

Climate Prediction Center's Central Asia Hazards Outlook For USAID / FEWS-NET October 17 - 23, 2019

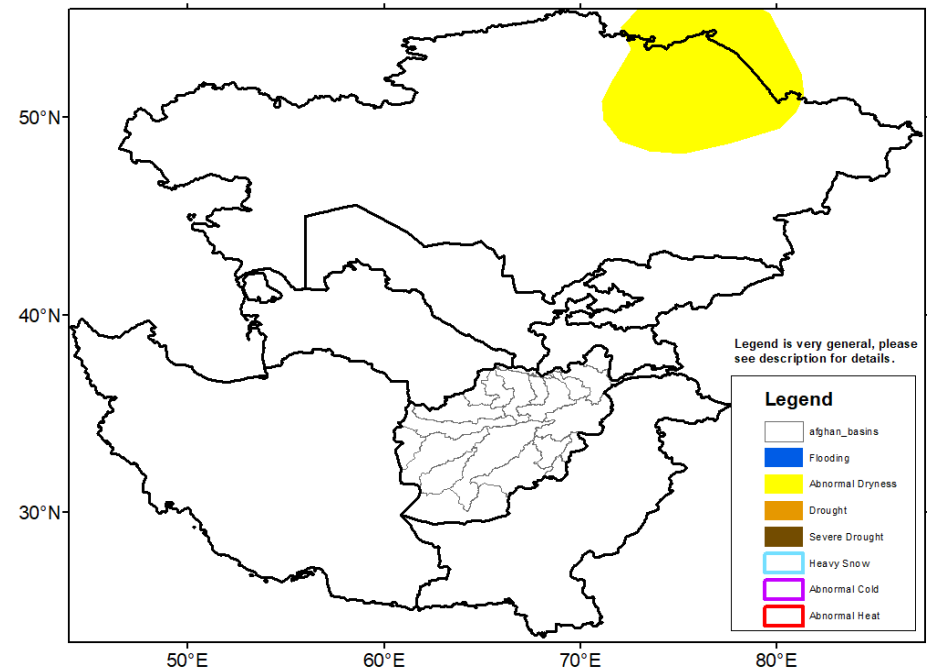
Temperatures:

Above-normal temperatures (+1 to +7 degrees C) prevailed across Central Asia during the second week of October. The GFS model indicates that 7-day temperatures are likely to average above normal during the outlook period. The GFS model indicates that near to above normal temperatures are likely to continue into the latter half of October. Subfreezing temperatures are forecast across northern Kazakhstan and the higher elevations of Afghanistan, Kyrgyzstan, and Tajikistan.

Precipitation

Scattered showers (less than 25 mm) fell throughout northern and eastern Kazakhstan during the past week, while dry weather returned to Afghanistan. The abnormal dryness hazard remains posted for northeast Kazakhstan due to relatively large 90-day precipitation deficits.

During the next week, a couple of low pressure systems are forecast to track east across northern Kazakhstan with widespread amounts of 10 to 50 mm. This upcoming rainfall is expected to alleviate abnormal dryness across northeast Kazakhstan. Mostly dry weather is forecast for much of Afghanistan.



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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