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**Manchester Tap Water Ranks in Top 5 Nationally for Water Taste**

As a result of placing first in a New England challenge for best tasting tap water, Manchester Water Works qualified to compete for the Best of the Best Tap Water contest held June 14<sup>th</sup> at the American Water Works Annual Conference in Washington DC. Tap water samples from Manchester were shipped in advance of the competition where a panel of taste experts and local dignitaries are given the task to separate the samples based on their color, odor, taste and overall appeal. Manchester's water was in competition with 24 other entries from throughout the United States. When the votes were counted, Manchester made the final five but lost out to Greenville NC.



*Panel of 4 "taste" experts sample and rate tap waters from throughout the US in American Water Works Association's Best of the Best tap water taste test*