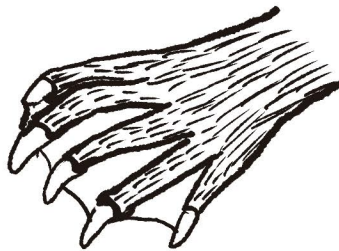


Beavers are large rodents that live in parts of the Northern Hemisphere.

The 2 types of living beaver are the North American beaver and the Eurasian beaver

LARGE CHISEL-SHAPED TEETH

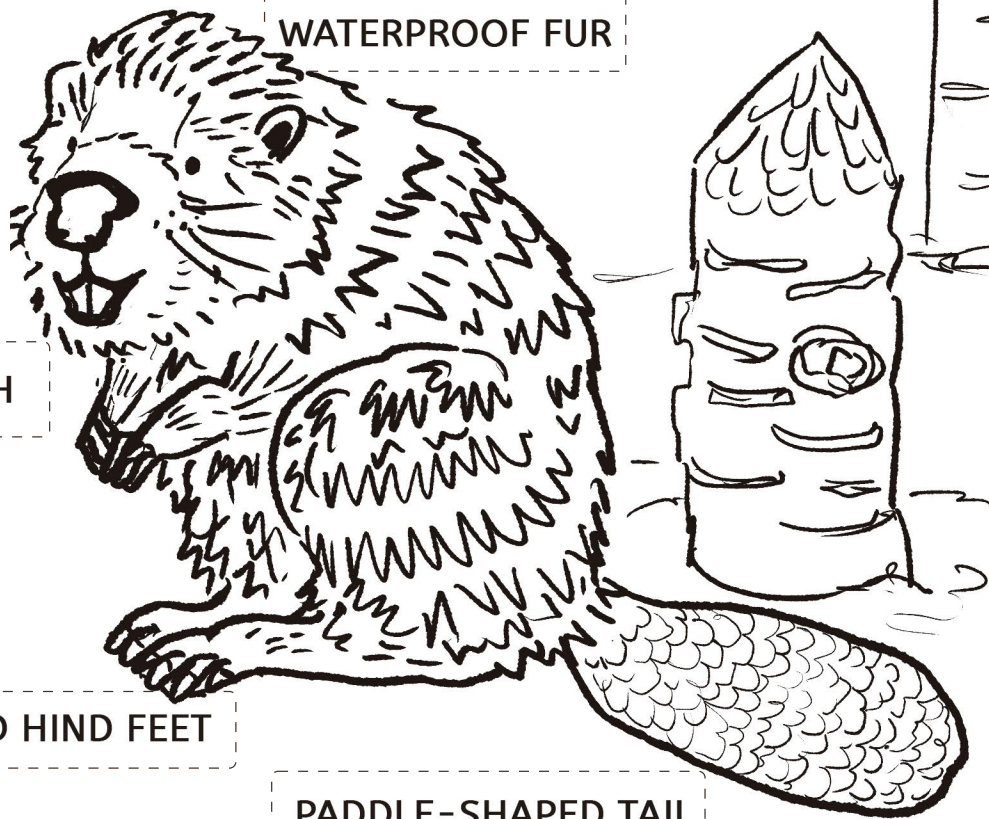
DID YOU KNOW? Beavers are the 2nd largest rodent! Only capybaras are larger.



WEBBED HIND FEET

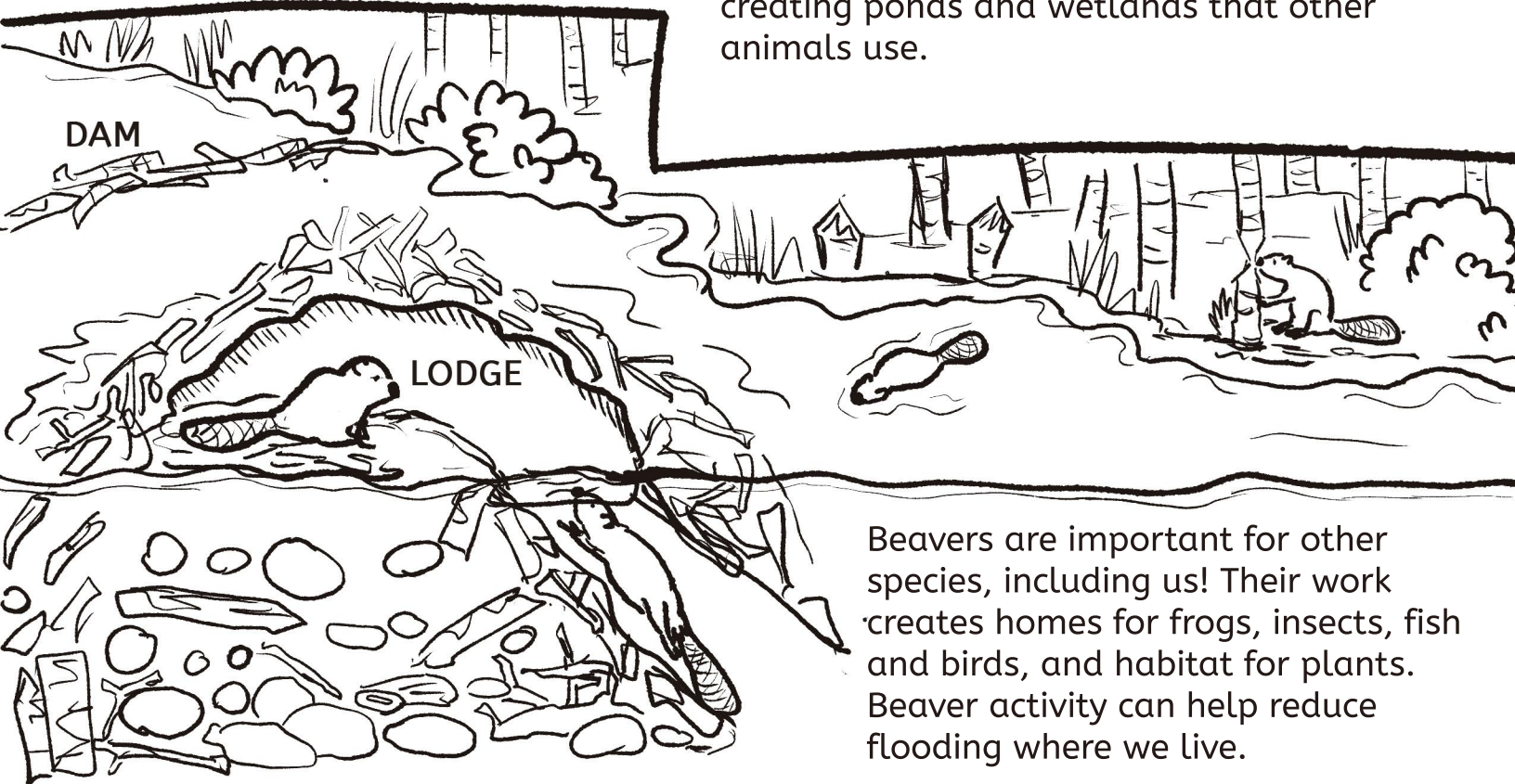
WATERPROOF FUR

PADDLE-SHAPED TAIL



Beavers are semiaquatic – they spend part of their time on land and part in the water.

Beavers are **ECOSYSTEM ENGINEERS** - this means that they change the environment in a big way. They cut trees to build dams. These dams change the flow of water, creating ponds and wetlands that other animals use.



Beavers are important for other species, including us! Their work creates homes for frogs, insects, fish and birds, and habitat for plants. Beaver activity can help reduce flooding where we live.