## West Virginia American Water Announces 10th Annual Protect Our Watersheds Art Contest

CHARLESTON, W.Va. (March 3, 2025) – West Virginia American Water announced today entries are being accepted for its 10th annual "Protect Our Watersheds Art Contest". Students in third, fourth and fifth grades located in areas served by West Virginia American Water are eligible to enter.

"Source water protection is vital to keeping our watersheds safe and healthy, which is an important part of maintaining and providing high-quality water. Educating students across West Virginia about what source water protection means and how they can help make a difference is a focus of our community engagement efforts," said Scott Wyman, President of West Virginia American Water. "Our commitment to engaging students in activities like the annual art contest leads to a healthier environment and access to clean drinking water in our communities for this generation and generations to come."

West Virginia American Water encourages teachers and parents to promote the contest as a fun and imaginative way to draw students' attention to learning about West Virginia's watersheds and drinking water sources and helping to protect and preserve them. Winners will be selected based on creative vision, artistic talent, understanding of watershed protection and the ability to illustrate and communicate that understanding. As part of their entry, students must write a brief narrative on the personal impact of watershed protection.

Two winners will be selected across West Virginia American Water's service areas. Each winner will provide an Amazon wish list of educational items valued at \$50. Additionally, the winners' classes will receive a pizza party with the company's mascot, Puddles, and each winners' teacher will provide their own Amazon wish list valued at \$50 for classroom supplies.

Guidelines and entry forms can be found on the <u>"Protect Our Watersheds Art Contest" page</u> of the company's website. The deadline for artwork submissions is Friday, April 11, 2025, and winners will be announced during Earth Week.

## About American Water

American Water (NYSE: AWK) is the largest regulated water and wastewater utility company in the United States. With a history dating back to 1886, We Keep Life Flowing® by providing safe, clean, reliable and affordable drinking water and wastewater services to more than 14 million people with regulated operations in 14 states and on 18 military installations. American Water's 6,500 talented professionals leverage their significant expertise and the company's national size and scale to achieve excellent outcomes for the benefit of customers, employees, investors and other stakeholders.

For more information, visit <u>amwater.com</u> and join American Water on <u>LinkedIn</u>, <u>Facebook</u>, <u>X</u> and <u>Instagram</u>.

## About West Virginia American Water

West Virginia American Water, a subsidiary of American Water, is the largest regulated water utility in the state, providing high-quality and reliable water services to approximately 600,000 people.

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