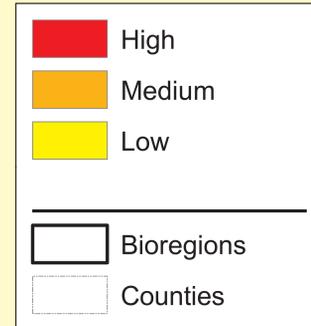
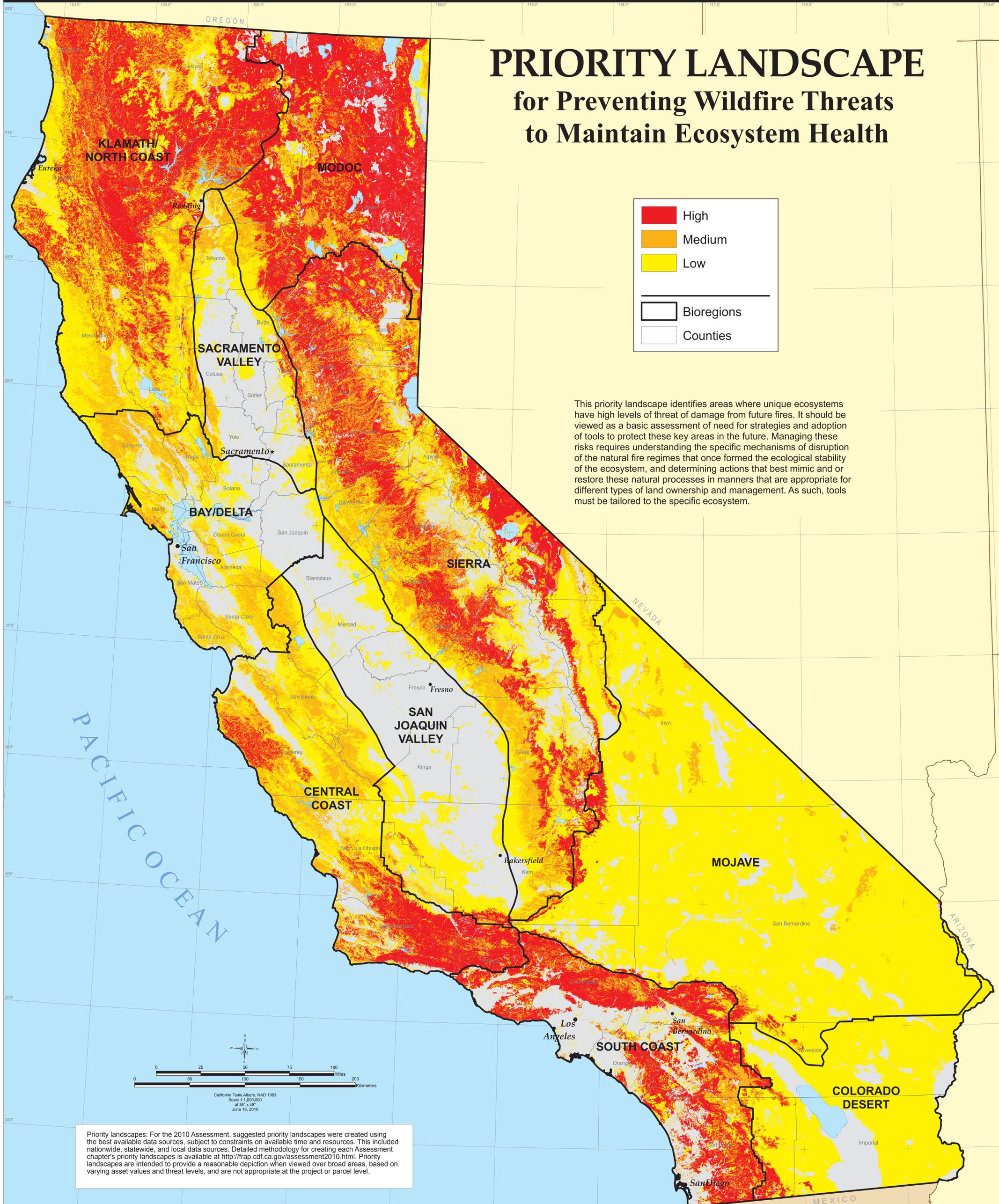




PRIORITY LANDSCAPE for Preventing Wildfire Threats to Maintain Ecosystem Health



This priority landscape identifies areas where unique ecosystems have high levels of threat of damage from future fires. It should be viewed as a basic assessment of need for strategies and adoption of tools to protect these key areas in the future. Managing these risks requires understanding the specific mechanisms of disruption of the natural fire regimes that once formed the ecological stability of the ecosystem, and determining actions that best mimic and or restore these natural processes in manners that are appropriate for different types of land ownership and management. As such, tools must be tailored to the specific ecosystem.



Priority landscapes: For the 2010 Assessment, suggested priority landscapes were created using the best available data sources, subject to constraints on available time and resources. This included nationwide, statewide, and local data sources. Detailed methodology for creating each Assessment chapter's priority landscapes is available at <http://frap.cdf.ca.gov/assessment2010.html>. Priority landscapes are intended to provide a reasonable depiction when viewed over broad areas, based on varying asset values and threat levels, and are not appropriate at the project or parcel level.

DATA SOURCES