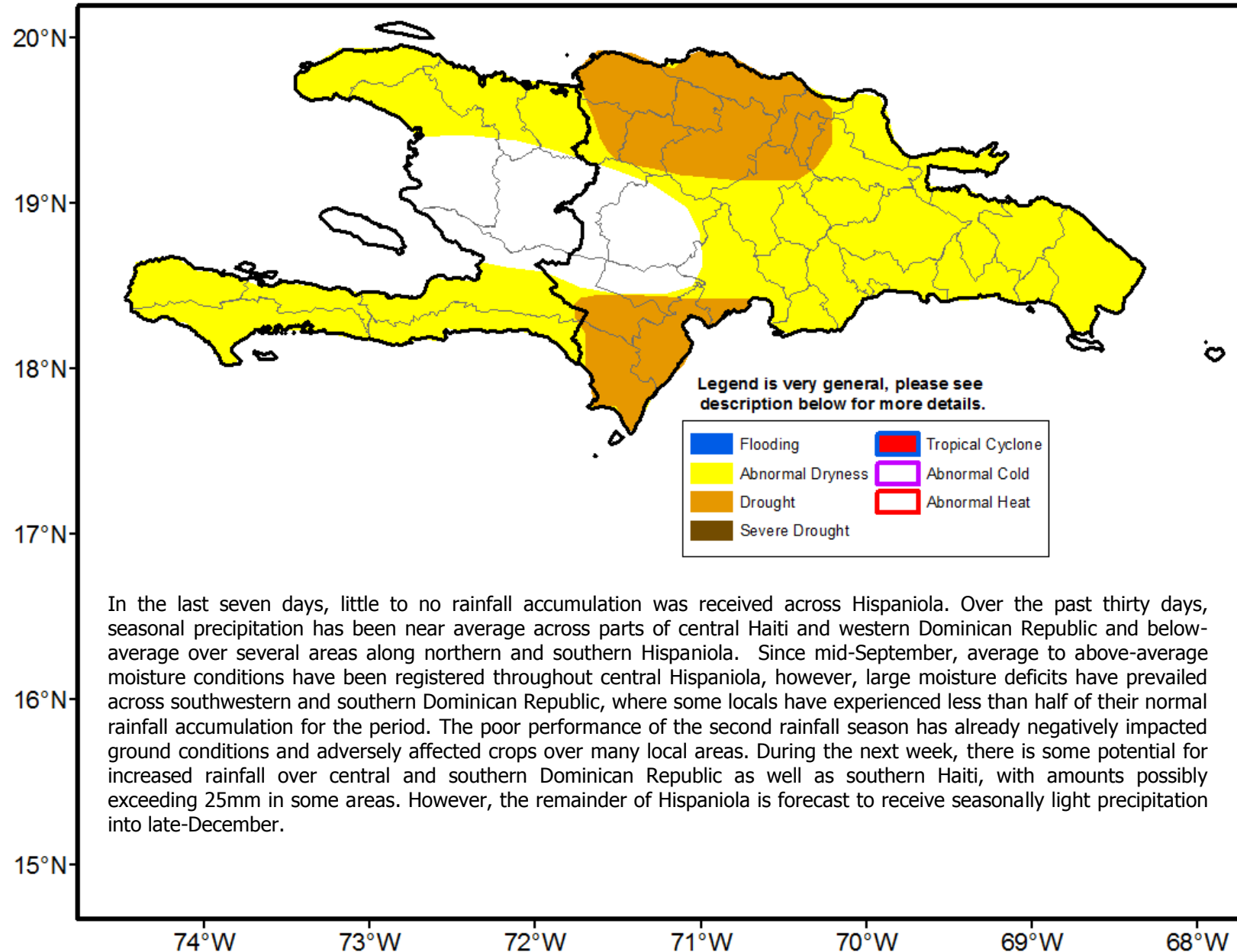




Climate Prediction Center's Hispaniola Hazards Outlook December 20 – 26, 2018

- Seasonably dry conditions observed during the last week.



In the last seven days, little to no rainfall accumulation was received across Hispaniola. Over the past thirty days, seasonal precipitation has been near average across parts of central Haiti and western Dominican Republic and below-average over several areas along northern and southern Hispaniola. Since mid-September, average to above-average moisture conditions have been registered throughout central Hispaniola, however, large moisture deficits have prevailed across southwestern and southern Dominican Republic, where some locals have experienced less than half of their normal rainfall accumulation for the period. The poor performance of the second rainfall season has already negatively impacted ground conditions and adversely affected crops over many local areas. During the next week, there is some potential for increased rainfall over central and southern Dominican Republic as well as southern Haiti, with amounts possibly exceeding 25mm in some areas. However, the remainder of Hispaniola is forecast to receive seasonally light precipitation into late-December.