

# El Niño

## Winter Preparedness



Scientists at the National Weather Service approximate a

# 95%

chance El Niño will continue into winter 2015-2016.

In winter 2009-2010:

**40-60 inches** of snow fell across the White Mountains.

**14,000 residents** lost power for a prolonged period after a winter storm.

**29 homes** in Black Canyon City were damaged or destroyed by flooding on the Agua Fria River.

### 5 ways to prepare

- 1** Sign up to receive emergency notifications.
- 2** Winterize your vehicle. Install winter tires, and have your brakes, battery, filters and fluids checked.
- 3** Heat your home safely. Never use a generator, grill or camp stove indoors.
- 4** Drive defensively. Don't tailgate snowplows or try to cross flooded roadways.
- 5** Prepare for prolonged power outages. Build a kit with enough nonperishable food and potable water to last *at least* 72 hours.