



Climate Prediction Center's Central Asia Hazards Outlook August 25 - 31, 2016

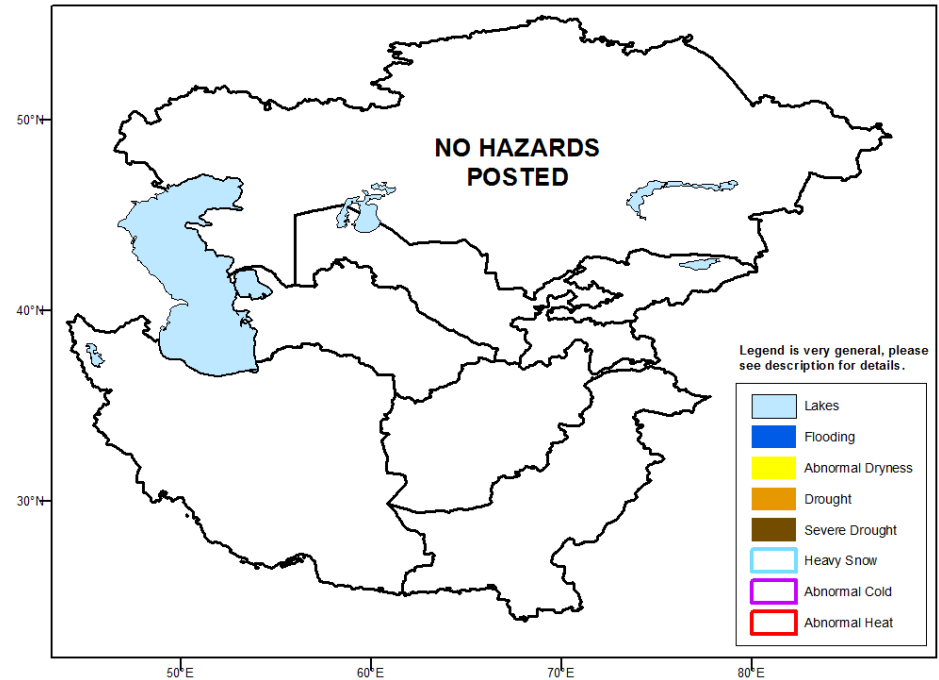
Temperatures:

Temperatures averaged near to above-normal from August 14 to 20, with the largest positive anomalies (3 to 6 degrees C) across northwest Kazakhstan. The GFS model indicates that near to above-normal temperatures persist during the next week with the hottest temperatures (near 40 degrees C) across Turkmenistan along with the lower elevations of Afghanistan and Pakistan.

Precipitation

Rainfall, associated with the monsoon, continued across northern Pakistan where amounts were generally less than 25 mm from August 14 to 20. Little to no rainfall was observed across the southern two-thirds of Pakistan. Mostly dry weather also prevailed across the remainder of the region except for north-central Kazakhstan where scattered showers (2 to 27 mm) fell. The CPC unified gauge analysis indicates precipitation deficits (10 to 25 mm) limited to parts of northern Kazakhstan.

During the next week, rainfall is expected to be sparse throughout the region, which is typical for most areas during late August. Northern Kazakhstan is expected to receive light to moderate rainfall, less than 25 mm. Scattered showers and thundershowers (locally more than 25 mm) are forecast across Pakistan. The Indian Monsoon typically withdraws from Pakistan at the end of August.



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.