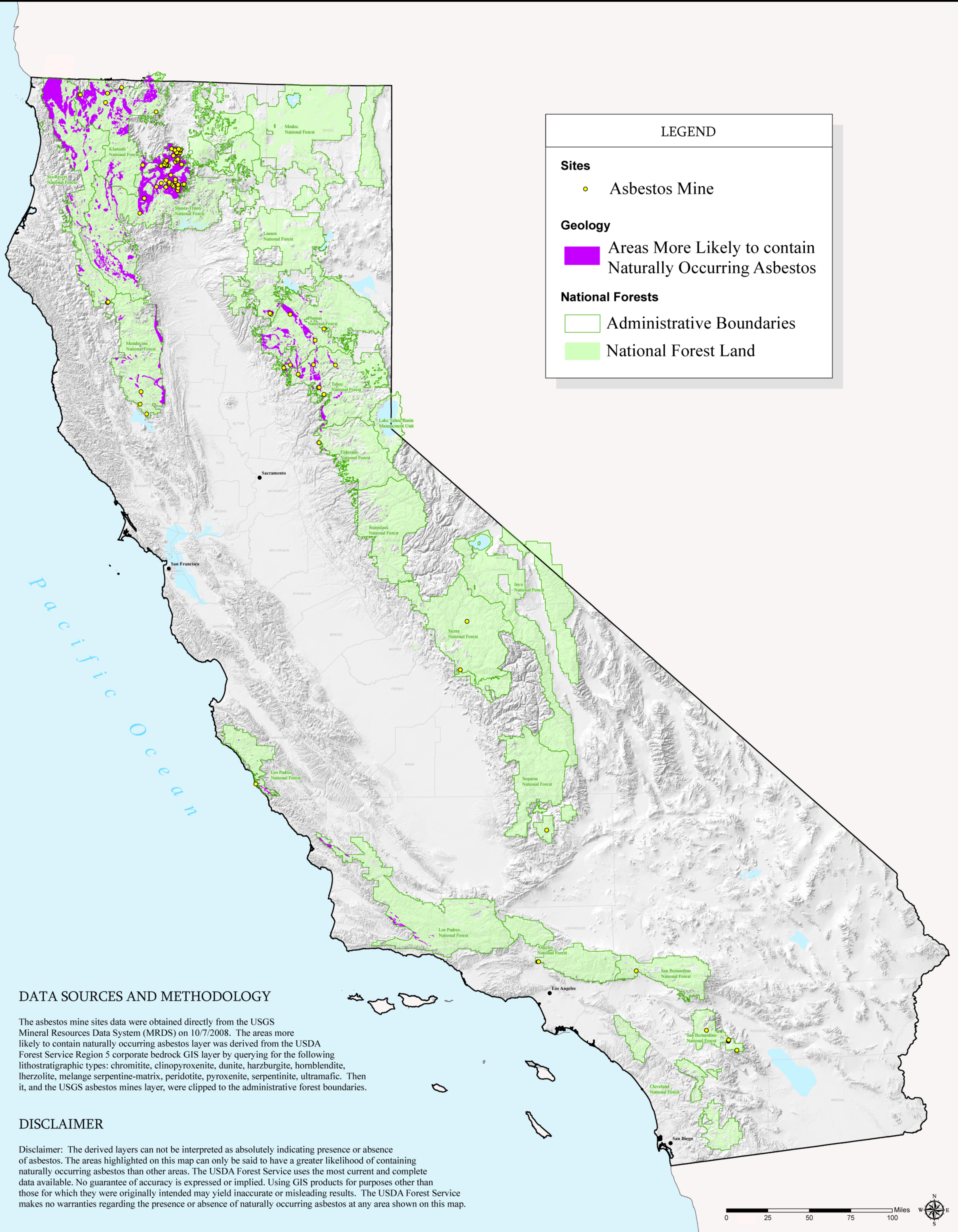


Areas More Likely to Contain Naturally Occurring Asbestos within National Forests in Region 5



DATA SOURCES AND METHODOLOGY

The asbestos mine sites data were obtained directly from the USGS Mineral Resources Data System (MRDS) on 10/7/2008. The areas more likely to contain naturally occurring asbestos layer was derived from the USDA Forest Service Region 5 corporate bedrock GIS layer by querying for the following lithostratigraphic types: chromitite, clinopyroxenite, dunite, harzburgite, hornblende, lherzolite, melange serpentine-matrix, peridotite, pyroxenite, serpentinite, ultramafic. Then it, and the USGS asbestos mines layer, were clipped to the administrative forest boundaries.

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