



Climate Prediction Center's Central Asia Hazards Outlook May 12 - 18, 2016

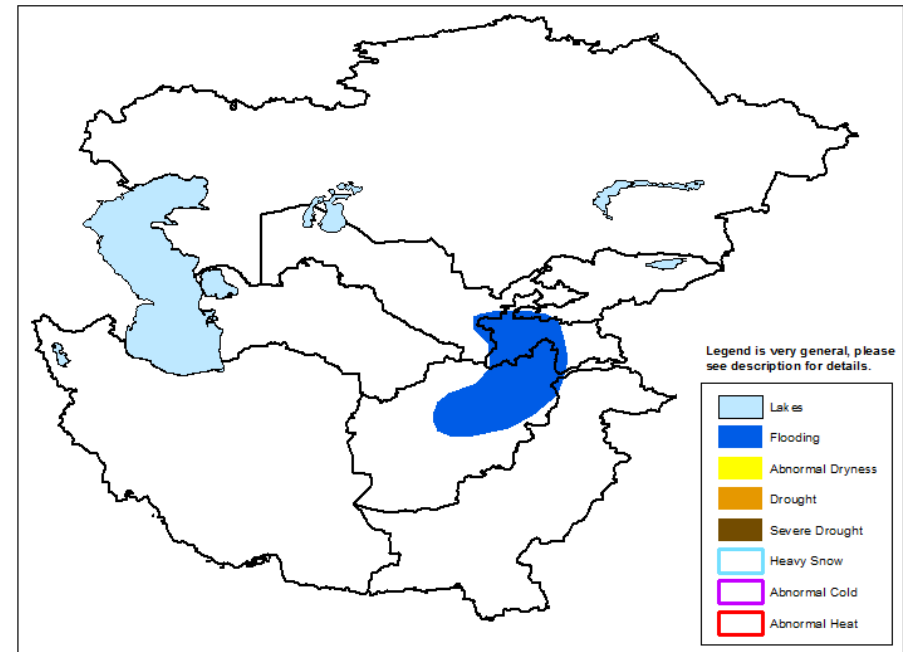
Temperatures:

Above-normal temperatures (1 to 5 degrees C) prevailed across Afghanistan, Kyrgyzstan, Turkmenistan, and Uzbekistan during the first week of May, while Kazakhstan experienced seasonal temperatures. 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 first week of May, locally heavy rain, more than 25 mm, fell across parts of Afghanistan, southern Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, and 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.

The risk of localized flooding due to snow melt and rainfall is expected across Afghanistan and Tajikistan during the next week. The GFS model depicts precipitation amounts locally exceeding 25 mm, especially across northeast Afghanistan and Tajikistan.



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.