## protect Lake Massapoagy

Sustainable Sharon Coalition

Do you enjoy Summer days at Lake Massapoag? Swimming in the lake? Playing on the sand? Well, that can only happen if Sharon works together to help keep the lake healthy and clean!

DID YOU KNOW, COMMUNITY
CENTER BEACH WILL BE CLOSED
FOR SWIMMING IN 2023 DUE TO
CONSISTENTLY ELEVATED E.COLI
LEVELS.

IF WE WANT TO PROTECT OUR LAKE FOR
THE FUTURE THEN WE NEED TO DO
SOMETHING NOW!

HOW YOU CAN HELP:

-BUILD A RAIN GARDEN AND GROW NATIVE PLANTS

-USE PHOSPHORUS-FREE FERTILIZER ON YOUR LAWN

-DON'T WASH YOUR CAR AT HOME - USE THE CAR WASH

-TAKE CARE OF YOUR SEPTIC SYSTEM

-PICK UP AFTER YOUR DOG

-DON'T FEED THE DUCKS AND GEESE AT THE LAKE

-DON'T THROW CHEMICALS

AND MEDICINES DOWN THE DRAIN

WHEN RAIN WASHES BACTERIA
AND EXCESS NUTRIENTS INTO
THE LAKE THEY CAUSE E. COLI
AND CYANOBACTERIA LEVELS TO
RISE, WHICH IS HARMFUL TO OUR
LAKE AND OUR HEALTH.

