



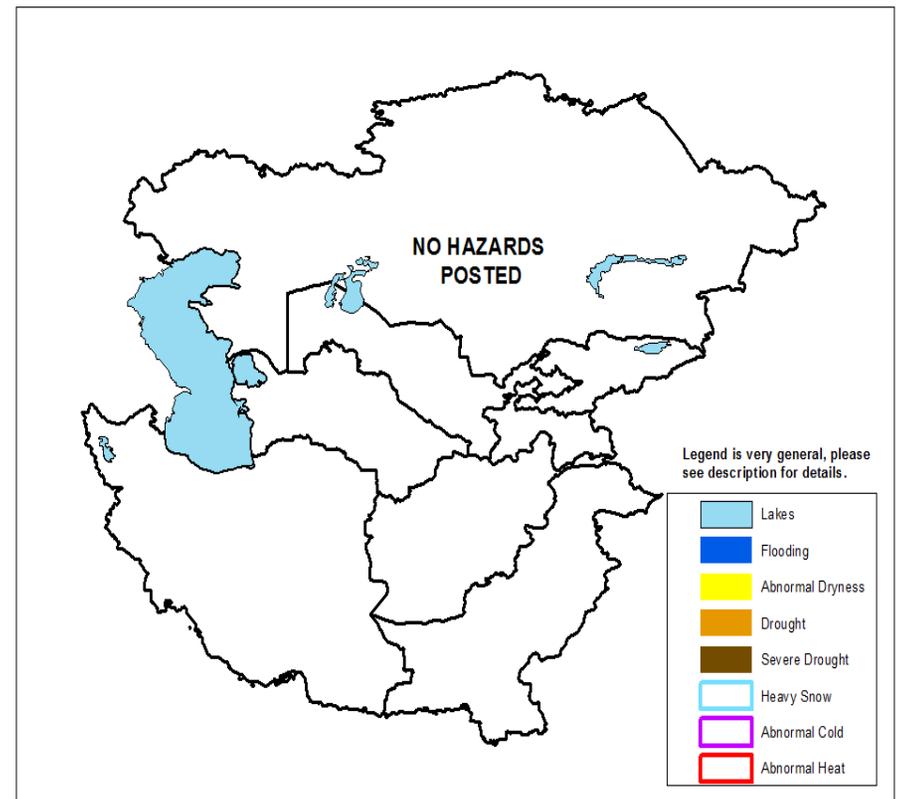
Climate Prediction Center's Central Asia Hazards Outlook September 12 - 18, 2013

Temperatures:

During the first week of September, temperatures averaged 1 to 4 degrees C above normal with the hottest temperatures (near 40 degrees C) observed in southern Turkmenistan. Minimum temperatures fell to around 10 degrees C. Above normal temperatures are forecast to persist across Central Asia during the next week. Extreme maximum temperatures are expected to be similar to this past week with the hottest temperatures (upper 30s C) across southern Turkmenistan. Frost or light freezes are possible late in this period across northeast Kazakhstan.

Precipitation

During the past week, seasonal dryness prevailed across the region. Mostly dry weather is forecast to continue during the next week with light rain limited to the northern third of Kazakhstan. Precipitation anomalies generally are at or above normal for the 30, 60, and 90-day time periods.



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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