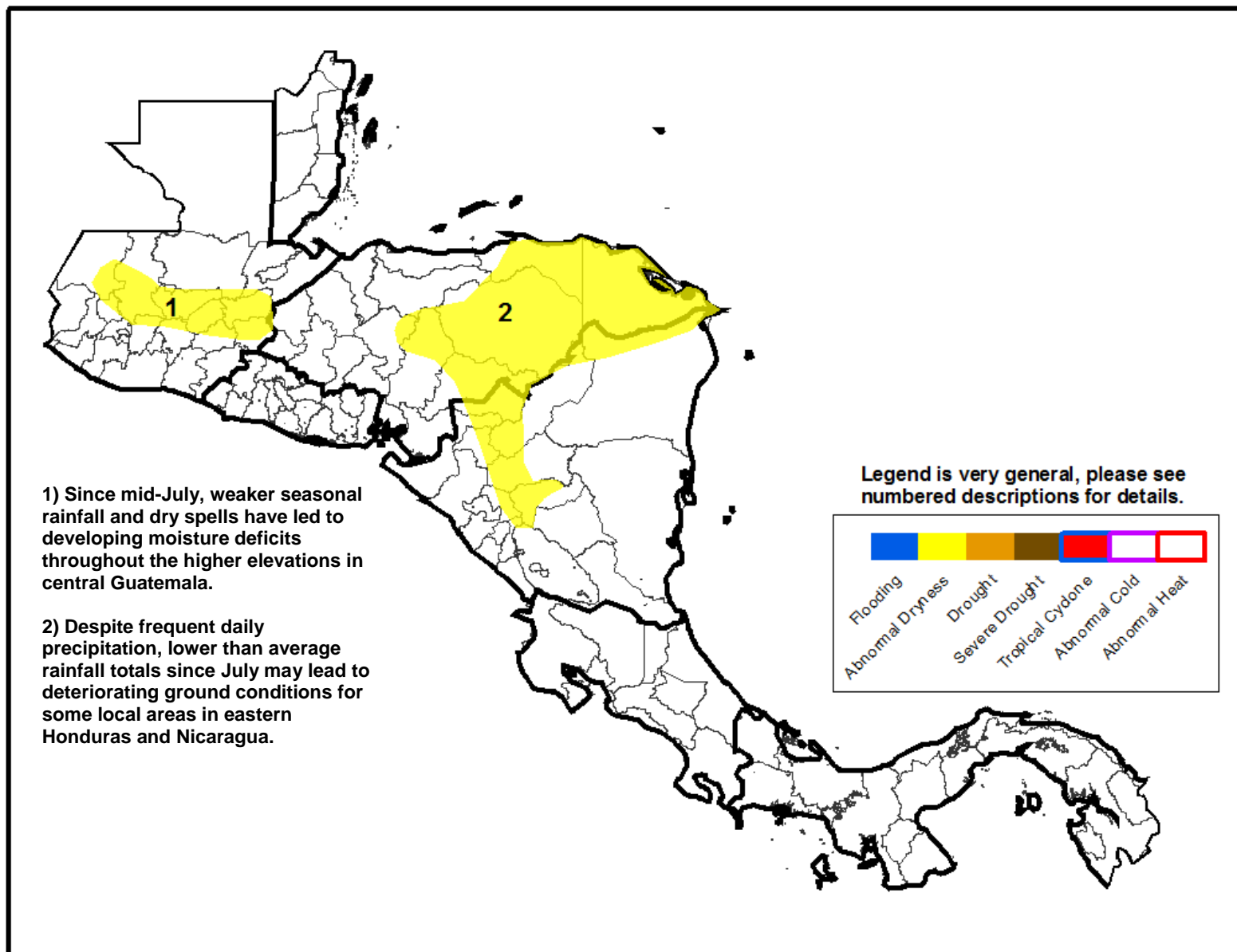




Climate Prediction Center's Central America Hazards Outlook August 29 – September 4, 2013

- Heavy rains continued across much of southern Guatemala, Gulf of Fonseca region.



Increased amounts expected to continue along the Pacific.

During the last week, moderate to heavy amounts of precipitation were received across the Pacific side of Central America, with lesser rainfall amounts observed on the Atlantic Side. Over the past 30 days, a suppression of seasonal rainfall has led to strengthening dryness throughout many parts of central Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua which may negatively impact the development of crops. In parts of El Salvador and southern Honduras, developing moisture deficits due to a 2-3 dry spell have been mitigated due to above-average rainfall over the last two weeks for many departments along the Pacific.

Precipitation forecasts indicate a continuation of average to above average rainfall along the Pacific side of Central America, with the potential for locally heavy rainfall across parts of central Guatemala. Across interior portions of Honduras and Nicaragua where anomalously dry conditions have been observed since July, light to moderate rains forecast for the upcoming week are likely to sustain seasonal moisture deficits. No developing tropical activity is expected in the Atlantic or Pacific.

