



Climate Prediction Center's Central Asia Hazards Outlook May 26 – June 1, 2016

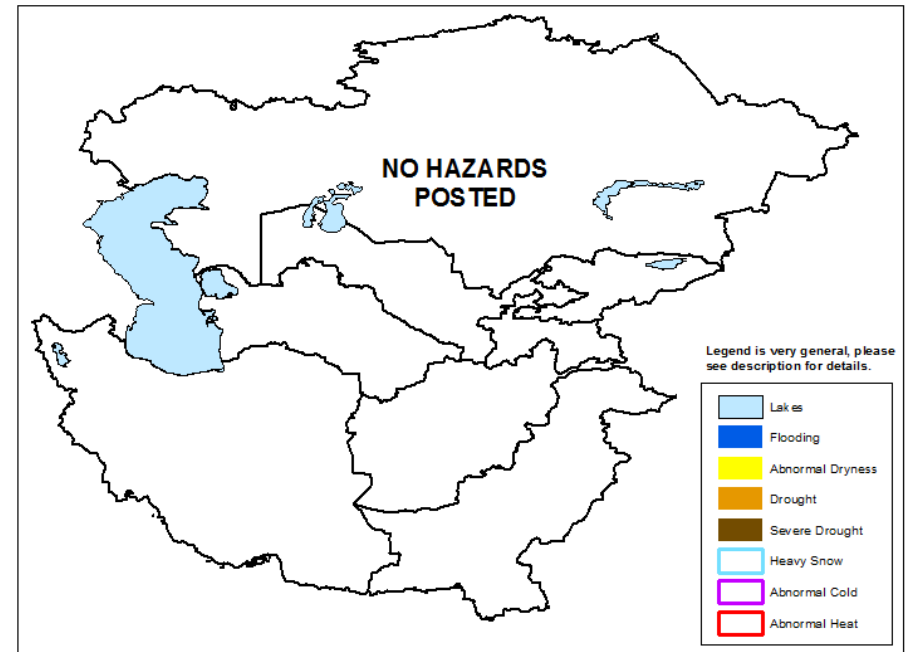
Temperatures:

Above-normal temperatures (1 to 6 degrees C) persisted across Afghanistan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, and Uzbekistan during the third week of May, while near to below-normal temperatures prevailed across Kazakhstan. The hottest temperatures were observed across western Afghanistan and Turkmenistan where maximum temperatures were in the upper 30s to around 40 degrees C. Temperatures are expected to average near to above-normal during the next week.

Precipitation

During the third week of May, locally heavy rain, more than 75 mm, fell across parts of southern Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, and eastern Uzbekistan. The CPC unified gauge analysis indicates that most areas across Central Asia have experienced near or above-normal precipitation during the past 30 days. However, a suppressed storm track resulted in increasing short-term precipitation deficits across northern Kazakhstan.

The heaviest precipitation (locally more than 50 mm) and localized flooding is forecast across Kyrgyzstan during the next week, while more widespread rainfall (10 – 25 mm, locally more) is likely across northern and eastern Kazakhstan. Seasonal dryness is expected to prevail across much of Afghanistan.



Note: The Hazards outlook map is based on current weather/climate information, short and medium range weather forecasts (up to 1 week), and assesses their potential impact on crop and pasture conditions. Shaded polygons are added in areas where anomalous conditions have been observed. The boundaries of these polygons are only approximate at this continental scale. This product does not reflect long range seasonal climate forecasts or indicate current or projected food security conditions.