

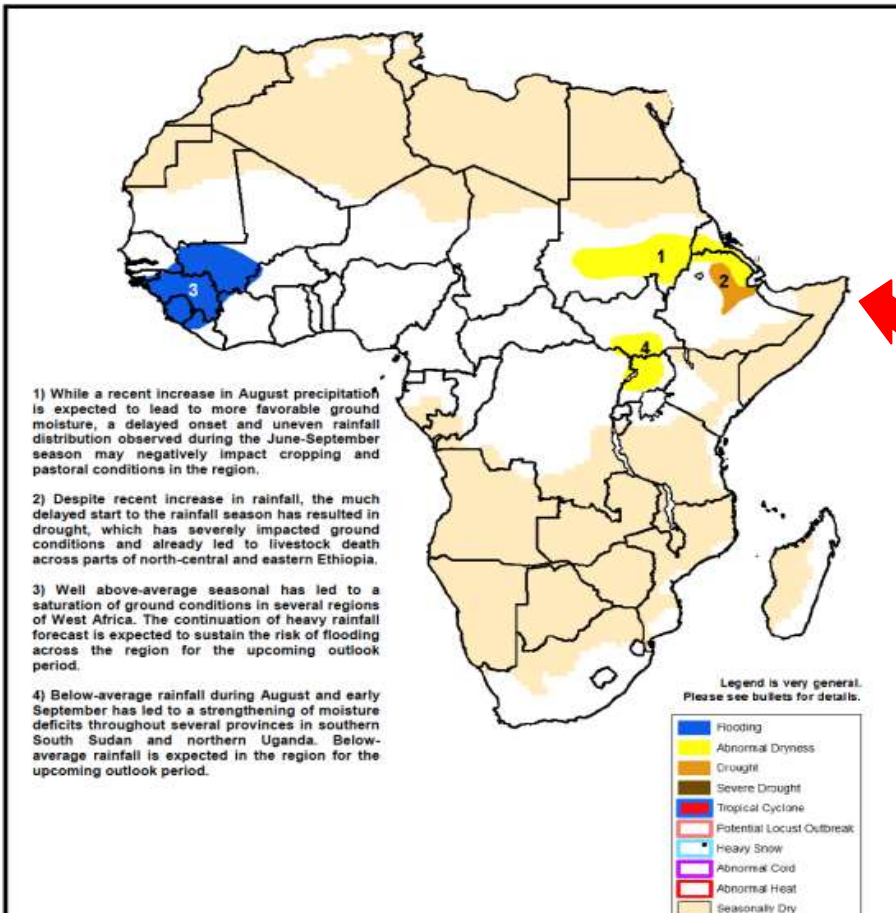


Famine Early Warning System (FEWS) in Africa

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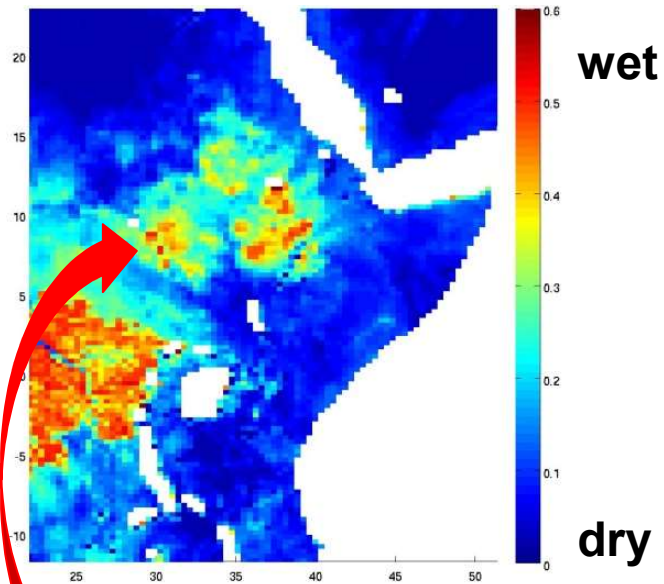
Climate Prediction Center's Africa Hazards Outlook Sept. 24-30 2015



FEWS reports drought in Ethiopia but higher than average September rain.

SMAP images will be introduced to FEWS analysts for better famine prediction

Sept. flooding in East Africa is captured by SMAP L-3 regional images (Sept 10-18).



SMAP sees moderately-to-very wet soil.