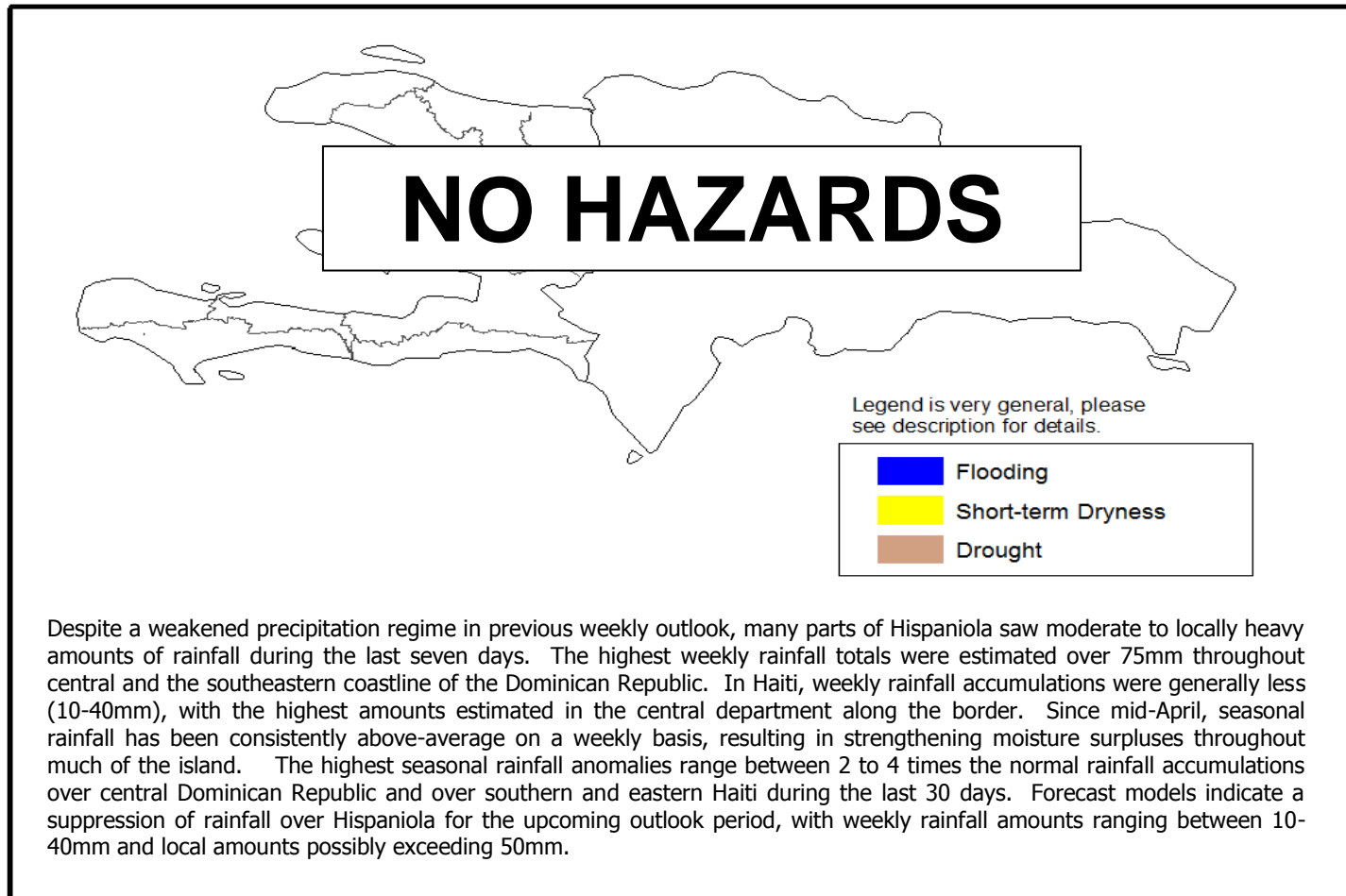


Climate Prediction Center's Hispaniola Hazards Outlook For USAID / FEWS-NET May 24 – May 30, 2012

- Suppressed rainfall across Hispaniola are expected in late May.



Despite a weakened precipitation regime in previous weekly outlook, many parts of Hispaniola saw moderate to locally heavy amounts of rainfall during the last seven days. The highest weekly rainfall totals were estimated over 75mm throughout central and the southeastern coastline of the Dominican Republic. In Haiti, weekly rainfall accumulations were generally less (10-40mm), with the highest amounts estimated in the central department along the border. Since mid-April, seasonal rainfall has been consistently above-average on a weekly basis, resulting in strengthening moisture surpluses throughout much of the island. The highest seasonal rainfall anomalies range between 2 to 4 times the normal rainfall accumulations over central Dominican Republic and over southern and eastern Haiti during the last 30 days. Forecast models indicate a suppression of rainfall over Hispaniola for the upcoming outlook period, with weekly rainfall amounts ranging between 10-40mm and local amounts possibly exceeding 50mm.