



NUTRIA:

The Triple Threat to California's Future

**A-RATED AGRICULTURAL PEST • DESTROYS WETLANDS
WEAKENS WATER INFRASTRUCTURE**



HOW LANDOWNERS CAN HELP

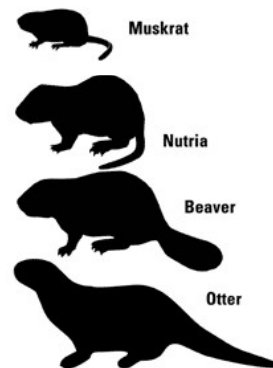
Private landowners can join the fight to protect California's agricultural economy, water resources and precious wetlands. In fact, landowner cooperation is critical to the success of CDFW's nutria eradication efforts. Landowners can obtain free assistance protecting their property from this destructive rodent by granting CDFW permission to access their property. **For more information, call (866) 440-9530 or e-mail invasives@wildlife.ca.gov.**

A CASE OF MISTAKEN IDENTITY

Often confused with beaver and muskrat, nutria have the following distinguishing characteristics:

- White whiskers
- Round, rat-like tail
- Dark black ears with lighter-colored fur below
- Large blocky head, often with orange teeth
- Body length up to 24 inches
- Weighs up to 22 pounds
- Partially webbed hind feet

Different bodies



Different tails

MUSKRAT TAIL



BEAVER TAIL



NUTRIA TAIL



Report nutria sightings, request free CDFW assistance at **(866) 440-9530** or **invasives@wildlife.ca.gov**. Visit **wildlife.ca.gov/nutria** for more information.