Climate Prediction Center's Central Asia Hazards Outlook
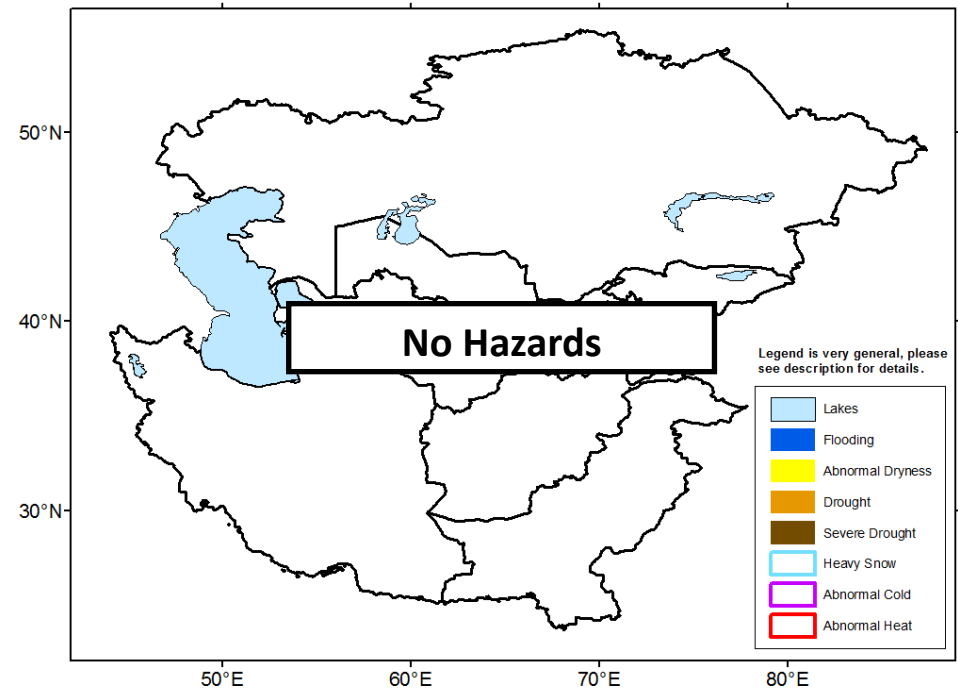## July 12 – 18, 2018

Temperatures:

During early July, maximum temperatures averaged above normal across western Kazakhstan Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan, but remained near normal over the remainder of Central Asia. Maximum temperature anomalies were as much as +8°C. Maximum temperatures reached the lower 40's in southwestern Kazakhstan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan, and southern portions of Afghanistan. During the next week, models suggest that the above-normal heat will spread east across the region. Positive departures from normal will generally be less than 6°C outside of the mountainous regions, but should be enough to result in highs exceeding 45°C in several areas.

Precipitation

During early July, scattered light to moderate showers were observed over northern and eastern parts of Kazakhstan. 7-day totals were generally less than 25mm. the northern extension of the Indian monsoon brought moderate rains to Pakistan and neighboring areas of eastern Afghanistan. Rainfall performance over the past 30 days has generally been adequate for this time of year, with some small negative anomalies observed in western Kazakhstan. The abnormal dryness and drought hazards have been removed based on time passed since the end of the rainy season.

During the next week, widespread light and moderate rain is forecasted for northern and eastern parts of Kazakhstan. While the Indian Monsoon remains ahead of its usual position, associated rain is expected to affect Pakistan and eastern Afghanistan and could increase flash flood risk.

No Hazards

Legend is very general, please see description for details.

- Lakes
- Flooding
- Abnormal Dryness
- Drought
- Severe Drought
- Heavy Snow
- Abnormal Cold
- Abnormal Heat

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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