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Subject: Oyster River Massacre signage

Hi Todd,

I put some more thought into this after our phone call. I think an appropriate sign really has to include all of the following elements, which will be challenging with limited space:

- Colonial perspective
- Co-existence
- Wabenaki & Penacook perspective
- Wabenabki & Penacook voices are alive today
- History is not resolved

I took a shot at composing something and couldn't get it under 55 words even with compromising on the prose (shared below). So great appreciation again to you and all who are shepherding this process!

Best,

Em

Oyster River Massacre

About 100 colonists were kidnapped in 1694 from the Shankhassick (Oyster) River settlement. For 50 years prior to King William's War, the Pennacook of this area had peacefully accepted colonists. Peace ended in 1676 when in nearby Cocheco (Dover) colonists enslaved over 200 refugees hosted by the Penacook. Truth and reconciliation is ongoing.

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