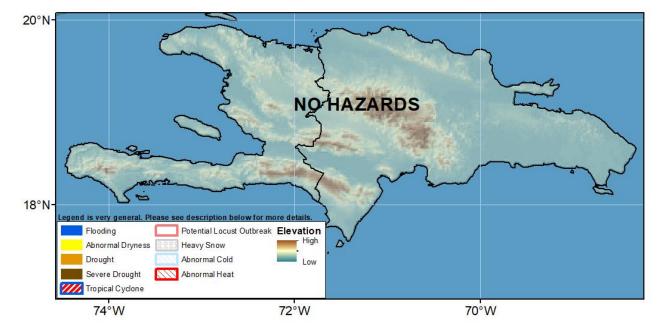






Climate Prediction Center's Hispaniola Hazards Outlook For USAID / FEWS-NET 2 – 8 February 2023

Dry weather conditions to continue over Hispaniola during the next week



During late January, dry conditions with suppressed rainfall prevailed over Hispaniola. Over the past 30 days, Haiti received near-average rainfall, whereas the Dominican Republic registered near-average to slightly above-average rainfall. However, over the past 90 days, much of the Island recorded below-average seasonal with accumulation accounting for less than 50 percent of the average in Haiti and western Dominican Republic. Consequently, below-average vegetation conditions persisted over some areas of the Island, including northwestern Haiti and the northwestern and southwestern portions of the Dominican Republic.

During the next week, dominating high pressure system over the Atlantic is, generally, expected to suppress rainfall and result in near-average to drier-than-average conditions over Hispaniola. Little to light rain is, however, possible in eastern Dominican Republic.

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