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A Three Peat! Cold Springs Utility District Wins Region One Best Tasting Water Contest Three Years in a Row.

BLOUNTVILLE – The Tennessee Association of Utility Districts (TAUD) held the Region One Best Tasting Water Contest at the Blountville Utility District on Thursday, April 15th. Cold Springs Utility District was awarded the Best Tasting Water in Region One for the third year in a row.

TAUD Region One consists of: Carter, Greene, Hancock, Hawkins, Johnson, Sullivan, Unicoi, and Washington counties.

Other Region 1 utilities submitting samples of their drinking water for competition were: Bristol Water System, Bristol Bluff City Utility District, Erwin Utilities, Greeneville Water Commission, and Lakeview Utility District.

Royce Fout with TDOT, Bert Gore with SUEZ Water Advanced Solutions, Andrew Lowe with Consolidated Pipe, John Maden with Core & Main, and Craig Haney with Brann & Whittmore participated as judges for the contest. The drinking water samples were judged on their clarity, bouquet, and taste.

This spring, TAUD will conduct the Best Tasting Water in Tennessee Contest in each of our eleven regions. Each regional winner will compete at the Association's 2021 Business Conference at the Gatlinburg Convention Center on Thursday, August 12th. The statewide winner represents TAUD at the Great American Taste Test held in conjunction with the National Water Association in 2022.

The Tennessee Association of Utility Districts is comprised of America's finest water, wastewater and natural gas personnel providing the highest quality of service for Tennessee's residents. TAUD provides training, technical assistance, and advocacy to these industry professionals. For more information about TAUD please visit our website at www.taud.org or follow us on facebook (Tennessee Association of Utility Districts) and Instagram at taudwater.

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(L-R) Royce Fout, Andrew Lowe, Richard Hammons and Chris Brown of Cold Springs Utility District, Bert Gore, John Maden, Craig Haney