

INVASIVE

SPECIES

Nutria

IDENTIFICATION

The Nutria is a large rodent that weighs 12 pounds on average and has a 16-24 inch body with a 12-18 inch tail. It has coarse, dark brown fur with a white patch on the muzzle and bright orange-yellow teeth.



FEATURES

Large rodent

Bright orange-yellow incisors

Destroy coastal habitats

HABITAT

The Nutria is found by permanent water such as rivers, lakes, streams and ponds. It prefers reed beds, marshes and swamps. Its burrows damage banks and cause instability and erosion.



REPORT

Report sightings to:
Iron Baraga Conservation District (906) 875-3765 or any local conservation district or to the Midwest Invasive Species Information Network (MISIN)