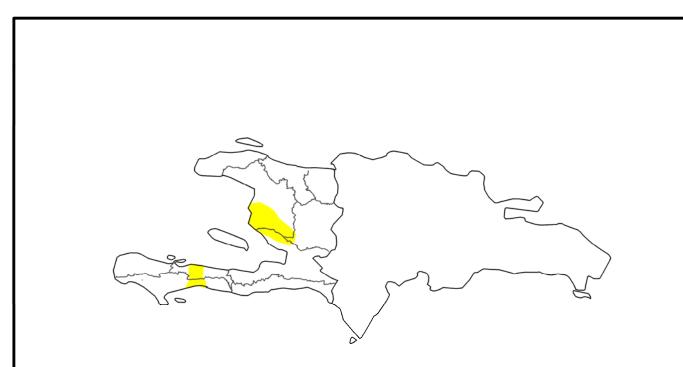


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For **November 6 – November 12, 2008**



In the last seven days, many areas observed fair to moderate amounts of rainfall with totals ranging between 10- 40 mm in the central and southern coastal provinces of Haiti. Despite heavy rains from enhanced tropical activity last August and September, much of Haiti has experienced a shortage of seasonal precipitation which has resulted in deteriorating crop conditions in local areas within the departments of Artibonite, Nippes, and Sud. While primary season harvest activities were virtually complete by September, this recent pattern of dryness may negatively affect second season crop production by the end of the year. Moderate rains are expected across the island during the observation period (Nov 6 - Nov 12), with locally heavier totals (> 40 mm) near the Haiti / D.R. border.

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