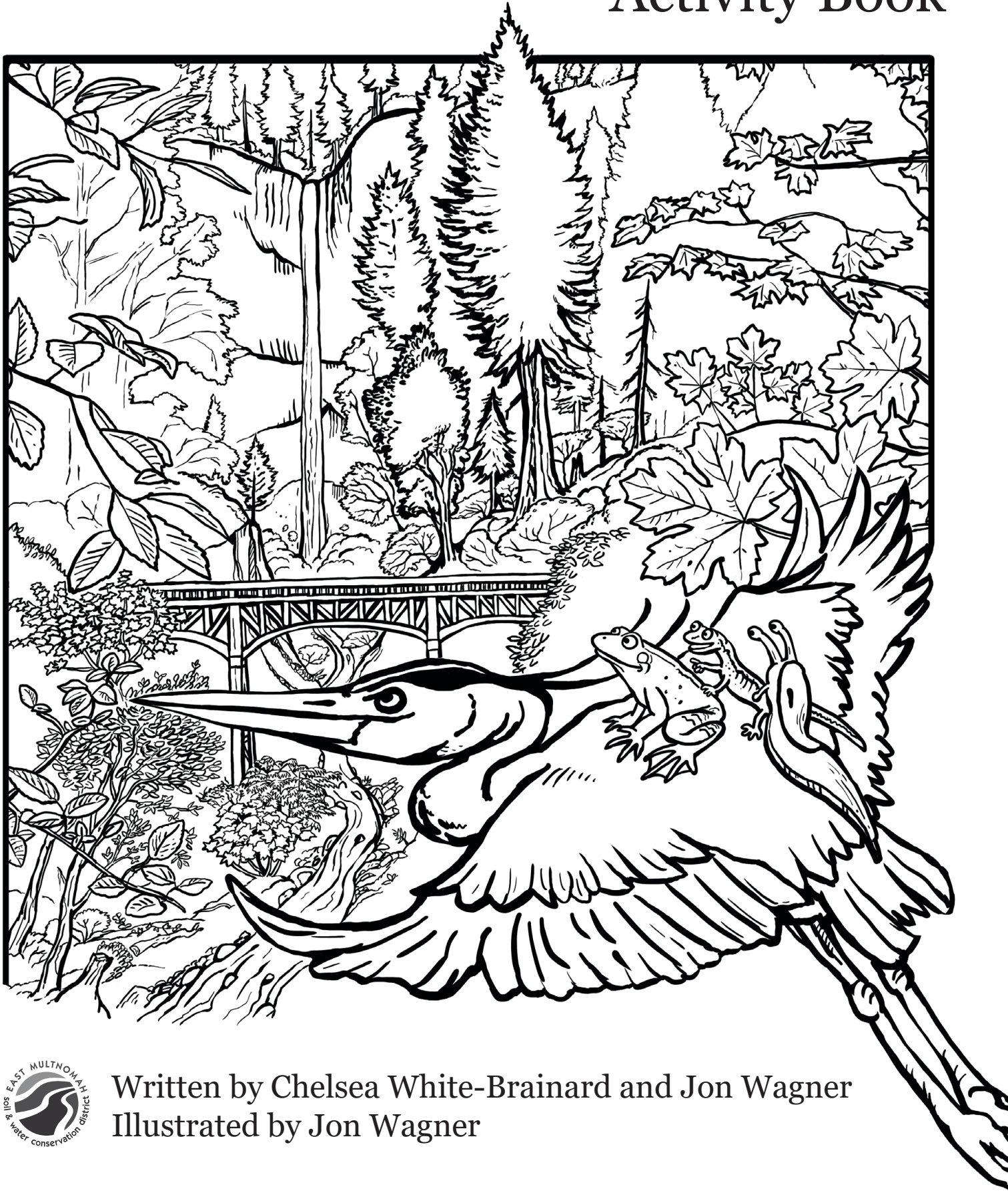


The Great Gorge Adventure

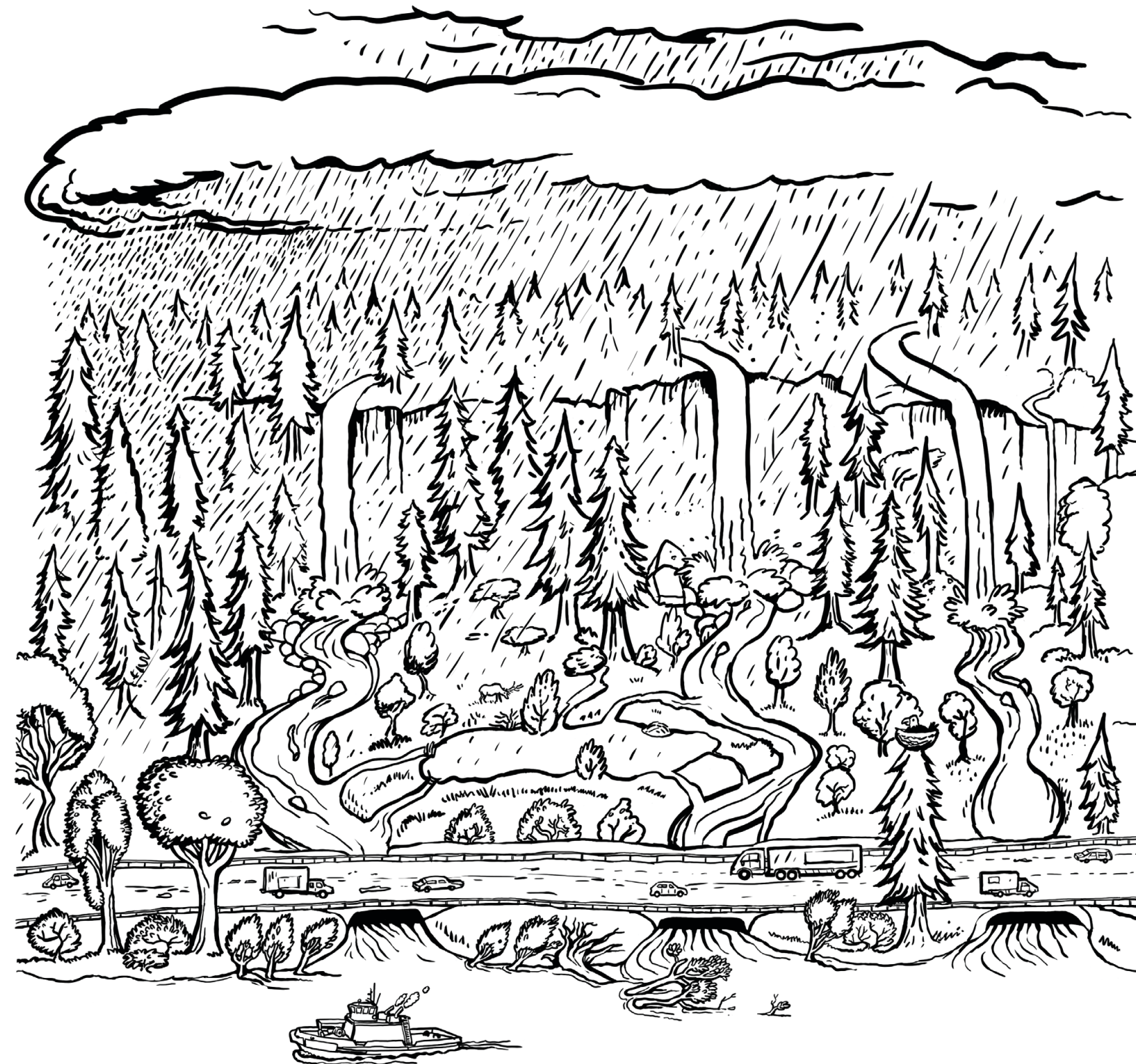
Activity Book



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A spring storm brings heavy rain to the Columbia Gorge. Flood waters rush toward the Columbia River.

This book belongs to:



Rana the Frog, Lars the Salamander, and Max the Slug get swept downstream to the Sandy River Delta.



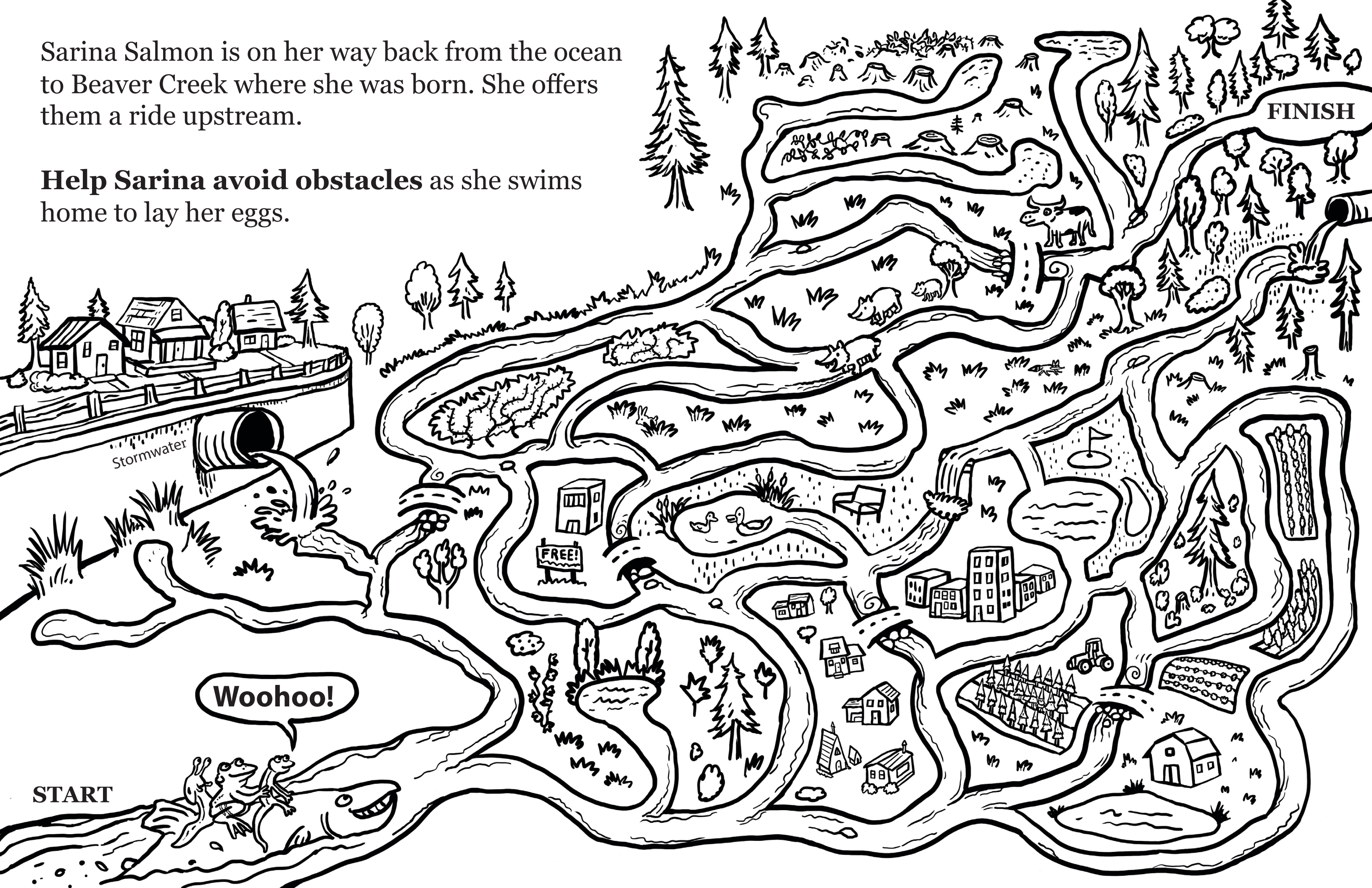
Wow, that flood
was intense!

Yeah, how are
we gonna get
home?

I can help!

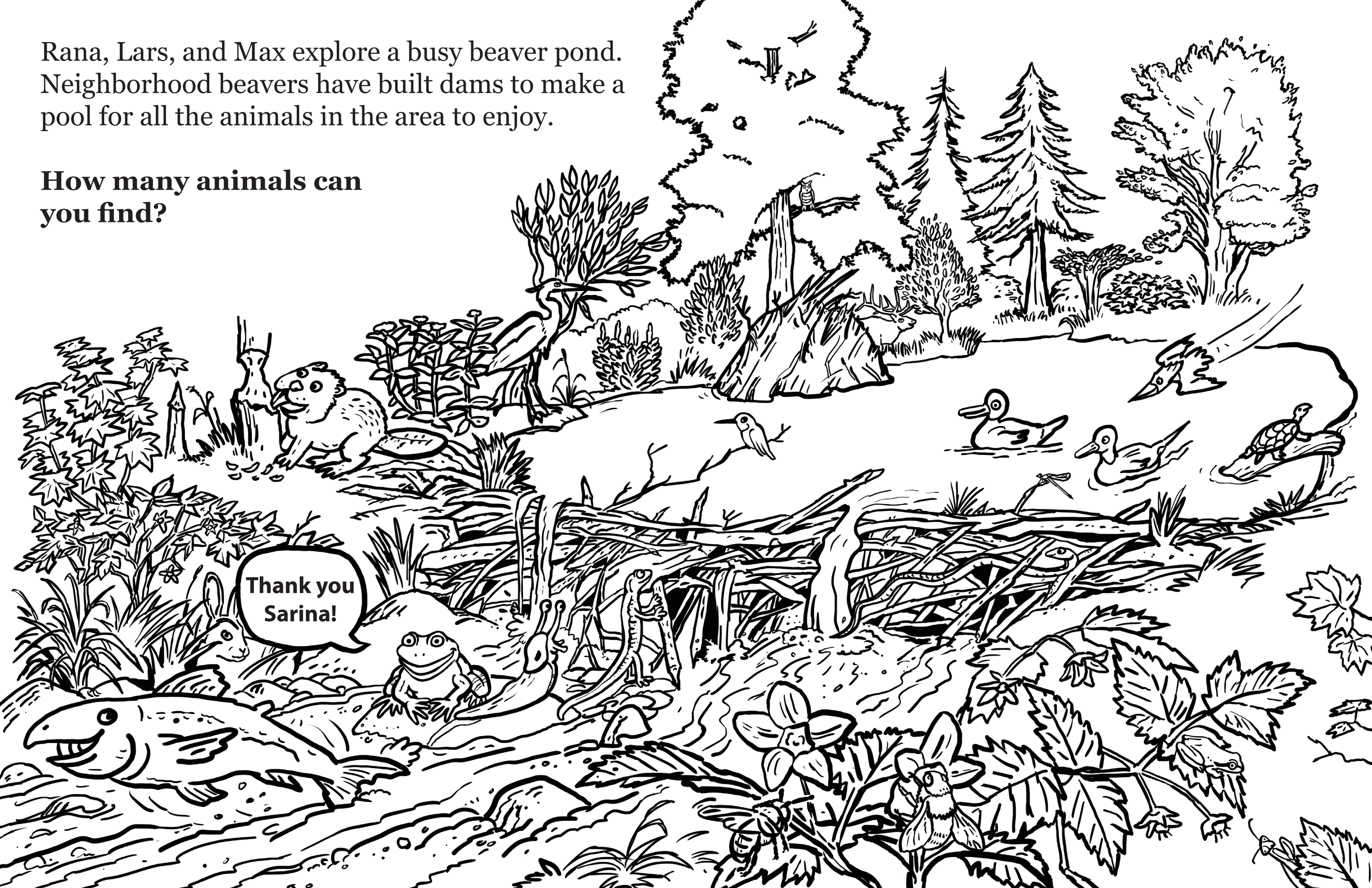
Sarina Salmon is on her way back from the ocean to Beaver Creek where she was born. She offers them a ride upstream.

Help Sarina avoid obstacles as she swims home to lay her eggs.

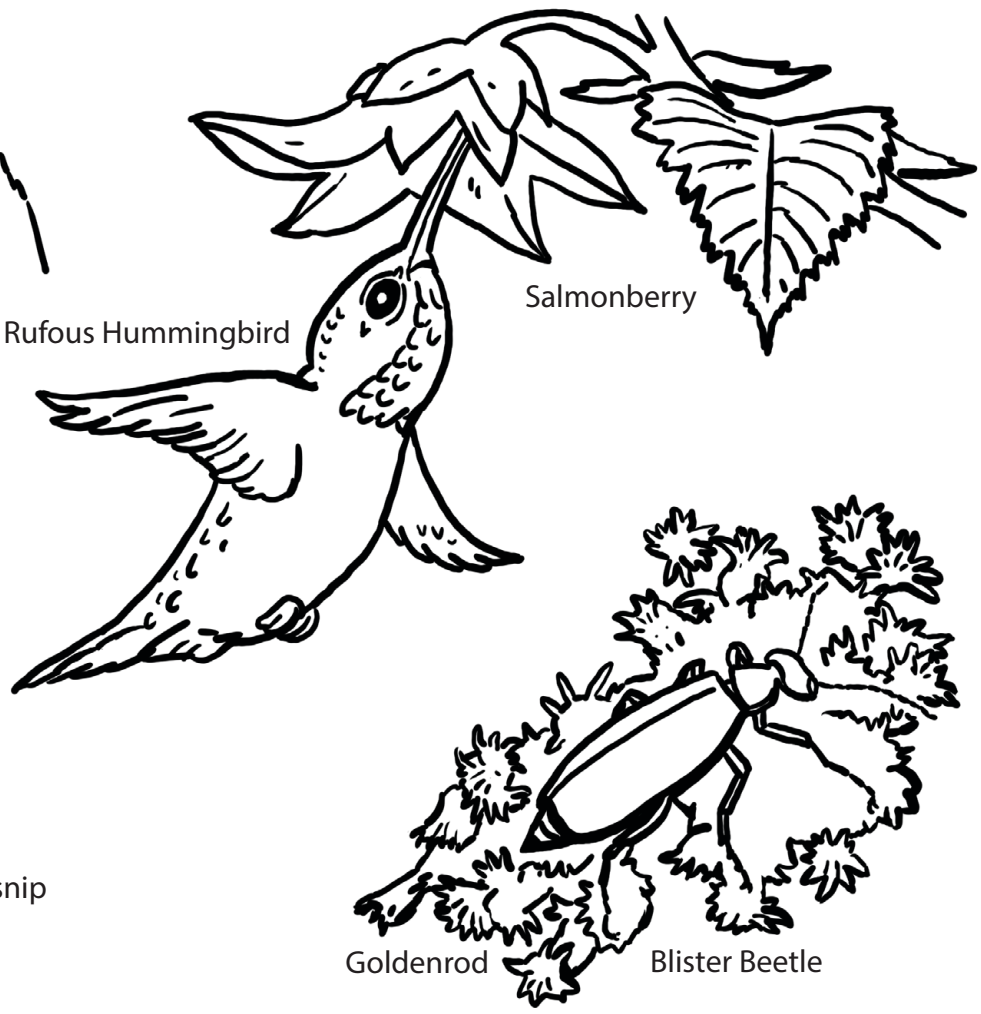
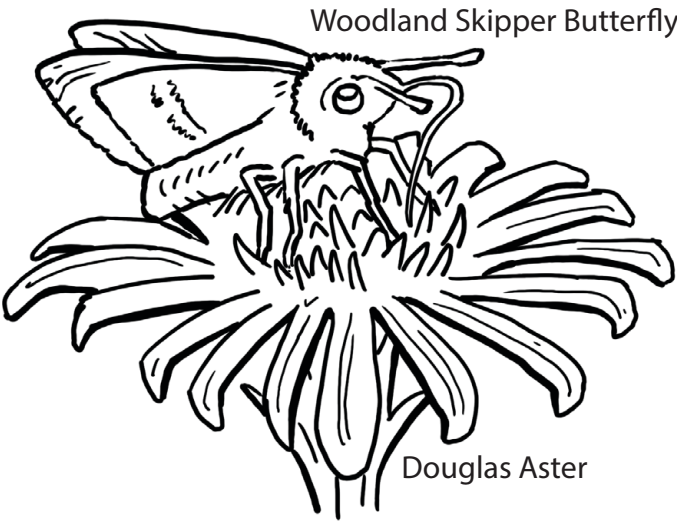
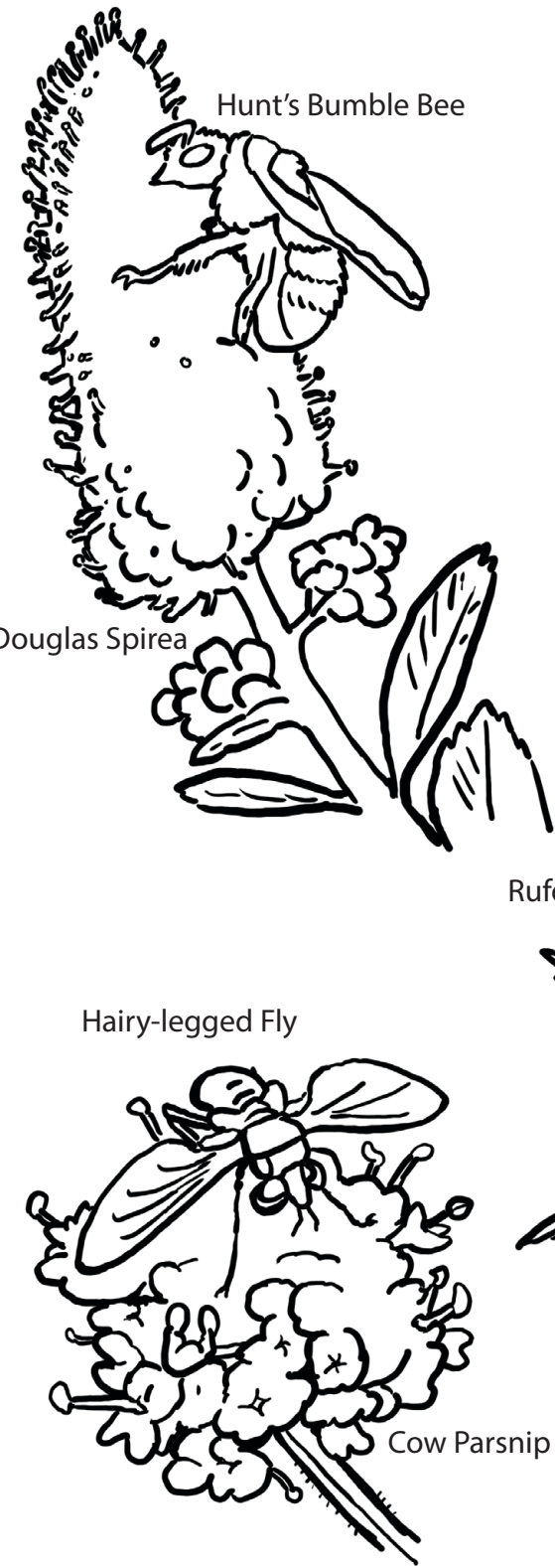


Rana, Lars, and Max explore a busy beaver pond.
Neighborhood beavers have built dams to make a
pool for all the animals in the area to enjoy.

**How many animals can
you find?**



Native pollinators feed on nectar at the beaver pond, spreading pollen from flower to flower as they go.



Connect the dots to see who takes them on the next part of their journey.



Hakeem Heron flies Rana, Lars, and Max by
Latourell Falls.

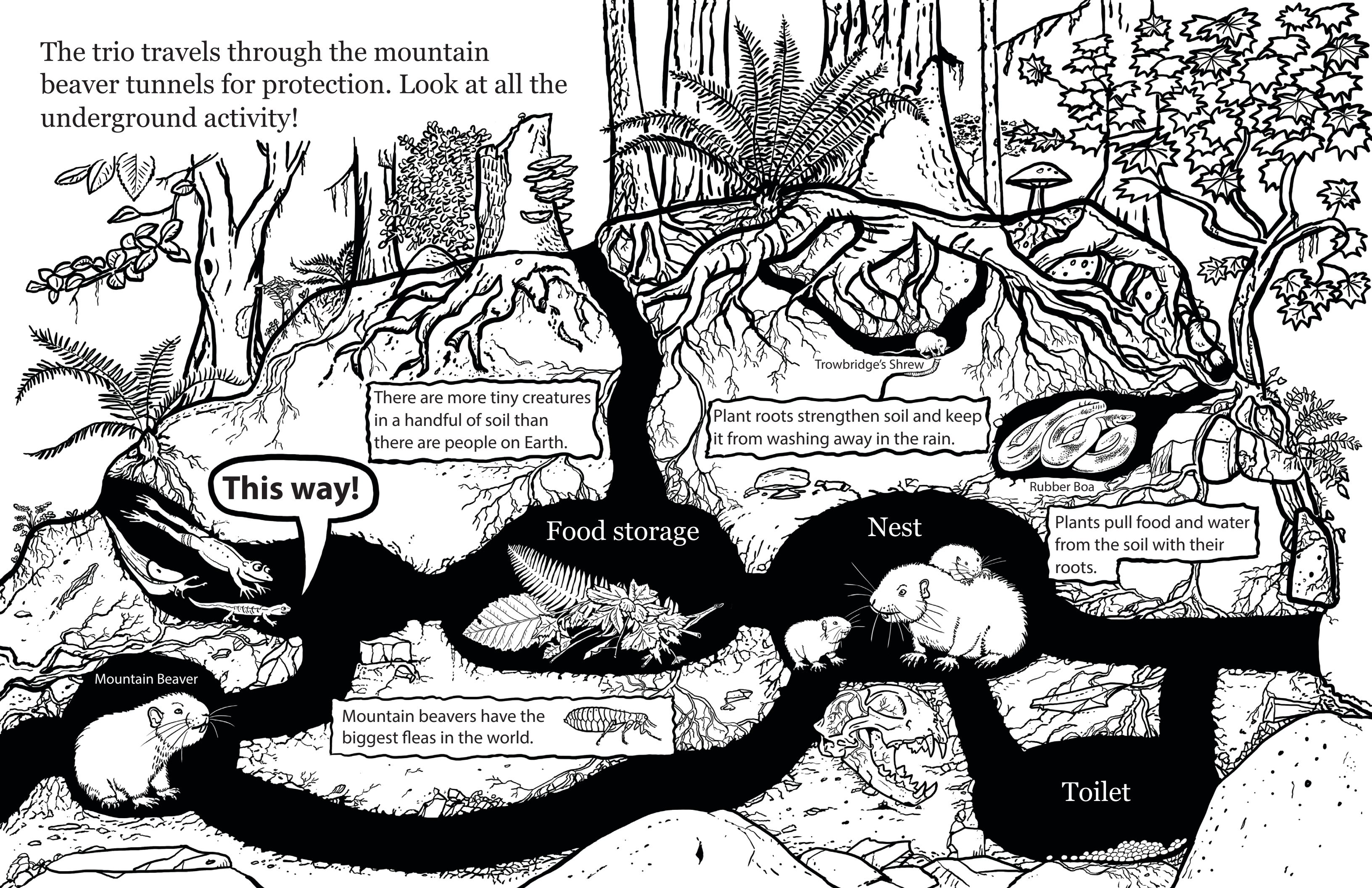


Hakeem drops them off by a stream where they
are surprised by a predator. They escape into the
mountain beaver tunnels.



Draw the predator!

The trio travels through the mountain beaver tunnels for protection. Look at all the underground activity!



This way!

There are more tiny creatures in a handful of soil than there are people on Earth.

Plant roots strengthen soil and keep it from washing away in the rain.



Rubber Boa

Plants pull food and water from the soil with their roots.

Food storage

Nest

Mountain Beaver

Mountain beavers have the biggest fleas in the world.



Toilet



Hooray! We made it home!

American Dipper

Black Petaltail
Dragonfly

Northern Pika

Check out how far Rana, Lars, and Max travelled on their adventure!

Find these images in the map below.



Bobcat



Horse



Bigfoot



Cow



Sea lion



Headwaters Farm



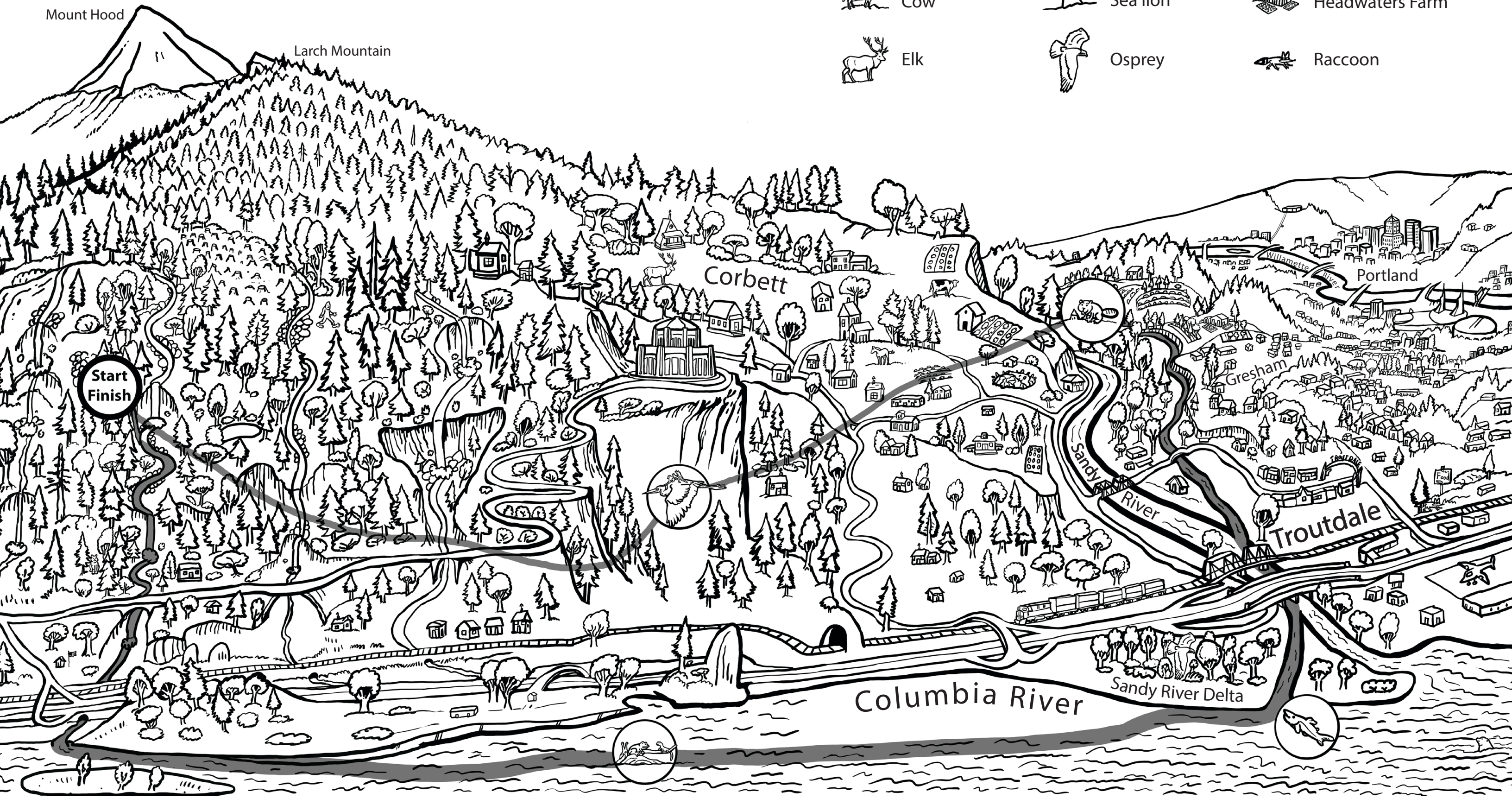
Elk



Osprey



Raccoon



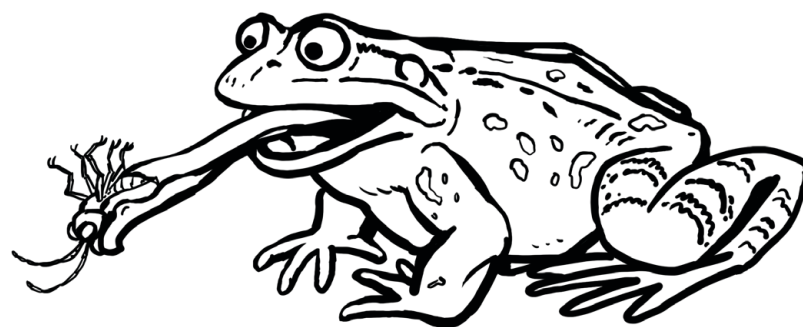


Here are some fun facts about our animal adventurers.

Rana is a Northern Red-legged Frog

Rana aurora

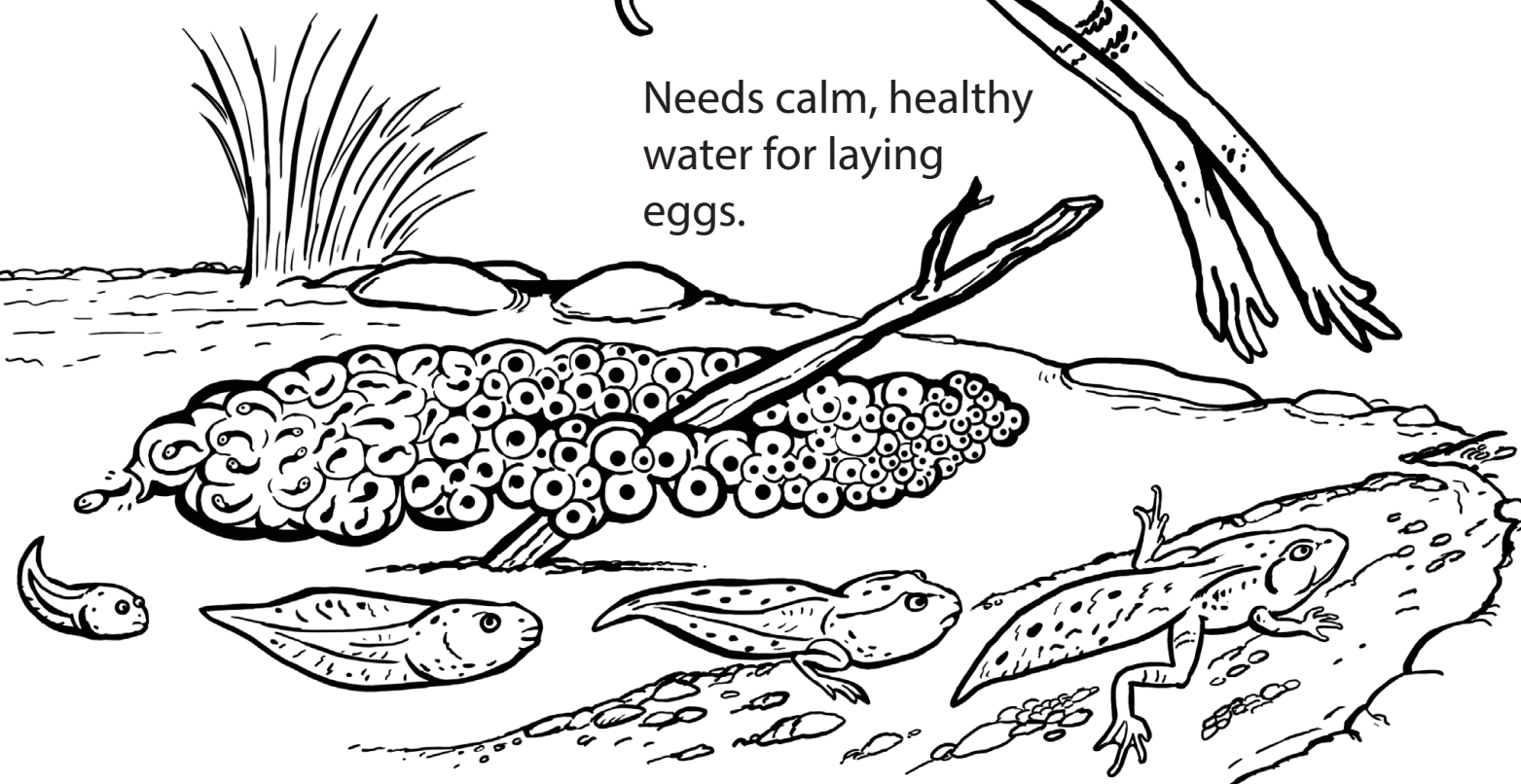
Can jump over 20 times her body length.



Eats bugs, worms, and small fish.



Needs calm, healthy water for laying eggs.



Lars is a Larch Mountain Salamander

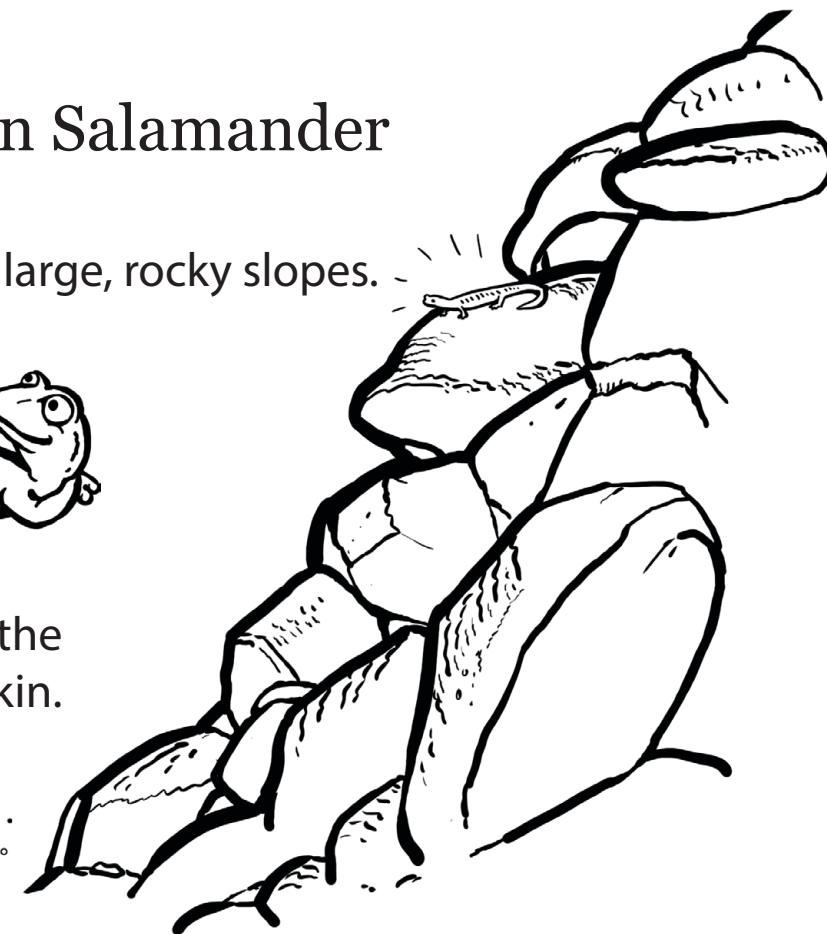
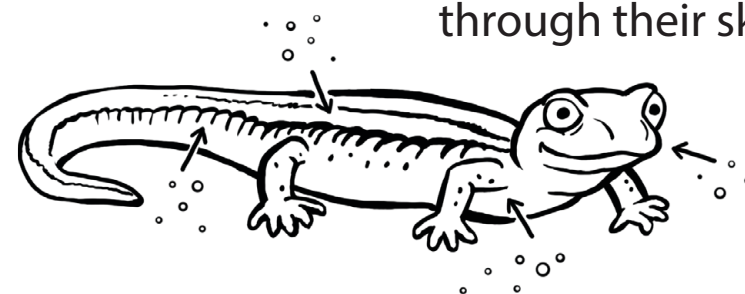
Plethodon larselli

Lives in large, rocky slopes.

Has a pink belly.



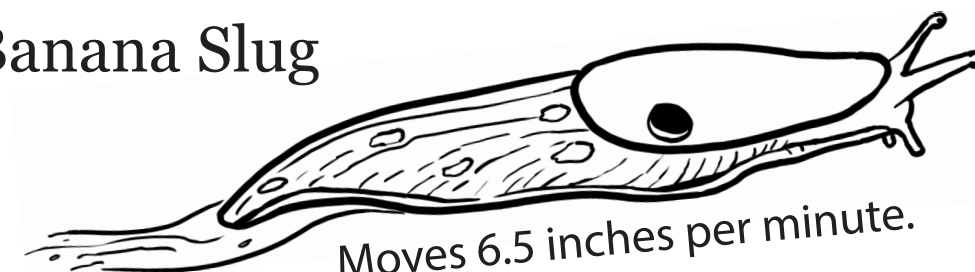
Lungless salamanders breathe through their skin.



Max is a Pacific Banana Slug

Ariolimax columbianus

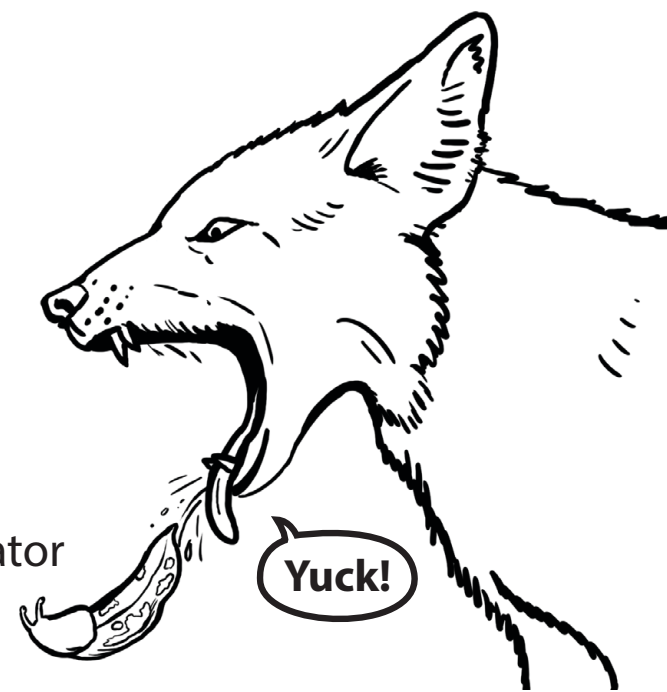
Moves 6.5 inches per minute.



Eats dead plants and makes healthy soil out of their droppings.



Slug slime makes predator tongues go numb.



How many words from Max, Lars, and Rana’s adventure can you find?



A	D	I	P	E	O	T	D	A	K	C	S	A	L	M	O	N	U
H	J	E	O	L	P	R	O	S	I	M	T	U	W	O	Y	Q	E
O	C	O	L	U	M	B	I	A	G	O	R	G	E	U	V	L	I
P	U	F	L	T	Q	I	F	L	O	W	E	R	T	N	J	A	O
E	S	W	I	X	A	G	N	A	S	H	A	B	I	T	A	T	X
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V	K	U	S	O	V	E	H	R	I	G	A	L	E	T	R	L	R
E	A	P	D	V	I	B	J	X	F	B	E	S	B	K	F	F	A
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K	B	C	O	N	S	E	R	V	A	T	I	O	N	L	P	T	Y



- STREAM

BUMBLE BEE

BANANA SLUG

BUGS

PREDATOR

CONSERVATION

HABITAT
- SANDY RIVER

SOIL

LATOURELL FALLS

SALAMANDER

POLLINATORS

WATER

HERON
- SALMON

NATIVE PLANTS

FISH

FLOWER

BEAVER CREEK

HUMMINGBIRD

BEETLE
- MOUNT HOOD

COLUMBIA GORGE


DELTA

DRAGONFLY


FROG

POND

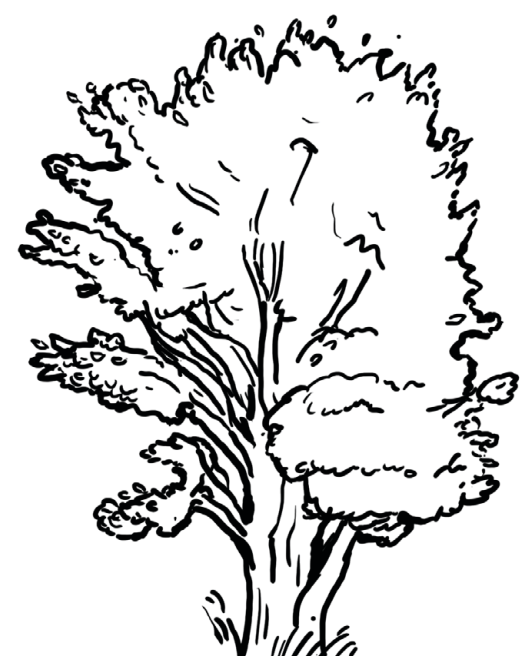
Find these native plants throughout the book.




Bigleaf maple




Douglas spirea




Black cottonwood




Western bleeding heart



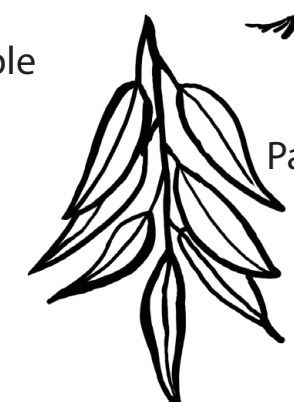
Tall Oregon grape



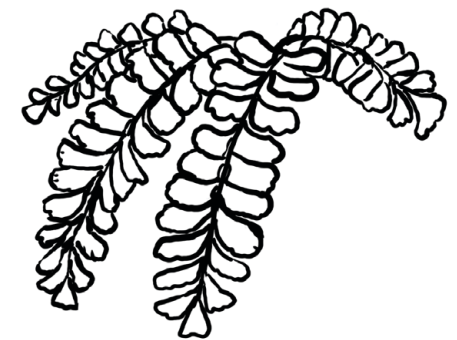
Vine maple




Sword fern




Pacific willow




Maidenhair Fern



False Solomon's seal



Sorrel



Pacific trillium



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