Global Tropics Hazards And Benefits Outlook 7/10/2018

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<u>Outlook</u> <u>Review</u>



Cool shading 30 More clouds/rain

Warm shading Less clouds/rain ₃

Synopsis of Climate Modes

ENSO:

ENSO Alert System Status: <u>El Niño Watch</u>

 ENSO-neutral is favored through Northern Hemisphere summer 2018, with the chance for El Niño increasing to 50% during fall, and ~65% during winter 2018-19

MJO and other subseasonal tropical variability:

• An MJO signal appears to be emerging over the Maritime Continent, with little eastward propagation (appears to be due to extratropical forcing).

• Dynamical and statistical models depict a slow evolution of this signal, with propagation to the far West Pacific by Week-2. Some ECMWF ensembles show a highly amplified event.

Extratropics:

• Should an MJO event emerge over the Pacific, it might help to accelerate the base state transition towards El Niño conditions.

• Tropical cyclone activity will continue to influence both the tropical and extratropical patterns.



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Forecaster: Allgood Development of a tropical cyclone (tropical depression - TD, or greater strength).

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

7-day mean temperatures in the upper third of the historical range.

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IR Satellite & 200-hpa Velocity Potential Anomalies

Green: Enhanced Divergence

Brown: Enhanced Convergence

Wave-2 pattern not consistent with robust MJO activity. Robust Kelvin wave activity over the East Pacific...

...helped to promote tropical cyclone development. The remnant MJO suppressed phase appears more organized than the enhanced phase

Recently the upper-level pattern has been much more consistent with MJO-like circulation patterns. Note the connection between the tropics and extratropics east of Australia.





MJO Observation/Forecast



GFS – slow eastward propagation ECMWF – a bit faster and more consistent with canonical MJO phase speeds, some ensemble members quite amplified Canadian – slowest of the three

Average Conditions when the MJO is present



CAVEAT: These panels are representative of robust MJO events.

MJO activity shows up in recent OLR anomalies

CFS forecasts are quite stationary



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July Tropical Storm Formation by MJO phase







Connections to U.S. Impacts











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