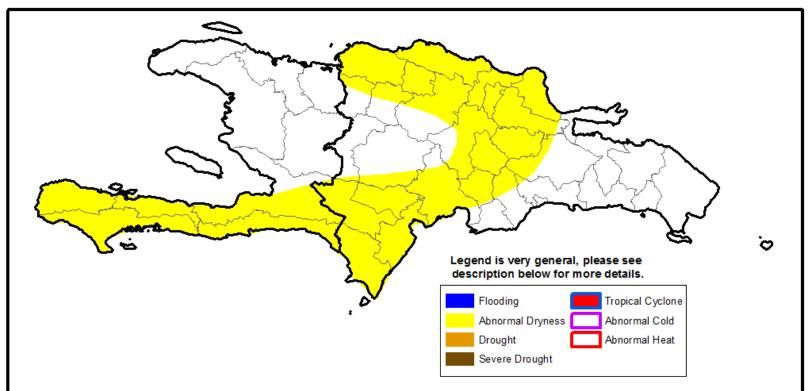


Climate Prediction Center's Hispaniola Hazards Outlook September 25 –October 1, 2014

Moderate to heavy rain was observed across central Haiti and bordering Dominican Republic.



During the past week, heavy rain (>50mm) was recorded according to satellite-rainfall-estimates across central Haiti and bordering areas in the Dominican Republic. Moderate rain (10-40mm) was observed elsewhere in Haiti and across the Dominican Republic. Rain gauges reported between 10-30mm across eastern Dominican Republic. While areas in eastern Hispaniola have received above-average rains for the last several weeks, above-average rains during the past week extended across parts of Haiti that have been experiencing dryness. These areas include the southern peninsula of Haiti where, even with the above-average rains of the past week, seasonal rains dating back to August 1st are between 50-80% of normal. The recent, beneficial rains provided needed ground moisture across dry areas in the south. The extent of the dryness is observed in NDVI anomalies during the most recent dekad. Poor ground conditions remain across southern Haiti and southwestern/central/northern Dominican Republic. Even though NDVI anomalies indicate poor ground conditions, a recent increase in rains during the past thirty-days has led to seasonal rainfall amounts close to average across the majority of Hispaniola. For the next week, moderate to heavy rain (>15mm) is forecast for much of Hispaniola including dry areas across southern Haiti and the Dominican Republic. The heaviest rains (>30mm) are expected across central/eastern Dominican Republic and dry areas in the southern peninsula of Haiti. The above-average rains should help to improve poor ground conditions.