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Although the first day of March brought a light shower in some parts of the municipality of Mayarí, the low rainfall in February has had a negative impact on the water supply sources in the municipality of Mayarí, according to studies by the Water Utilization Company, Unidad Empresarial de Base Nipe-Mayarí (Nipe-Mayarí Base Business Unit).

Lualdy Figueredo García, a specialist in water management in the municipalities of Mayarí and Cueto, affirms that the accumulated rainfall in February did not exceed 24.6 millimeters, which represents only 29% of the historical average for the stage.

With these records, the period of drought is worsening, with depressed springs in the localities of Arroyo Blanco los Cocos and the closures for damming of the Guayabo, Guaro and Naranjo rivers.

The expert assures that currently the subway sources of Ayúa and Juan Piedra are in a critical state, a fact which augurs well for the distribution of drinking water in the area and other communities.

However, the main reservoirs of the municipality, the Nipe and Mayarí dams are above 80% of their capacities.

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For its part, the group Meteorology from Cuba, announced Tuesday on its Facebook page that March is the fifth month of the rainy season in the country, where the average totals recorded are similar to those of February.

According to the analysis of specialists, rainfall depends mainly on the frontal systems that affect Cuba, which have a slightly lower frequency than the month that precedes it. During March, winds from the south, sometimes strong, usually occur, which are one of the most important climatic events of this month.

The negative anomalies of surface and sub-surface sea temperatures in the central and eastern Pacific Ocean maintain values typical of a La Niña Southern Oscillation event, which is why the models forecast that this event will last until May.

The main influence of La Niña on the behavior of the climate in Cuba during the low rainfall period is the decrease in precipitation, meteorologists point out