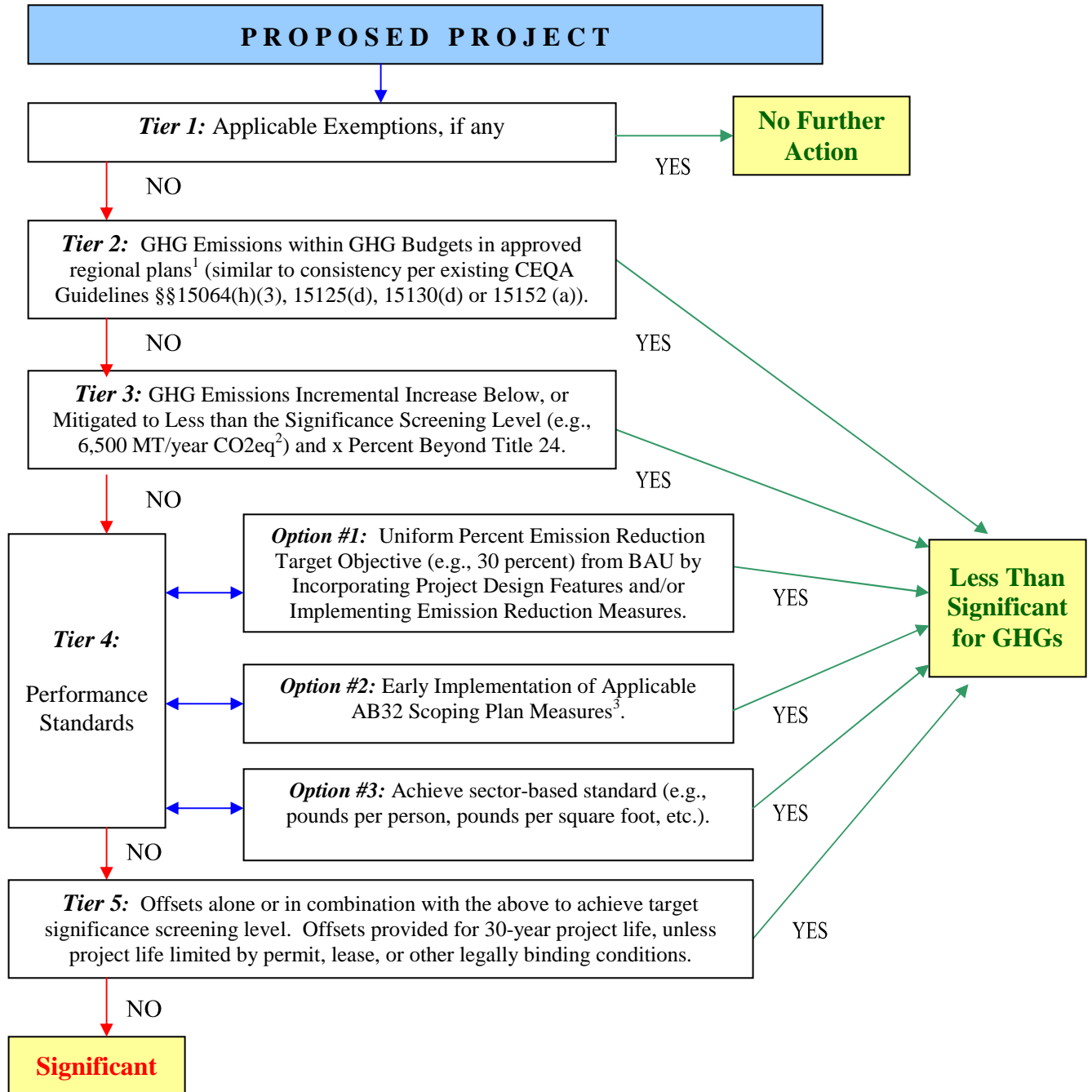


PRELIMINARY DRAFT – DISCUSSION PURPOSES ONLY

Proposed Tiered Decision Tree Approach

Greenhouse Gas CEQA Significance Threshold Working Group
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Significance Determination of Cumulative Impacts from GHG Emissions:



1. Local General Plans or other local plans local plans that, at a minimum, comply with the overall target objective or the sector-based CARB Scoping Plan; have been analyzed under CEQA, and have a certified Final CEQA document; emission estimates approved by CARB or SCAQMD; include a GHG inventory; tracking mechanism; enforcement; and a commitment to remedy the excess emissions if commitments are not met.
2. Initial proposal will undergo annual review and be adjusted as necessary. The screening level is derived from a sample mixed used land use project with 55 pounds per day of NOx emissions (i.e., significant for NOx), consisting of 200 units of single family dwelling units, 100 units of low rise apartments, and 150,000 square feet of commercial office park. The threshold would be 6,500 MT/yr from the operational phase and a total of 6,500 MT emissions from the construction phase.
3. Substitution for equivalent reductions allowed.