Climate Prediction Center's Hispaniola Hazards Outlook
December 18 – December 24, 2014

- **Rains continue across northern and southern Haiti.**

In the last seven days, rains continued over many local areas in northern and southern Haiti, with lesser amounts received over the Dominican Republic. According to satellite rainfall estimates, the highest weekly accumulations (25-40mm) were observed over the Gulf of Gonaives region, bringing increased rains and moisture for central and southern departments of the country. Since early November, several local regions in Haiti have experienced average to above-average rainfall, which has helped to relieve moisture deficits resulting from poor summer and fall rains. In the Dominican Republic, however, December rains have been below-average, leading to developing dryness conditions for many departments. As seasonal rainfall typically experiences a minimum in December, precipitation forecasts suggest light to locally moderate rainfall during the upcoming outlook period.

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