

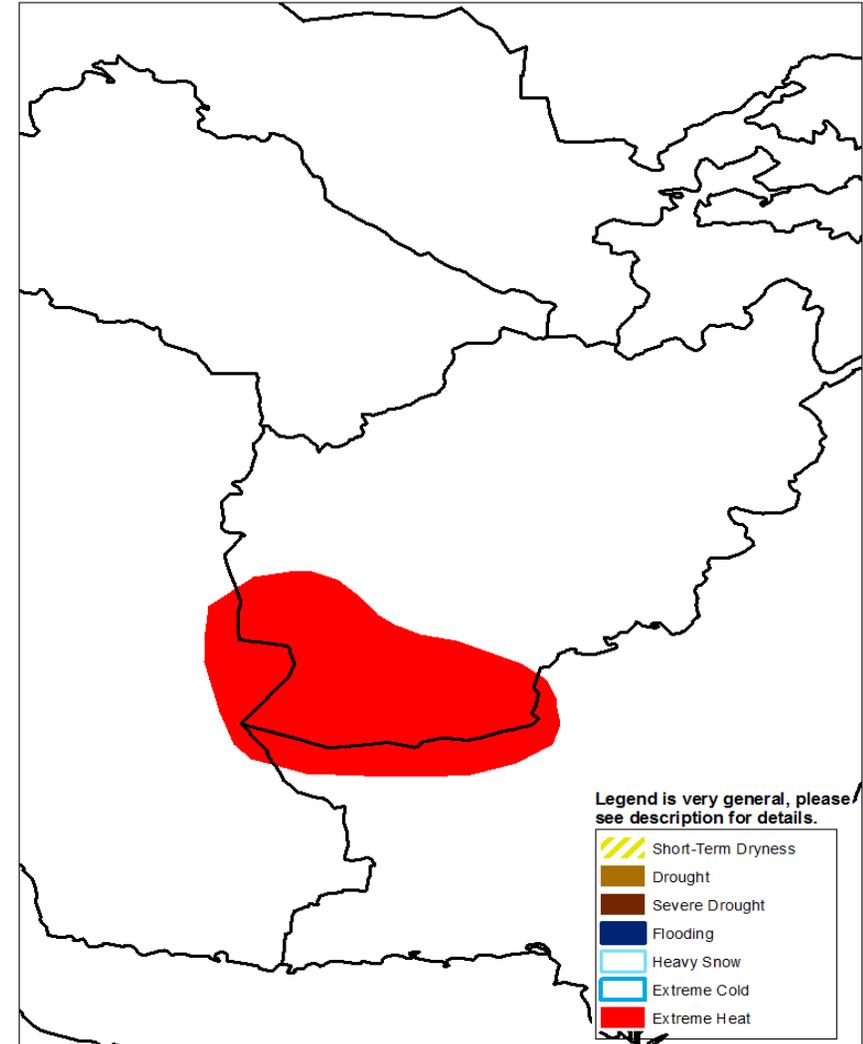
## The USAID FEWS NET Weather Hazards Impacts Outlook for Afghanistan May 11 - 17, 2011

### Temperatures:

During late April, temperatures averaged much above normal (4 – 8 degrees C, or more) across most of Afghanistan. This rapid warming and early onset of heat likely eliminated snow coverage except for the highest elevations of central and northeast Afghanistan. In addition, hot temperatures may have stressed vegetation. During the next week in southwest Afghanistan, maximum temperatures are forecast to exceed 40 degrees C with weekly temperatures averaging more than 4 degrees C above normal.

### Precipitation

Mostly dry weather is forecast for much of Afghanistan during the upcoming week. Precipitation typically decreases significantly during May.



**Note: The Hazards assessment 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.**

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