Appendix 2 Codebook for intangible meanings

Code/dimension	Category	Example
Attachment to water	Personal identity	'As a little boy I was very close to the river, and for some reason it just kind of gets embedded in you.'
Belonging	Personal identity	'When I first came in sight of the St John up around Hartland, just all of a sudden I felt, I felt where I belonged again'
Celebrations	Community identity	'What happens is when the ice breaks and comes down and jams, and then there's just this crunching and moving, and it can get really loud. I mean, it's really amazing. And so there's sort of a community ceremony, sort of community ritual'
Childhood memories	Personal identity	'Growing up we canoed, kayaked, motorboated. Just, that was, we'd play on the water, it was part of the backyard'
Community Connection/ Reduced Isolation	Community identity	'It's recreational yes, but it's also a main throughfare to get to, community to community is right, so you're not isolated in this area'
Community History	Community identity	'The [name] was put together by a number of people who are interested in seeing Kings Landing continue and flourish for generations to come. Because the older it is, the more important it is for people to look back on.'
Community Relationships	Community identity	'Used to be I knew everybody from here to Fredericton. 25 miles that way. And to Woodstock, which is 30 miles that way. Because they were all farmers.'
Cultural activity	Community identity	'Fiddleheads is something that you know, we New Brunswickers we harvest them. A lot of places don't, even where they grow, I don't think they even harvest them'
Didn't grow up here	Personal identity	'I never lived there in the past. Yeah. We're transplants. So I have no connection to what the river used to be'
Familiarity	Personal identity	'You know, there's a magic about that river and knowing where to fish and knowing where the rocks are'
Family ancestry	Community identity	'We migrated and came up the Saint John River valley. And the King of England promised us land, and we got land. So here we are. We're still here'
Family relationships	Community identity	'At Thanksgiving we always go picking apples with the kids who are now thirty-something. My daughter's coming back for thanksgiving this year, so we'll pick apples. And there's apples at a beautiful place.'
First nature experiences	Personal identity	'There are kids like my nephews, my great nephews, the one who was here Saturday and the others who've been here before, who would never get out on this river in a boat with our marina gone.'

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Fishery history	Community identity	'We've lost the salmon population in the river. And that's directly because of two dams, not just Mactaquac but, you know. Or three dams. Yeah. so I think we need to do more to protect the fishery and the history of the river.'
Friend relationships	Community identity	'It's a social gathering. It's a protected creek and I think that if, on a weekend there's all kinds of boats in there'
Fulfilment	Personal identity	'For me, I get more of my energy and fulfilment from being around things in nature'
Grew up here	Personal identity	'I grew up right along the Mactaquac headpond. I was born in 1961, the dam was built in 1967. I stuck my feet in it every summer, and it's just part of my lifestyle'
Had to leave for work	Personal identity	'I would go away and work places but I'd come back.'
Home	Personal identity	'I missed the river. I used to sit and try to think why I felt so homesick. I missed my folks but I missed the river'
Houses on river	Personal identity	'I know a lot of people who live up here and I would certainly sympathise with them. It's a tough decision. You know, when you build up in a place like that, That's the risk you take.'
I'm part of a bigger system	personal identity	'That stream goes over the falls and goes right down to this pond of water and out into the river. And away to the sea. And I like the, I don't know, there's something about the continuity of that thought that I like.'
Industry legacies	Community identity	'They cut them all down. Or most of them. The only ones left are not on crown land. Out through this Pokiok country, they devastated it.'
Intimacy with river	Personal identity	'You lose the islands and you lose the intimacy of the smaller river, the smaller body of water, the current kind of pushing you along'
Joy	Personal identity	'It's the coldest, bleakest day of winter, and then I see a little chickadee or a troop of chickadees, and they're so energetic and they're happy to be out and it's -40 and they don't care. And you know I'm shivering away and then, it just makes me feel better about myself and better to be part of the world because there are other things that are there that seem to invoke a sense of joy'
Learning	Community identity	'We take our grandsons there when we can, for the simple fact that they can go there and they can touch an animal and they can. And if we can keep them quiet enough, you know they can watch people make butter. They can see how people dressed. They can see that people, there's a piece of history that they can visualise that you can't get from your history teacher'
Leave things for kids	Community identity	"but what we're hoping is that our grandsons will go there sometime when they get older and have that as a camping spot or whatever'

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Life's work	Personal identity	'My husband said that when I die he's going to have me cremated and sprinkle the ashes at [name]. Because I've never left it since I was 19!'
Maintains community	Community identity	'All that area's been settled by a lot of people that have worked and do work at Mactaquac Dam. So, so, you'd be losing, you'd be destroying quite a community.'
Maliseet culture	Community identity	'Which marks the Meductic Fort, which was, which was a settlement of the Maliseet people of great historic and prehistoric significance.'
Maliseet sacred lands	Community identity	'Hawk Island up here, 5B where we fiddlehead, that was the meeting place of all the Maliseets that were, you know, all the tribes that were, you know, covered the Acadia area. That's where they met in the summertime. And everybody was allotted their, you know, the areas that each tribe is going to hunt'
Memories as adults	Personal identity	'Every place where I have encountered something interesting in nature, I recall. So when I go back to that place, I think, oh ten years ago or 20 years ago, I saw such and such here and I wonder if I'll ever see it again. So, I can't go anywhere without getting that kind of memory evoked.'
My land	Personal identity	'When the dam came up the government bought all of the rest of the farm. But there was a small parcel there that they didn't take. And a lot of what they did take was sold back to people other than ourselves. But that's important because we own a small piece of the old farm.'
My spot	Personal identity	'And so many things that I value, more than any other place on the planet, happened for me right in this area, of course. So this stream, and that pond, and the falls. Very important to me'
Nature as community heritage	Community identity	'If there's a sense of a need to conserve anything within a particular community I think it's going to often be the perhaps the most significant or important natural feature within that community'
Neighbour relationships	Community identity	'I live on a street with 15 houses, or 12 houses and 18 kids under five. So there's lots of good neighbours and things like that. So it's interesting.'
No identity because not indigenous	Personal identity	'If I understand the question no. I'm not a native or anything'
No identity with headpond	Personal identity	'The dam's obviously a reference point as you're travelling along the TransCanada highway. But as far as would I send somebody to go see this or go see that, something that I would identify with, nope.'
Nostalgia	Personal identity	'This would be my mother-in-law's farm. At number 4. And that has a lot of, if you want tosentimental, nostalgic value to my wife and to our children as well.'

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Notable/selling point	Community identity	'When I travel, to find a place that is as nice as our walking trail, and to be able to take advantage of it, I would have thought "oh my gosh, I found a treasure here!"
Part of life	Personal identity	'The river runs through me. It, I don't know. My life's just tied to it'
Part of me	Personal identity	'As a little boy I was very close to the river, and for some reason it just kind of gets embedded in you'
Partner relationship	Personal identity	'I didn't learn to fish until I met my husband. And now I love it.'
Peaceful	Personal identity	'When I'm out in my boat by myself, especially by myself, I find it's like therapy. I just get so excited and when I get out there it's like this sense of relief. And I don't know I just love the peacefulness.'
Personal accomplishment	Personal identity	'There's a little plant called the prototype quillwort, which was a species I helped describe as new to science about 15 years ago.'
Proud of what we've done here	Community identity	'I don't want people from other areas coming here and sort of justifiably criticising us for things we've done. I like to be proud it. So you know whatever we do here, I hope I can be proud of that'
Relaxed	Personal identity	'It's a stress reliever right there. When you run three businesses, it's it's nice. Talk about something else, have some thoughts of your own.'
Remember what it was like	Personal identity	'Keep in mind that those that have been around post dam, particularly those that front the river and look at it, who can't remember the beauty of a free-flowing river you know may have their own commitment to the current status quo'
Retain connection to previous generations	Community identity	'I come from an old farm family that's farm was over in Devon there, the old farm. And I, I never worked on that farm. My, my ancestors come from there, and they used to, they used to actually graze their cattle down there in the summertime'
River culture	Community identity	'It seems to me that the river itself has a certain aspect that arguably there would be no New Brunswick without the St John River.'
River history	Community identity	'We are of a different time, a different generation, and a different product. But this river's been here forever. Long, long time. Nope. And who the hell are we to mess it up'
Show visitors	Community identity	'I just recently took a new family to Canada down to the campground and the girls went ballistic over the beach, you know. And being able to run in the water'
Socialising with strangers	Community identity	'There's a total social network. When you're, when you're out there in a boat you're meeting totally different people in the community.'
Source of art	Personal identity	'And, and so a lot of my [art] has been about water and rivers.'

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Stands out/unique	Community identity	'So you can walk right from that convention centre and right there, mark that number 4, you can catch any one of ten species of fish and you can take those fish home, back to the convention centre and have them cook them and eat them for dinner. And that's a very special, that's a different kind of city'
Taken for granted	Community identity	'They're undervalued by people who take them for granted because people live here all the time.'
What I know	Personal identity	'I came here to this country in 83 and it was built in 64 or something. So, like I don't know any different'
What it means to be from here	Personal identity	'I think the river basically from the dam down has been, is what I really associate and really relate to as far as being from, Fredericton is and what it means to be, you know, situated on this beautiful river.'
Why we live here	Personal identity	'I always wanted to live here. I guess I've always enjoyed nature and being at the woods or being at the water'
Will travel to be here	Personal identity	'My family's chosen to work out west and make the money, but make their house and life in the Mactaquac area'
Wonder	Personal identity	What I'd really love to see is that each child have the opportunity to experience something in this river valley that shapes their life forever. And that they never forget that.'