



Climate Prediction Center's Central Asia Hazards Outlook October 9 - 15, 2014

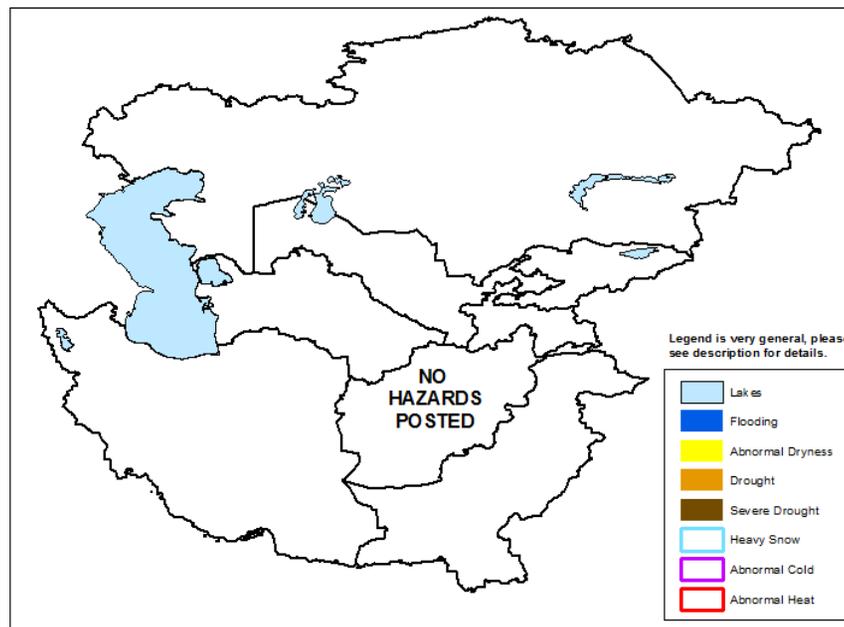
Temperatures:

Temperatures average 1 to 5 degrees C below-normal across much of Kazakhstan and northern Uzbekistan from September 28 – October 4, while temperatures averaged 1 to 5 degrees C above-normal across the remainder of the region. Freezing temperatures were generally limited to northern Kazakhstan and the higher elevation of the region during late September and the beginning of October. The GFS model indicates that freezing temperatures are most likely across northeast Kazakhstan and the higher elevations of the region during the next week.

Precipitation

Widespread precipitation fell throughout Kazakhstan and Kyrgyzstan from September 28 – October 4 with the heaviest amounts (more than 50 mm) in extreme southeast Kazakhstan and northern Kyrgyzstan. Due to above-normal precipitation during the past 30 days, abnormal dryness that was depicted on previous outlook maps is removed.

During the next week, the GFS model indicates light to moderate precipitation (5 to 25 mm) extending from northern/eastern Kazakhstan south to northeast Afghanistan and Tajikistan. Accumulating snow is expected across the higher elevations of Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, and northeast Afghanistan.



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.