



Climate Prediction Center's Central Asia Hazards Outlook September 11 - 17, 2014

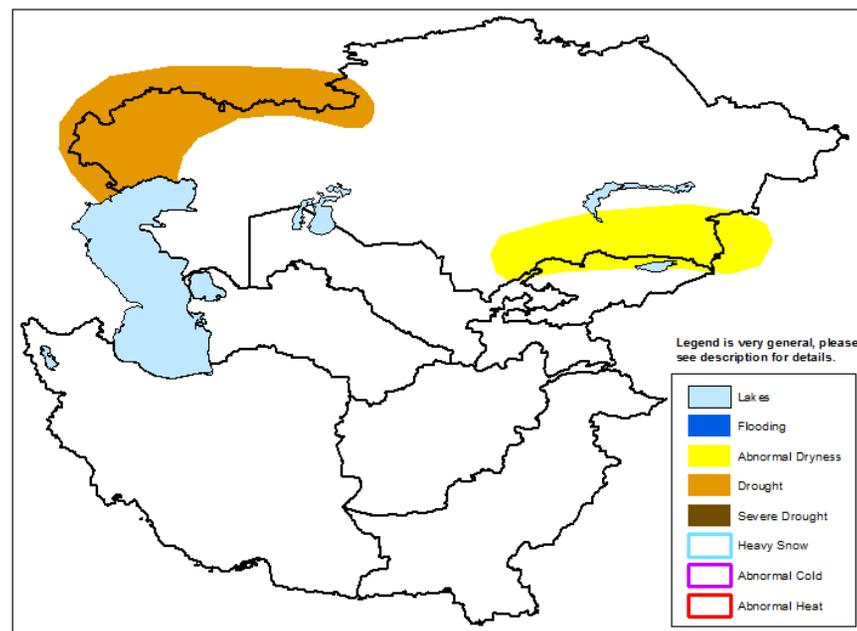
Temperatures:

Seasonal temperatures prevailed across Central Asia during the past week with maximum temperatures ranging from the lower 20s (degrees C) across northern Kazakhstan to the upper 30s (degrees C) across the hottest locations of Uzbekistan, Turkmenistan, and the lowlands of Afghanistan. Isolated areas of northern Kazakhstan experienced a light freeze. Temperatures are forecast to average slightly above-normal during the next week. Maximum and minimum temperatures are expected to be similar to this past week.

Precipitation

The drought area, posted for northwest Kazakhstan, is based on a lack of adequate precipitation dating back to May. According to the CPC-Unified dataset, 90-day precipitation deficits are as large as 50 to 100 mm across extreme northwest Kazakhstan. Meanwhile, very heavy rainfall (up to 447 mm) triggered flooding across northern Pakistan during the first week of September.

During the next week, the GFS indicates little or no precipitation across Central Asia. The Indian Monsoon typically withdraws away from Pakistan during early September.



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.