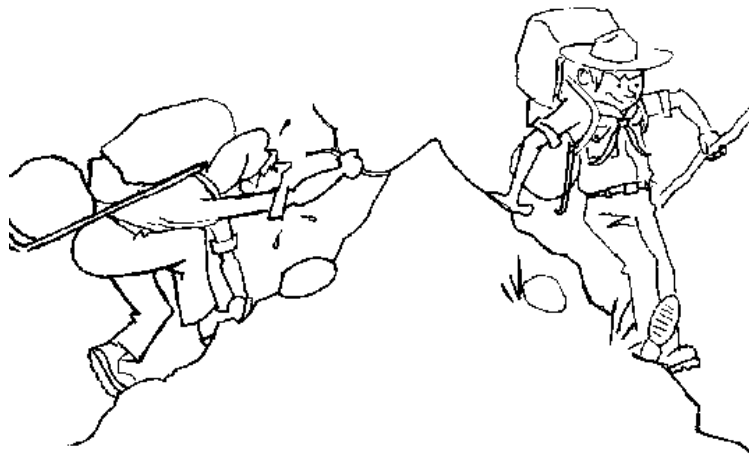


# 2: Travel And Camp On Durable Surfaces

## CRYPTOBIOTIC SOILS

**Crypto** is living communities made up of microscopic organisms that benefit the desert by retaining water and minimizing erosion. These crypto communities have taken hundreds of years to grow. Please protect them.



## ON THE TRAIL

- Use an established trail if possible. If not possible try to walk on other durable surfaces.
- If there is no way around the crypto each person must step in the exact footprint of the leader.

## AT CAMP

- Your camp site and all camping activities must be located in an area that will not harm the crypto.
- Place tent areas, kitchen areas, activity and traffic areas so that no crypto is damaged.
- In most cases you will not find adequate fuel for fires in the desert. You must not break branches off living or dead trees or bushes.

