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### **AND THE WINNER IS...OSSINING FOR THE BEST TASTING WATER Ossining Water Wins Westchester Water Tasting Contest During Water Week**

The Westchester County Department of Health held its annual water tasting contest today in White Plains, where residents sampled water from six of the County's water suppliers and proclaimed Ossining their favorite.

The blind taste test was held in recognition of National Drinking Water Week outside of the Michaelian Office Building on Martine Avenue from 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Two hundred eighty three people sampled water from the Village of Croton-on-Hudson, Elmsford Water Department, Ossining Water Department, Westchester County Water District #3, United Water of New Rochelle and City of Yonkers. The reigning champion of last year's blind taste test was City of Yonkers water supply.

Ossining Water Department received the most votes, 75, and the runner-up was United Water New Rochelle, with 70 votes. Elmsford Water Department came in third, with 51 votes.

In prior years, the winners were as follows: 2009 – Yonkers; 2008 – Croton on Hudson; 2007 – Yonkers; 2006 – Croton on Hudson; 2005 – United Water New Rochelle; 2004 – Yonkers; 2003 – Yonkers.

For more information about the contest or other water quality initiatives, contact the Westchester County Department of Health at (914) 813-5000 or visit [www.westchestergov.com/health](http://www.westchestergov.com/health).