

# **WSU Beach Watcher Volunteer Guidelines in Response to COVID 19**

**July 10, 2020**

## **Programs conducted during Phase 1-4 will utilize the following procedures:**

- Beach Watcher volunteers age 65 years or older or at a high risk for complications related to Covid-19, should consider their own personal situation and CDC recommendations when they make the decision to participate in any Beach Watcher activities. Such volunteers may choose work from home such as writing articles for the newsletter, writing thank you notes for speakers, and/or other administrative tasks as supported by the Beach Watchers Coordinator.
- A minimum distance of six-feet of separation between both staff, volunteers, and participants from separate households will be maintained at all times.
- Face masks and other appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) will be required to be worn by staff, volunteers, and participants in order to participate in the programs.
- Carpooling is only allowed for members of the same household. Those in different households may not carpool to events.

## **Additional guidelines and procedures specific to the Beach Watchers:**

### **Phase 1 -**

- No in-person programs will be conducted.

### **Phase 2 -**

- In-person programs will not exceed 5 persons from outside of any particular household.
- Face masks and other appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) will be required to be worn by staff, volunteers, and participants in order to participate in the program.
- Potential volunteer projects include: water quality monitoring, beach clean-ups, and delivering supplies for outreach programs.

### **Phase 3 -**

- Programs will open but the total number of people present at one time will not exceed the group size limitations currently in place under state or local policy.

- Face masks and other appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) will still be required to be worn by staff, volunteers, and participants in order to participate in the program.
- Potential volunteer projects include: water quality monitoring, beach clean-ups, delivering supplies for outreach programs, and summer intertidal beach explorations.

#### **Phase 4**

- Programs will open to participants from more than one household and the total number of people present at one time will not exceed 50 or the group size limit currently in place under state or local policy, whichever is smaller.
- Requirements for the continued use of face masks and other appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE). These requirements may continue even when not considered mandatory by state regulations.
- Potential volunteer projects include: water quality monitoring, beach clean-ups, delivering supplies for outreach programs, and summer intertidal beach explorations.
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