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This past week only extreme northeastern sections of Hispaniola received any measurable rainfall amounts while interior sections of the Dominican Republic saw scattered showers, leaving most of the Dominican Republic and Haiti on the dry side. This continues to be the trend with no major soaking rains affecting the region especially in western sections of Haiti where it has been predominantly dry over the past month. May and June are the two key months for crop development so hopefully Hispaniola sees more beneficial rainfall over the next few weeks. This upcoming period looks more beneficial than the past few weeks with scattered rainfall activity forecasted to overspread the region. Any rainfall will be beneficial for crop production that is currently taking place.

