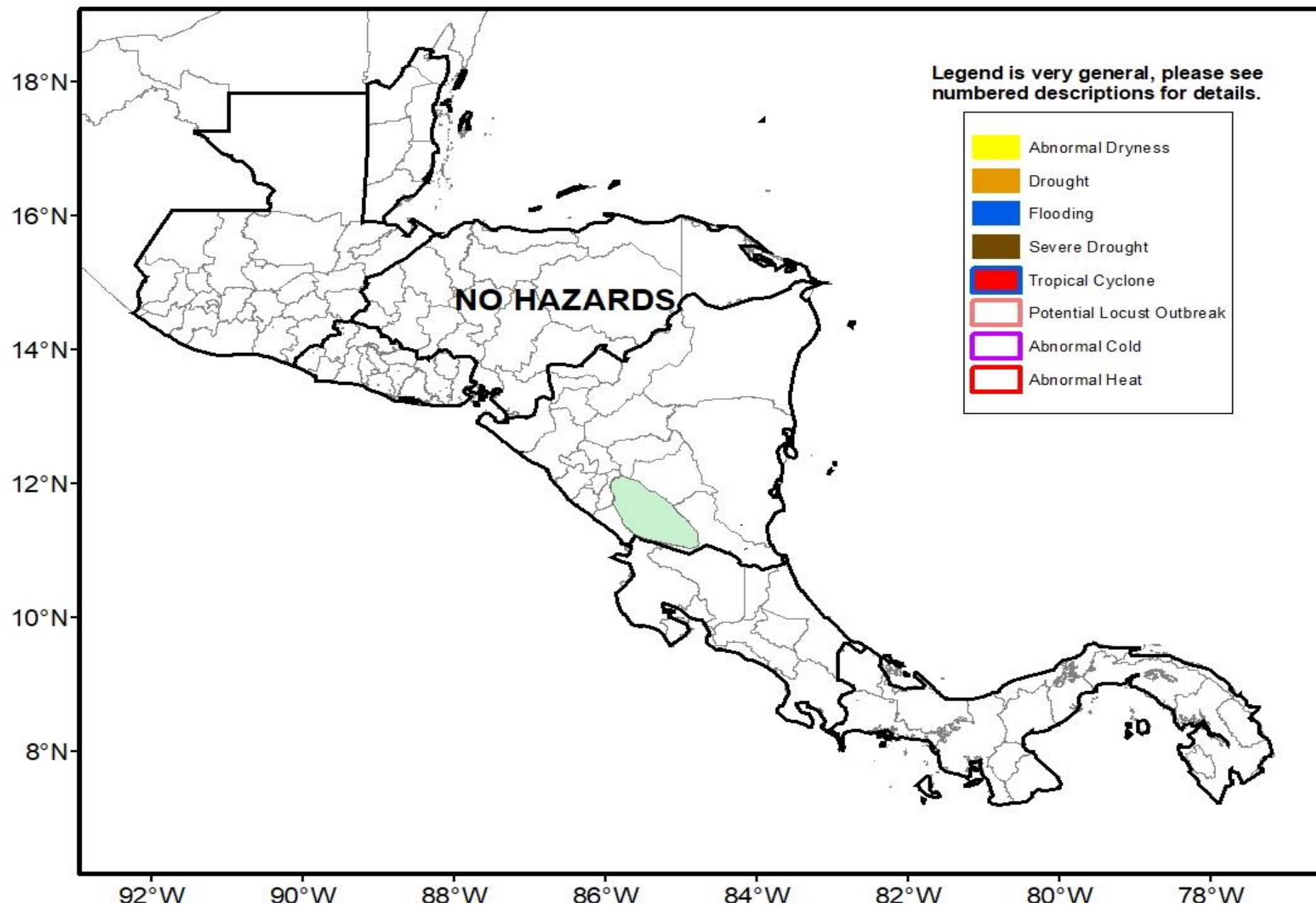




## Climate Prediction Center's Central America Hazards Outlook December 12 - 18, 2019

Cold temperatures are expected in the western part of Guatemala



During the past seven days, heavy rains have been recorded in the far southern part of Nicaragua and Costa Rica. This past thirty days, some deficit has been seen over Belize, Peten Department of Guatemala. By the end of the *Postrera* season, the eastern part of Honduras and the eastern part of Nicaragua have developed an abnormal dryness which accentuated the last month of the season. For the beginning of *Apante* season, no rain recorded over Guatemala, El Salvador, Honduras and major parts of Nicaragua. Some cold temperatures have been located over the western part Guatemala while the rest of Central America has showed between 15-20 degree Celsius. A growing vegetation has been observed over the areas surrounding the Gulf of Fonseca extending through El Salvador and the western part of Guatemala. In contrast, the northern part of Guatemala and Belize has showed a progressive lack of vegetation.

For the coming week, low temperatures are expected over the western and central parts of Guatemala extended to the central Honduras. Light to moderate rainfall are expected over Belize, Guatemala, northern Honduras and northern/eastern part of Nicaragua. Heavy rainfall are expected over the coastal areas facing the Atlantic Ocean.

