

As discussed, and presented at the January Board meeting, the GAPOA Board is implementing a multifaceted water quality strategy built on three foundational strategies: Prevention, Monitoring and Mitigation as part of our ongoing commitment to enhance the health and safety of our community as it relates to Greene Acres Lake.

One of these prevention strategies is to manage the resident goose population at our lake. This initiative is crucial as it directly impacts the cleanliness and safety of our communal spaces.

Through the necessary federal permits, we have obtained authorization to conduct egg depredation. This method involves coating eggs with oil to prevent them from hatching. The current goose population has contributed to higher levels of E. coli in the lake. These contaminations reached unsafe levels on multiple occasions last summer, posing serious health risks such as gastrointestinal illnesses.

We Need Your Assistance!

We are requesting that lakeside residents identify any active goose nests on their property as soon as possible. With your consent, authorized members of the Board can treat the eggs to prevent hatching. Please report any active nests you find to the following board members:

- Derek Arnold, derekarnold73@gmail.com, 203 313 3905
- Sara Johnson, johnsonsaralynn@gmail.com, (202) 460-0386
- Brian Snyder, bdsnyder@gmail.com, (804) 304-9537

Your participation is vital to preserving our lake's health and ensuring our community's well-being. Please contact any board member or me if you have questions or need further assistance.

Warm regards,

Derek Arnold

Environmental & Lake Quality Committee Chair
Greene Acres Property Owners Association (GAPOA)