only the intercept is included.

Model Number	Intercept	Highest Minimum Temperature	Highest Temperature	Lowest Maximum Temperature	Lowest Temperature	Mean Maximum Temperature	Mean Minimum Temperature	Total Precipitation	SOI	AIC	df	logLik	AICc	delta	weight
1	17.27508621	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	+	NA	+	324.4473	7	-155	326.6873	0.0000	0.2444
2	17.27508621	NA	+	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	+	325.2180	7	-156	327.4580	0.7707	0.1663
3	17.27508621	NA	NA	NA	NA	+	NA	NA	+	326.1343	7	-156	328.3743	1.6870	0.1051
4	17.27508621	NA	NA	NA	+	NA	NA	NA	+	326.2381	7	-156	328.4781	1.7908	0.0998
5	17.27508621	+	NA	NA	NA	NA	+	NA	+	327.0471	9	-155	330.7971	4.1098	0.0313
6	17.27508621	NA	+	NA	NA	NA	NA	+	+	327.0772	9	-155	330.8272	4.1398	0.0308
7	17.27508621	NA	+	NA	NA	NA	+	NA	+	327.1768	9	-155	330.9268	4.2394	0.0293
8	17.27508621	NA	NA	+	NA	NA	NA	NA	+	328.8892	7	-157	331.1292	4.4418	0.0265
9	17.27508621	NA	NA	NA	NA	+	+	NA	+	327.8737	9	-155	331.6237	4.9363	0.0207
10	17.27508621	+	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	+	329.5205	7	-158	331.7605	5.0731	0.0193
Intercept	17.27508621	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	359.6131	3	-177	360.0575	33.3702	0.0000

SI7: Equation 1: Normalised Difference Vegetation Index (NDVI). Refer to Table SI3 for band and wavelength information.

$$\text{NDVI} = \text{NIR band} - \text{Red band} / \text{NIR band} + \text{Red band} \quad (\text{Equation 1})$$

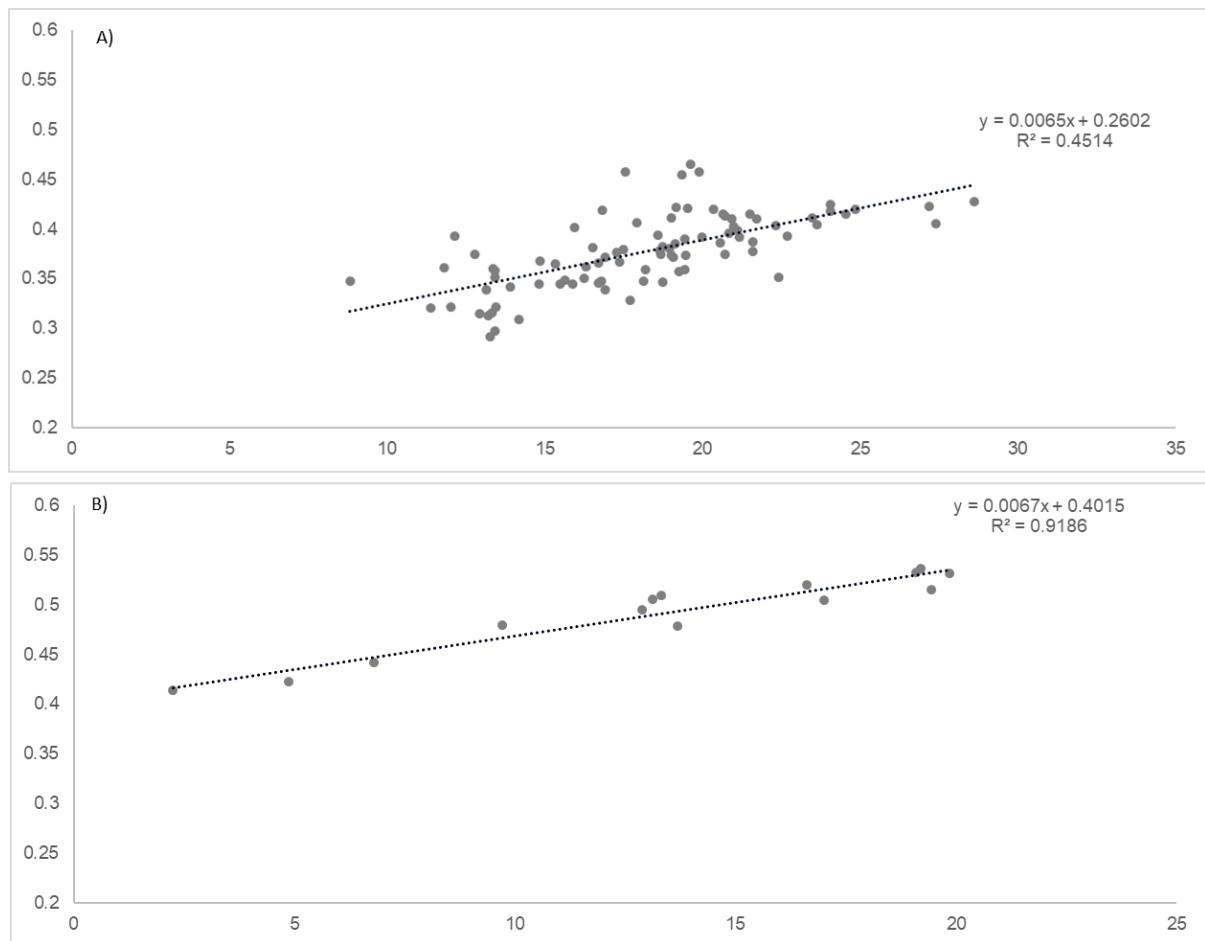


Figure SI8: Relationship between mangrove NDVI and mangrove area for each time-point. NDVI and area are closely related, with NDVI increasing linearly when area increases. Landsat 5, 7 derived data shown in A, and Landsat 8 derived data in B.

SI9: Landsat Scenes (n=213) used in analysis. \* denotes reference layer used in accuracy assessment (n=11) (Table 2).

Landsat	Month	Year	Landsat Scenes
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Figure SI 10: A close-up of the 1985 image prior to georectification to highlight the loss of green canopy apparent in the top left section of the forest. See Figure 4 for scale and location information.