



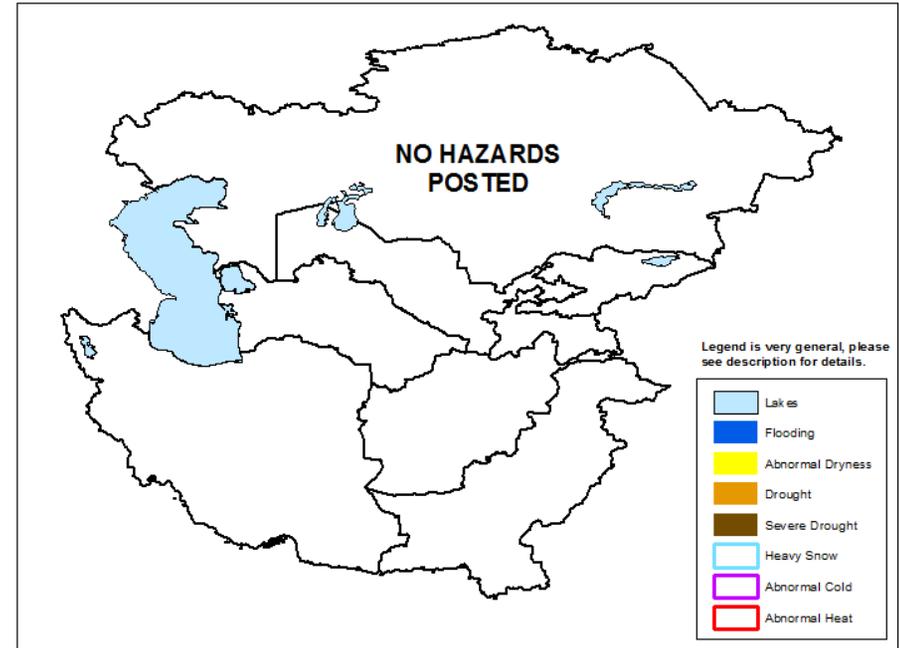
## Climate Prediction Center's Central Asia Hazards Outlook August 20 - 26, 2015

### **Temperatures:**

Temperatures averaged near to below-normal across most of Central Asia from August 9 to 15 with the largest negative anomalies (3 degrees C or more) across northern Kazakhstan. Minimum temperatures fell to around 5 degrees C in this region during the past week. During the next week, the GFS model indicates that maximum temperatures will average more than 8 degree C above-normal across northeast Kazakhstan. Although these are large positive anomalies, an abnormal heat hazard is not posted since maximum temperatures are likely to remain below 35 degrees C across this region.

### **Precipitation**

The CPC Unified Gauge Analysis indicates that precipitation has averaged near normal during the past 30 days. Locally heavy rain (more than 50 mm) associated with the Indian Monsoon fell across north-central Pakistan from August 9 to 15. The Indian Monsoon typically begins to shift east from Pakistan by the beginning of September. Scattered showers and thundershowers (locally more than 25 mm) are expected to continue during the next week across northern Pakistan and the higher elevations of Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan. The Indian Monsoon typically shifts east from Pakistan by the beginning of September. Meanwhile, light to moderate rainfall amounts (generally less than 25 mm) are predicted for northern and eastern Kazakhstan.



**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.**