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The first assessment of California's forest resources was completed and published in 1979, with an interim report published in November 1982. This report contains a discussion of the preliminary resource issues that have been identified for the 1987 assessment. Volumes I and II of the 1987 assessment will be available in early 1987, and Volume III will be available later in the year. Coordination with the forest service in the forest survey of California is continuing, and aerial photographs have been developed for 35 million acres of SRA.

The federally funded pilot program for mapping prime timberlands in Humboldt and Mendocino counties is complete. Two studies on forest industry and one on nonindustrial private land ownership have been published and provide background on the status of private forestry in California.

Some ongoing projects include a wildlife habitat relationship program to model responses of wildlife species to management alternatives, and a study on trends in rural demographics and economics. A number of analytical models including TREES, DE FORPLAN, and DYNAST have been developed to use as projection and assessment tools.

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