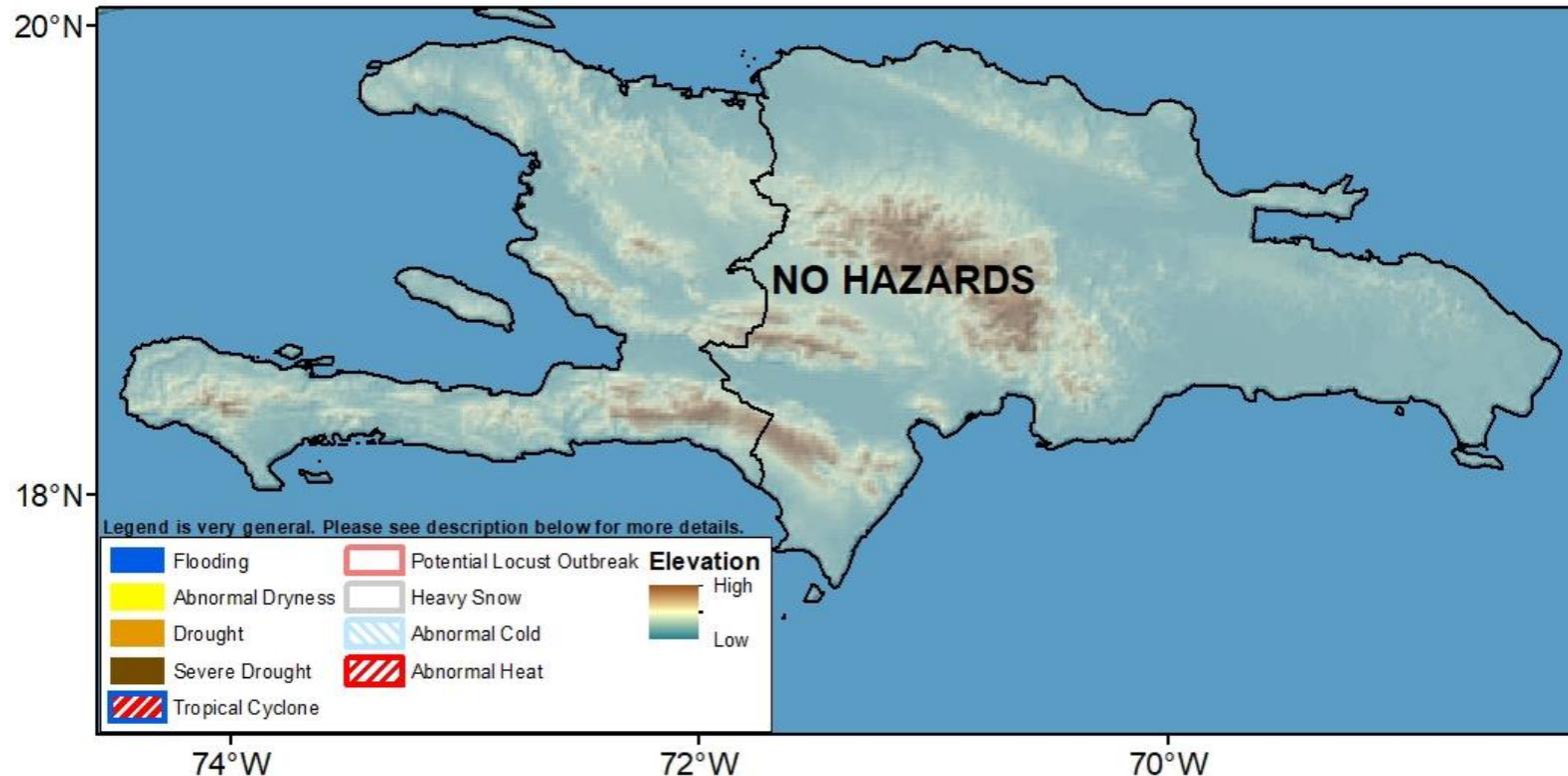




Climate Prediction Center's Hispaniola Hazards Outlook 20 – 26 January 2022

- Seasonable scattered light rainfall has been observed over the island during the second dekad of January.



During the past week, a few light rain showers were observed across Hispaniola. In eastern Dominican Republic, 2-10mm of rainfall was observed according to satellite rainfall estimates. Similar amounts were observed in southwestern and northwestern Haiti. Over the past 30 days, *Apante* season rains have been slightly suppressed below normal. This is evident in central and southern portions of Haiti where 10-25mm rainfall deficits are present. Since the *Postrera* rainfall season was poor for the island, these recent moisture deficits are not beneficial for ground conditions despite it currently being the dryer season. Remotely sensed NDVI vegetation health index depicts some swaths of unhealthy vegetation across the island, especially stretching from northwestern Haiti through south-central Dominican Republic. Some improvement has been seen during recent weeks. The forecast for the outlook period is for a seasonable pattern of light rains across the island with weekly rainfall totals of 5-10mm expected across central Haiti and southern Dominican Republic and 10-25mm across the northern tier of the island.