



Turn Around, Don't Drown



With the rainy season upon us, Chino Valley Independent Fire District Fire Chief Paul Benson wants to remind residents to keep personal safety first. The following information and safety tips are provided to help keep you and your family safe.

- Never drive around marked flood barricades placed by public safety personnel and never drive into floodwater. Water over a road, no matter how deep, can hide washed out roads.
- Most cars can be swept away in 18-24 inches of moving water. Once swept downstream, a vehicle will often roll to one side or perhaps flip over entirely, giving the occupants only a few seconds to escape.
- Never attempt to walk or wade through flowing water. As little as six inches of rapidly moving water can sweep you off your feet and carry you downstream.
- The Chino Valley Independent Fire District encourages residents to Turn Around, Don't Drown, when faced with water-covered roads. Take an alternate route or wait until the water recedes. If you or someone around you needs help, dial 911.