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Haiti Weather Hazards Assessment

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1) Long term, multi-year drought continues across Haiti's Northwest Department. Rains during October have helped to increase soil moisture and ease short term deficits. Outlook remains dry for the next week.

2) Pockets of short term dryness are evident over the southeastern corner of Haiti which may have a negative effect on sorghum and reduce moisture for third season bean planting. Forecast indicates little rain for the next week.

3) The lack of rain recently has led to pockets of short term dryness on the southwestern peninsula of Haiti. Rains associated with the passage of a frontal system last week brought some relief in the extreme southern portions of the peninsula. Continued dryness is expected over the course of the next week.

