

Proposed Specific Research Need/ Problem to be Addressed:	Study the impact of CDHS requiring post-harvest treatment of oysters harvested in the Gulf States April through October. The research requests that an independent study analyze the number of lbs. of PHT and traditional shucked and shellstock oysters were sold April through October into California in 2001 and 2002 and the number of lbs. of shucked and shellstock PHT oysters were sold April through October into California during 2003 and 2004. The study would also research the number of oysters sold by certified dealers from the Gulf, Atlantic, Pacific coast States as well as importers of oysters into California prior to April 2003 and after April 2003 during April through October. The research will determine if there has been any impact, either positive and/or negative, to any certified dealers listed in the ICSSL. The SSCAs along with the FDA should conduct the study to assure that the information is kept confidential.			
How will addressing this research support/improve the mission/role of the ISSC/NSSP/Industry?	On April 3, 2003 the California Department of Health Services, (CDHS), banned the sales of oysters harvested in the Gulf States, April through October that had not undergone a post harvest treatment approved by CDHS. This research will show which certified shellfish dealers have been positively or negatively impacted by the CDHS regulation banning the sale of unprocessed oysters harvested in the Gulf States April through October.			
Support need with literature citations as appropriate	CDHS emergency regulation, the NSSP, ISSC Constitution and By-laws, ISSC May 1, 2003 memo to the Gulf Coast State Legislative Delegations and Staff			
Relative Priority Rank in Terms of Resolving Research Need	Immediate Required Important	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	Valuable Other	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
Estimated Cost:	Unknown			
Proposed Sources of Funding/Support:	FDA or GMP or GSAFF or GOIP or ISSC			
Time Frame Anticipated:	August 2006 ISSC Board meeting			
Action by 2005 Task Force II	Recommended referral of Research Needs Proposal 05-RN-203 to the Executive Board.			
Action by ISSC Executive Board August 2005	Referred Research Needs Proposal 05-RN-203 to the Vibrio Management Committee for referral to the <i>Vibrio vulnificus</i> Subcommittee assisted by the Research Guidance Committee.			
Action by USFDA	Concurred with Conference action.			