

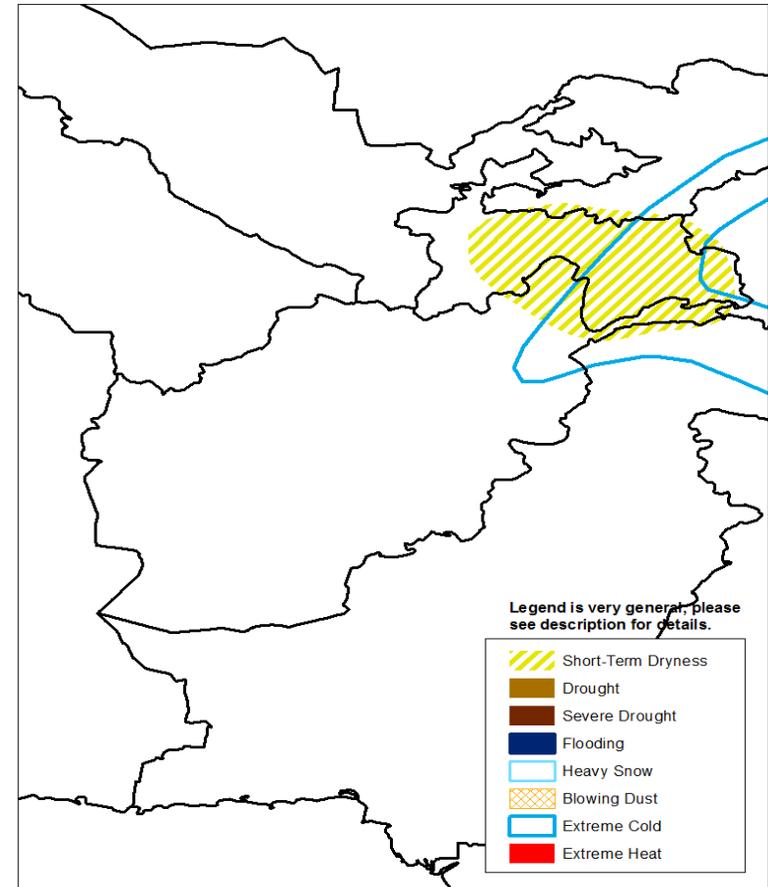
## Climate Prediction Center's Afghanistan Hazards Outlook For USAID / FEWS-NET December 5 – December 11, 2012

### Temperatures:

During November, temperatures gradually dropped to become near average across the western two thirds of Afghanistan, while below-average temperatures persisted in the northeast mountains. During the next week, slightly above-average temperatures are expected across the lowlands of Afghanistan, whereas below-average temperatures are forecast throughout the higher elevations in the east, where minimum temperatures may fall range between -30 and -25 degrees C.

### Precipitation

During the second half of November, increased precipitation fell across Afghanistan, helping to partially relieve the early-season dryness over the northern provinces. However, weak (-50 to -20 mm liquid equivalent) seasonal precipitation deficits persist over portions of the Badakhshan province of northeastern Afghanistan. Scattered light precipitation is forecast across the higher elevations during the next 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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