

A large, leafy tree in the foreground with a hazy landscape in the background.

# **Update on Life Cycle Assessment of Organics Diversion Alternatives**

## **~Draft Final Report~**

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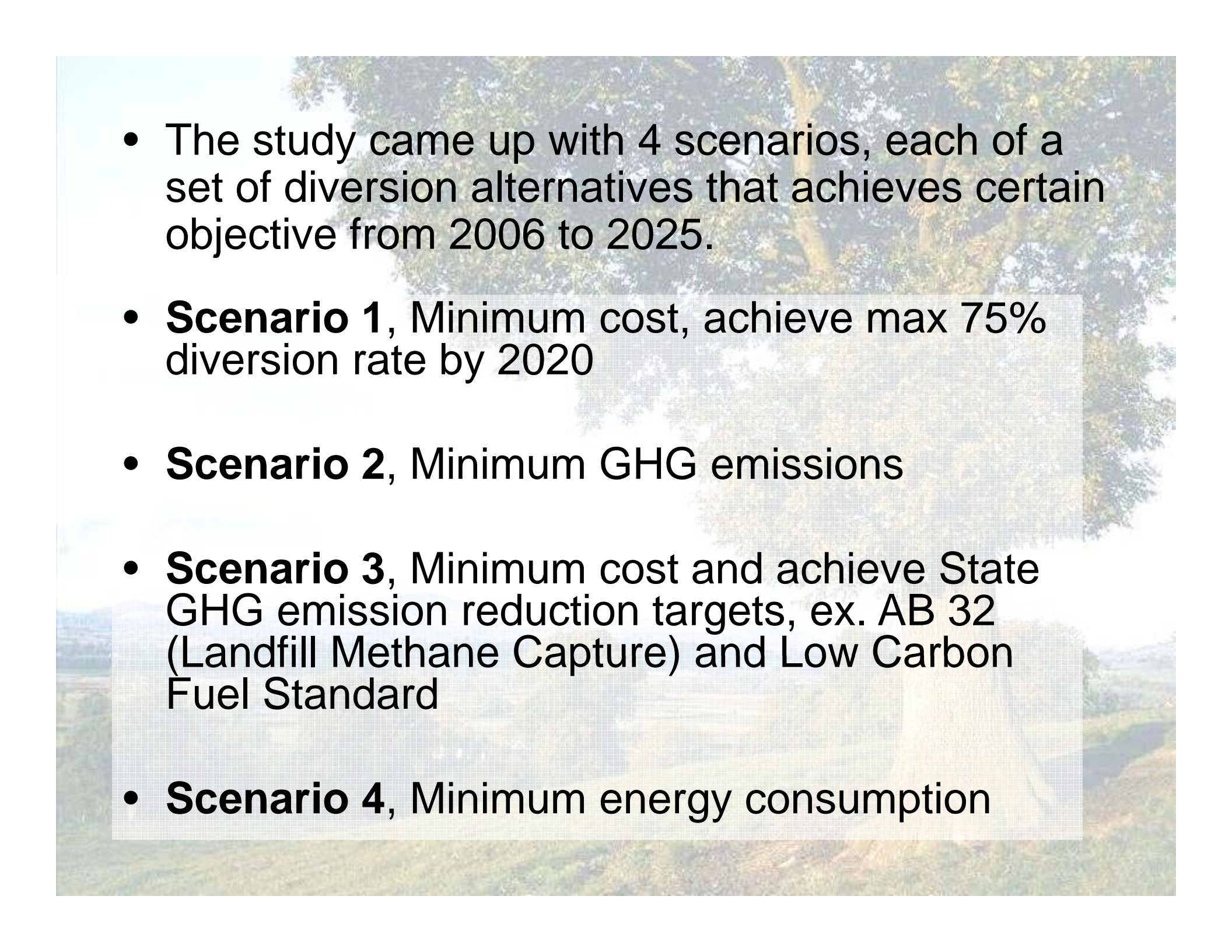
- The LCA compares current practice of landfilling organics including ADC to 6 diversion alternatives:

- Composting
- Chipping/Grinding
- Anaerobic Digestion
- Biomass-to-Energy
- Waste-to-Energy
- Recycling



- Objective of the LCA
  - Produce a study report analyzing the cost and LCA/GHG emissions
  - Create a GHG Tool



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- The study came up with 4 scenarios, each of a set of diversion alternatives that achieves certain objective from 2006 to 2025.
  - **Scenario 1**, Minimum cost, achieve max 75% diversion rate by 2020
  - **Scenario 2**, Minimum GHG emissions
  - **Scenario 3**, Minimum cost and achieve State GHG emission reduction targets, ex. AB 32 (Landfill Methane Capture) and Low Carbon Fuel Standard
  - **Scenario 4**, Minimum energy consumption

## - Result of Scenario 3

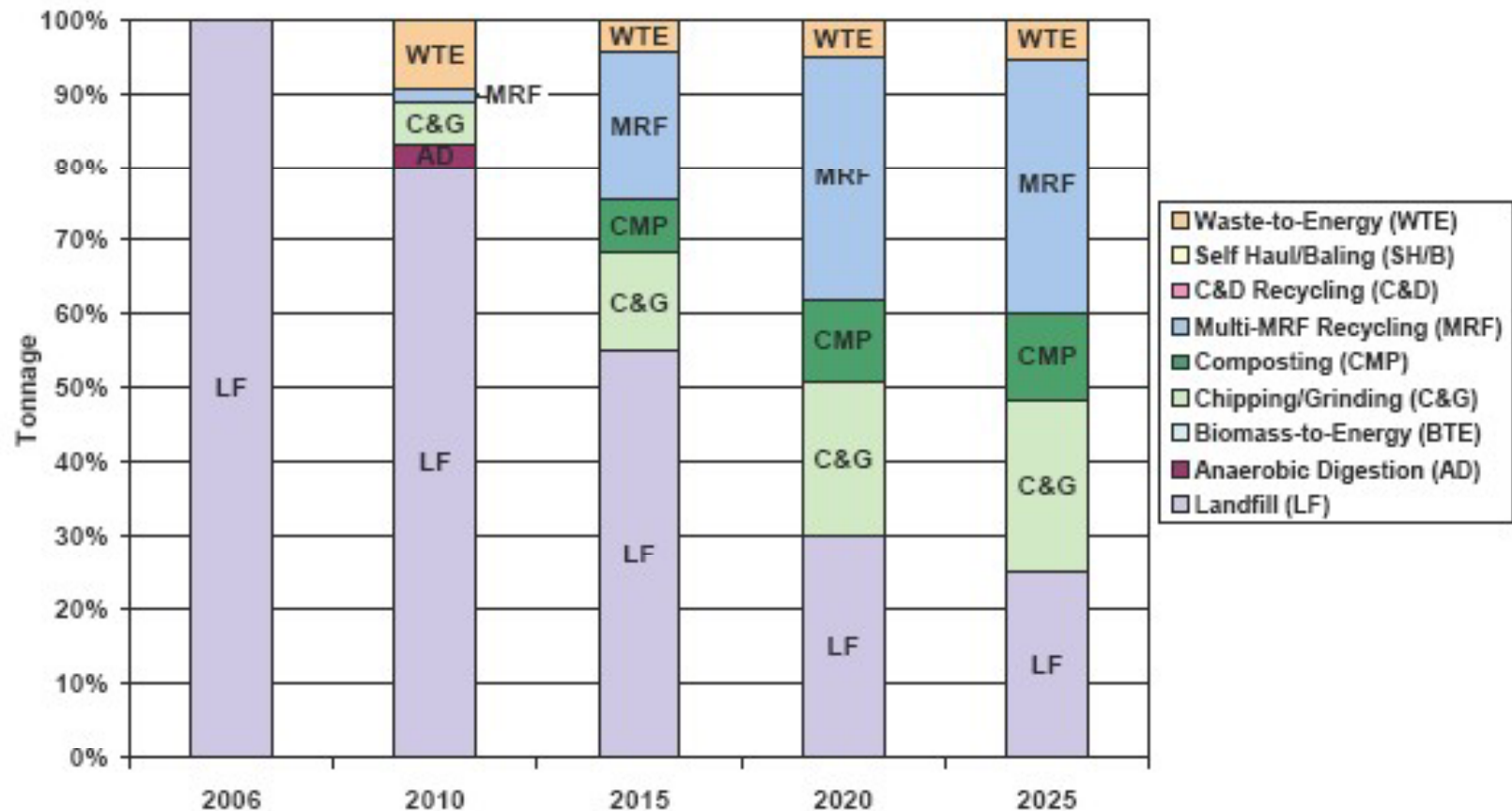


Figure 5.20. Waste Tonnage to Different Waste Management Processes, Minimum Cost While Achieving GHG Emission Reduction Targets Scenario, State.



- **Number of new facilities required in the State**

**Table 6.1 Number of Facilities required under Scenarios**

Line		Landfill	Anaerobic Digestion	Biomass-to-Energy	Chipping/Grinding	Composting	Multi MRF Recycling	C&D Recycling	Self Haul/Baling	Waste-to-Energy	Total
1	Landfill Baseline	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
2	Minimum Cost	n/a	0.0	0.0	211.4	150.7	83.7	0.0	0.0	5.5	451.4
3	Minimum Greenhouse Gas Emissions	n/a	73.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	46.9	36.9	80.8	32.4	270.9
4	Minimum Energy Consumption	n/a	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	19.1	0.0	30.8	56.5	106.4
5	Minimum Cost & State Greenhouse Gas Emission Targets	n/a	0.0	0.0	211.4	64.1	163.8	0.0	0.0	5.5	444.9

- **Task Force's concerns in previous letters**

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**Questions?**