

Climate Prediction Center's Central Asia Hazards Outlook August 24 – 30, 2017

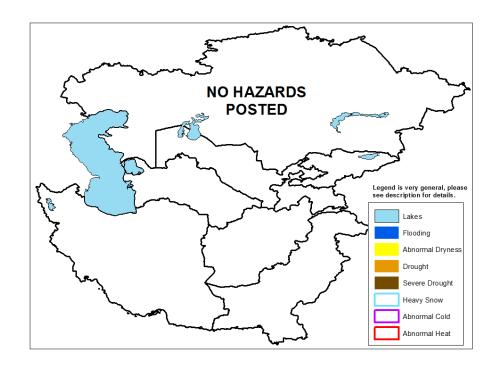
Temperatures:

Below-normal temperatures (1 to 4 degrees C) were observed across much of Central Asia from August 13 to 19. The GFS model indicates that near or above-normal temperatures will return to the region during the final week of August. The highest maximum temperatures (around 40 degrees C) are forecast to occur across southwest Afghanistan which is not too unusual for late August.

Precipitation

Mostly dry weather prevailed across Afghanistan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, and Uzbekistan during the past week. Thunderstorms, associated with the Indian Monsoon, resulted in local amounts exceeding 25 mm across northern Pakistan.

During the next week, rainfall (locally more than 25 mm) is expected to be limited to Pakistan and along with bordering areas of Afghanistan. Rainfall associated with the Indian Monsson typically begins to shift east of Pakistan at the beginning of 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.