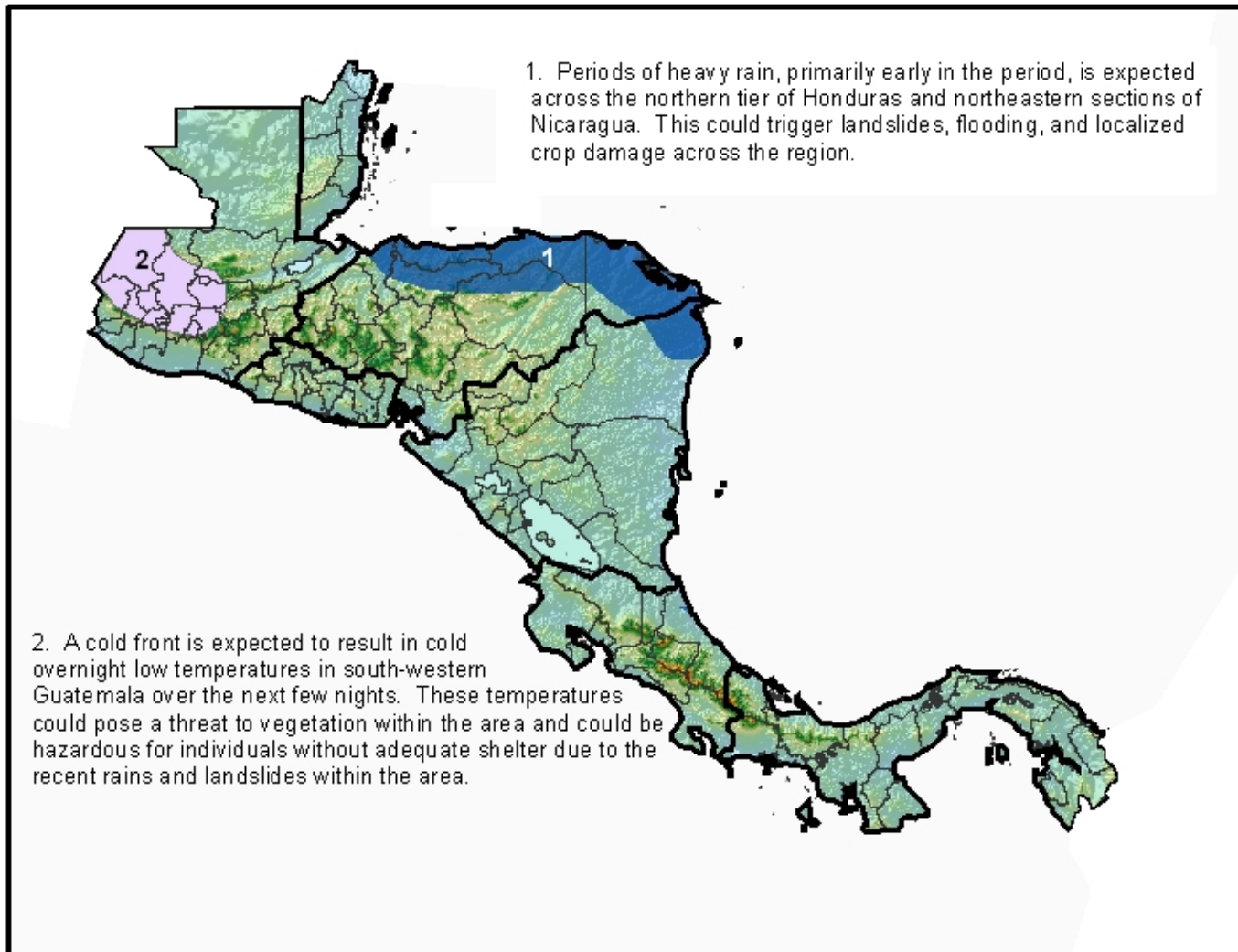


The MFEWS

Central America Weather Hazards Assessment

for

November 3 – November 9, 2005



Hazards Assessment Text Explanation:

1) The persistent onshore flow along the coast of northern Honduras and northeastern Nicaragua is expected to continue to dump heavy amounts of rainfall in the area for the rest of the week and into the weekend. Rainfall amounts of 100 to 150 mm, with locally higher amounts are expected. If you can recall this area has been repeatedly hit hard over the past few weeks with heavy amounts of rain due to Wilma, and the most recent storm Beta making sections all along the observed region prone to flooding and landslides, which can lead to crop failures or damage.

2) A cold front is expected to bring cold overnight temperatures, especially in higher elevations, to areas in south-western Guatemala. Minimum temperatures of 0 to 10 degrees Celsius can be expected, placing concerns on agricultural products. With temperatures approaching the freezing mark, agricultural products are at risk and should be monitored closely.

* Although not shown on the map, interior sections of Guatemala have the potential for some localized heavy rainfall over the weekend and into early next week. This event however does not appear to be enough of a threat to warrant a hazard.

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