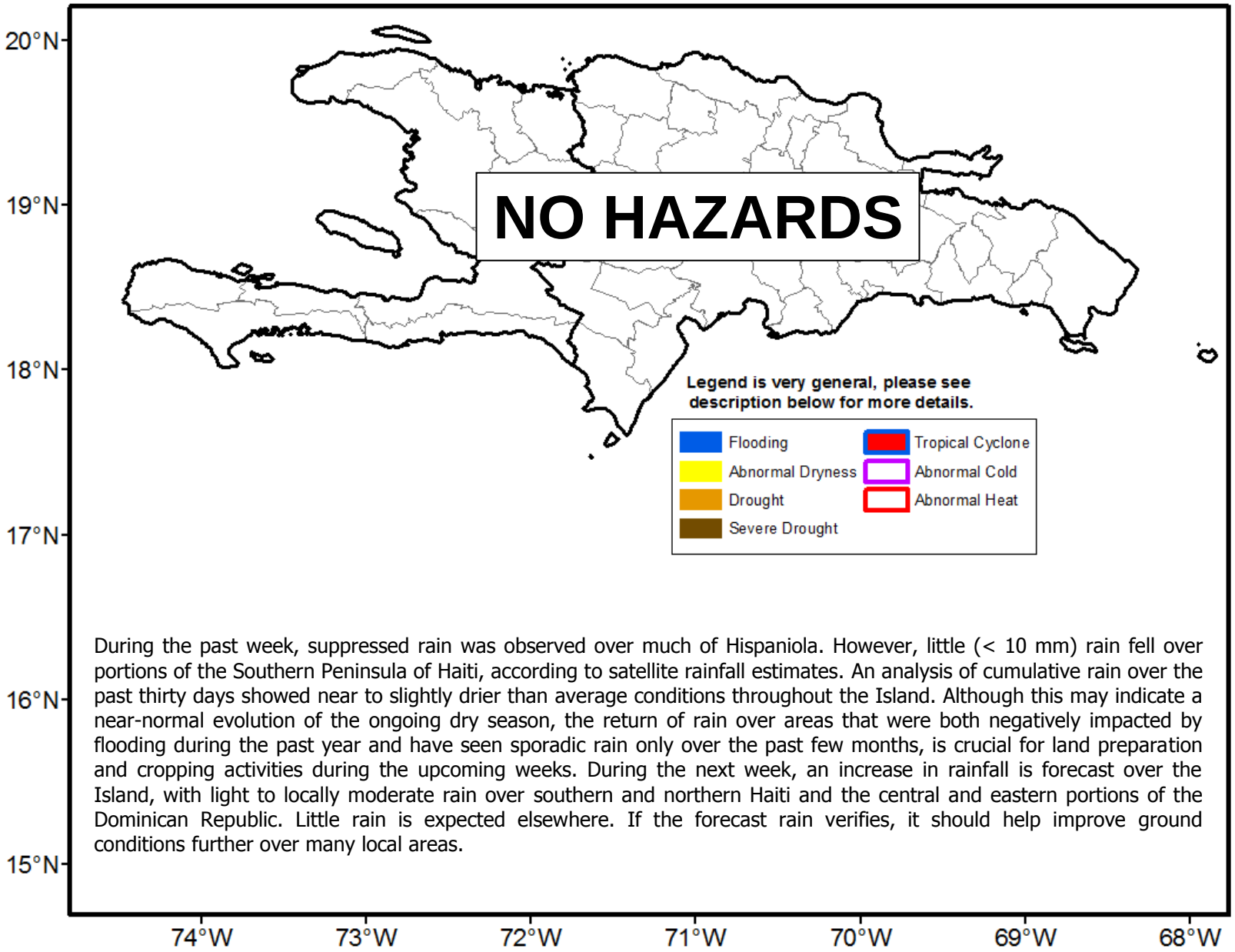
# Climate Prediction Center's Hispaniola Hazards Outlook
## February 23 – March 1, 2017

- **Increased rain expected over Hispaniola during the next outlook period.**




During the past week, suppressed rain was observed over much of Hispaniola. However, little (< 10 mm) rain fell over portions of the Southern Peninsula of Haiti, according to satellite rainfall estimates. An analysis of cumulative rain over the past thirty days showed near to slightly drier than average conditions throughout the Island. Although this may indicate a near-normal evolution of the ongoing dry season, the return of rain over areas that were both negatively impacted by flooding during the past year and have seen sporadic rain only over the past few months, is crucial for land preparation and cropping activities during the upcoming weeks. During the next week, an increase in rainfall is forecast over the Island, with light to locally moderate rain over southern and northern Haiti and the central and eastern portions of the Dominican Republic. Little rain is expected elsewhere. If the forecast rain verifies, it should help improve ground conditions further over many local areas.

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