

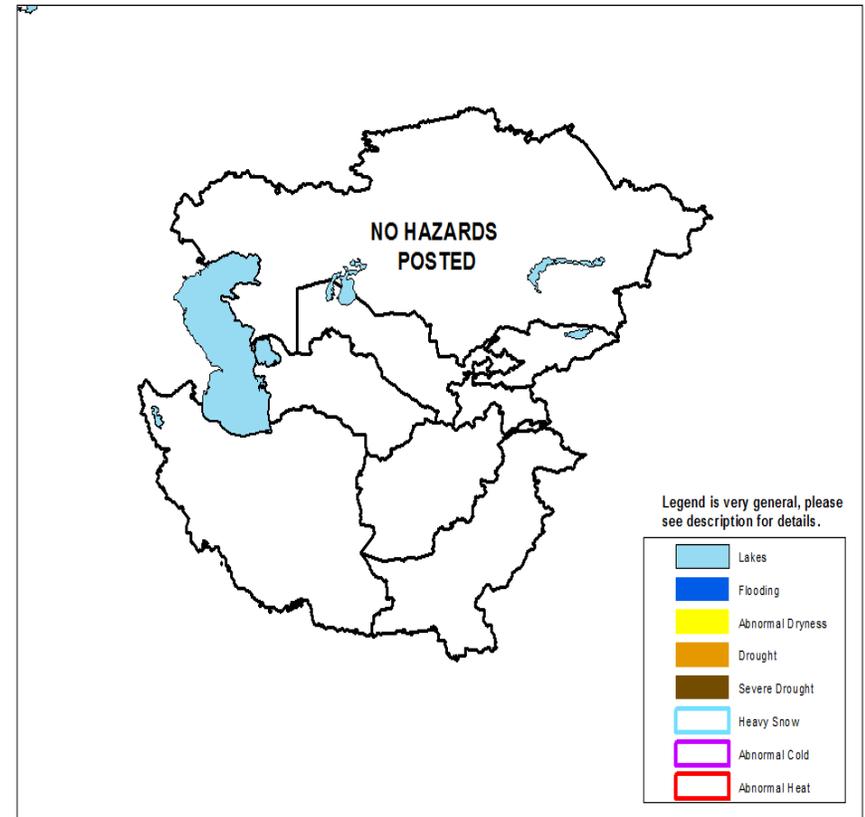
## Climate Prediction Center's Central Asia Hazards Outlook For USAID / FEWS-NET May 22 - 28, 2013

### Temperatures:

During the past week, temperatures averaged 1 to 5 degrees C above normal across Central Asia except for northeast Kazakhstan. The hottest temperatures (around 35 degrees C) occurred across parts of Turkmenistan and Afghanistan. Temperatures are forecast to average near to slightly below normal during the next week. Maximum temperatures may reach the upper 30s (degrees C) across southwest Afghanistan during the upcoming week.

### Precipitation

Mostly dry weather prevailed across most of Central Asia during the past week which is typical for May. However, light to moderate rain (10 – 26 mm) fell in northern Kazakhstan. Light to moderate rainfall amounts are expected to continue across northern Kazakhstan during the next week with scattered thundershowers developing across the higher elevations of Tajikistan and northeast 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.**

FEWS NET is a USAID-funded activity whose purpose is to provide objective information about food security conditions. Its views are not necessarily reflective of those of USAID or the U.S. Government. The FEWS NET weather hazards outlook process and products include participation by FEWS NET field and home offices, NOAA-CPC, USGS, USDA, NASA, and a number of other national and regional organizations in the countries concerned. Questions or comments about this product may be directed to Wassila.Thiaw@noaa.gov or 1-301-683-3424. Questions about the USAID FEWSNET activity may be directed to Gary Eilerts, USAID Program Manager for FEWSNET, 1-202-254-0204 or geilerts@usaid.gov.