



<p>Proposal for Task Force Consideration at the ISSC 2015 Biennial Meeting</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Growing Area</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Harvesting/Handling/Distribution</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Administrative</p>
<p>Submitter</p>	<p>Post-Harvest Processing Review Committee</p>
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<p>Proposal Subject</p>	<p>Study Design Guidance Committee</p>
<p>Specific NSSP Guide Reference</p>	<p>ISSC Constitution, Bylaws, & Procedures</p>
<p>Text of Proposal/ Requested Action</p>	<p>ARTICLE IV. EXECUTIVE BOARD, OFFICERS, COMMITTEES</p> <p>Section 10. The Board may appoint committees from industry, educational institutions, research fields, or any other areas as needed to report to the Board and advise the Conference on proposals under consideration. Committee appointments will be made from the Conference membership by the Executive Board Chairperson. The following committees shall be designated as standing committees and shall convene as needed or as directed by the Executive Board or Chairperson of the Conference:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Education; • Foreign Relations; • Model Ordinance Effectiveness Review; • Patrol; • Proposal Review; • Research Guidance; • Resolutions; • Shellfish Restoration; and • <i>Vibrio</i> Management; and • <u>Study Design Guidance.</u> <p>The Vice-Chairperson of the Conference shall assist the Executive Director in encouraging development of committee work plans and completion of subcommittee assignments prior to convention of the Annual Meeting.</p> <p><u>Section 16.</u></p> <p><u>The Executive Board shall appoint a Study Design Guidance Committee. The Committee will develop guidance to assist States and the industry in establishing target levels and developing protocols for studies to determine the effectiveness of post-harvest processes.</u></p>
<p>Public Health Significance</p>	<p>Presently the NSSP requires that States conduct studies to (1) demonstrate the effectiveness of post-harvest processes and practices intended to reduce pathogen levels; or (2) to ensure that processes and practices do not result in unintended growth of pathogens. The NSSP offers no guidance for conducting these studies nor does the NSSP provide recommended pathogen target levels. This committee would serve as</p>



	technical expertise for developing guidance.
Cost Information	