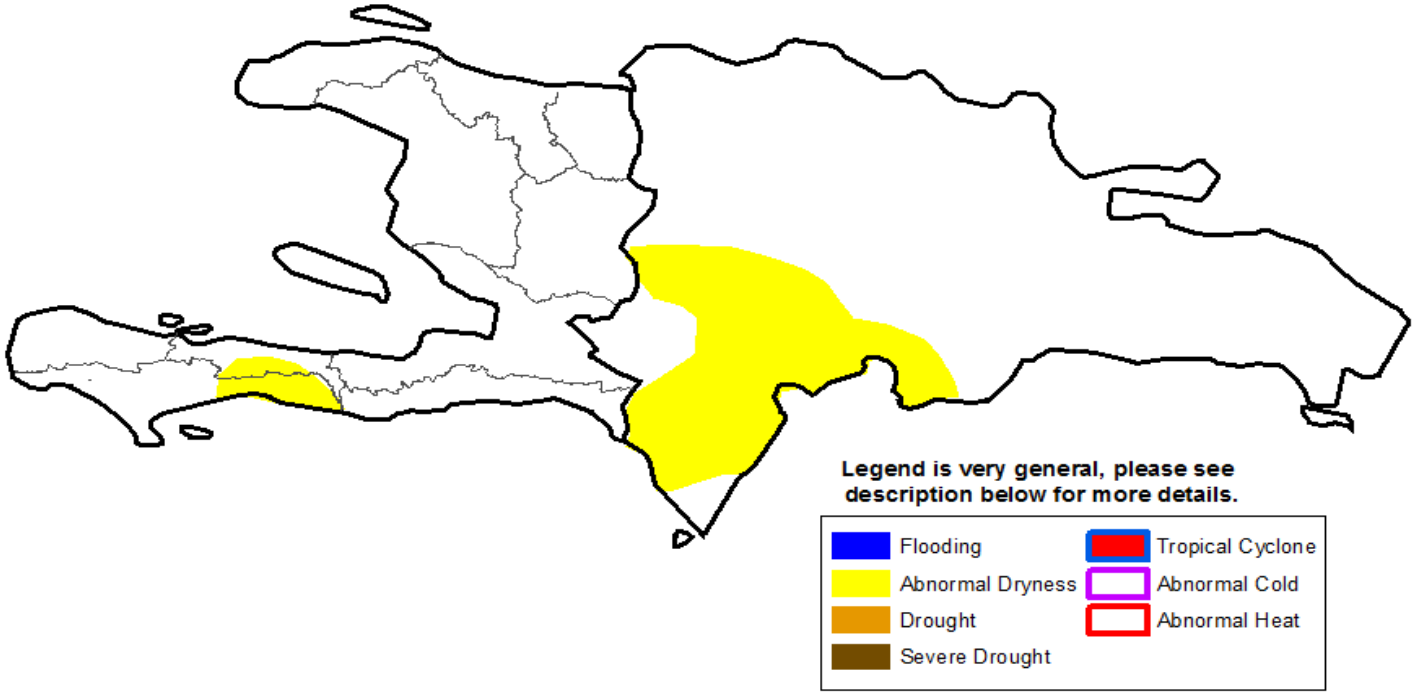
Climate Prediction Center's Hispaniola Hazards Outlook
June 19 – June 25, 2014

- **Dryness continues across southern Hispaniola.**



During the last week, moderate rain (10-30mm) was observed across the Artibonite and Centre departments of Haiti and bordering areas in northwestern Dominican Republic. Rains during the past several weeks have increased in frequency across northern Hispaniola, which has helped to improve poor ground conditions in northern Haiti and northwestern Dominican Republic. Elsewhere during the past seven days, light rains (<15mm) were observed in central Dominican Republic and along the northern coastline of Hispaniola. Overall, rains were below-average during the past week which added to already substantial thirty-day (100-200mm below-average) and seasonal rainfall deficits. Seasonal rains have been below 80% of normal across Hispaniola with the driest areas in southern Haiti and southern/eastern Dominican Republic having observed less than 50% of their seasonal rains thus far. Poor vegetative conditions remain across localized areas in the Sud and Nippes departments of Haiti and the southwestern parts of the Dominican Republic. For the next seven days, rainfall is forecast to be light (<15mm) across much of Hispaniola with the exception of central parts of Haiti and the Dominican Republic where moderate rains (15-40mm) are expected. The lack of widespread heavy rains will likely increase rainfall deficits and provide little relief to dry conditions in southern Haiti and the Dominican Republic.

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