



PRIORITY LANDSCAPE for Water Quality

	High
	Medium
	Low
	Hydrologic Regions
	Counties

This priority landscape identifies areas where the highest threats to water quality overlap with the highest assets promoting water quality. It suggests areas of high priority for water quality. The threats to water quality used in this analysis are erosion caused by wildfire, impervious surfaces, and watersheds with waterbodies listed on the EPA 303(d) list. The assets used to indicate water quality used in this analysis are streams supporting anadromous fish, wild and scenic rivers, riparian canopy cover, forest meadows, and naturally occurring lakes and ponds.

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