



Climate Prediction Center's Afghanistan Hazards Outlook July 16 – July 22, 2020

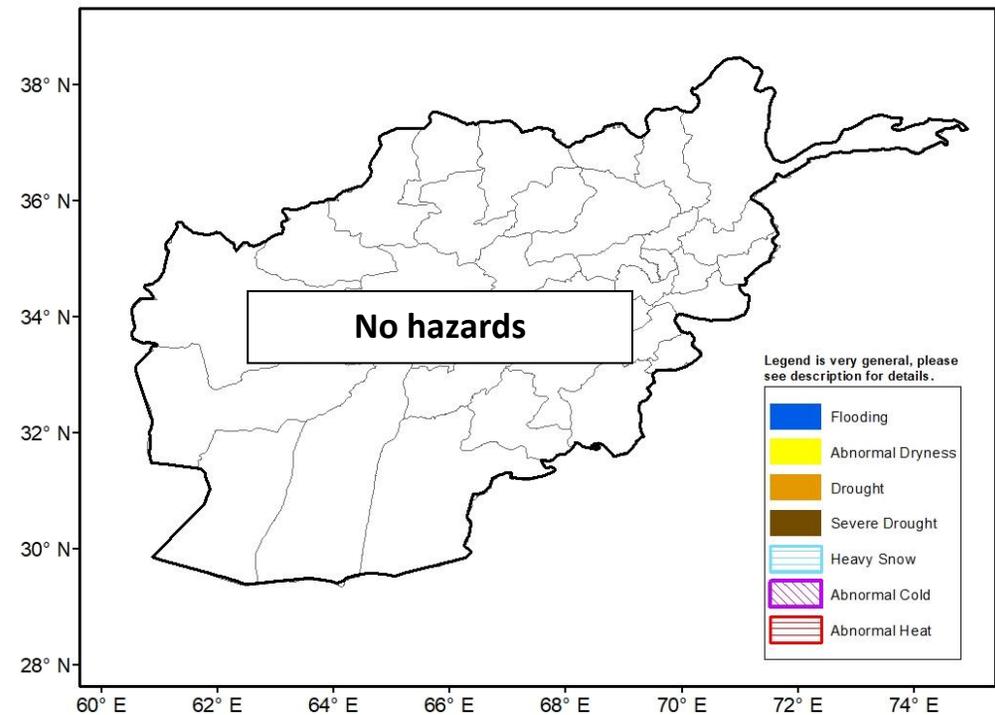
Temperatures:

During the past week, high temperatures were mostly near average across Afghanistan. However, Herat province observed positive anomalies of up to 6-8°C. Maximum temperatures for the period exceeded 40°C in many of the lower elevations of the the south and west. During the outlook period, temperatures are expected to average above normal in the north and east and average a bit below normal in the central highlands. Minimum temperatures are forecast to be near to above normal. With seasonal heat, southwestern provinces could see maximum temperatures exceed 45°C.

Precipitation:

During the last week, some light or moderate rain showers, totaling around 25mm or less, were observed in northeastern Afghanistan. The remainder of the country was dry. While it is the climatological dry season, vegetation health remains mostly good after a very wet spring period. Several provinces along the northern border are the exception, where satellite derived indices show less healthy vegetation conditions.

During the outlook period, moderate to locally heavy rains (10-50mm) are likely in eastern Afghanistan associated with the Indian monsoon, while the rest of the country stays seasonably dry.



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.

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