

Track Pattern Card



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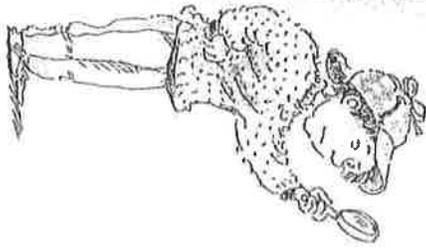
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| HOPPER | |
| WADDLER | |
| BOUNDER | |

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| | 1/2" - 3/4" | 1" | 1" | 3" | | |
| WADDLER | skunk | porcupine | raccoon | bear | | |
| | 1 1/2" | 2 1/2" - 3 1/2" | 3-4" | 6-7" | | |
| BOUNDER | weasel | | | | | |
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