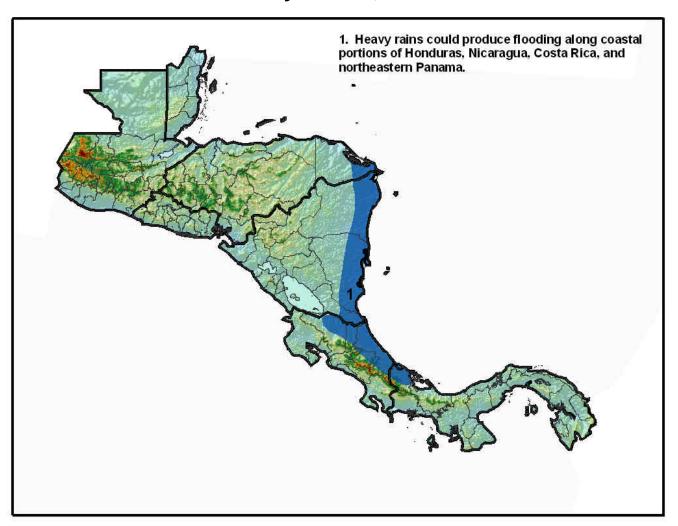


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Hazards Assessment Text Explanation:

1. Early in the forecast period, a persistent easterly flow along with favorably mid to upper level features will create the threat of heavy rain and the risk of flooding in eastern coastal regions of Honduras, Nicaragua, Costa Rica, and northeastern Panama. Daily rainfall totals could reach 80 mm or more.

The widespread forest and brush fires that had recently encompassed much of Guatemala, Honduras, and Nicaragua have subsided.

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