Seal and Whale Watch Volunteers Meeting Agenda (16 total participants)

- I. Welcomes and introduction of Kimberly and volunteers.
- II. Michele with park closure and Stewards updates.

Park is currently open for locals to hike and walk in, with exceptions for ADA to drive in with permission. Next stage is to open parking.

III. Check-ins:

How are you doing and how can Stewards support you during this time?

Ideas for re-opening:

Rangers are patrolling the beaches now. We need to get permission to go out there and put up signs and ropes before re-opening to the public. Kimberly will help Greg with this project.

SW docents needed on beach, anticipating lots of people coming out once we are open. Possibly put a rope out with the seals and a docent on the seal-side.

Concerns of COVID exposure to volunteers while on beach. Stay home if you are high risk.

Thinking of other ways to minimize contact with public, possibly use of a sandwich board or laminated poster for interpretation.

Concerns over keeping shared Seal watch equipment. We won't be taking any equipment out to the beach at first.

Gradually bring back docents, but only if you feel safe to do so.

Wish list: see if we can get a pup count. See if water agency camera can get a view of the seals. See if we can get someone out to Bodega Head to take video of whales and calves going by.

IV. Plan next meeting date TBD