

(615) 896-9022 Phone (615) 898-8283 Fax P.O. Box 2529 Murfreesboro, TN 37133

840 Commercial Court Murfreesboro, TN 37129

## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Contact: Beth Hardiman, Bob Freudenthal (615) 900-1014, bethhardiman@taud.org

## Hixson Utility District Wins TAUD Region 10 Best Tasting Water Contest

**CHATTANOOGA** – The Tennessee Association of Utility Districts (TAUD) held the Region Ten Best Tasting Water Contest at Eastside Utility District on Wednesday, February 26 and named Hixson Utility District as Best Tasting Water in Region Ten.

TAUD Region Ten consists of: Bledsoe, Bradley, Grundy, Hamilton, Marion, McMinn, Meigs, Monroe, Polk, Rhea, Sequatchie, and Van Buren counties.

Athens Utility Board, Eastside Utility District, Etowah Utilities, and Ocoee Utility District also participated in the competition. Drinking water samples are judged on their clarity, bouquet, and taste. The Silverdale Baptist Academy Adventure Outdoor Group served as judges for the contest.

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 2020 Business Conference at the Gatlinburg Convention Center on Thursday, August 13th. The statewide winner represents TAUD at the Great American Taste Test held in conjunction with the National Rurally Water Association Rally in Washington DC in February of 2021.

The Tennessee Association of Utility Districts is the state's best source for training, technical assistance, and advocacy for our over 400 water, wastewater, and natural gas utility members. For more information about TAUD please visit our website at <a href="https://www.taud.org">www.taud.org</a> or follow us on facebook (Tennessee Association of Utility Districts) and Instagram at taudwater.

