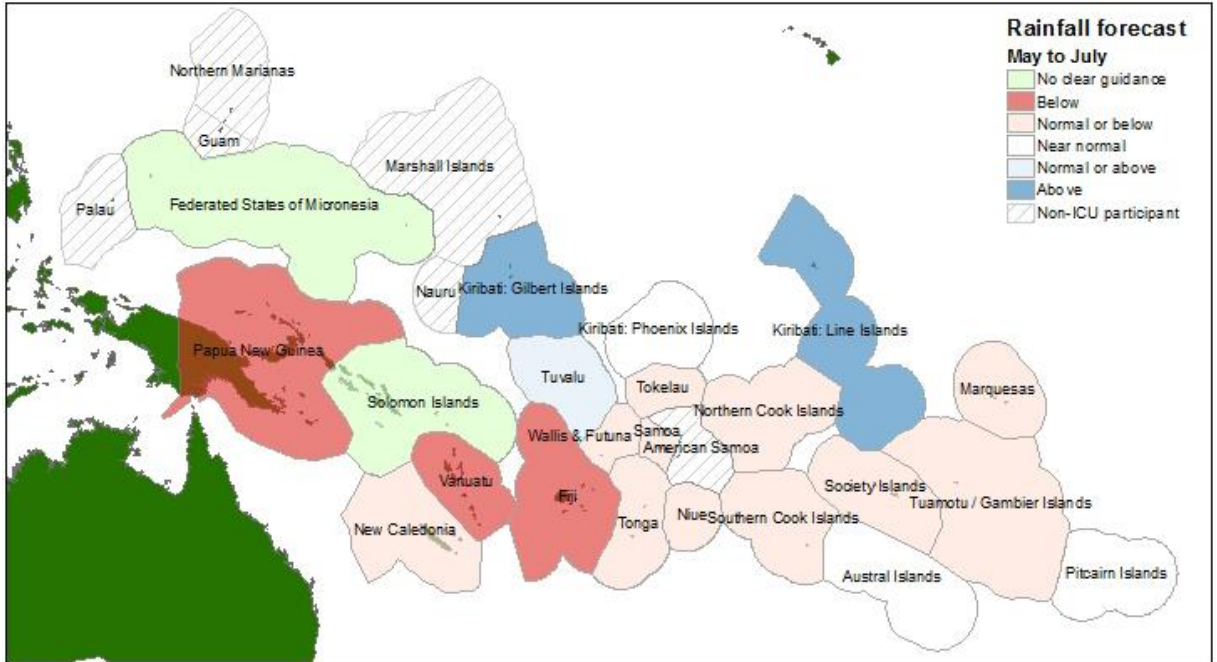


# Water Watch

Based on Island Climate Update No 176, May 2015

## May to July 2015 rainfall forecast



### Regional drought potential advisory

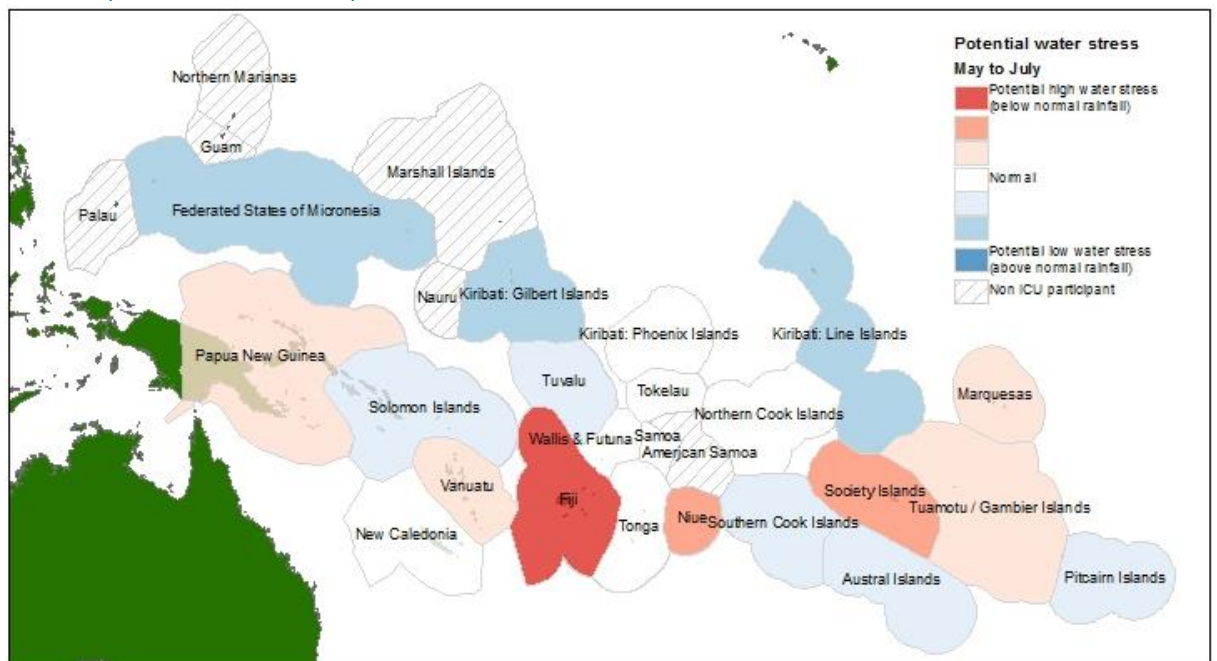
Based on rainfall anomaly classification over the past six months and forecast rainfall anomaly classification over the next 3 months

**Fiji:** Well below normal rainfall in April and below normal rainfall forecast from May to July. Rainfall was also below normal for November and December 2014 and March 2015.

**Niue, Society Islands:** Below and well below normal rainfall respectively experienced during April with normal or below normal rainfall forecast over the coming 3 months.

**Papua New Guinea, Vanuatu:** Near normal rainfall during April. The forecast for May to July is for below normal rainfall.

**Marquesas, Tuamotu/Gambier Islands:** Normal or below normal rainfall forecast for May to July. Below normal rainfall experienced for 2 of the past 6 months.



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