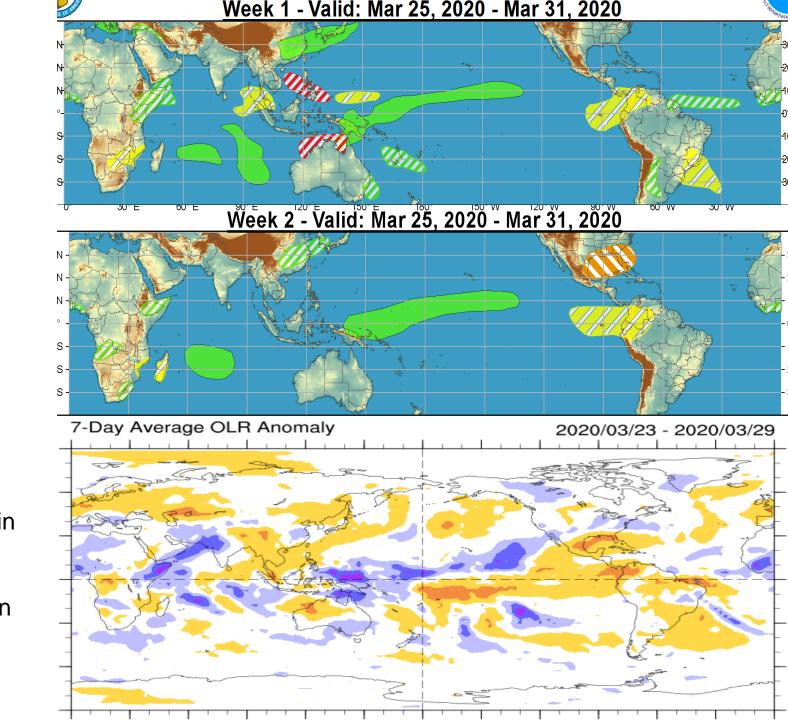
Global Tropics Hazards And Benefits Outlook 3/31/2020

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<u>Outline</u>

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

Outlook Review



Cool shading More clouds/rain

Warm shading Less clouds/rain

Synopsis of Climate Modes

ENSO: (March 12, 2020 Update) next update on 9th of April!

ENSO Alert System Status: Not Active

 ENSO-neutral is favored during the Northern Hemisphere spring (~65% chance), continuing through summer 2020 (~55% chance).

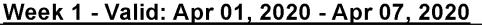
MJO and other subseasonal tropical variability:

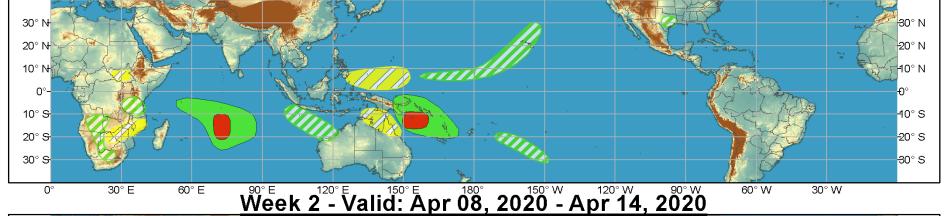
- Variability during the past few weeks has been dominated by Kelvin wave and MJO activity
- The enhanced phase of the MJO is currently over the Maritime Continent (Phase 4)
- The week-1 forecast has the MJO index weakening to within the unit circle.
 However, things become much less clear during week-2. Possible solutions include
 the maintenance of a weak, ill-defined MJO index within the unit circle; slow
 eastward propagation and weakening across the Maritime Continent/western
 Pacific; emergence of a signal in Northern Hemisphere with/without significant
 eastward propagation.

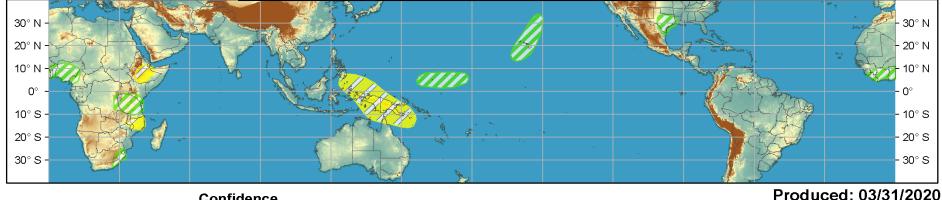
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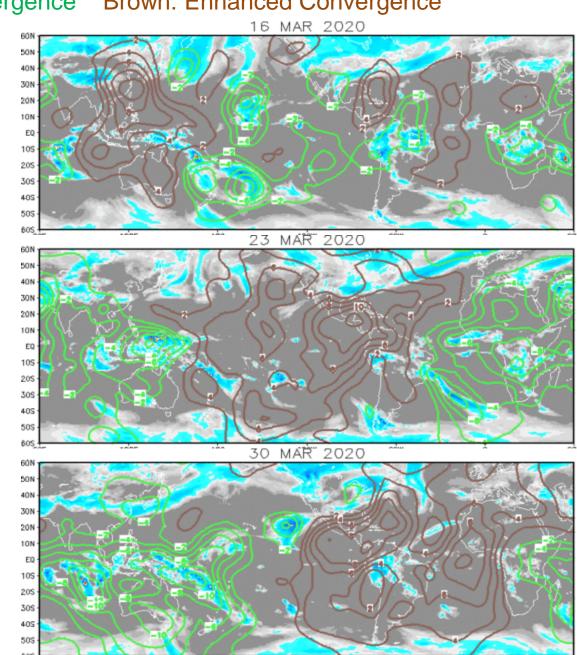
IR Satellite & 200-hpa Velocity Potential Anomalies

Green: Enhanced Divergence Brown: Enhanced Convergence

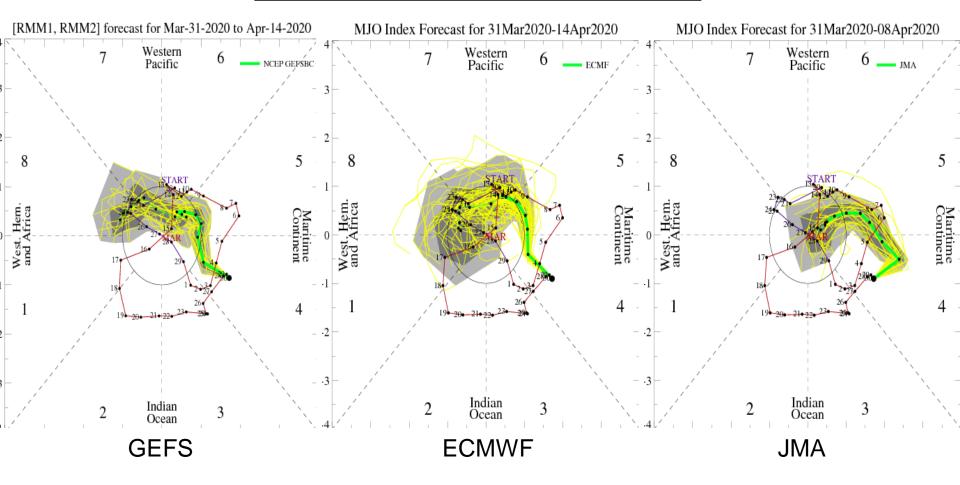
+ Pattern composed of many smaller-scale features.

- + Much better organized pattern
- wavenumber 1... with
 enhanced upper-level DIV over
 E-Hemisphere; CON over W-Hemisphere.

+ Wave 1 pattern continues with eastward propagation.

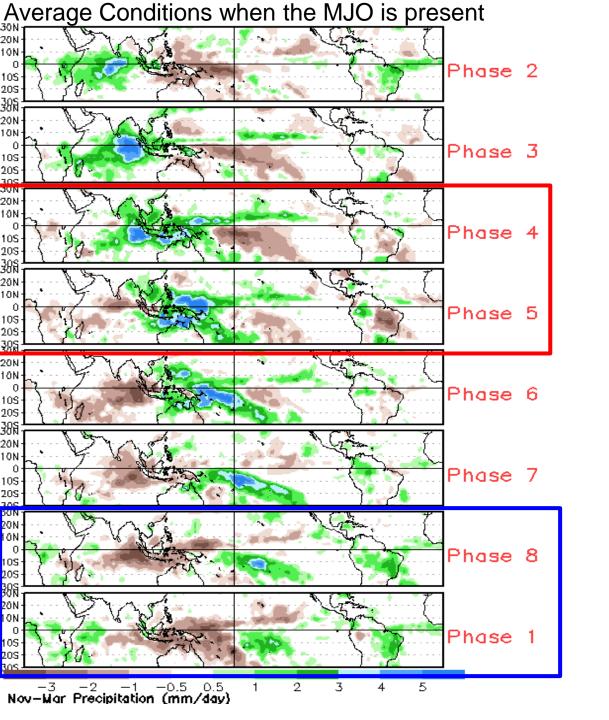


MJO Observation/Forecast



Most models indicate rapid weakening of intraseasonal signal during week-1 across the Maritime Continent.

During week-2, GEFS and ECMWF RMM forecasts indicate possible re-emergence of signal across Phases 8/1 (Western Hemisphere).



Week-1: Phases 4/5 Week-2: Phases 8/1

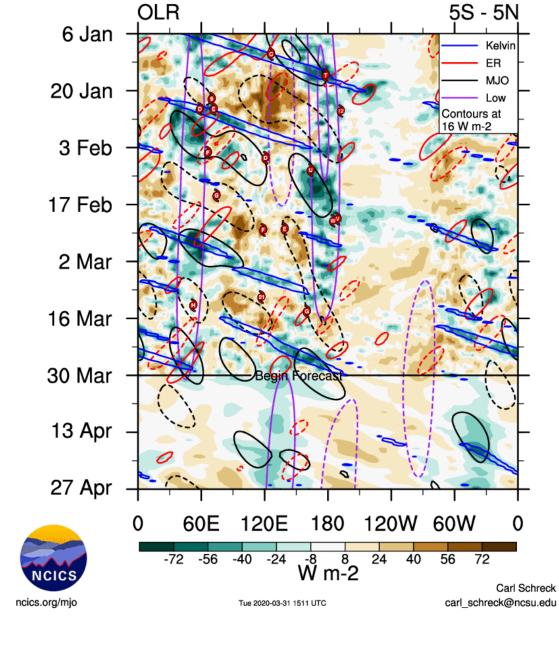
CAVEAT: These panels are representative of robust MJO events.

MJO signal near Date Line which doesn't last

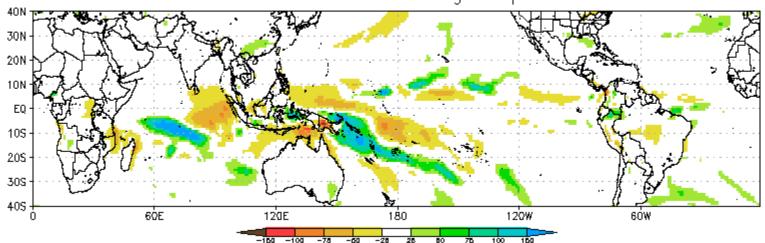
Rossby wave presence near 150E

Kelvin wave Near Date Line.

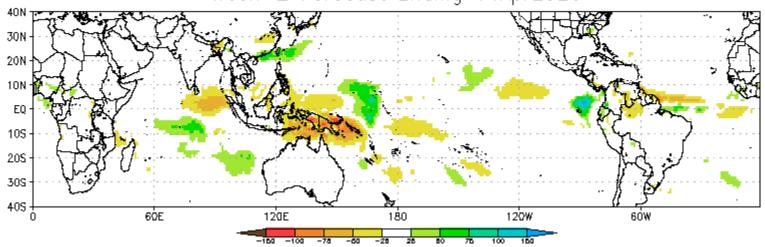
Low frequency near Date Line; has weakened



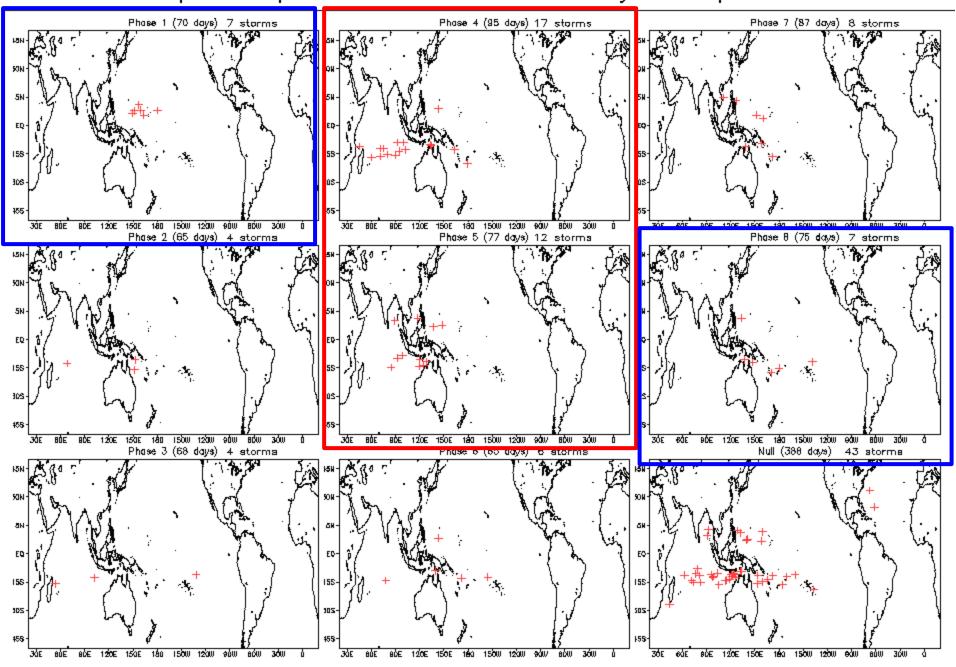
CFS Precipitation Anomalies (mm) Issued 30Mar2020 Week-1 Forecast Ending 07Apr2020

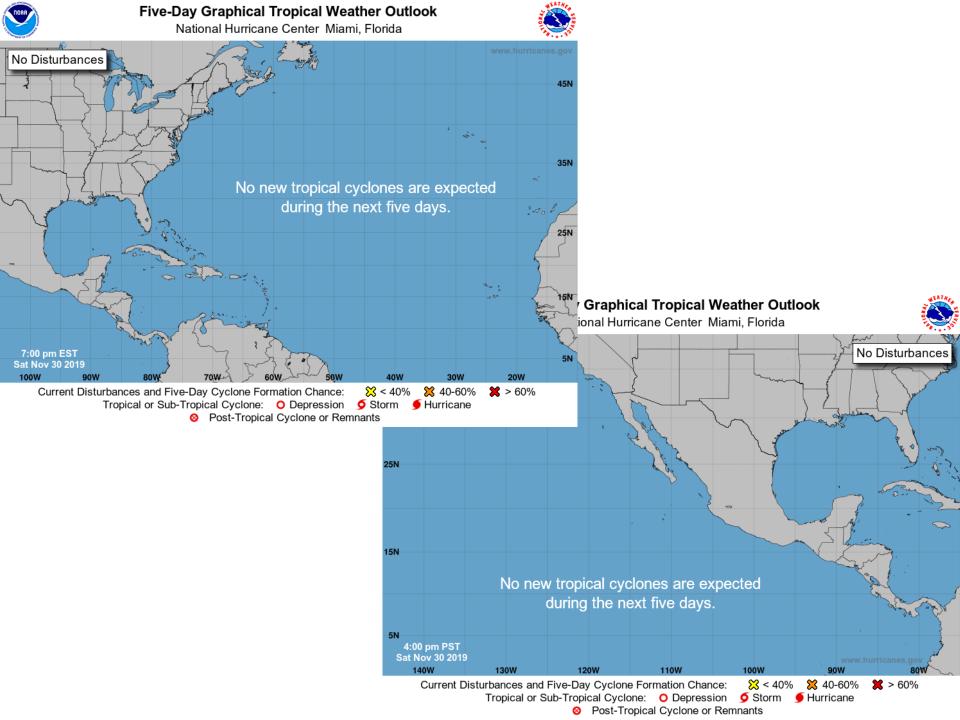


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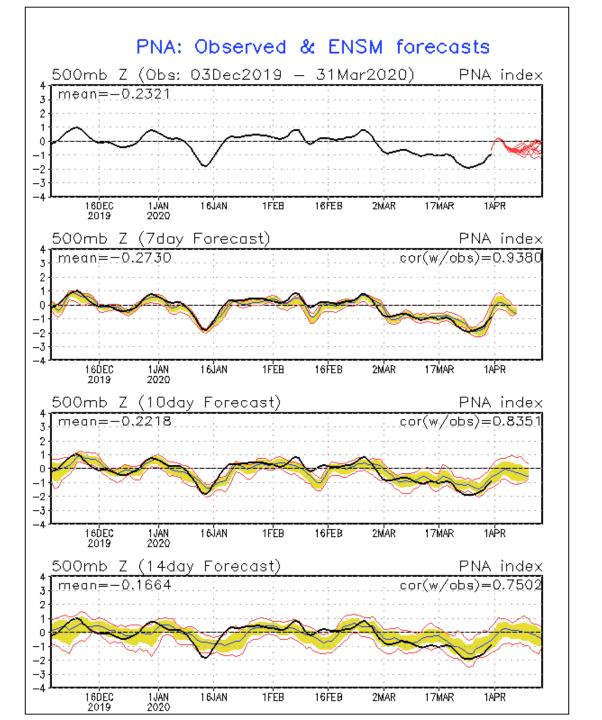


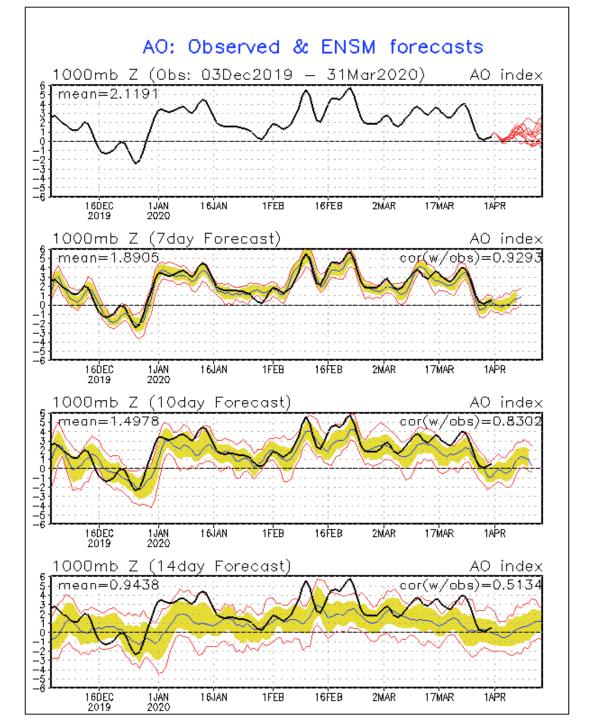
April Tropical Storm Formation by MJO phase

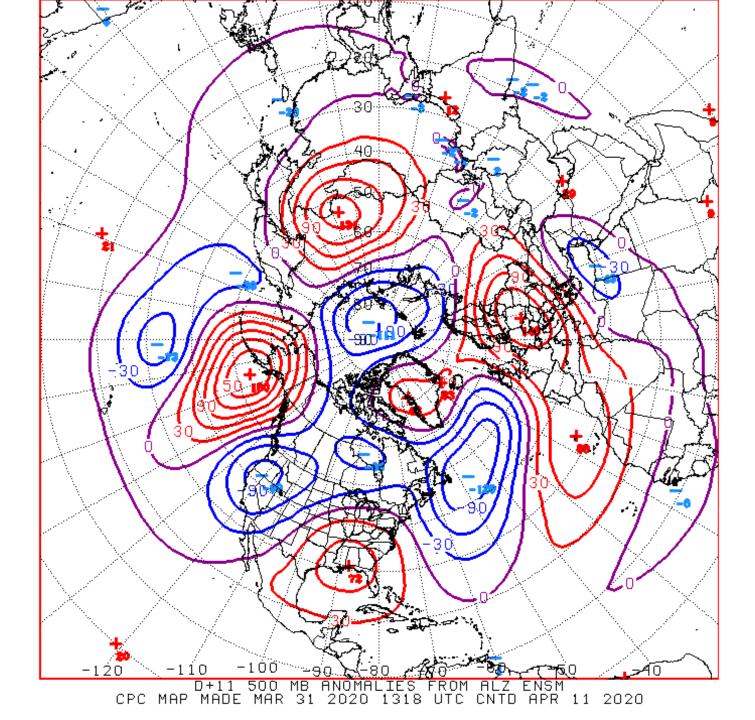




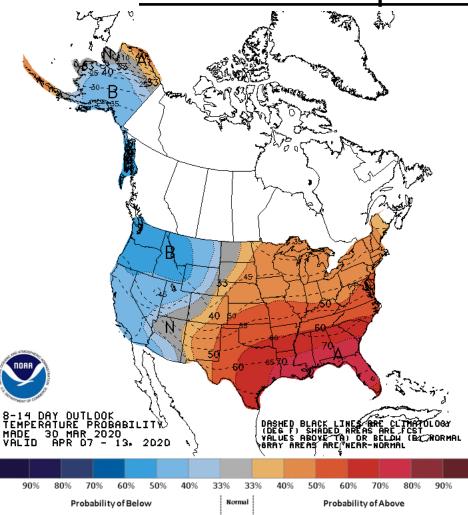
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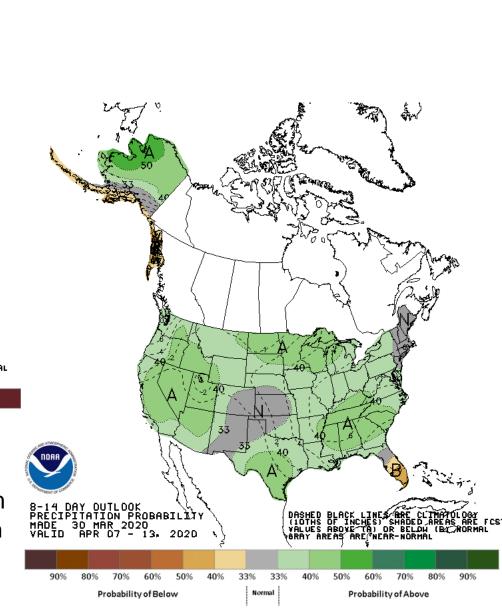




Week 2 - Temperature and Precipitation



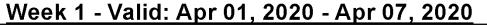
Relatively cool & wet west of Divide; warm and wet east of Divide. Cool/wet for much of Alaska.

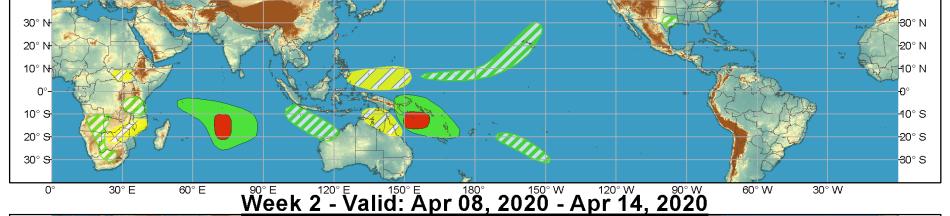


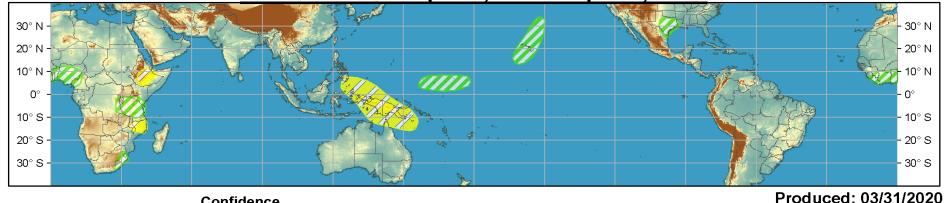
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