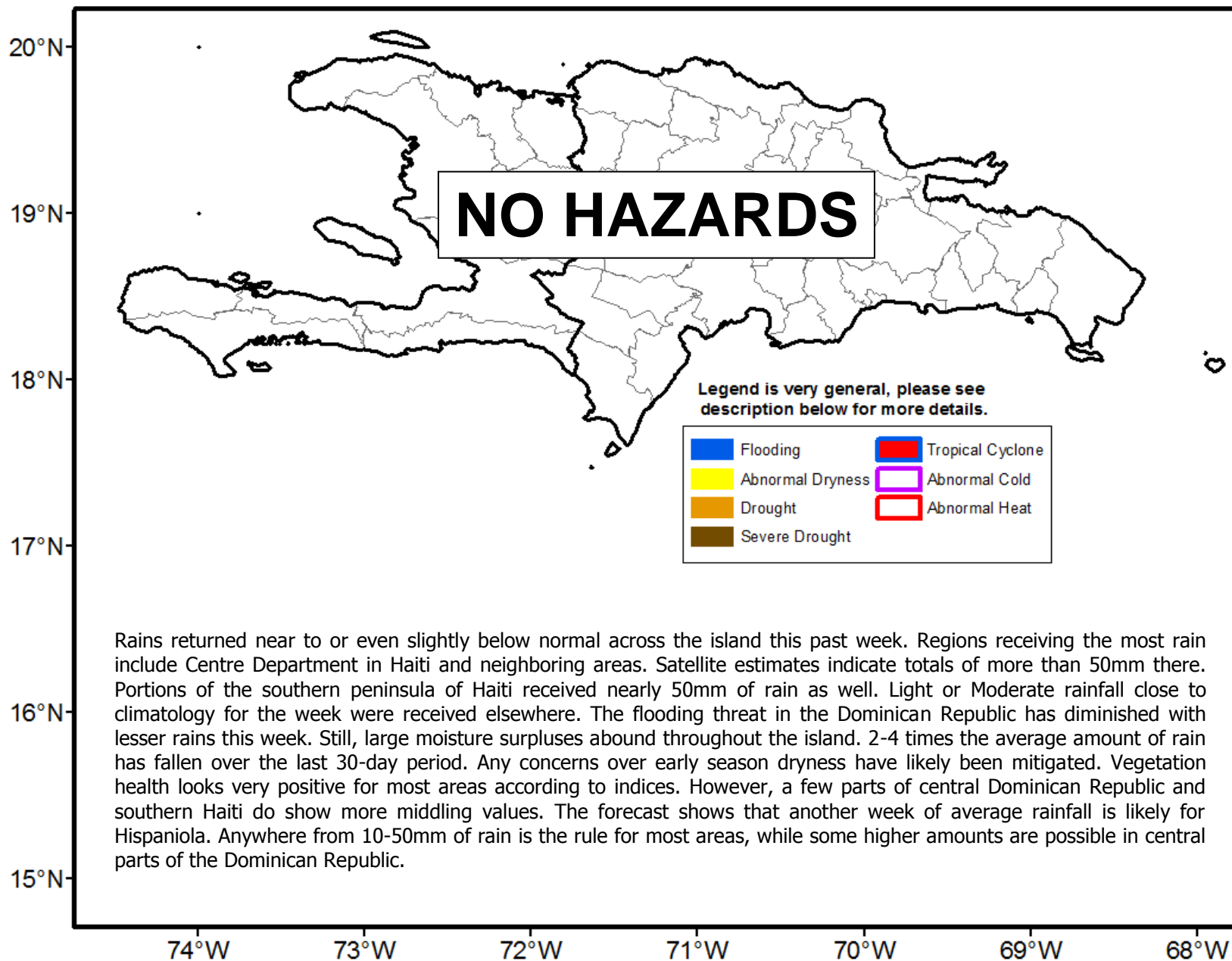




Climate Prediction Center's Hispaniola Hazards Outlook May 11 – 17, 2017

- Near-average rains prevailed last week, but significant moisture surplus remain



Rains returned near to or even slightly below normal across the island this past week. Regions receiving the most rain include Centre Department in Haiti and neighboring areas. Satellite estimates indicate totals of more than 50mm there. Portions of the southern peninsula of Haiti received nearly 50mm of rain as well. Light or Moderate rainfall close to climatology for the week were received elsewhere. The flooding threat in the Dominican Republic has diminished with lesser rains this week. Still, large moisture surpluses abound throughout the island. 2-4 times the average amount of rain has fallen over the last 30-day period. Any concerns over early season dryness have likely been mitigated. Vegetation health looks very positive for most areas according to indices. However, a few parts of central Dominican Republic and southern Haiti do show more middling values. The forecast shows that another week of average rainfall is likely for Hispaniola. Anywhere from 10-50mm of rain is the rule for most areas, while some higher amounts are possible in central parts of the Dominican Republic.