



Climate Prediction Center's Central Asia Hazards Outlook September 13 - 19, 2018

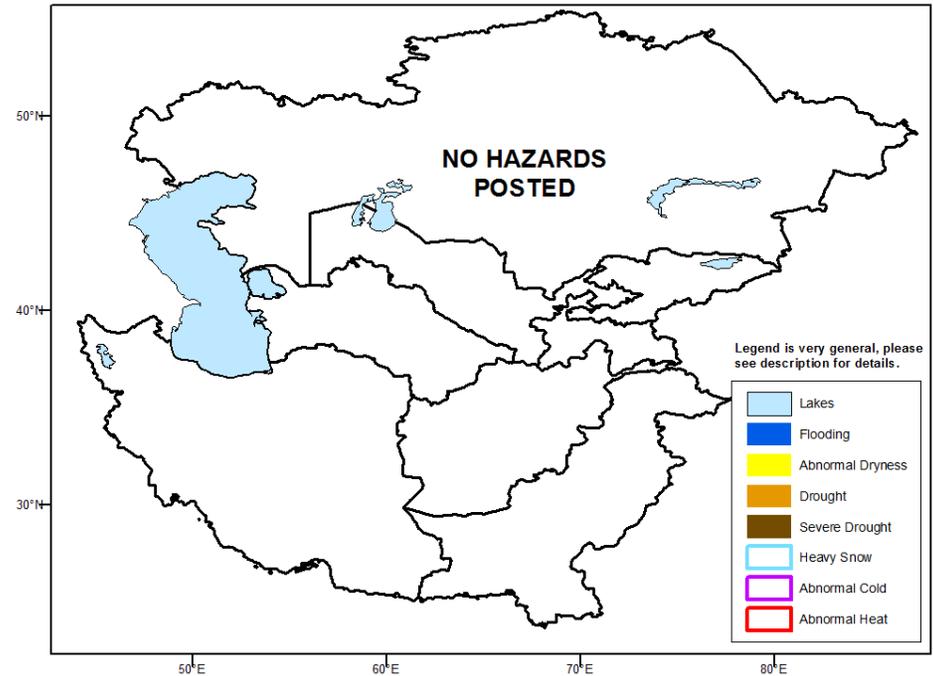
Temperatures:

Weekly temperatures averaged 1 to 6 degrees C below normal for the second consecutive week. A light freeze (minimum temperatures of -1 to 0 degrees C) occurred across parts of northern and eastern Kazakhstan which ended the growing season. The GFS model indicates that minimum temperatures will average near normal across northeast Kazakhstan during mid-September, while above normal temperatures are forecast for the remainder of the region. Subfreezing minimum temperatures are likely across parts of northeast Kazakhstan along with the higher elevations of northeast Afghanistan, Kyrgyzstan, and Tajikistan.

Precipitation

Widespread rainfall (locally more than 50 mm) continued across northeast Kazakhstan through early September. During the past 30 days, this part of Kazakhstan has received more than 100 mm of rainfall. Dry weather, typical for this time of year, persisted across the remainder of the region.

The GFS model indicates that mostly dry weather prevails across a majority of Central Asia although scattered showers may occur throughout the higher elevations of 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.

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