

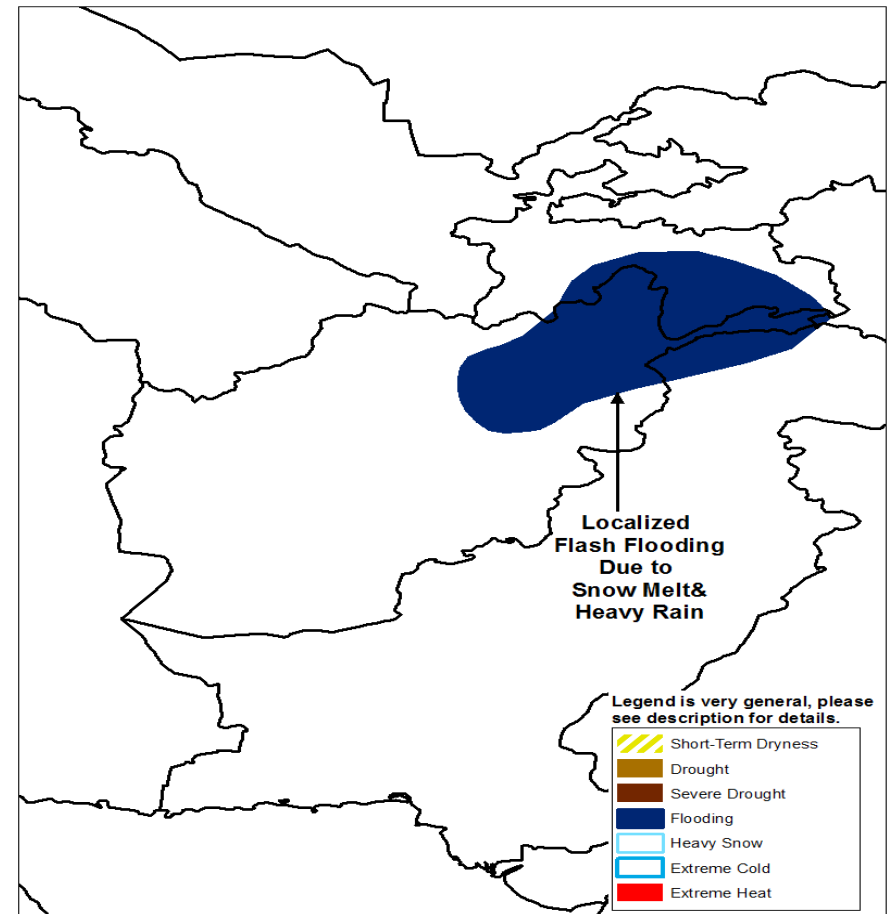
Climate Prediction Center's Afghanistan Hazards Outlook For USAID / FEWS-NET June 6 - 12, 2012

Temperatures:

During May, temperatures averaged above average for the lowlands and near to below average across the higher elevations. Seasonal warmth continued to cause rapid snow melt. During the next week, temperatures are forecast to average above normal except for the northeast mountains where below normal temperatures are expected. Maximum temperatures are forecast to exceed 40 degrees C in southwest Afghanistan and range from 35 to 40 degrees C in the lowlands of northwest Afghanistan.

Precipitation

Above average precipitation amounts during April and May combined with snow melt resulted in localized flash flooding across central and northern Afghanistan. Locally heavy showers are possible early during the upcoming week across the northeast mountains. The highest threat for flash flooding continues for the northeast mountains due to runoff from snow melt and rainfall early in the week.



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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