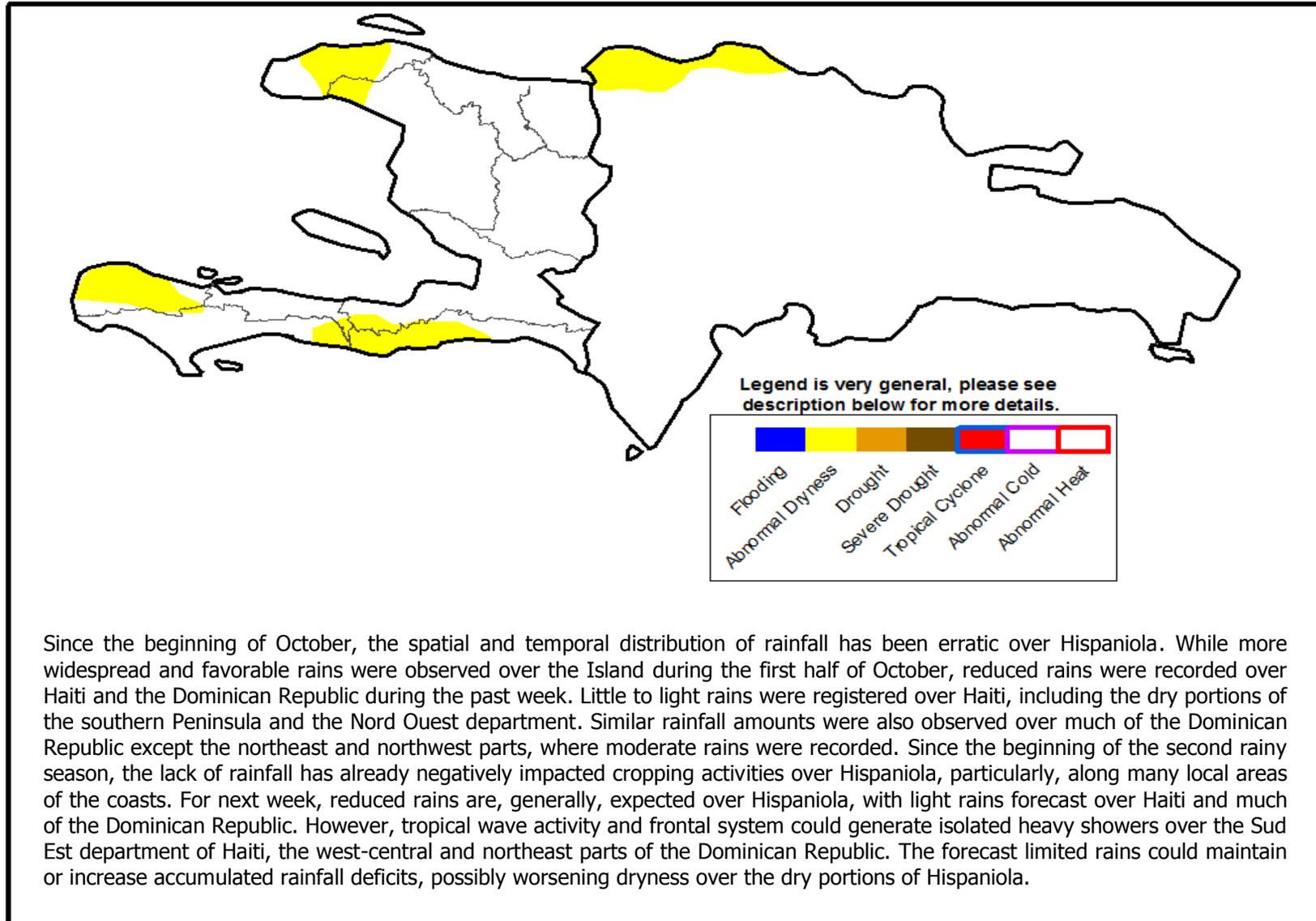




## Climate Prediction Center's Hispaniola Hazards Outlook October 31 – November 6, 2013

- Reduced rains observed over Hispaniola during the past week.



Since the beginning of October, the spatial and temporal distribution of rainfall has been erratic over Hispaniola. While more widespread and favorable rains were observed over the Island during the first half of October, reduced rains were recorded over Haiti and the Dominican Republic during the past week. Little to light rains were registered over Haiti, including the dry portions of the southern Peninsula and the Nord Ouest department. Similar rainfall amounts were also observed over much of the Dominican Republic except the northeast and northwest parts, where moderate rains were recorded. Since the beginning of the second rainy season, the lack of rainfall has already negatively impacted cropping activities over Hispaniola, particularly, along many local areas of the coasts. For next week, reduced rains are, generally, expected over Hispaniola, with light rains forecast over Haiti and much of the Dominican Republic. However, tropical wave activity and frontal system could generate isolated heavy showers over the Sud Est department of Haiti, the west-central and northeast parts of the Dominican Republic. The forecast limited rains could maintain or increase accumulated rainfall deficits, possibly worsening dryness over the dry portions of Hispaniola.