Global Tropics Hazards And Benefits Outlook

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- 3. GTH Outlook and Forecast Discussion
- 4. Connections to U.S. Impacts

Outlook Review – Tropical Cyclones



No tropical cyclone development forecast, no tropical cyclones formed. Perfection!





Synopsis of Climate Modes

ENSO:

• ENSO Alert System Status: La Niña Advisory

• A transition to ENSO-neutral is expected to occur by February 2017, with ENSO-neutral then continuing through the first half of 2017

MJO and other subseasonal tropical variability:

• There is an active MJO – enhanced phase attempting to transition from the Western Hemisphere to the western Indian Ocean.

• Destructive interference between the MJO and the base state (negative IOD phase and decaying La Niña) is limiting the convective response over the Indian Ocean.

• The base state and an equatorial Rossby wave are promoting enhanced convection over the Maritime Continent and northwestern Pacific – out of phase with the MJO.

• The MJO is anticipated to continue propagating eastward, eventually entering a region of constructive interference with the base state.

Extratropics:

• The MJO can influence the evolution of the northern hemisphere extratropical pattern, but an anticipated blocking pattern over the northern Pacific may complicate the response.



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High Moderate

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Weekly total rainfall in the lower third of the historical range.

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Forecaster: Allgood

IR Satellite & 200-hpa Velocity Potential Anomalies

Green: Enhanced Divergence Brown: Enhanced Convergence

Wave-1 pattern emerging, with destructive interference between La Niña and the intraseasonal signal over the Pacific

Enhanced convective envelope shifts to the Western Hemisphere. Suppressed phase over Maritime Continent

Wave-2 pattern unfolds due to destructive interference between the MJO and the base state/ERW favoring enhanced (suppressed) convection over the ²⁰⁵/₃₀₅ Maritime Continent (western IO).



MJO Observation/Forecast



GEFS – Kills the MJO quickly. (Note 120-day period mean removed – may dampen enhanced convective signal over Maritime Continent)
ECMWF – Continued MJO propagation with sharp left turn in index (ERW influence?)
Canadian – Stronger Maritime Continent evolution, but weakens and never reaches the West Pacific

MJO not robustly apparent in the OLR field.

ERW and base state favoring enhanced convection over the Maritime Continent.



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January Tropical Storm Formation by MJO phase





Connections to U.S. Impacts





Week 2 – Temperature and Precipitation





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