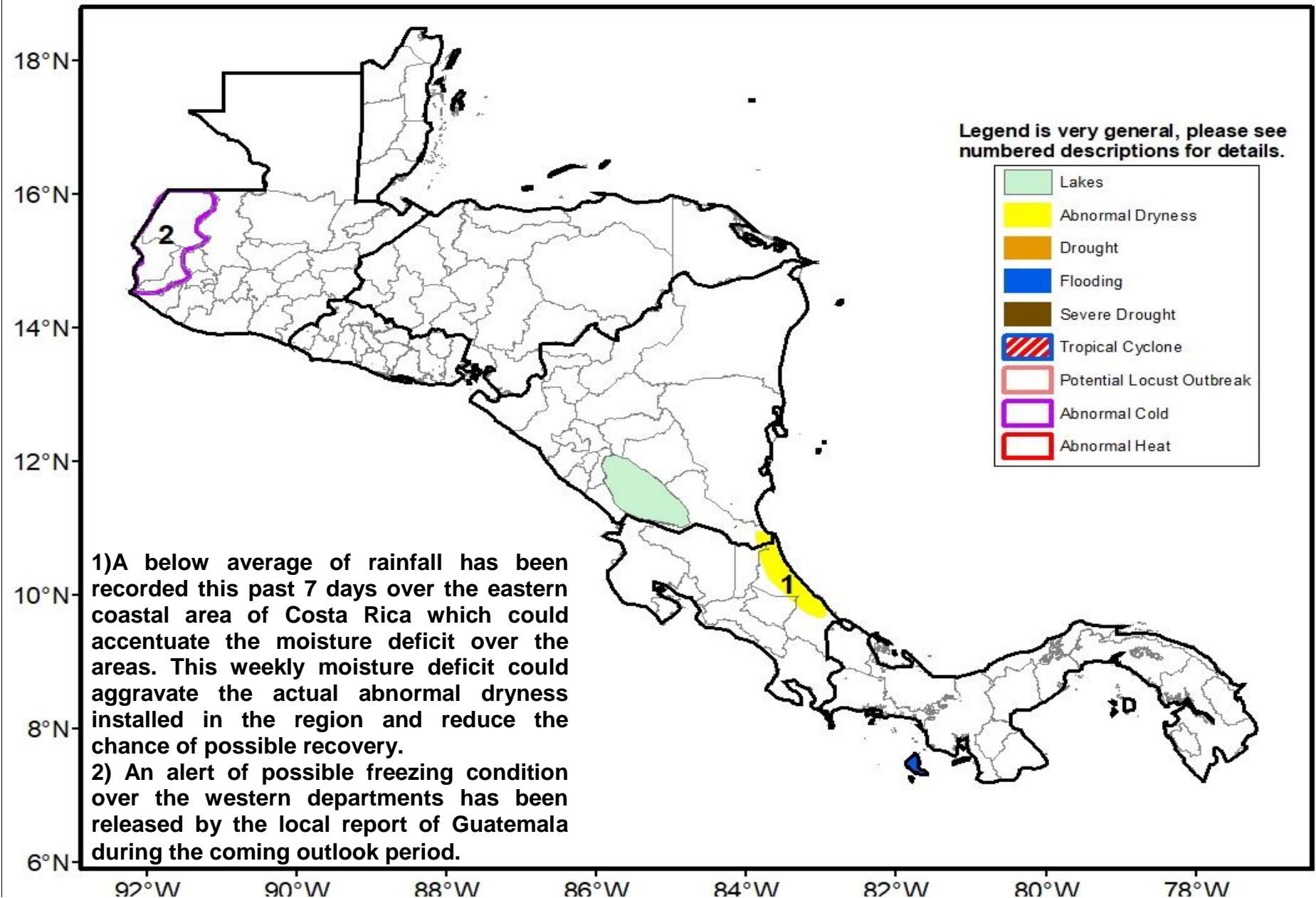




Climate Prediction Center's Central America Hazards Outlook December 24 – 30, 2020

Abnormal cold is expected in Quetzaltenango, San Marcos and Huehuetenango departments of Guatemala



The western part of the Guatemala has been the coldest area overall Central America for the past 7 days.

The dry winter season is continuing over Central America with the warmest temperature (20-25°C) over the western part of Penten department of Guatemala, Belize, the eastern part of Honduras and the northeastern part of Nicaragua. The coldest temperature has been recorded over the western part of Guatemala, the northern and southern part of Honduras. The anomaly temperature has shown a below average temperature over the northern and local central area of Honduras and the western part of Nicaragua (2-4°C below average). For the past 7 days, light to moderate rainfall has been recorded, according to the estimated satellite rainfall, over several local areas in Penten department of Guatemala, several other local areas in Belize, Nicaragua and Honduras has recorded light rainfall. While a major part of Central America is observing an above average rainfall for the past 90 days, the eastern coastal areas of Costa Rica, adding from this week the western part of Penten department in Guatemala, has observed a below average rainfall. For the coming outlook period, an above average rainfall is expected over the northern part of Guatemala and the coastal areas facing Atlantic Ocean.

