# Global Tropics Hazards And Benefits Outlook 12/1/2020

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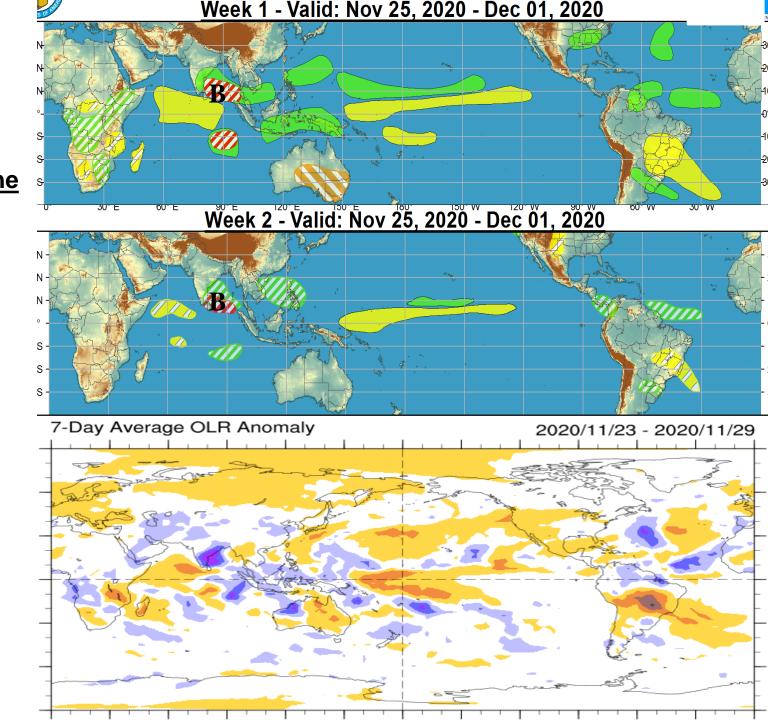
### Outlook Review

## Tropical Cyclone Buravi

12/1-present Peak: 35 kts

Cool shading More clouds/rain

Warm shading Less clouds/rain



### Synopsis of Climate Modes

ENSO: November 12, 2020 Update

Next update December 10

ENSO Alert System Status: La Niña Advisory

 La Niña is likely to continue through the Northern Hemisphere winter 2020-21 (~95% chance during January-March) and into spring 2021 (~65% chance during March-May)

#### MJO and other subseasonal tropical variability:

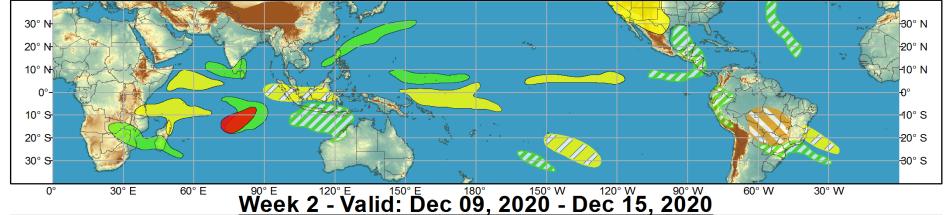
- The MJO is currently over the Maritime Continent. A Kelvin wave is approaching the MJO envelope from the West, while a pair of equatorial Rossby waves are over the Bay of Bengal and southeastern Indian Ocean.
- Should the MJO progress eastward, it is likely to destructively interfere with the ongoing La Niña around mid-December.
- Model guidance is very diverse in the forecast the next two weeks, depending on what mode is highlighted (MJO, Kelvin wave, Rossby waves). This, coupled with the potential for destructive interference of the MJO and La Niña, reduces overall forecast confidence.

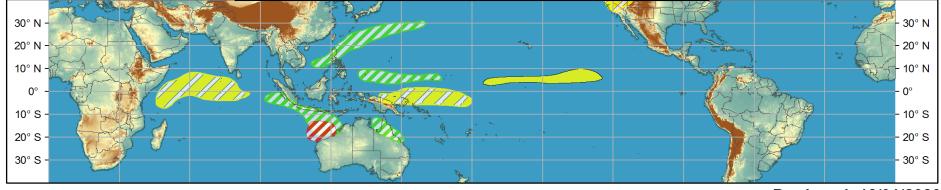
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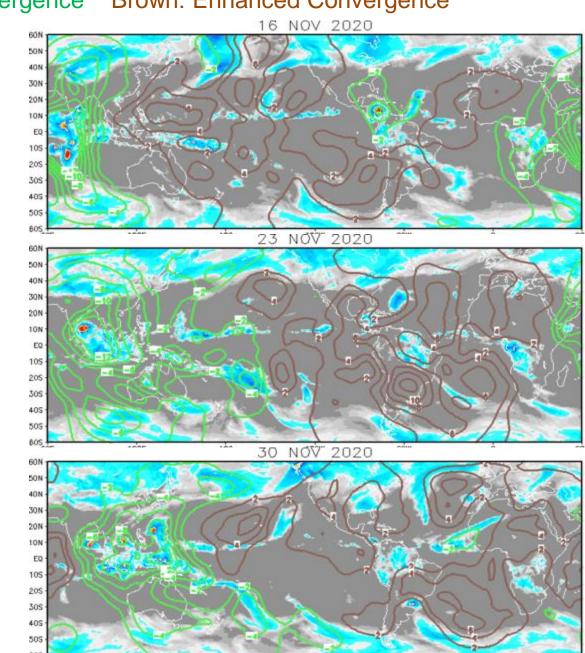
#### IR Satellite & 200-hpa Velocity Potential Anomalies

Green: Enhanced Divergence Brown: Enhanced Convergence

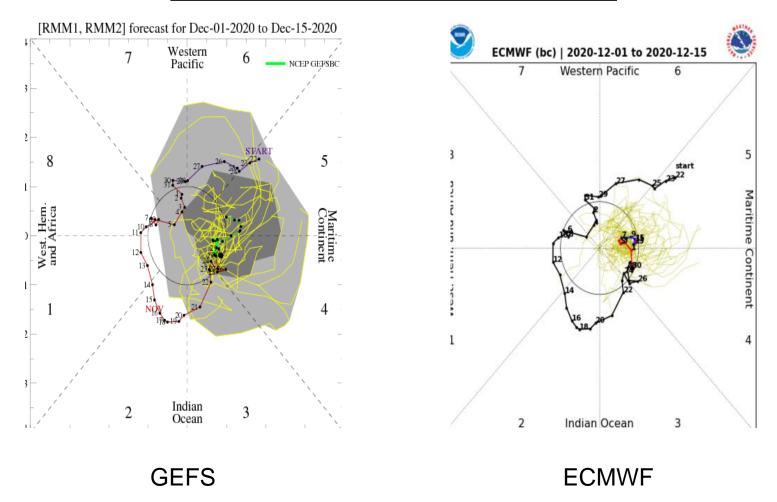
General wave-1 pattern with enhanced convection over the Indian Ocean aided by TC Gati developing over the Arabian Sea.

Increasingly defined wave-1 pattern, with Hurricane lota no longer mixed in with the suppressed convection over the Western Hemisphere. Pattern slides east some from mid-Nov.

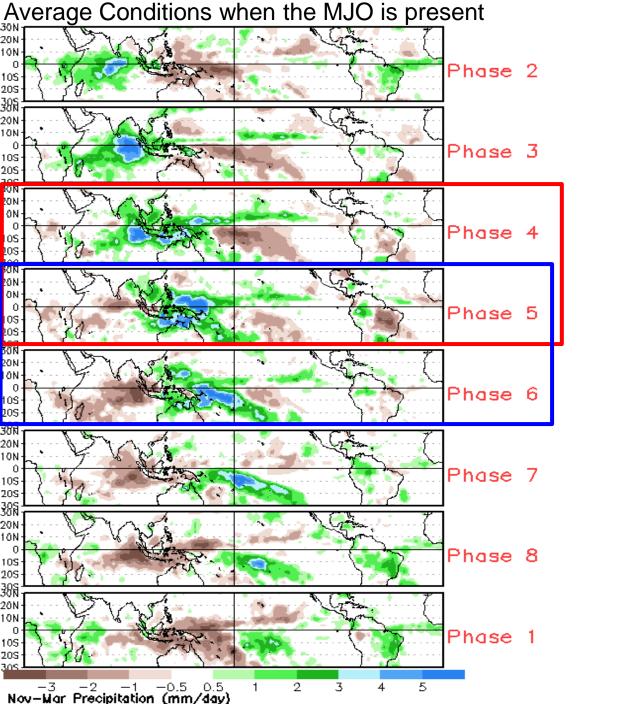
Less coherence once again, with a Kelvin wave near the African coastline breaking up suppression of convection from the Americas through Africa.



### MJO Observation/Forecast



- Diverse outcomes from the GEFS, tied to differing focuses among Rossby wave, Kelvin wave, and MJO activity.
- •The ECMWF seems more focused on Rossby wave activity relative to the GEFS.



Week-1 Phases 4/5

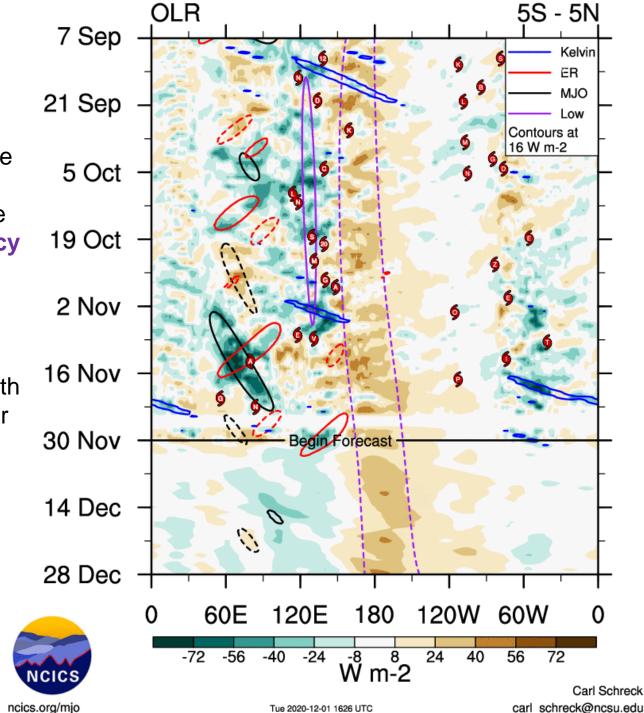
Week-2 (???)
Phases 5/6

CAVEAT: These panels are representative of robust MJO events.

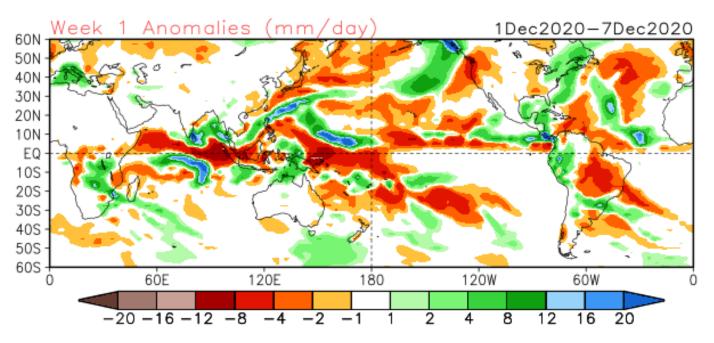
**MJO** signal approaching the low frequency suppression of convection near the Date Line from the low frequency state (La Niña)

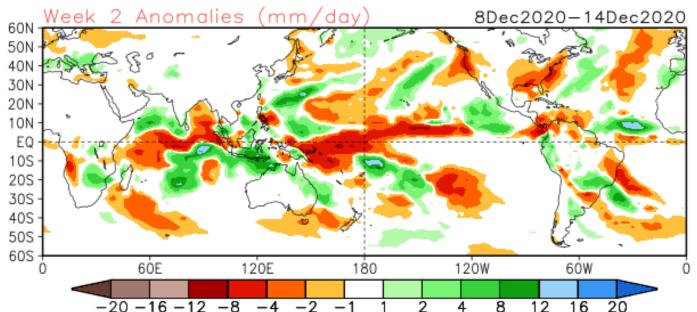
A Kelvin wave is approaching the MJO envelope (near 120 ° E), with a second Kelvin wave near 50°W.

**Equatorial Rossby wave** activity is also noted near 120 ° E.

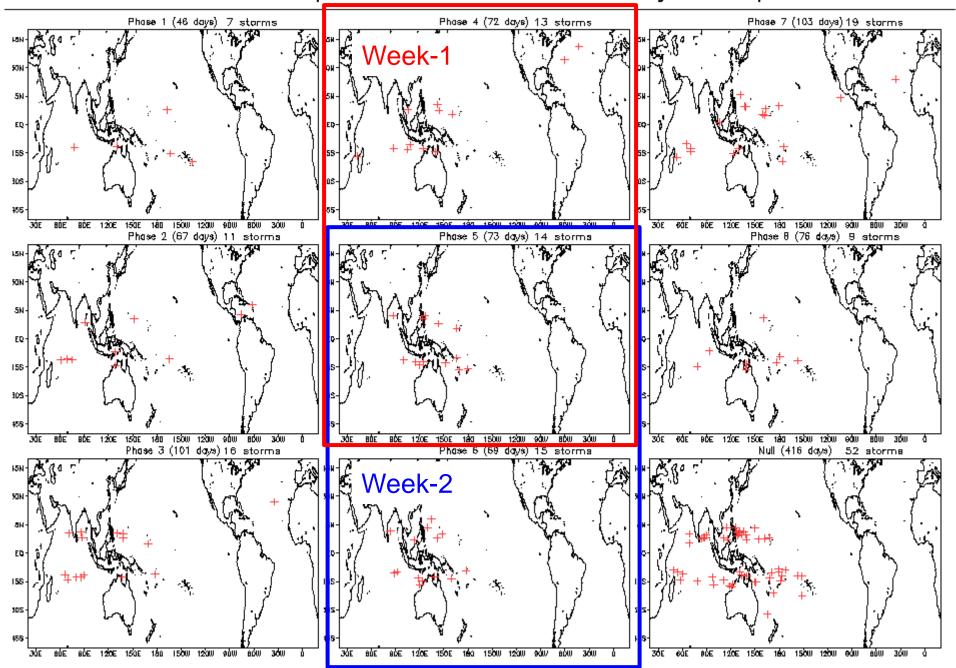


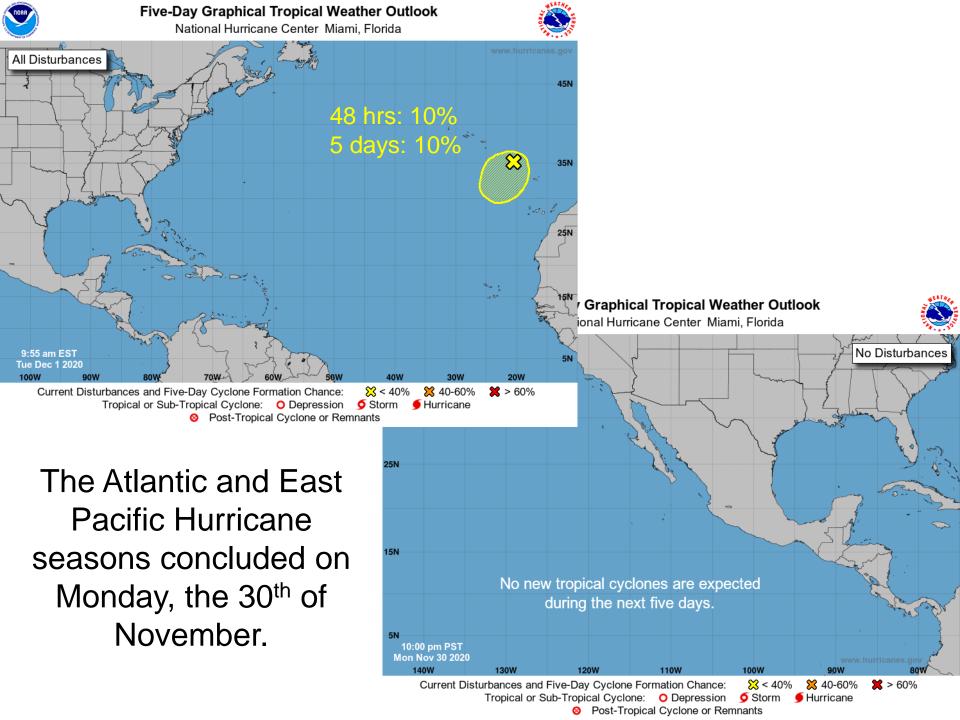
CFSv2 Weeks 1 & 2 Precipitation 16 Member Ensemble Mean Forecast from 30Nov2020





December Tropical Storm Formation by MJO phase





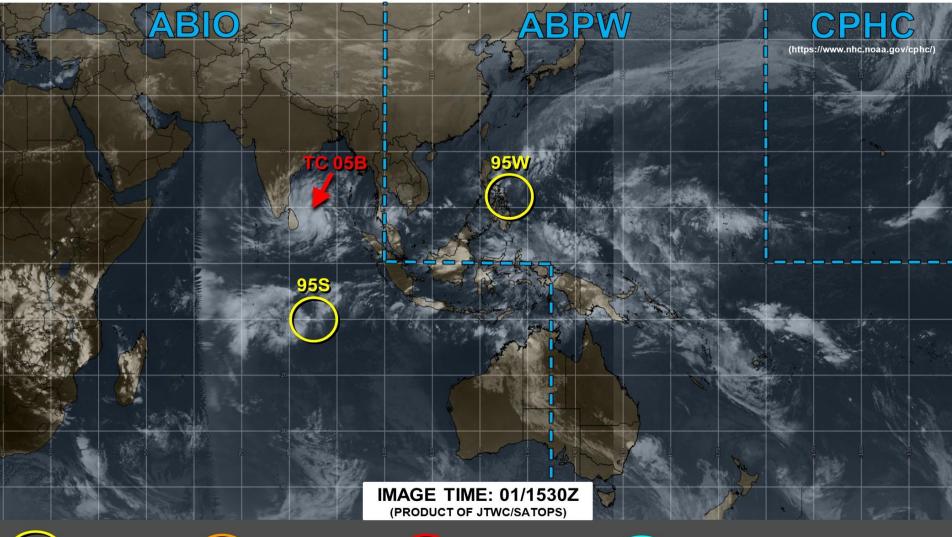


TC development unlikely within 24 hours

MEDIUM

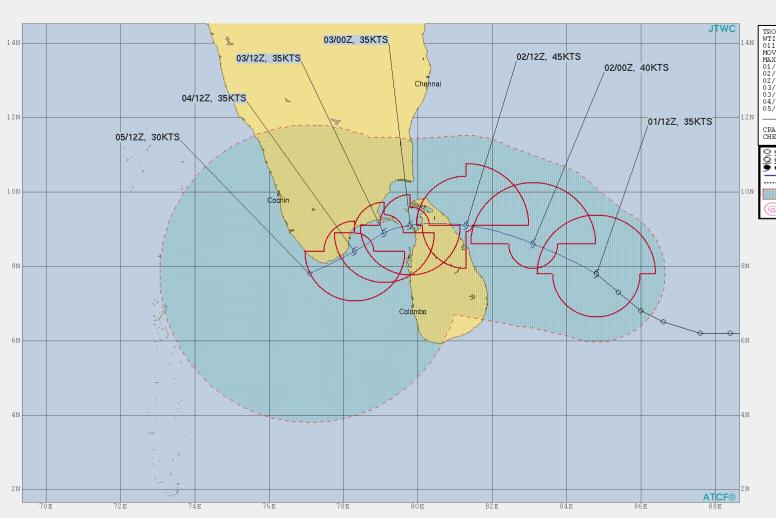
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TROPICAL

tropical transition probability



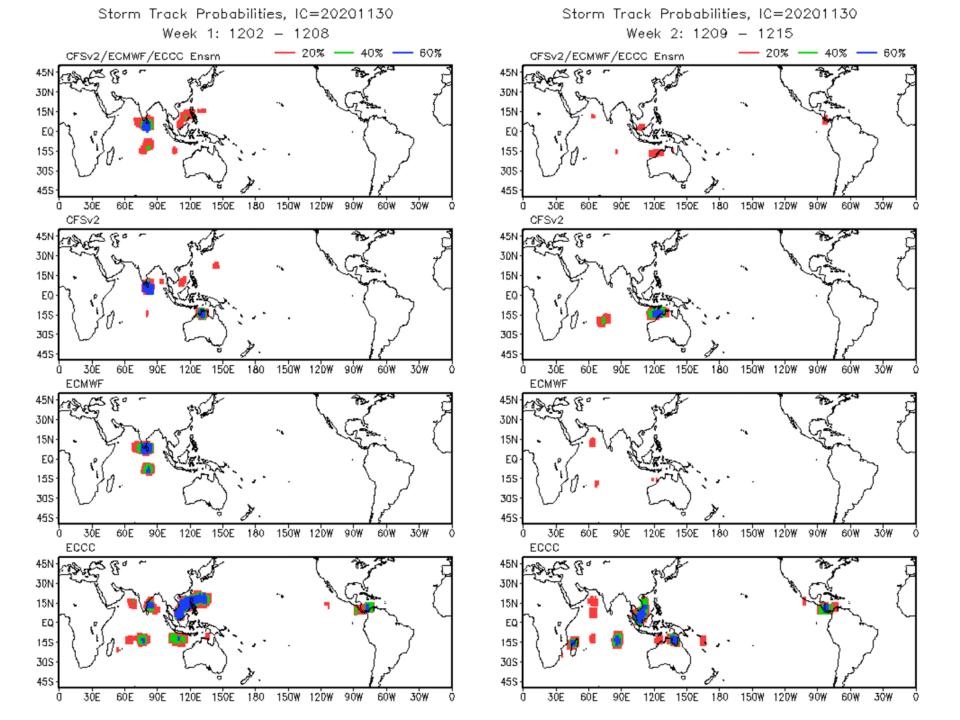
TROPICAL CYCLONE 05B (FIVE) WARNING #1
WTI031 PGTW 011500
011200Z POSIT: NEAR 7.8N 84.8E
MOVING 310 DEGREES TRUE AT 08 KNOTS
MAXIMUM SIGNIFICANT WAVE HEIGHT: 10 FEET
01/12Z, WINDS 035 KTS, GUSTS TO 045 KTS
02/00Z, WINDS 040 KTS, GUSTS TO 050 KTS
02/12Z, WINDS 045 KTS, GUSTS TO 055 KTS
03/00Z, WINDS 035 KTS, GUSTS TO 045 KTS
03/12Z, WINDS 035 KTS, GUSTS TO 045 KTS
03/12Z, WINDS 035 KTS, GUSTS TO 045 KTS
04/12Z, WINDS 035 KTS, GUSTS TO 045 KTS
05/12Z, WINDS 030 KTS, GUSTS TO 040 KTS

CPA TO: CHENNAI NM DTG 238 02/18Z

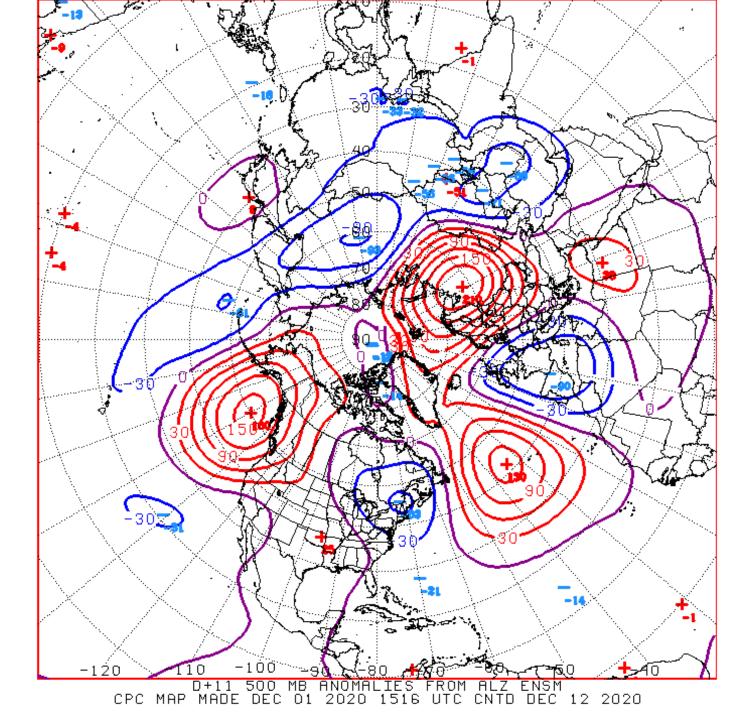
LESS THAN 34 KNOTS 34-63 KNOTS MORE THAN 63 KNOTS FORECAST CYCLONE TRACK PAST CYCLONE TRACK

DENOTES 34 KNOT WIND DANGER AREA/USN SHIP AVOIDANCE AREA FORECAST 34/50/64 KNOT WIND RADII

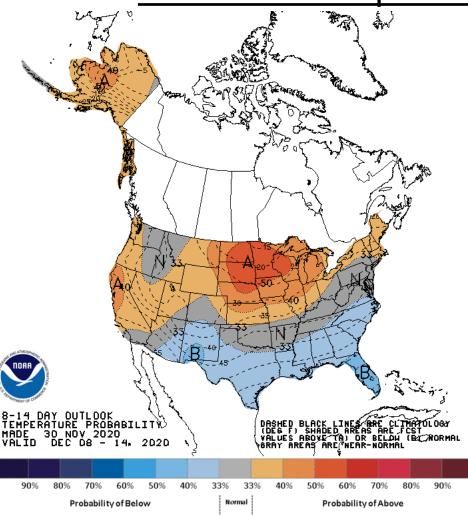
(WINDS VALID OVER OPEN OCEAN ONLY)



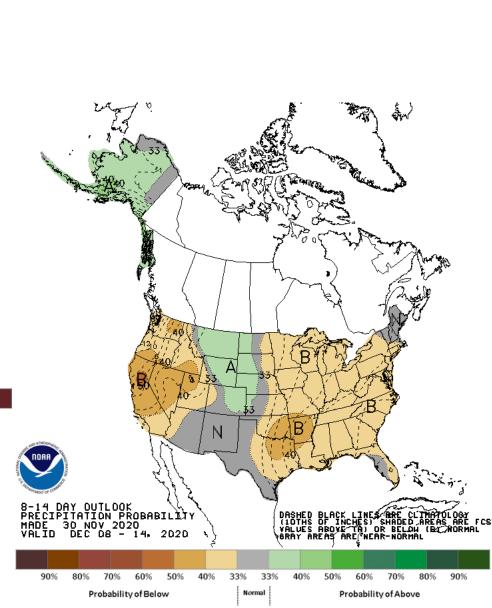
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Week 2 - Temperature and Precipitation



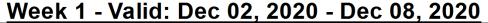
Likely to be less cool along the southern tier of the country in today's outlook.

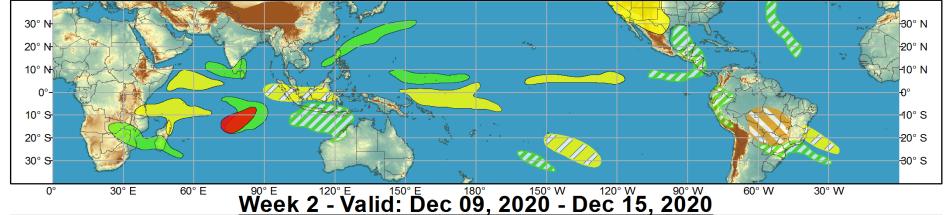


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