Is the project subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)?

- **Yes**: No further action needed.
- **No**: Proceed to the next step.

Does a CEQA exemption apply?

- **Yes**: Provide documentation. **No further action needed.**
- **No**: Proceed to the next step.

Does the Lead Agency have a qualified Climate Action Plan (CAP)?

- **Yes**: Is the project consistent with the CAP?
  - **Yes**: **No further action needed.**
  - **No**: Document mitigation strategies. **No further action needed.**

**Project must implement SMAQMD’s Tier 1 Best Management Practices (BMPs)**

BMP 1: no natural gas, BMP 2: Electric Vehicle Ready

Does the project fully implement Tier 1 BMPs and are emissions levels below 1,100 metric tons CO\textsubscript{2}e/year?

- **Yes**: **No further action needed.**
- **No**: Document mitigation strategies. **No further action needed.**

If the project does not implement Tier 1 BMPs, estimate excess emissions from natural gas use and implement onsite measures to maximum extent feasible, or purchase offsite mitigation (offsets) to reduce natural gas emissions. Ensure the project has the capacity to be all-electric in the future. Ensure BMP 2 requirement met on-site or through off-site program.

**RECHECK**: Are project emissions now below 1,100 metric tons CO\textsubscript{2}e/year?

- **Yes**: Document mitigation strategies and the commitment to all-electric infrastructure. **No further action needed.**
- **No**: Document qualifying VMT de minimis criteria. **No further action needed.**

For technical details on BMPs and calculations see SMAQMD’s greenhouse gas thresholds justification document:

[http://www.airquality.org/LandUseTransportation/Documents/SMAQMDGHGThresholds2020-03-04v2.pdf](http://www.airquality.org/LandUseTransportation/Documents/SMAQMDGHGThresholds2020-03-04v2.pdf)

**Project must implement SMAQMD’s Tier 2 BMP**

BMP 3*: Reduce applicable project VMT by 15% residential and 15% worker relative to Sacramento County targets, and no net increase in retail VMT. In areas with above-average existing VMT, commit to provide electrical capacity for future 100% electric vehicles.

Does the project meet the Office of Planning and Research (OPR) SB 743 technical advisory de minimis criteria for vehicle miles traveled (VMT)?

- **Yes**: Document VMT qualifying criteria. **No further action needed.**
- **No**: Estimate excess emissions from VMT and implement onsite VMT reduction strategies or purchase offsite mitigation (offsets) to achieve BMP 3 targets.

**Document VMT mitigation strategies. No further action needed.**

*NOTE: BMP 3 can be met by complying with an agency’s locally adopted SB 743 target.*