



## **Volunteers Needed!**

**To Volunteer:** Contact Wally Sayko at [wasay1943@gmail.com](mailto:wasay1943@gmail.com) or (434)774-0715 or Judy Waters at [judyh2osLKGsurvey@gmail.com](mailto:judyh2osLKGsurvey@gmail.com) or (804)387-1124 to volunteer or for additional information.

Work days are currently planned for Tuesday June 18, 2024 and Wednesday June 19, 2024. Additional information will be made available as plans are finalized.

### **Goal: Manage & Enhance Native Aquatic Vegetation in Lake Gaston**

LGA volunteers work with the Lake Gaston Weed Control Council, NC State University Cooperative Extension, NC Wildlife Resource Commission and the VA Department of Wildlife Resources to improve the management of native vegetation in the lake.

**Managing the native vegetation is critical to ensure continued lake water quality!**

### **Help repair, build and plant the cages**

Fenced in areas, called "cages", are used to develop colonies of native vegetation. The cages protect the newly planted native vegetation from being eaten by herbivores, such as turtles and grass carp. Native vegetation provides habitat for fish and wildlife, reduces shoreline erosion, and out competes invasive/noxious vegetation.

**Students can receive a letter from NCSU acknowledging volunteer hours!**