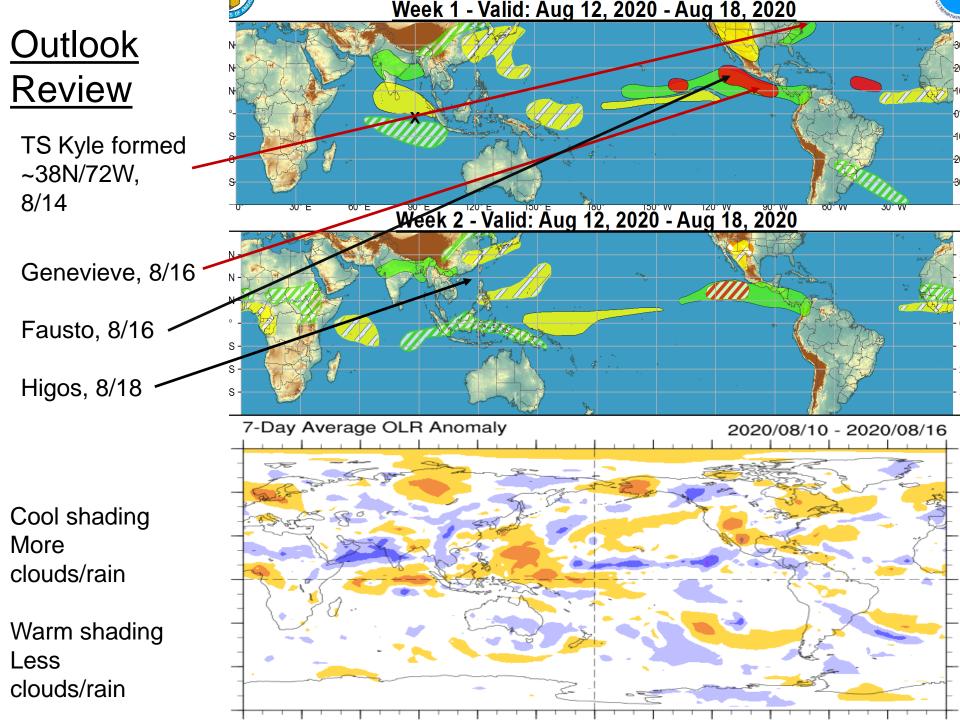
# Global Tropics Hazards And Benefits Outlook 8/18/2020

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### <u>Outline</u>

- 1. Review of Recent Conditions
- 2. Synopsis of Climate Modes
- 3. GTH Outlook and Forecast Discussion
- 4. Connections to U.S. Impacts



## Synopsis of Climate Modes

#### **ENSO**: (August 13, 2020 Update)

ENSO Alert System Status: La Niña Watch

(next update September 10)

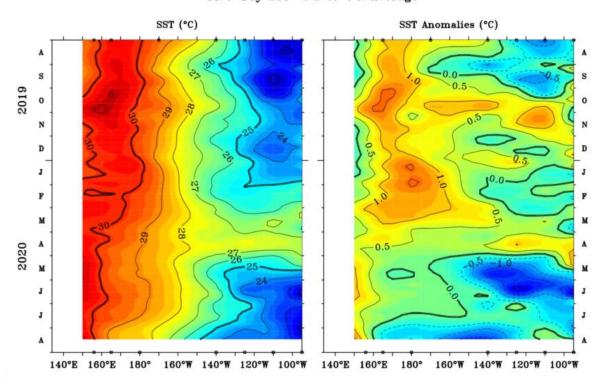
 There is a ~60% chance of La Niña development during Northern Hemisphere fall 2020 and continuing through winter 2020-21 (~55% chance).

#### **MJO** and other subseasonal tropical variability:

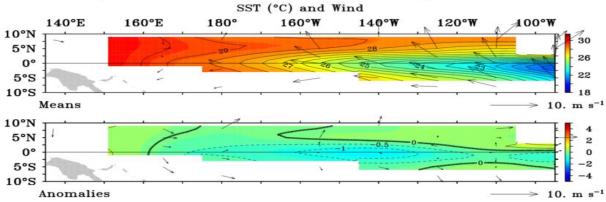
- The MJO is approaching Africa; substantial event likely during the next two weeks.
- MJO and Kelvin waves are likely to enhance tropical cyclone formation probabilities in the East Pacific and Atlantic.
- The low frequency state in the equatorial Pacific is trending towards La Niña.
- September is climatologically the most active month for TCs in the Atlantic.

# Quick look at ENSO

Five-Day SST 2°S to 2°N Average



TAO/TRITON Five-Day Data Ending On August 17 2020





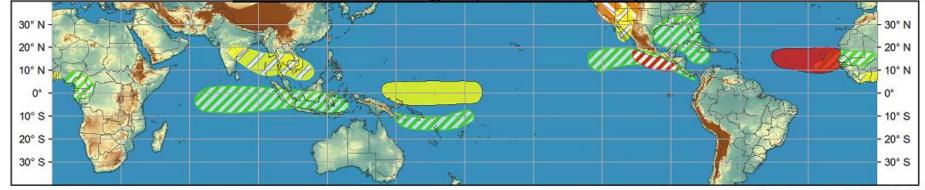
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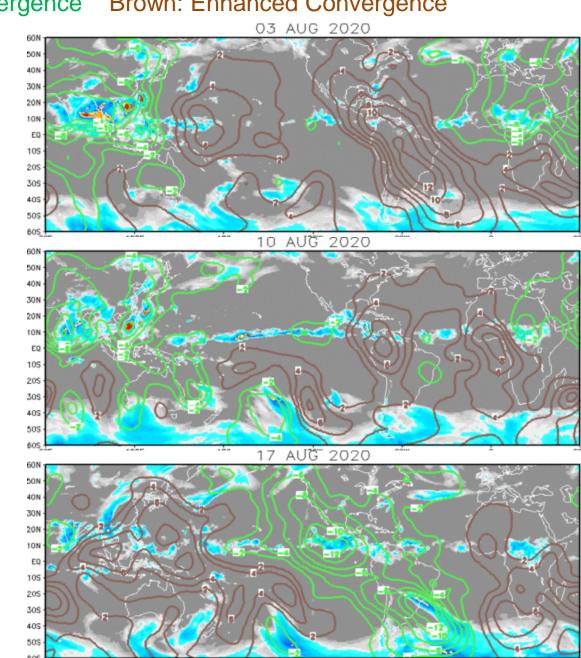
#### IR Satellite & 200-hpa Velocity Potential Anomalies

Green: Enhanced Divergence Brown: Enhanced Convergence

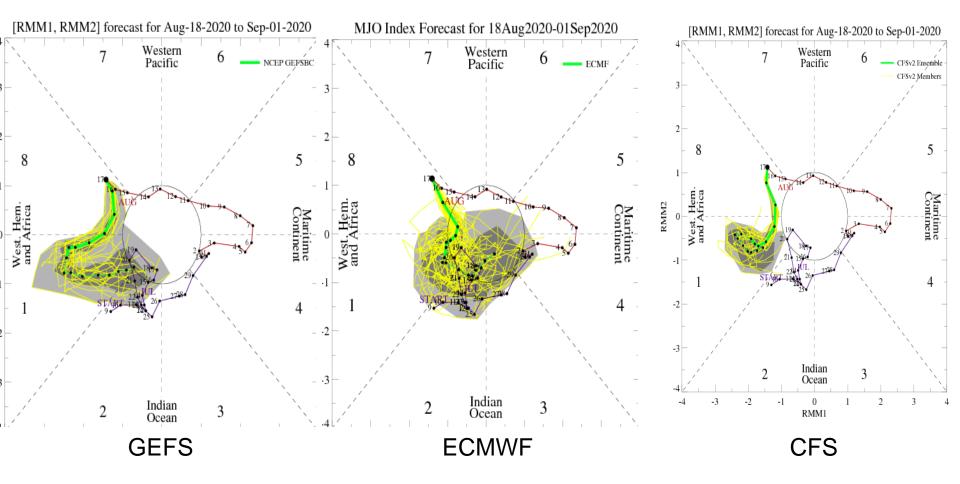
MJO signal is evident with enhanced convection over South/Southeast Asia, associated with enhanced monsoon activity.

MJO eastward propagation is evident.

Continued eastward propagation, enhanced convection over East Pacific.

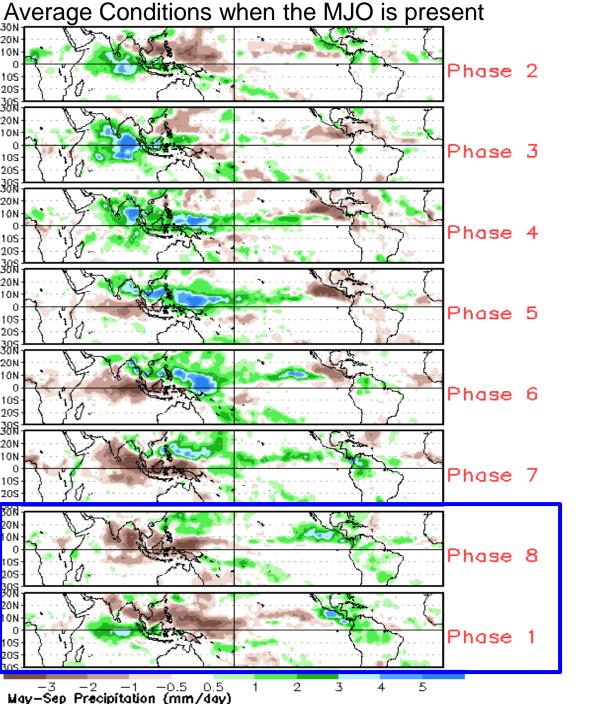


## MJO Observation/Forecast



Dynamical models agree on a moderate MJO event during the next two weeks.

There is disagreement regarding the amplitude of the event; the ECMWF is the weakest, on average.

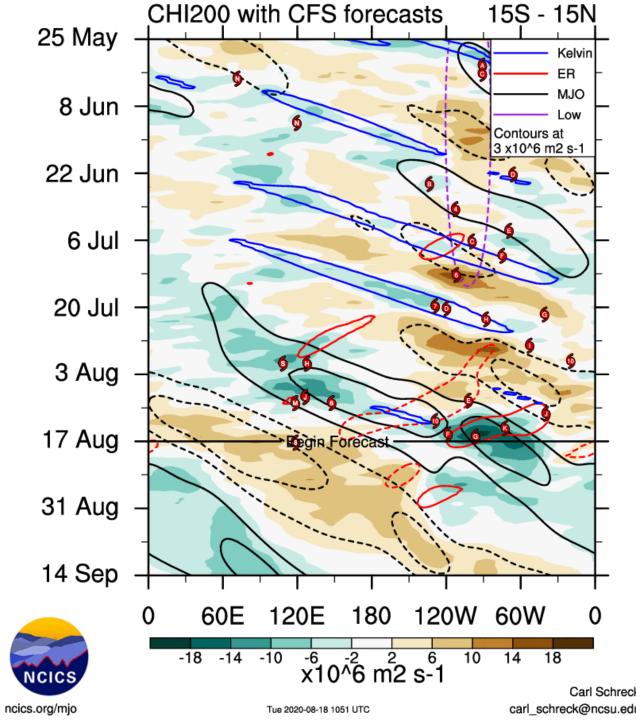


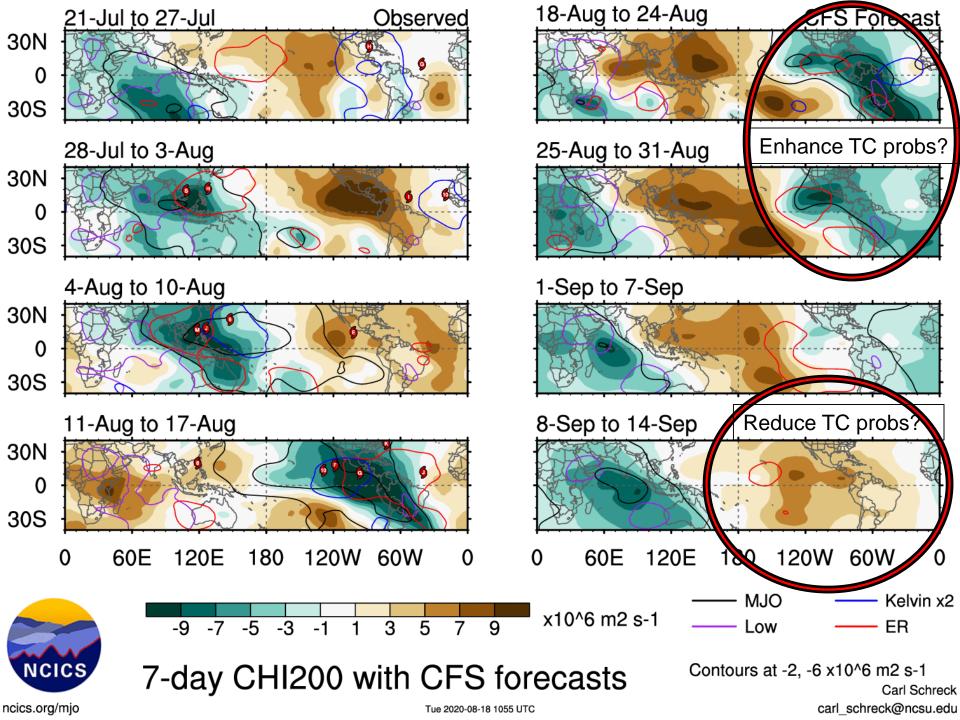
Phases 8, 1, and maybe 2 are most likely

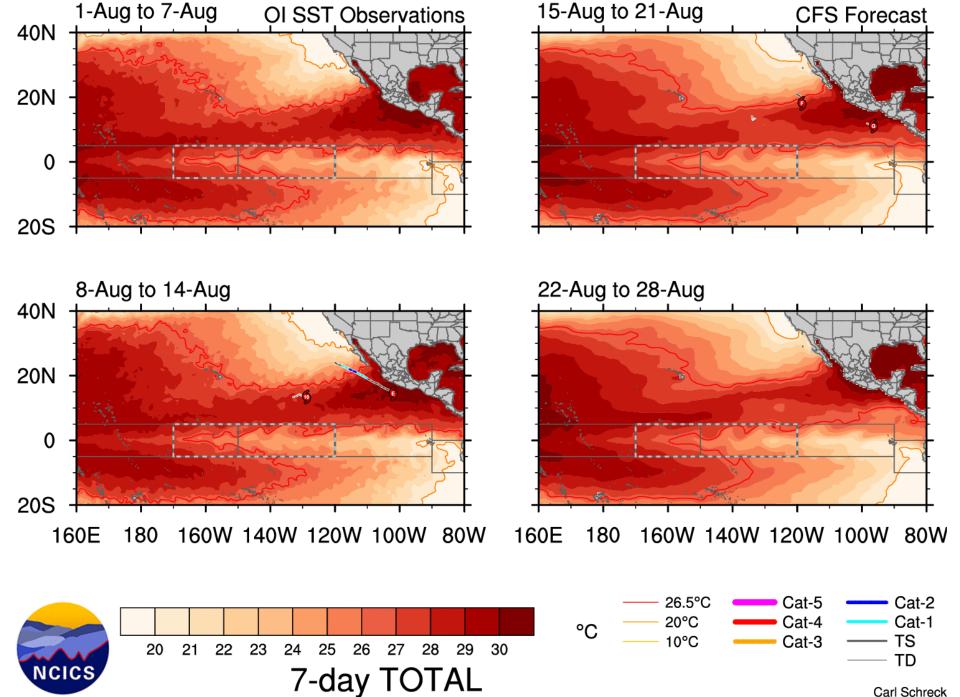
CAVEAT: These panels are representative of robust MJO events.

Robust **MJO** signal propagates around the globe.

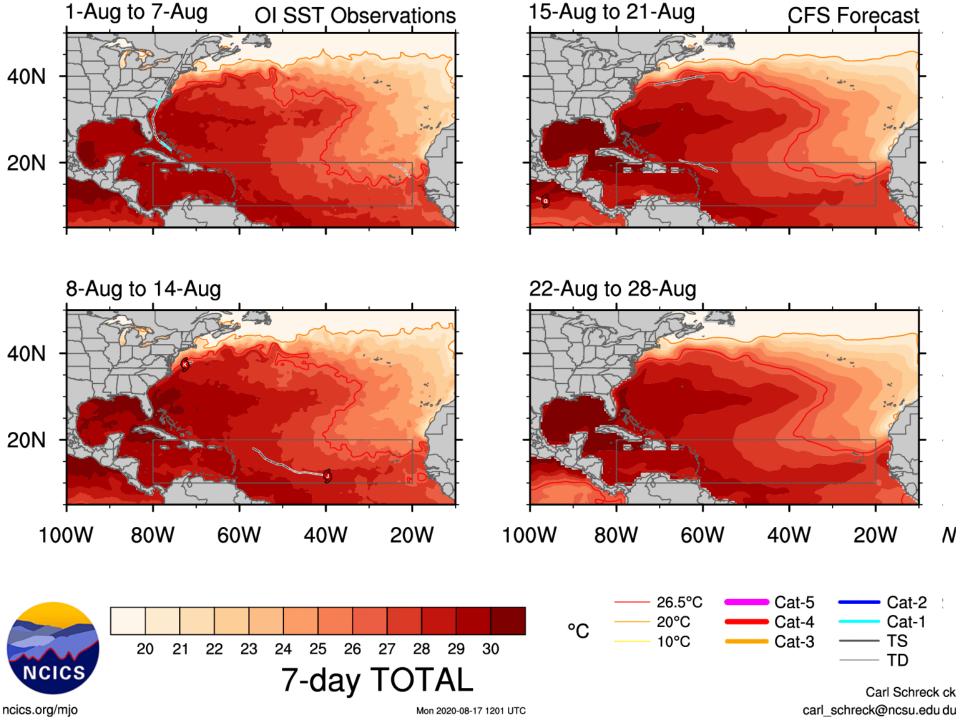
Kelvin wave activity is over the East Pacific but appears weak on this plot.

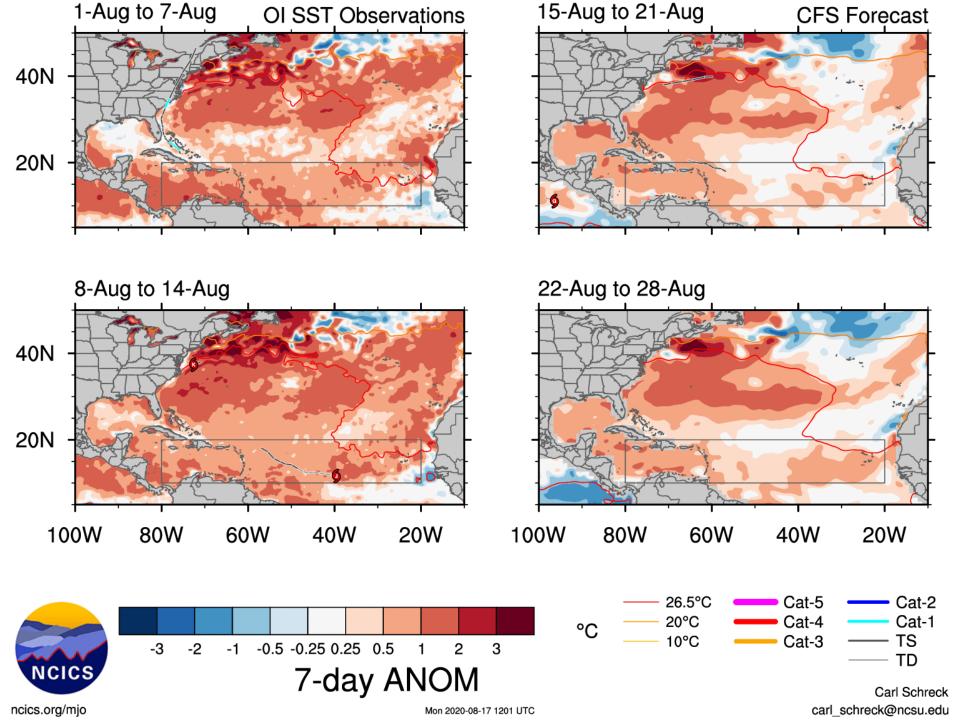




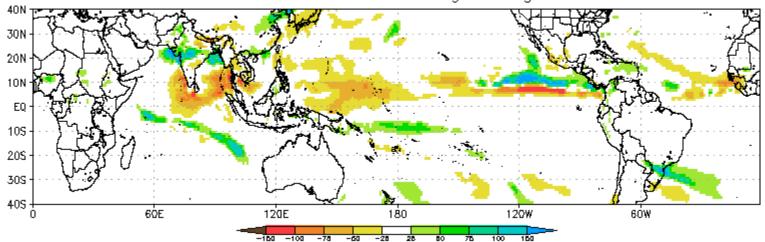


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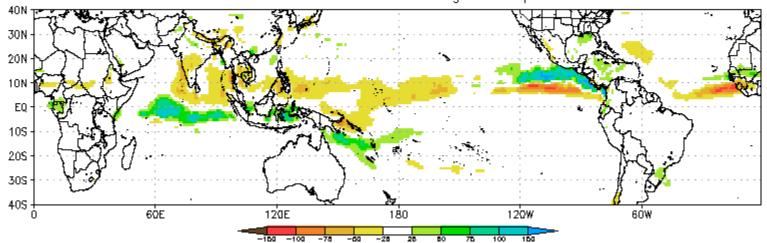




#### CFS Precipitation Anomalies (mm) Issued 17Aug2020 Week-1 Forecast Ending 25Aug2020

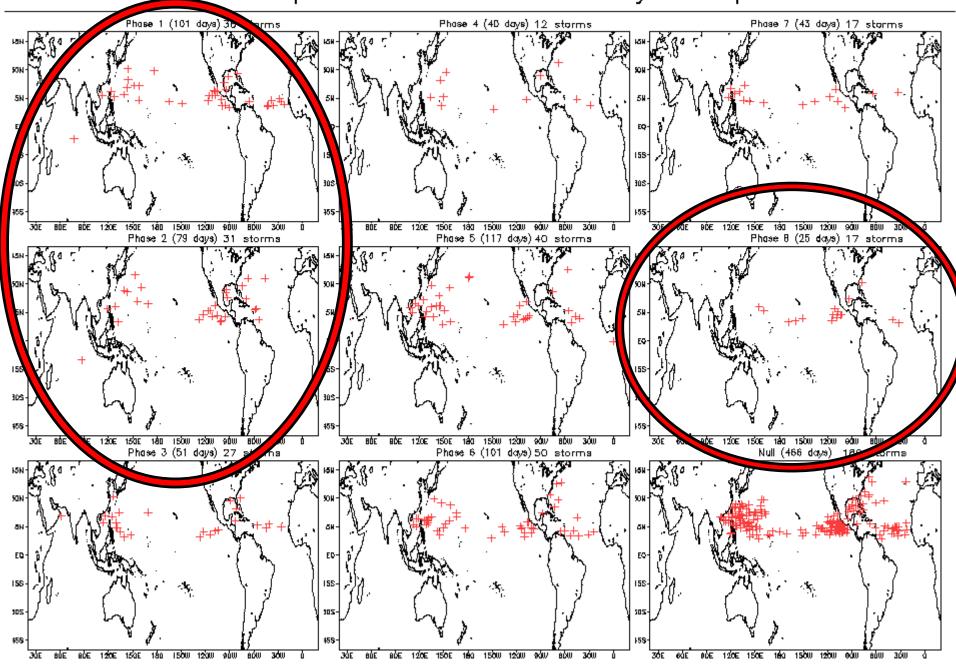


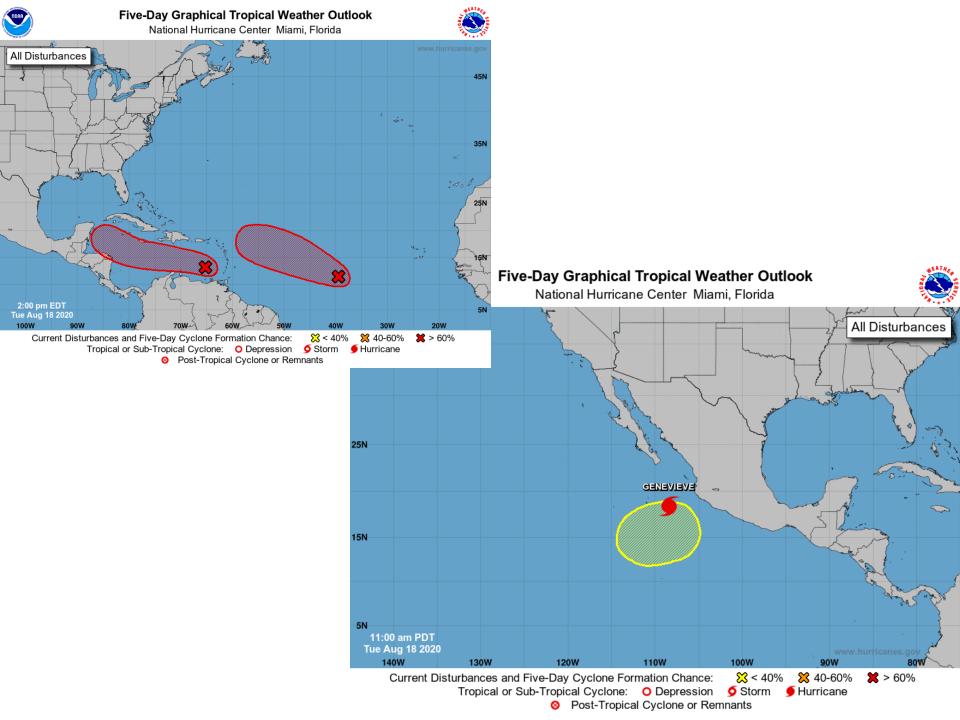
CFS Precipitation Anomalies (mm) Issued 17Aug2020 Week-2 Forecast Ending 01Sep2020



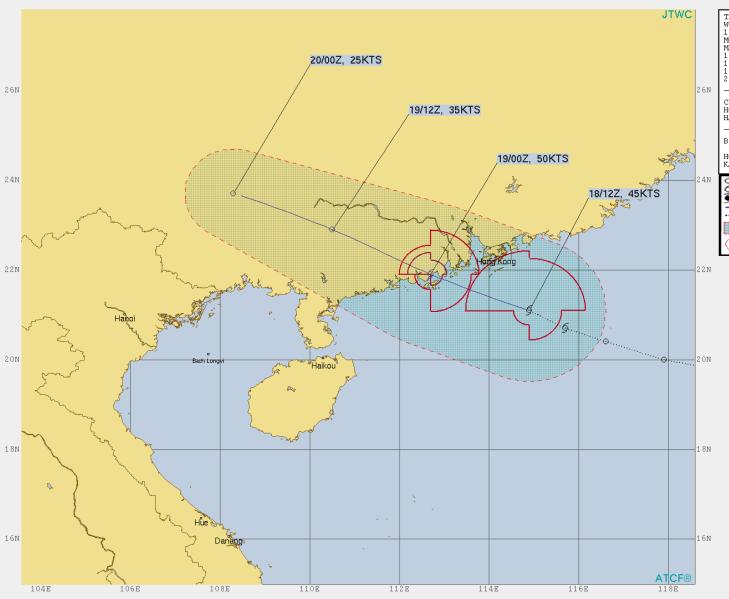
CFS maintains suppressed north of New Guinea, but has more precip crossing the central Pacific.

#### August Tropical Storm Formation by MJO phase









TROPICAL STORM 08W (HIGOS) WARNING #4
WTPN31 PGTW 181500
1812002 POSIT: NEAR 21.1N 114.9E
MOVING 300 DEGREES TRUE AT 08 KNOTS
MAXIMUM SIGNIFICANT WAVE HEIGHT: 18 FEET
18/12Z, WINDS 045 KTS, GUSTS TO 055 KTS
19/00Z, WINDS 050 KTS, GUSTS TO 065 KTS
19/12Z, WINDS 030 KTS, GUSTS TO 040 KTS
20/00Z, WINDS 020 KTS, GUSTS TO 030 KTS

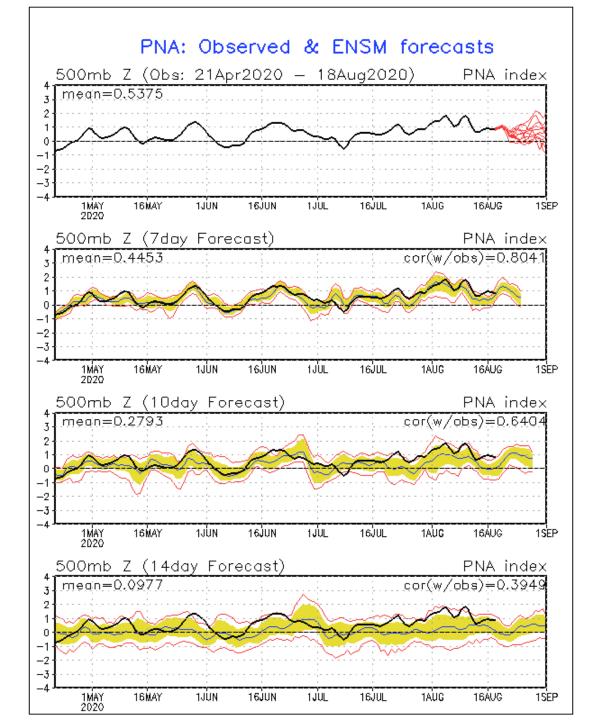
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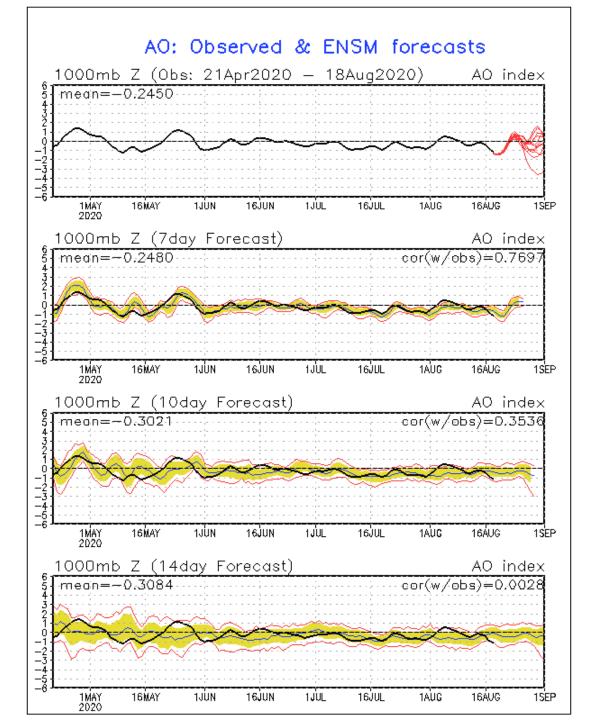
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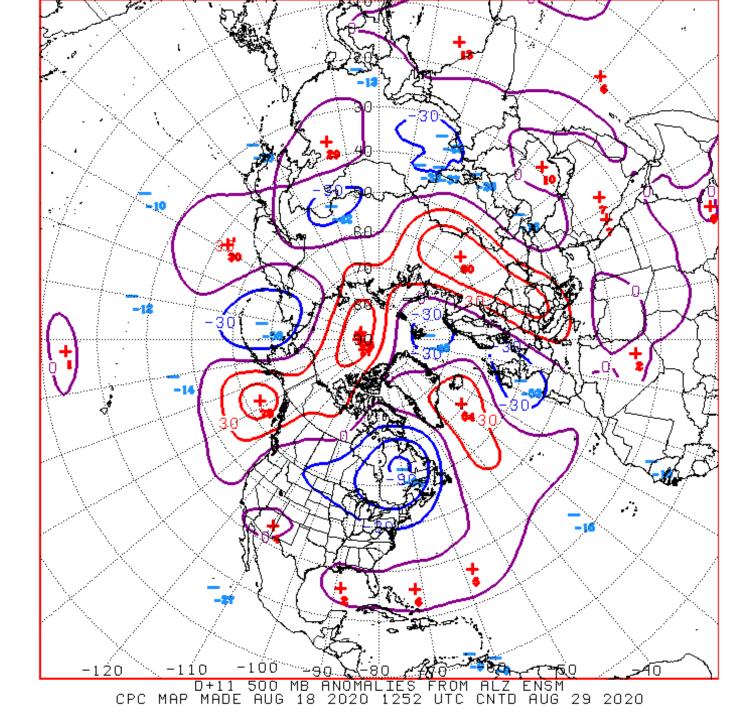
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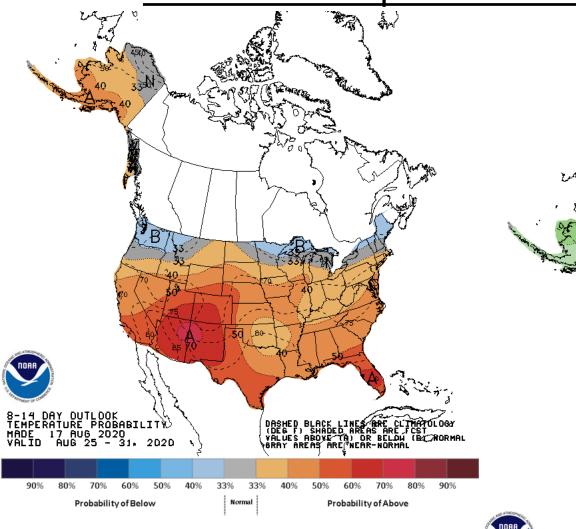
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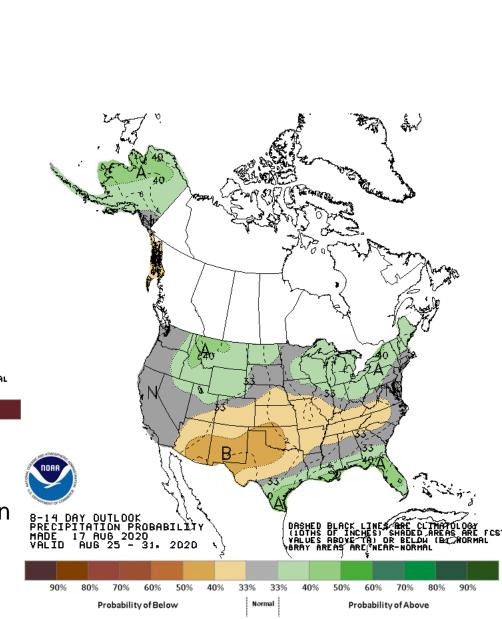




Week 2 - Temperature and Precipitation



Since we are in an amplified, stable pattern today's outlooks are likely to be similar.





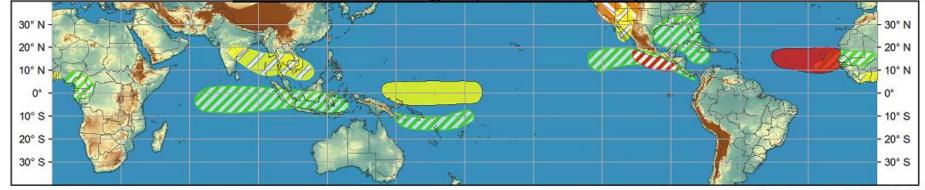
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