# Global Tropics Hazards And Benefits Outlook

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### <u>Outline</u>

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

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



Cool shading More clouds/rain

Warm shading Less clouds/rain



# Synopsis of Climate Modes

### ENSO: (September 10, 2020 Update)

next update on 8<sup>th</sup> of Oct.!

- ENSO Alert System Status: <u>La Niña Advisory</u>
- La Niña conditions are present and are likely to continue through the Northern Hemisphere winter (~75% chance).

### MJO and other subseasonal tropical variability:

- The MJO remained weak over the past week, although a slower-moving upper-level signal remains.
- Dynamical models are in good agreement that the MJO will renew eastward propagation over the Maritime Continent, reaching the West Pacific during Week-2.
- La Niña conditions over the Pacific will likely destructively interfere with the MJO over the Pacific.
- While a Pacific MJO would potentially increase vertical shear over the Atlantic and provide an opportunity for a break in tropical cyclone activity, the La Niña conditions will likely dampen this impact.



#### Confidence

**Tropical Cyclone Formation** 

Above-average rainfall

**Below-average rainfall** 

Above-normal temperatures

**Below-normal temperatures** 

High Moderate

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

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

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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Product is updated once per week, except from 6/1 - 11/30 for the region from 120E to 0, 0 to 40N. The product targets broad scale conditions integrated over a 7-day period for US interests only. Consult your local responsible forecast agency.











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

Green: Enhanced Divergence Brown: Enhanced Convergence

Western Hemisphere/IO MJO conditions ideal for Atlantic tropical cyclone activity

Wave-1 asymmetry remains apparent, with little eastward progation. Kelvin wave over the East Pacific.

Tropical Cyclone activity is apparent over the Atlantic and East Pacific.



### **MJO Observation/Forecast**



GEFS and ECWMF in good agreement supporting renewed eastward propagation.

High uncertainty regarding future MJO evolution once it reaches the Pacific.

Something is wrong with the JMA analysis.



CAVEAT: These panels are representative of robust MJO events.

**MJO** activity is coming through the filtering near the Equator in the OLR field.

Kelvin wave activity over the East Pacific may have helped TC formation.

Low frequency contours depict ENSO cold conditions.





### September Tropical Storm Formation by MJO phase





# **Connections to U.S. Impacts**







### Week 2 – Temperature and Precipitation



14 SEP 2020

SEP 22

80%

28.

60%

Probability of Below

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70%

2020

50%

40%

33%

33

Normal

40%

50%

MADE

90%

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today's outlooks are likely to be similar.



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