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Assignment 2

1. Bioturbation is defined as the reworking of soils and sediments by animals or plants .These include burrowing ,ingestion and defecation of sediment grains. Bioturbating activities have a profound effect on the environment and are thought to be a primary driver of biodiversity.
2. Bioirrigation refers to the process of henthic organism flushing their burrows with overlying water . The exchange of dissolved substances between the porewater and overlying seawater that results is an important process in the context of the biogeochemistry of the oceans.
3. Five burrowing organisms
4. Earthworms
5. Ants
6. Mites
7. Springtails
8. nematodes