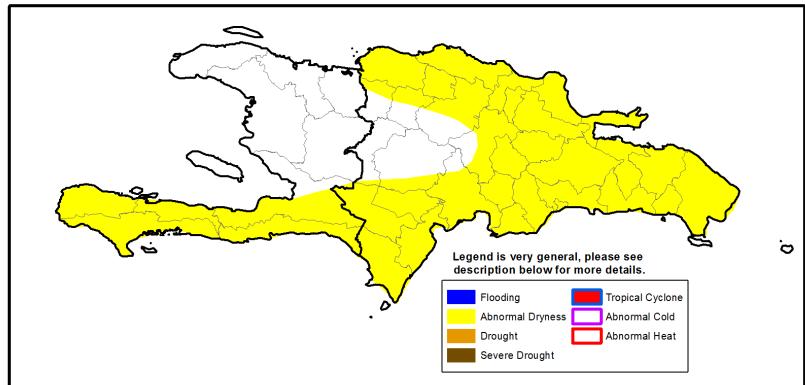


## Climate Prediction Center's Hispaniola Hazards Outlook September 4 – September 10, 2014

Moderate to heavy seasonal rain was observed across Hispaniola for a second consecutive week.



After the passage of a tropical disturbance that later became Hurricane Cristobal during the previous week, rainfall during the past seven days was again moderate to heavy (>25mm) across much of Hispaniola. The highest precipitation totals (>50mm) were observed across southern/eastern Dominican Republic and northwestern Haiti. The seasonal amount of rainfall during the past week likely continued flooding risks after rains from Cristobal led to flash flooding, displacement of populations, damages to infrastructure and fatalities across Hispaniola. According to satellite rainfall estimates, the recent increase in rainfall across Hispaniola has helped to greatly reduce short-term moisture deficits over the past thirty-days, although, below-average moisture conditions still persist across southern Haiti and parts of the Dominican Republic. Since the beginning of June, much of Hispaniola has received between 50 to 80% of their normal rainfall with larger rainfall deficits (<50% of normal) existing along the southern coastline. Additional weeks of seasonal to above-average rainfall are still needed to counteract the long-term dryness associated with the erratic seasonal rainfall to date. For the next week, moderate to heavy rain (>25mm) is forecast across central Haiti and central/eastern Dominican Republic. These rains should help to reduce localized dryness. However, lighter rains (<15mm) are forecast for dry areas of southwestern Dominican Republic.