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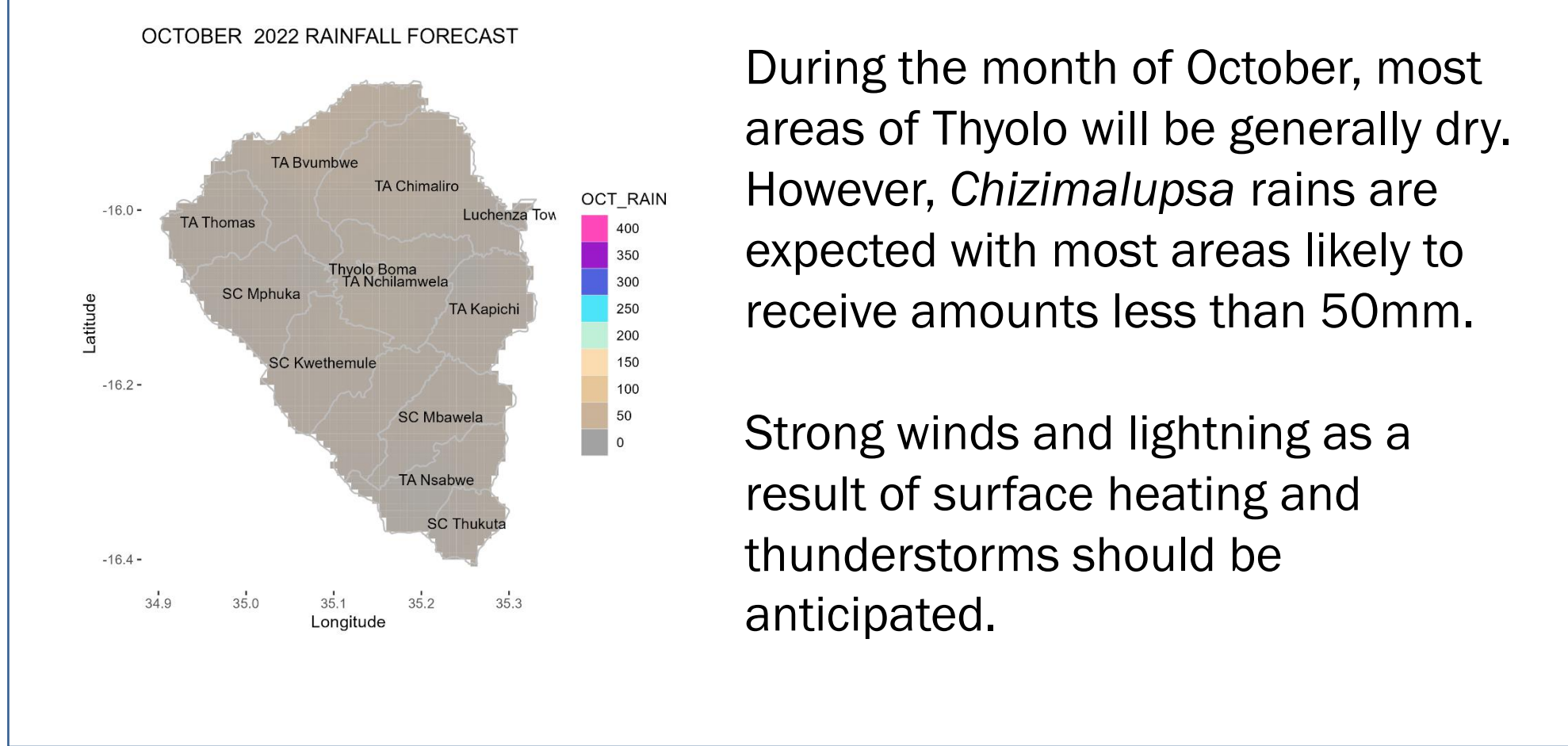


THYOLO DISTRICT DOWNSCALED SEASONAL FORECAST, 2022-2023

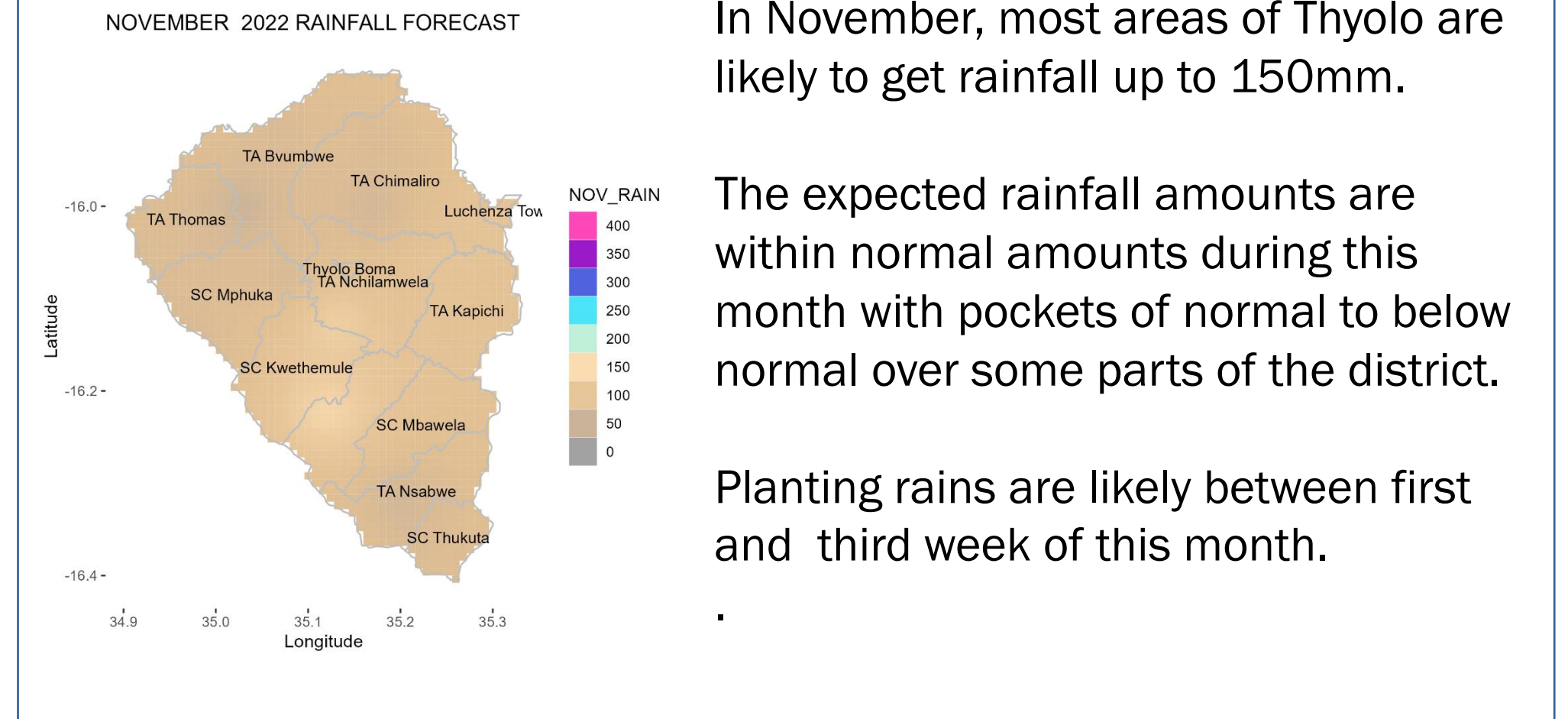
Overview of 2022/2023 Rainfall Season

The 2022-2023 rainfall season for Malawi is expected to be influenced by La Nina conditions which are projected to prevail until early 2023. La Nina is the unusual cooling of ocean waters over eastern-central equatorial Pacific Ocean. Balaka is expected to receive normal to above-normal total rainfall amounts during the 2022-2023 rainfall season.

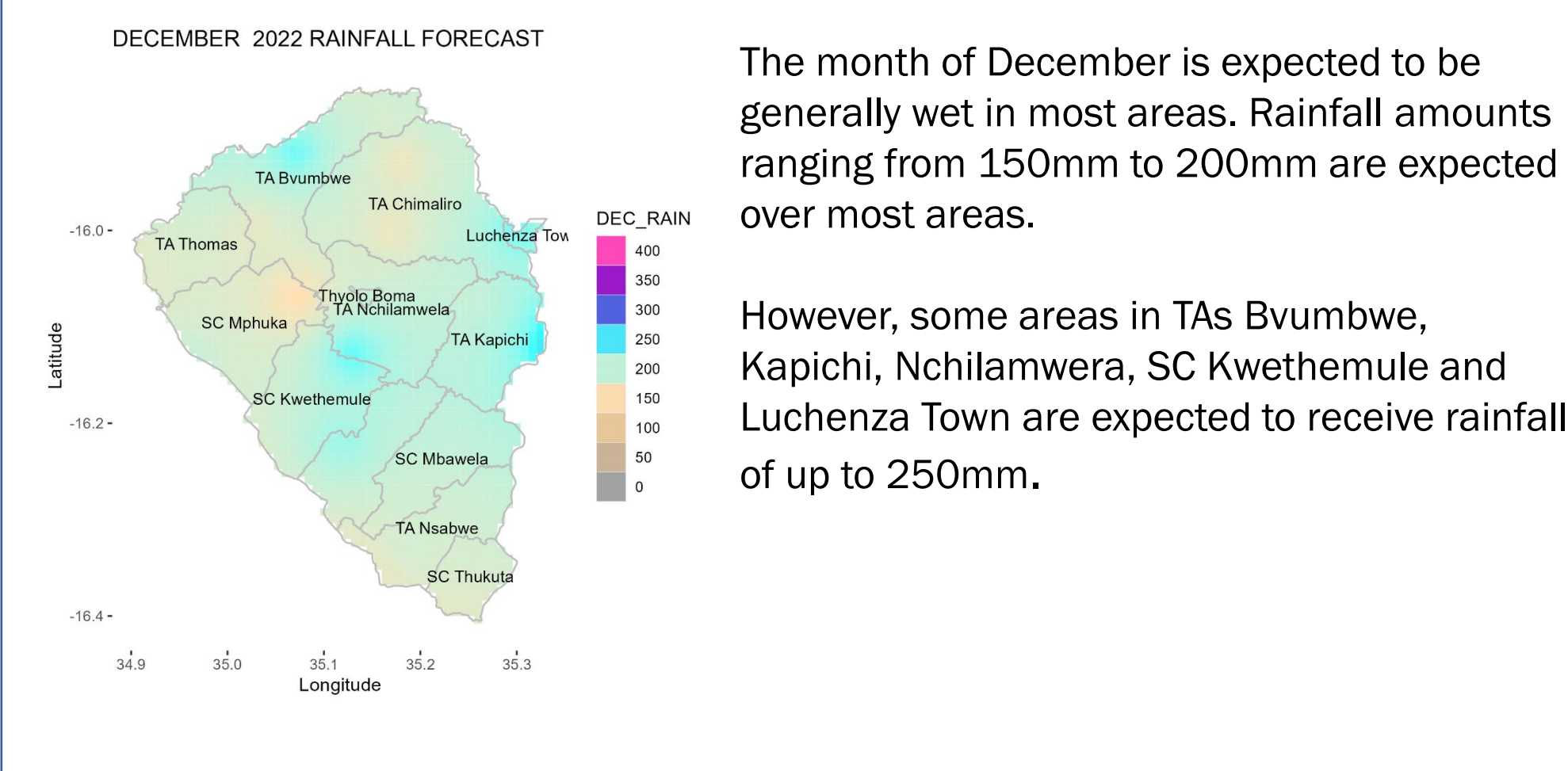
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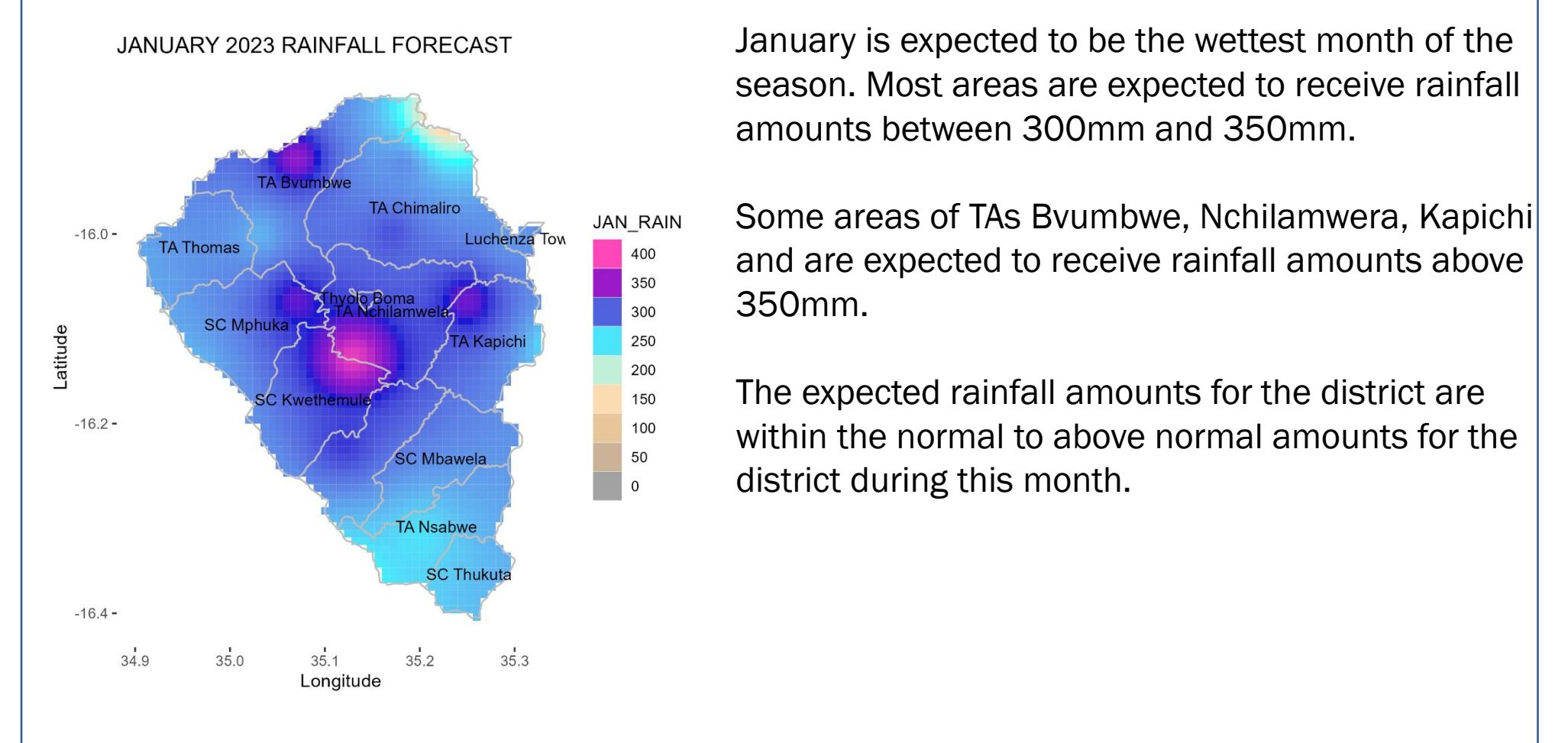
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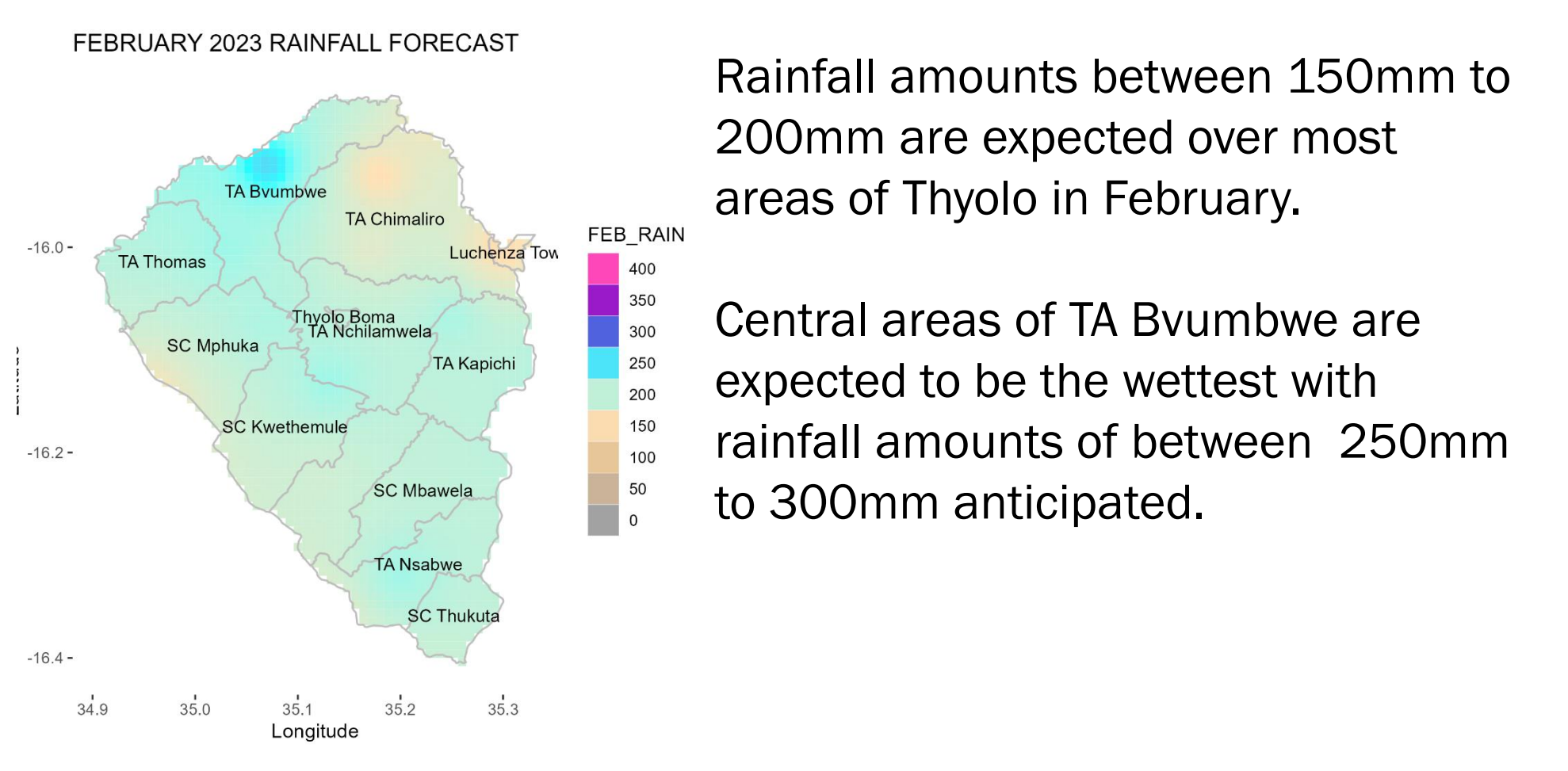
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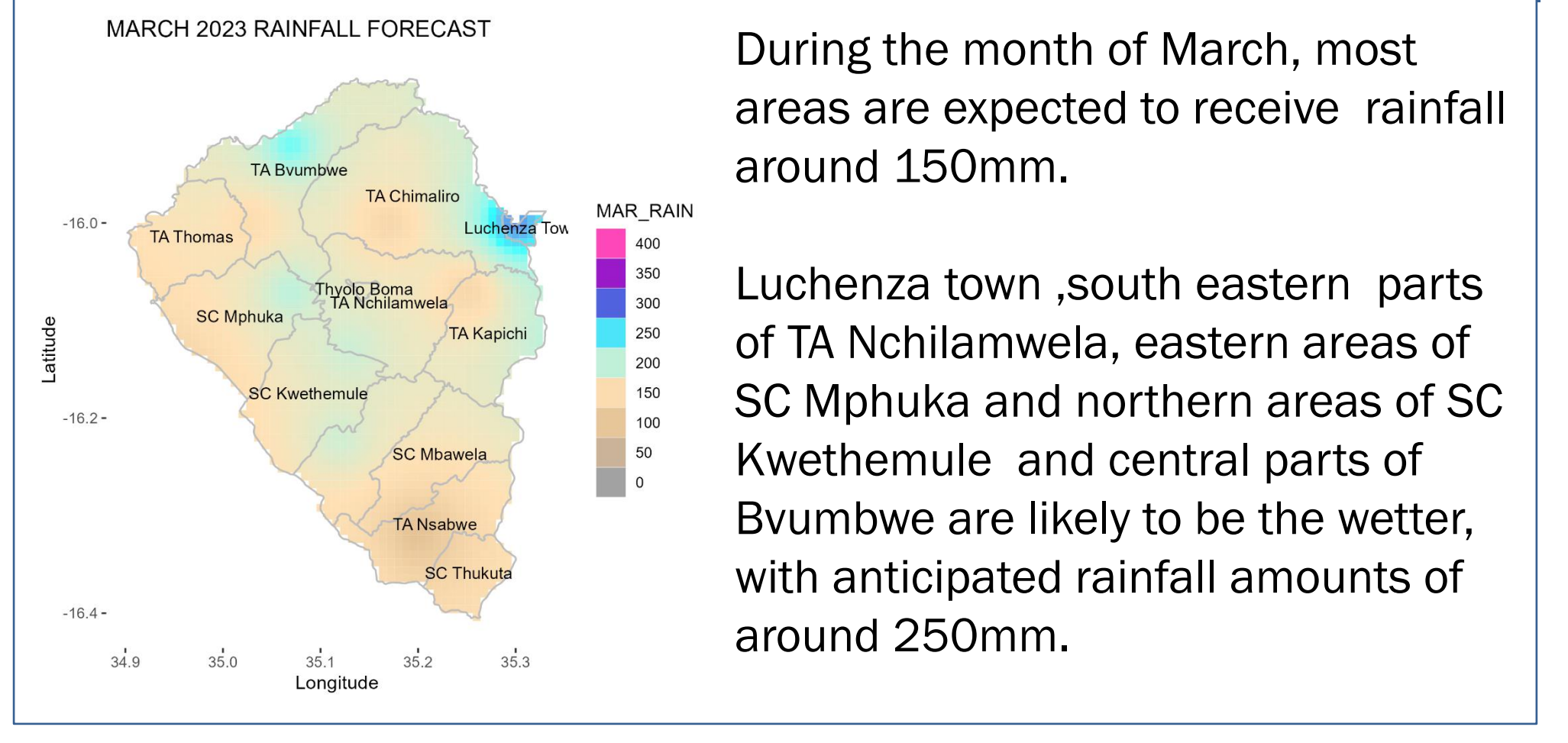
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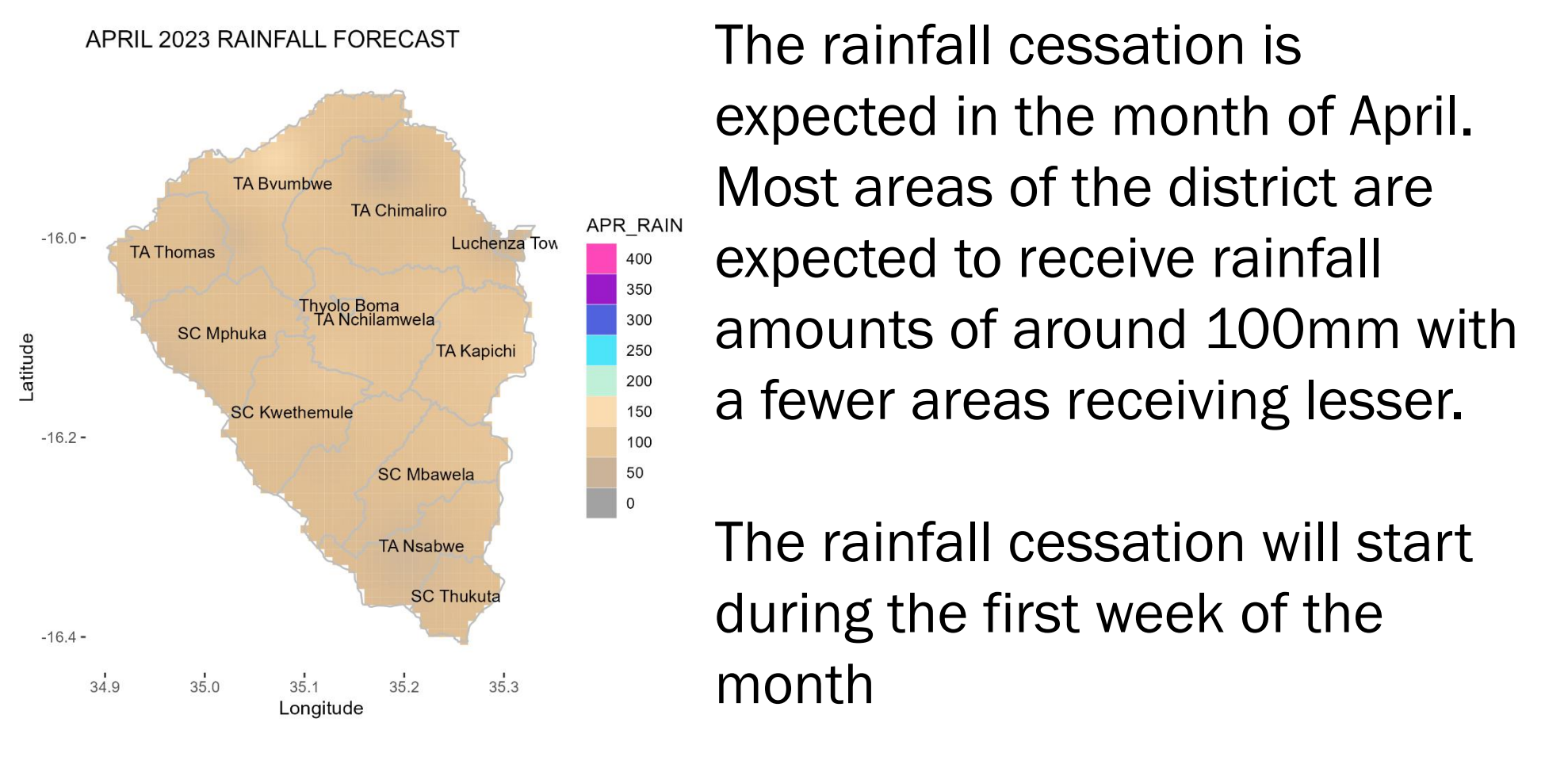
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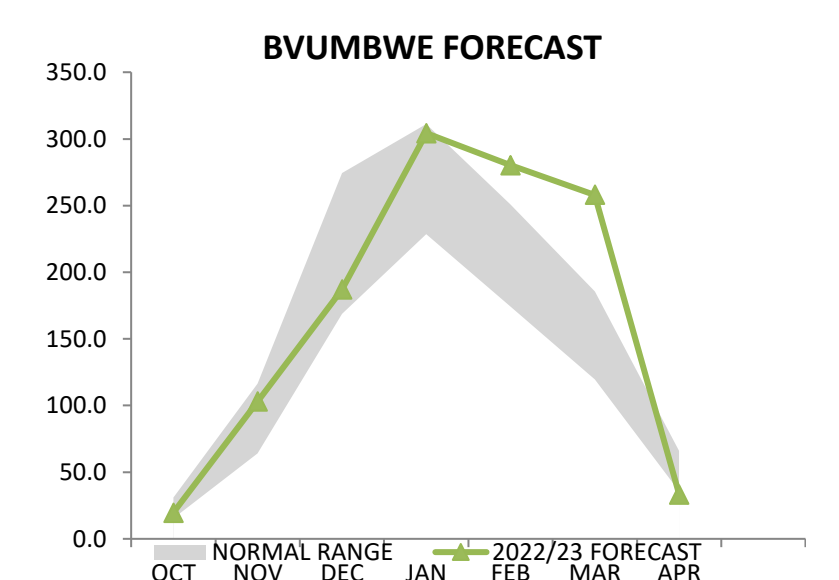
April 2023



Normal to above-normal rains are expected for Thyolo District. Onset of the 2022-2023 rainfall season in Thyolo is expected between the first and third week of November 2022. Cessation will most likely be between first week and third week of April 2023. Seasonal length in the district is expected to be between 130 to 140 days. Dry spells of up to 7 days may be experienced in January and February. Flash floods and water logging conditions may be experienced in some parts.

The table and graph below show monthly rainfall distribution for the 2022-2023 season with a normal band in grey and the forecast in green color.

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MONTH	NORMAL RANGE	2022/23 FORECAST	
OCT	15.4	30.9	19.5
NOV	64.1	116.5	103.1
DEC	168.9	274.4	187
JAN	228.6	311.1	304.3
FEB	174.3	250.8	280.3
MAR	119.7	185.6	258
APR	35.7	66.0	33.1



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