

Climate Prediction Center's Central Asia Hazards Outlook For USAID / FEWS-NET October 10 - 16, 2019

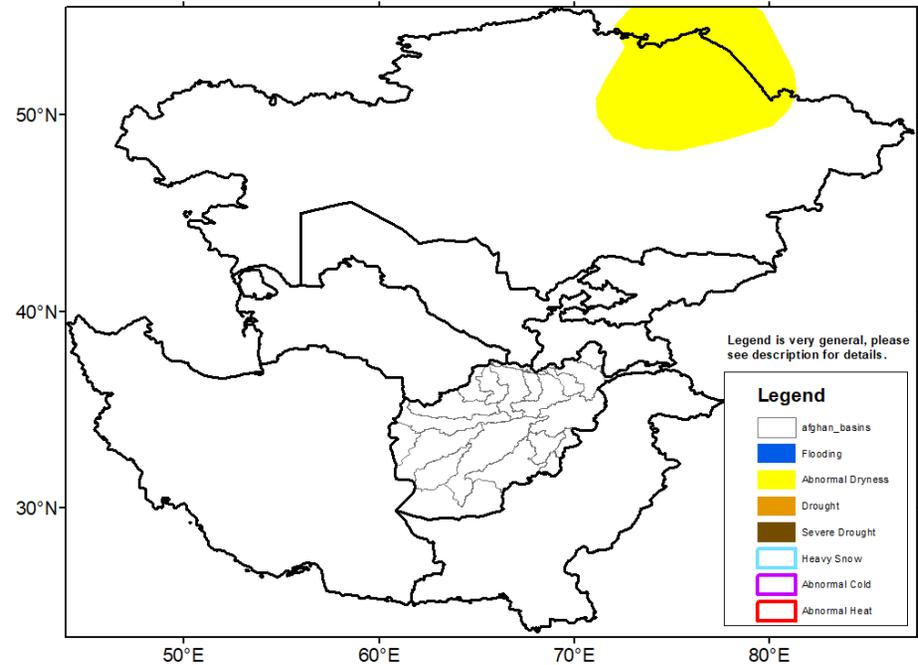
Temperatures:

Below-normal temperatures persisted across central and eastern Kazakhstan into the beginning of October. Observed minimum temperatures fell to -11 degrees C in northeast Kazakhstan. Subfreezing minimum temperatures extended as far south as northern Uzbekistan. The GFS model indicates that 7-day temperatures are likely to average above normal during the outlook period.

Precipitation

During the past week, heavy snow occurred across the higher elevations of northeast Afghanistan with accumulations up to 70 cm reported in the southern portion of Salang Pass. Moderate to locally heavy precipitation extended north to Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan. Elsewhere, mostly dry weather prevailed across Kazakhstan. 90-day precipitation deficits are largest across northeast Kazakhstan where an abnormal dryness hazard is posted.

A low pressure system and trailing cold front are forecast to result in widespread precipitation (10 to 25 mm, locally more) across the northern half of Kazakhstan during the outlook period. Mostly dry weather is likely to prevail across the remainder of the region.



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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