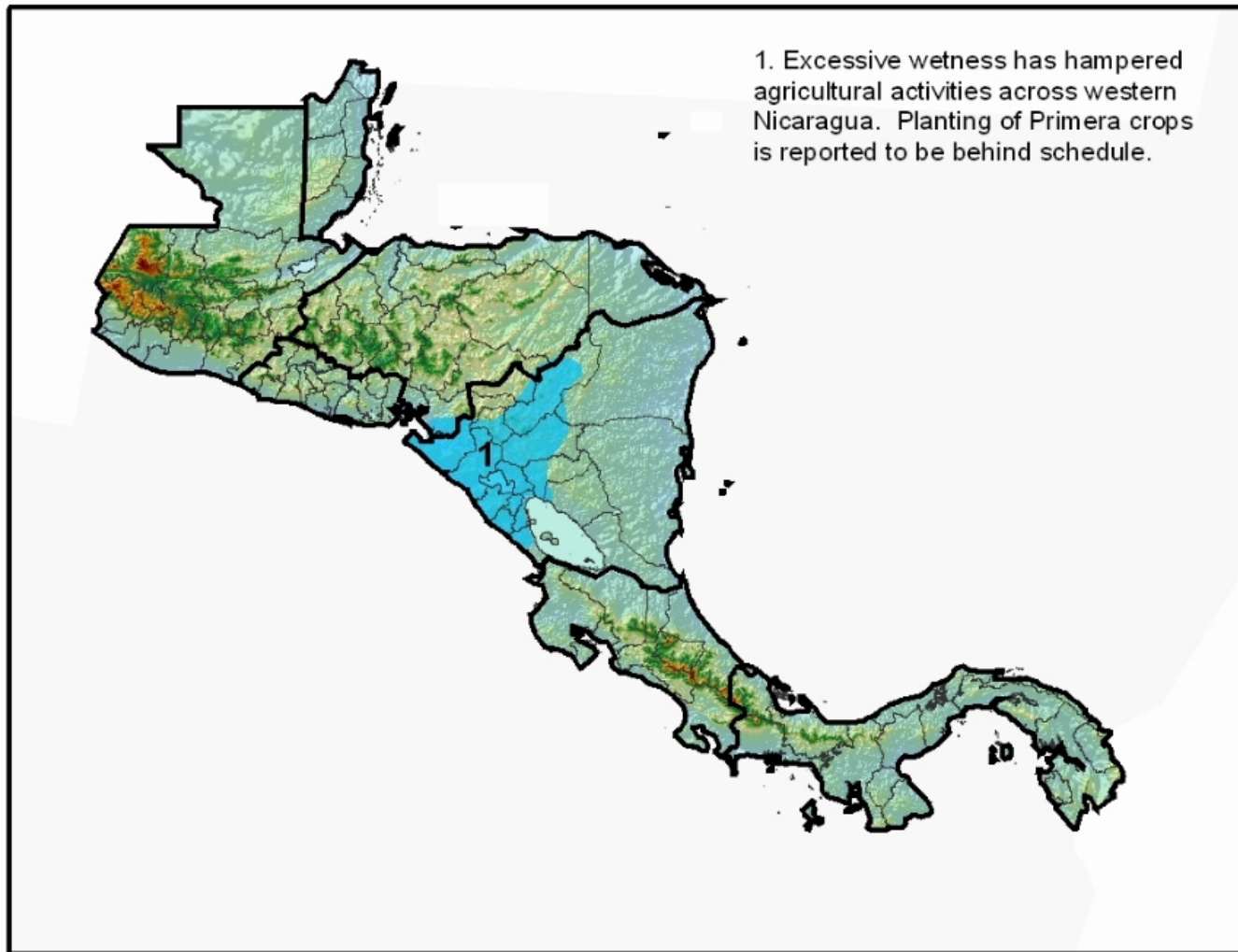


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1) Excessive wetness has hampered seasonal agricultural activities across western portions of Nicaragua. This has resulting in planting delays in the area, with Primera crop planting reported to be behind schedule. Seasonal rains are expected to continue. This will be favorable for crops already sown, but may result in continued planting delays. In Guatemala, heavy rain has caused localized crop damage. Seasonal rains are expected to continue across Central America, although rainfall amounts should be lighter across Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua than in recent weeks.

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