



## Climate Prediction Center's Central Asia Hazards Outlook May 7 - 13, 2015

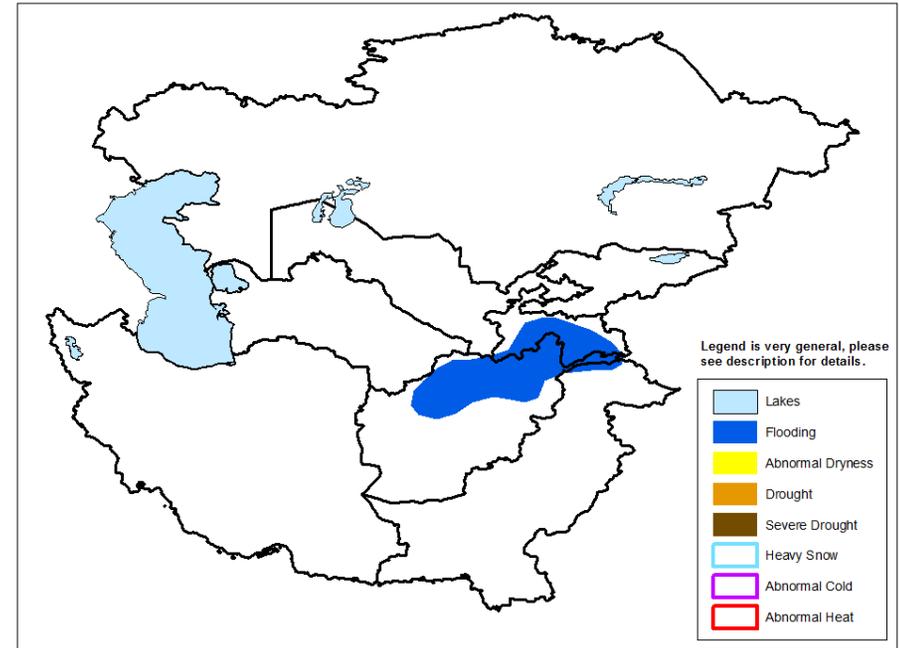
### **Temperatures:**

Temperatures averaged at or slightly above-normal across Central Asia from April 26 to May 2. Maximum temperatures during this time period ranged from the middle 20s (degrees C) across northern Kazakhstan to around 40 degrees C across Turkmenistan and southwest Afghanistan. During the next week, the GFS model indicates that above-normal temperatures are likely to continue.

### **Precipitation**

Widespread rain (2-50 mm) fell across northern/eastern Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, and northeast Afghanistan. Snow was likely limited to the highest elevations of northeast Afghanistan and Tajikistan. During the next week, the GFS model indicates additional rain across north-central Afghanistan and Tajikistan.

The flooding polygon posted for parts of northern Afghanistan and Tajikistan is based on expected snow melt of a large snow pack coupled with the forecast rainfall across these areas.



**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.