



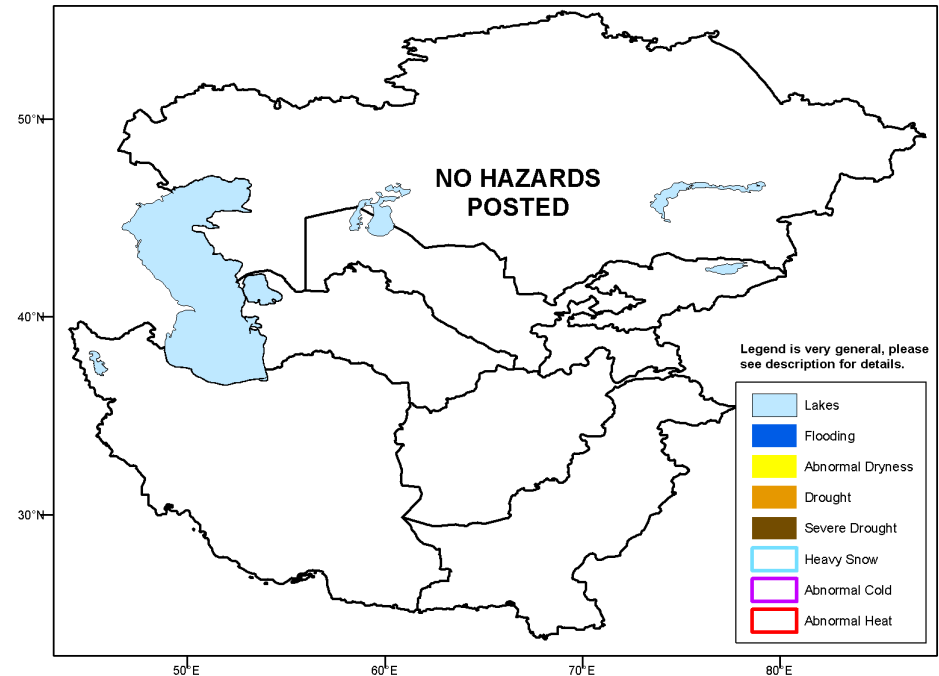
Climate Prediction Center's Central Asia Hazards Outlook November 15 – 21, 2018

Temperatures:

During the last week, below normal temperatures were observed throughout much of Kazakhstan, with slightly below normal temperatures over the southern portion of the region. Both minimum and maximum daily temperatures remained below freezing throughout northern Kazakhstan, and in the higher elevations of Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan and northeastern Afghanistan where some local areas reported less than -15 degrees C. For the upcoming outlook period, the return to near normal temperatures is forecast to overspread throughout much of the region. However, minimum temperatures are likely to fall below -20 degrees C across parts of eastern Kazakhstan.

Precipitation

Compared to early November, decreased amounts of precipitation were received throughout much of the region. The highest precipitation amounts were registered over eastern Kazakhstan (10-25mm) falling in the form of snow, with lighter and more scattered precipitation amounts further south across the higher elevations of Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan and northeastern Afghanistan. For the upcoming outlook period, the recent trend of decreased precipitation is expected to continue (5-25mm), with only light to locally moderate precipitation expected over northern Kazakhstan and across the higher elevations of 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.