



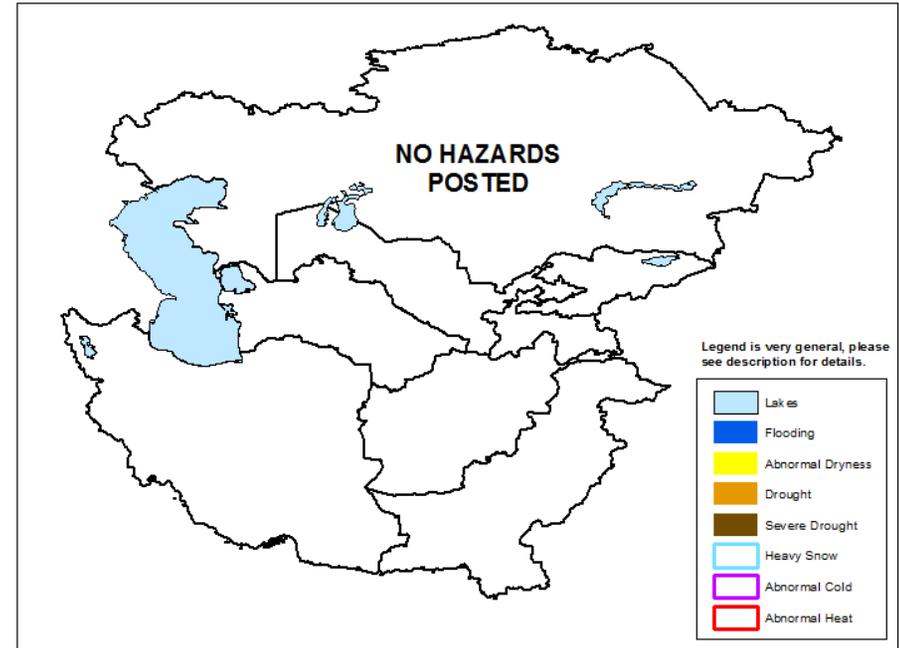
Climate Prediction Center's Central Asia Hazards Outlook October 1 - 7, 2015

Temperatures:

Below-normal temperatures (1 to 6 degrees C) were observed across eastern Kazakhstan from September 20 to 26, while near to above-normal temperatures prevailed across the remainder of Central Asia. Minimum temperatures fell as low as -6 degrees C across northern Kazakhstan during the past week. The GFS model indicates that above-normal temperatures will prevail across the region during the first week of October. Minimum temperatures are predicted to remain above freezing except for northeast Kazakhstan along with the higher elevations of northeast Afghanistan, Kyrgyzstan, and Tajikistan.

Precipitation

Moderate to locally heavy rain (more than 50 mm) was recorded across northeast Kazakhstan, while locally heavy rain (more than 100 mm) fell across eastern Pakistan. During the past 30 days, the CPC Unified Gauge analysis indicates precipitation has averaged at or above-normal across most of the region. The relatively wet pattern is expected to continue with the GFS model indicating a widespread area of rain (10 mm or more) across the northern half of Kazakhstan. Rain with the potential for snow at the highest elevations is also predicted to occur across northeast Afghanistan, Kyrgyzstan, and Tajikistan.



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.