



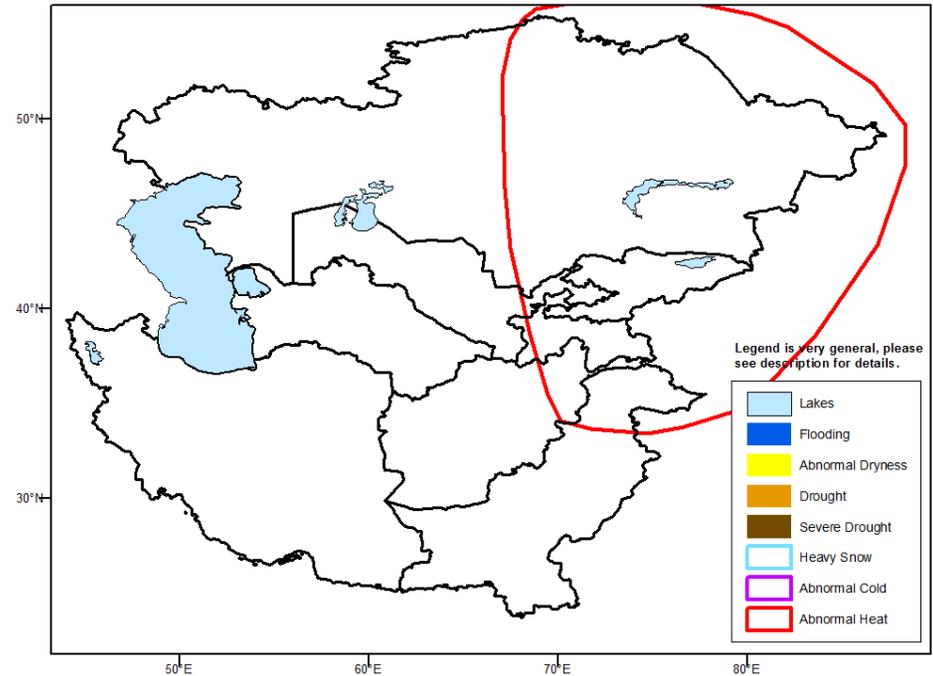
Climate Prediction Center's Central Asia Hazards Outlook June 15 - 21, 2017

Temperatures:

During early June, near to slightly above-normal temperatures were observed across most of Central Asia except for western Kazakhstan where temperatures averaged 1 to 5 degrees C below-normal. Maximum temperatures reached 40 degrees C in the hottest locations of southern Turkmenistan and western the lower elevations of Afghanistan. During the next week, the GFS model indicates that above-normal temperatures will occur for much of the region. An abnormal heat hazard is posted for areas where maximum temperatures are forecast to average more than 6 degrees C above normal. These hot temperatures could adversely affect rangelands across northeast Afghanistan.

Precipitation

Scattered showers and thundershowers (10 to 37 mm) fell across northern and eastern Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, and Tajikistan from June 4 to 10, while seasonal dryness prevailed across Afghanistan, Turkmenistan, and Uzbekistan. During the past 30 days, the RFE analysis indicates small precipitation deficits (less than 25 mm) across parts of central and eastern Kazakhstan. The most recent vegetation indices indicated neutral to favorable conditions over most areas. During the next week, the heaviest rainfall (more than 25 mm) is expected across northern Kazakhstan which typically remains the wettest area during June.



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.