# Global Tropics Hazards And Benefits Outlook September 17, 2013

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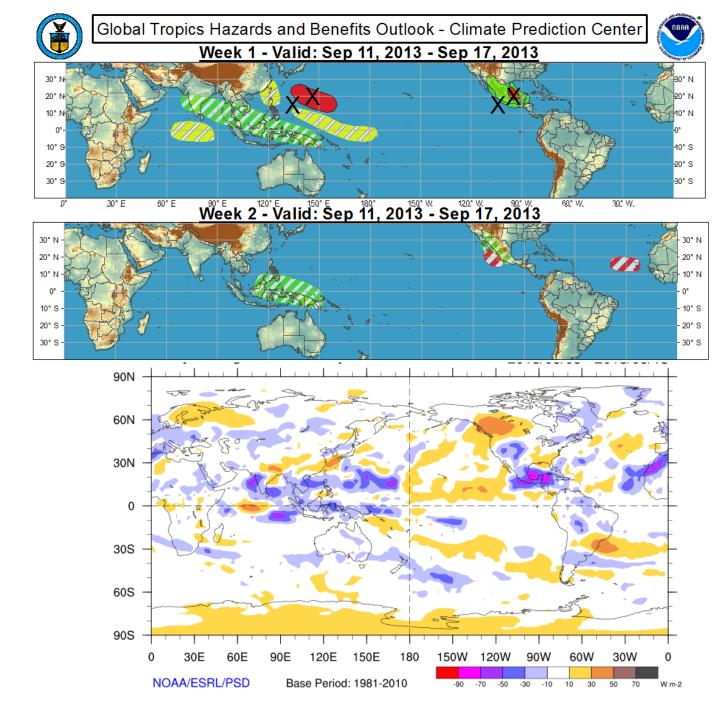
# **Outline**

- 1. Review of Recent Conditions
- 2. Synopsis of Climate Modes
- 3. GTH Outlook and Forecast Discussion

# Outlook Review

Cool shading More clouds/rain

Warm shading Less clouds/rain



# Synopsis of Climate Modes

### **ENSO:**

• ENSO-neutral conditions are favored to continue through late boreal winter 2013-2014.

### MJO and other subseasonal tropical variability:

- The MJO has remained active over the past week, propagating from the Indian Ocean to the Maritime Continent.
- Model MJO index forecasts indicate a slowly propagating MJO from Phase 5 to Phase 6 of the Wheeler and Hendon phase diagram.

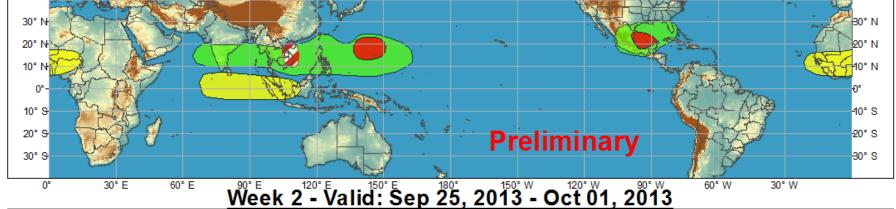
### **Tropics**:

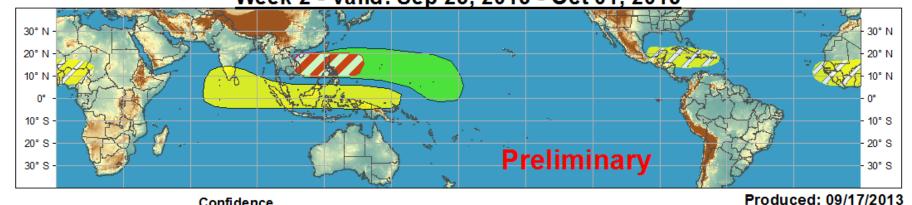
- Elevated odds for TC development in the western North Pacific during the next two weeks, including parts of the South China Sea. Development in this region is supported by the large-scale MJO signal.
- Moderate-to-high chances for TC development in the southern Gulf of Mexico during Week-1.
- •The MJO supports suppressed activity across the Atlantic Basin over the next two weeks.

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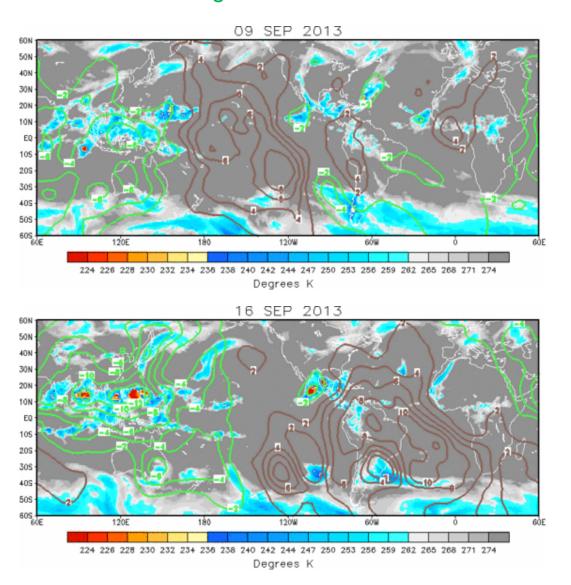






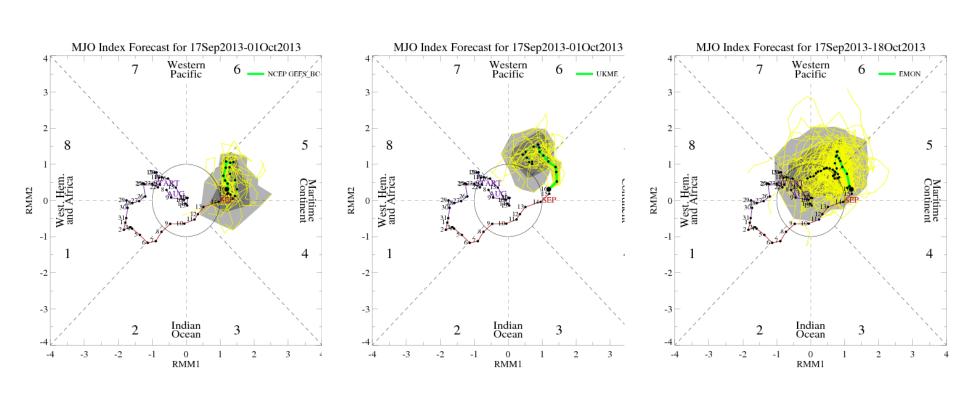
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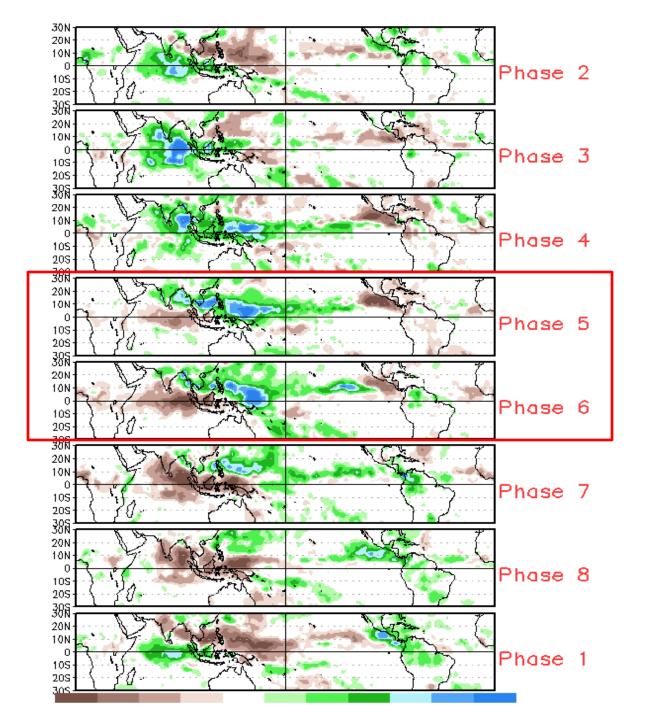
Green: Enhanced Divergence Brown: Enhanced Convergence



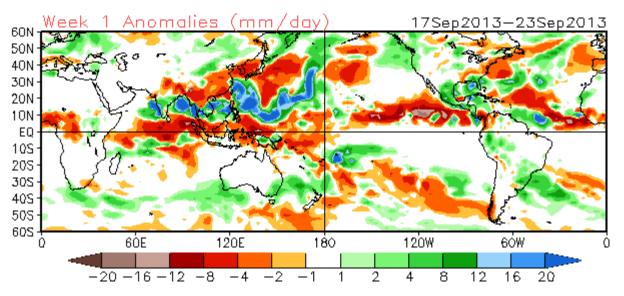
# MJO Observation/Forecast

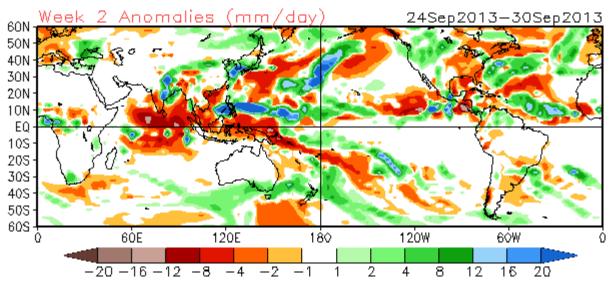
GFS UKMET ECMWF

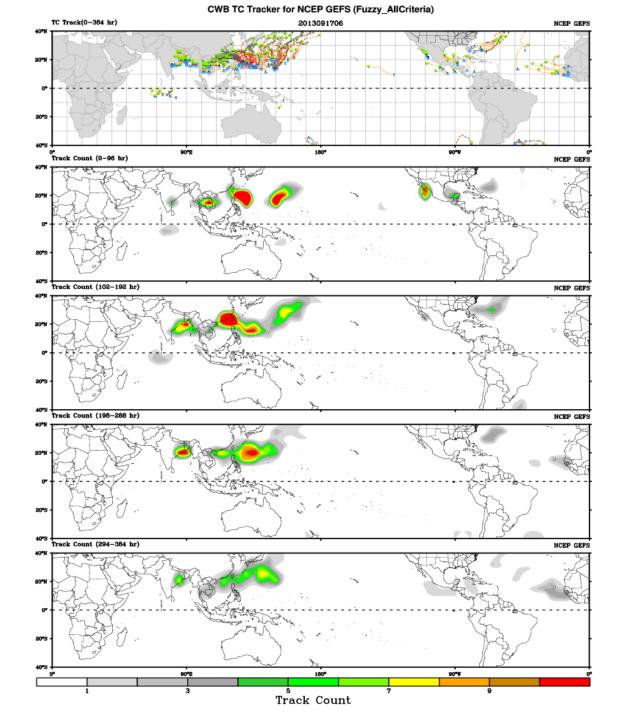




CFSv2 Weeks 1 & 2 Precipitation 16 Member Ensemble Mean Forecast from 16Sep2013





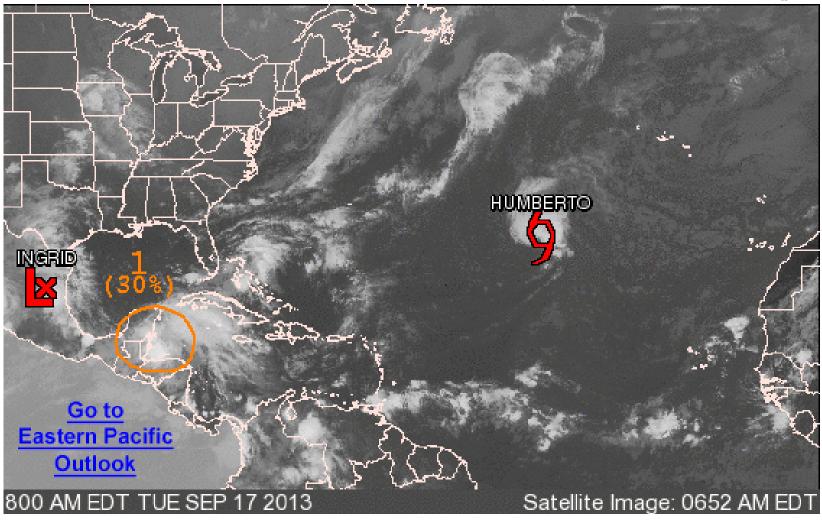




# **Graphical Tropical Weather Outlook**



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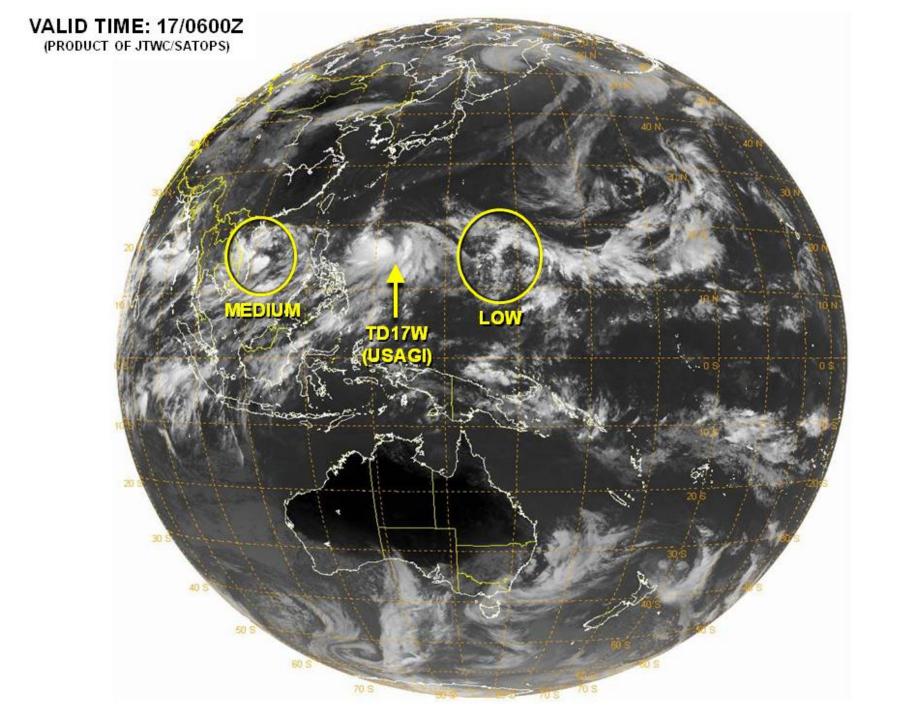


Outlined areas denote current position of systems discussed in the Tropical Weather Outlook. Color indicates probability of tropical cyclone formation within 48 hours.

Low <30%

Medium 30-50%

High >50%



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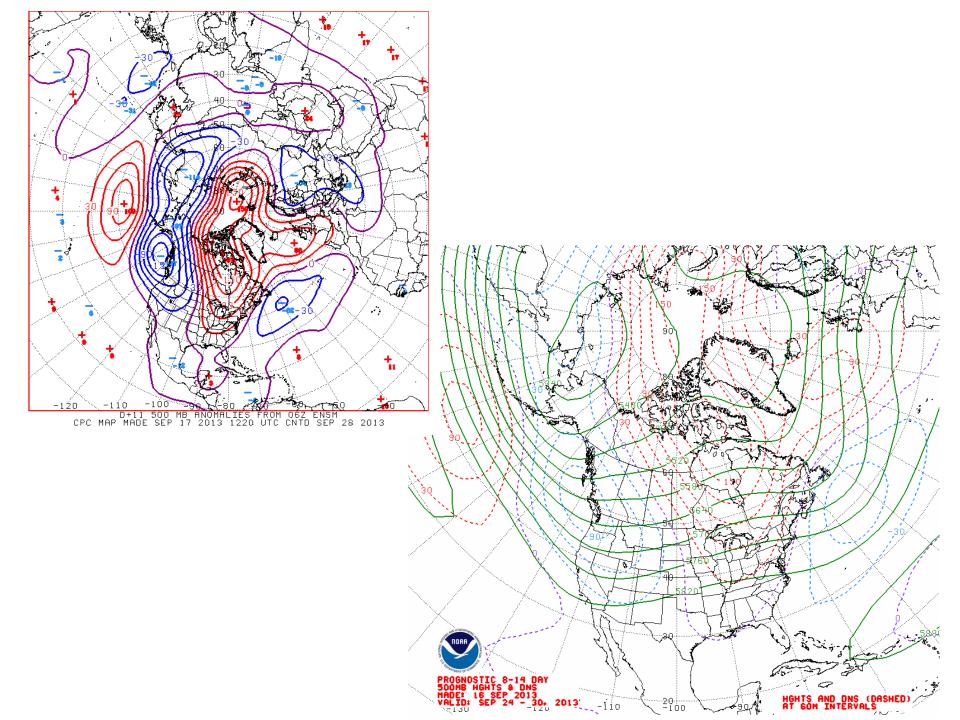
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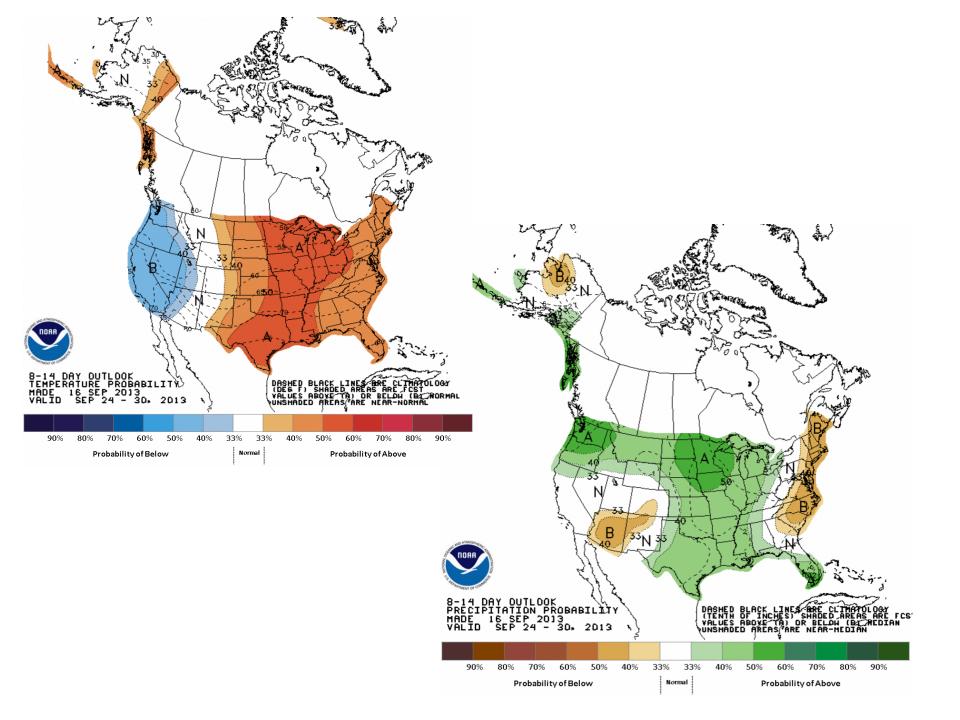
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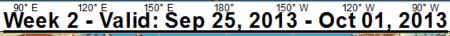
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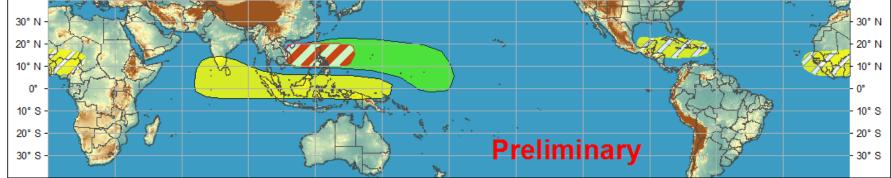
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Week 1 - Valid: Sep 18, 2013 - Sep 24, 2013







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