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Peace River Manasota Regional Water Supply Authority
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Peace River Manasota Regional Water Supply Authority Wins Florida's Best Tasting Drinking Water Contest



The Peace River Manasota Regional Water Supply Authority won the title for Florida's 'Best Tasting Drinking Water' at the recent Florida Water Resources Conference in Orlando. The 2013 'Best Tasting Drinking Water', contest sponsored by the Florida Section of the American Water Works Association, brought together regional water champions from across the state. The

Authority had previously won the regional competition, held in April, to represent the five-county region comprised of Manatee, Sarasota, Charlotte, Desoto and Hardee Counties in the state competition.

Water samples from the 12 regional winners were judged on appearance, aroma and taste. A panel of judges examined and sampled the entries and based on their collaboration, they judged the PRMRWSA as winner of the 'Best Tasting Drinking Water' in Florida over the other regional entrants. Patrick Lehman, the Authority's executive director stated, *"This is a real tribute to the Authority's staff and their dedication to providing a high quality drinking water supply to our residents and businesses"*.

As the state winner the Authority will now move on to the national competition for the 'Best Tasting Drinking Water' in the Nation! The national competition will be held in conjunction with the American Water Works Association Annual Conference and Exhibition this June in Denver.

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