Global Tropics Hazards And Benefits Outlook October 8, 2013

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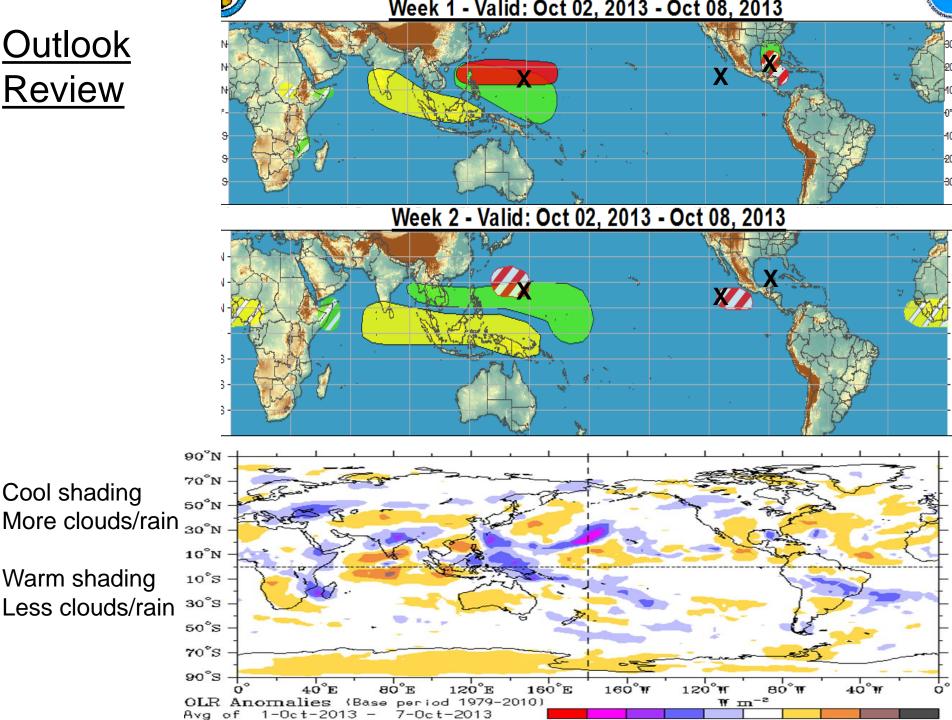
<u>Outline</u>

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

Outlook Review

Cool shading

Warm shading



Synopsis of Climate Modes

ENSO:

• ENSO-neutral is favored through the Northern Hemisphere winter 2013-14.

MJO and other subseasonal tropical variability:

- The MJO remained active over the past week, although some observational indicators are less coherent than in previous weeks as other subseasonal variability are playing a large role in the pattern of anomalous tropical convection. The MJO enhanced phase is centered over the western Pacific
- Dynamical model MJO index forecasts generally support continued eastward propagation, though at the slower end of the spectrum. The statistical tools also support continued MJO activity, although those reflect a weaker signal and faster propagation.

Extratropics:

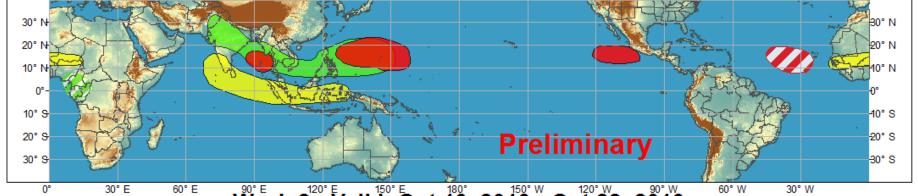
• The extended range forecast for temperatures aligns somewhat with the projected phases of the MJO. Connections to precipitation patterns are less robust during this time of year.



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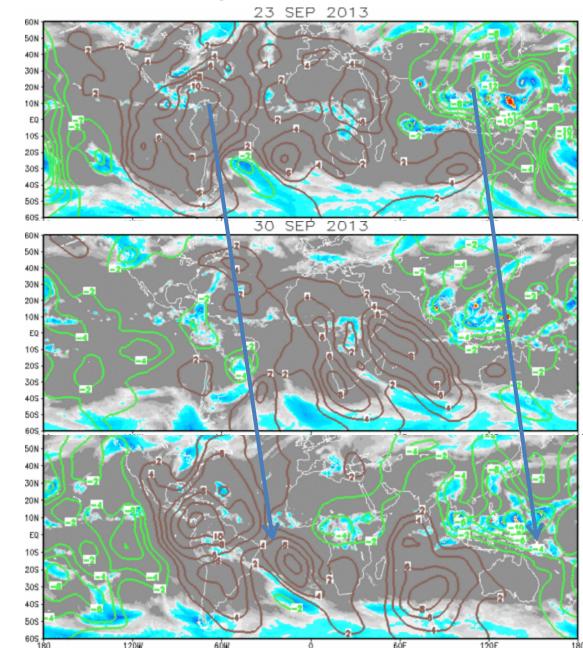


IR Satellite & 200-hpa Velocity Potential Anomalies

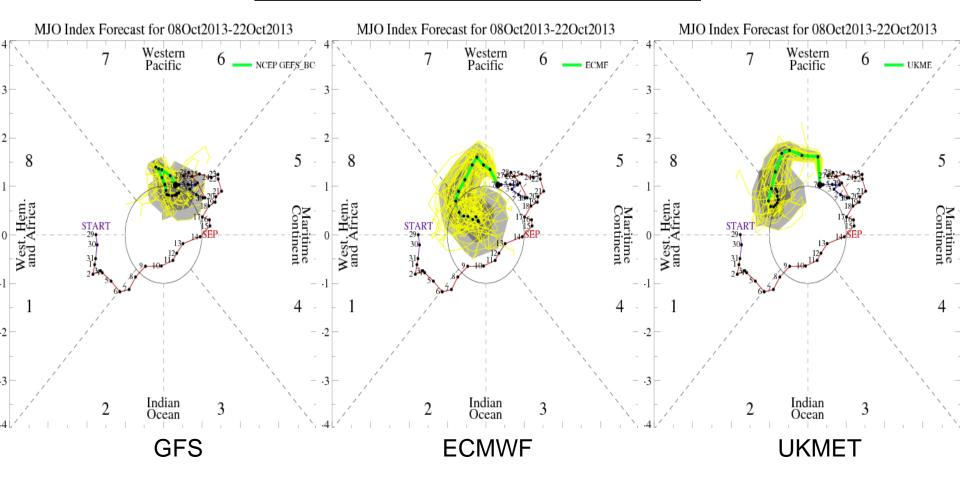
Green: Enhanced Divergence Brown: Enhanced Convergence

Nearly vertical arrows = Slow propagation.

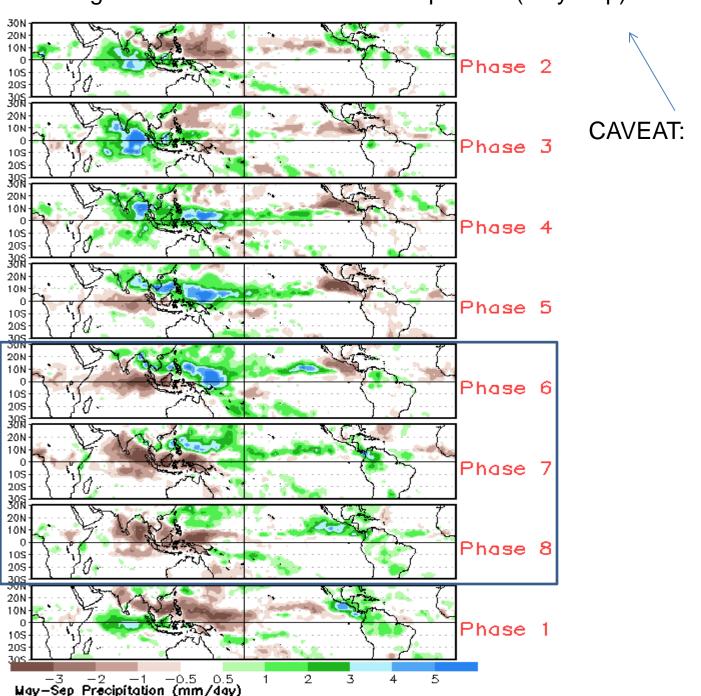
Evidence of other modes



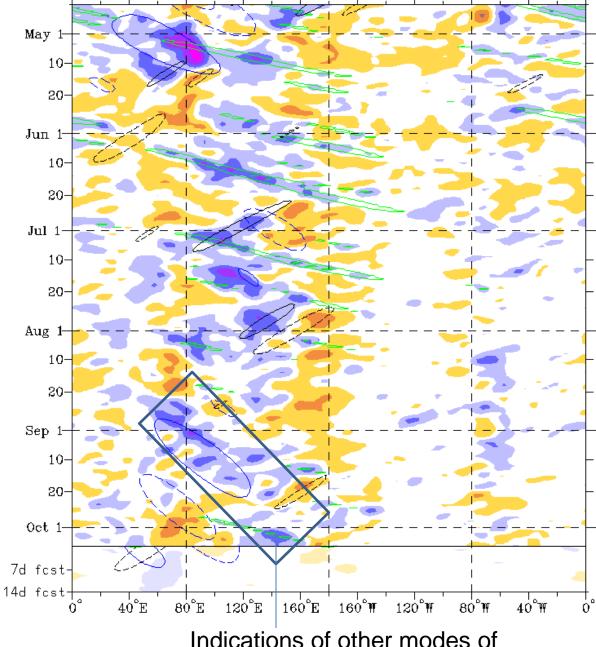
MJO Observation/Forecast



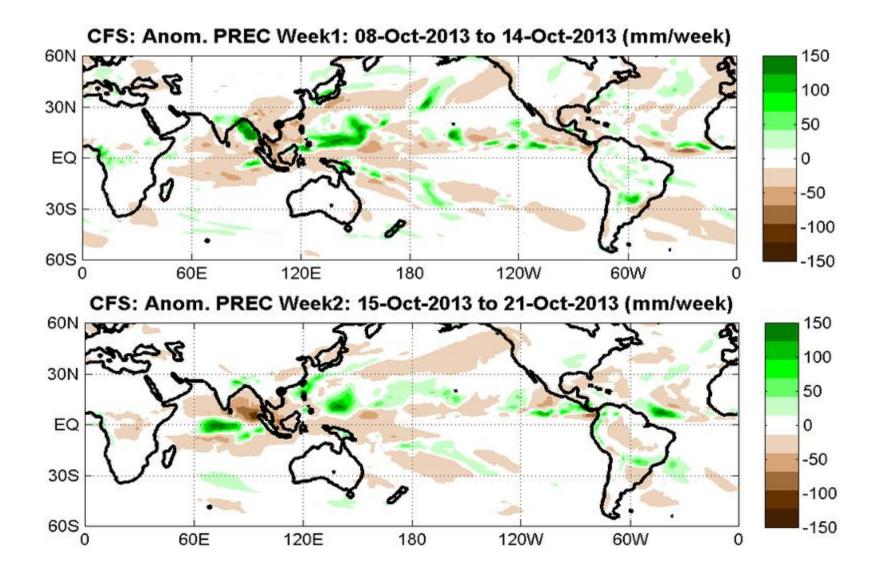
Average Conditions when the MJO is present (May-Sep)

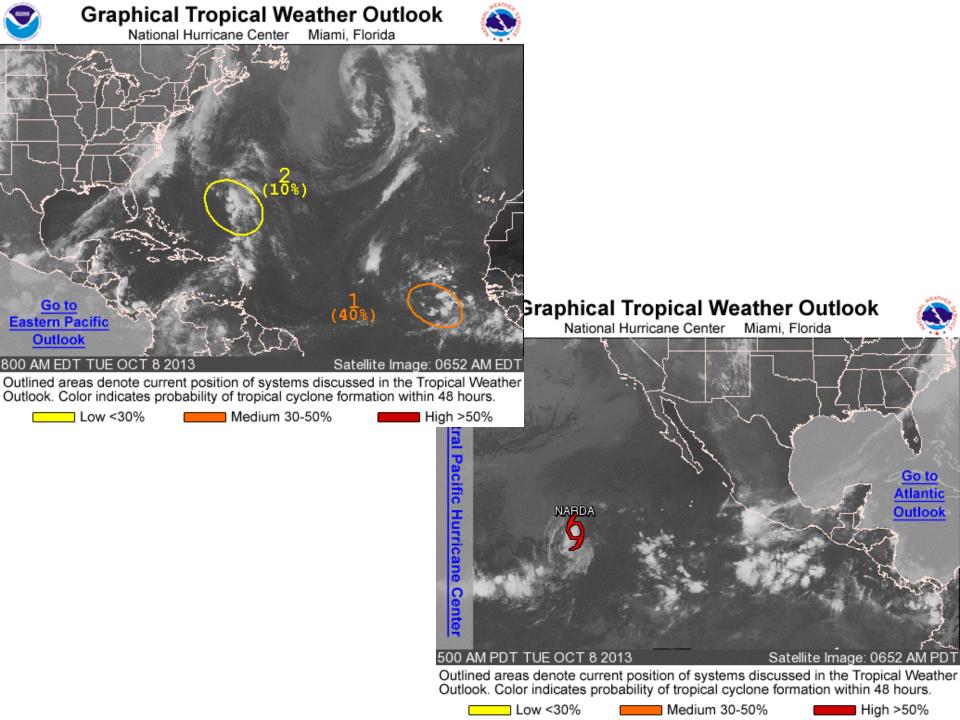


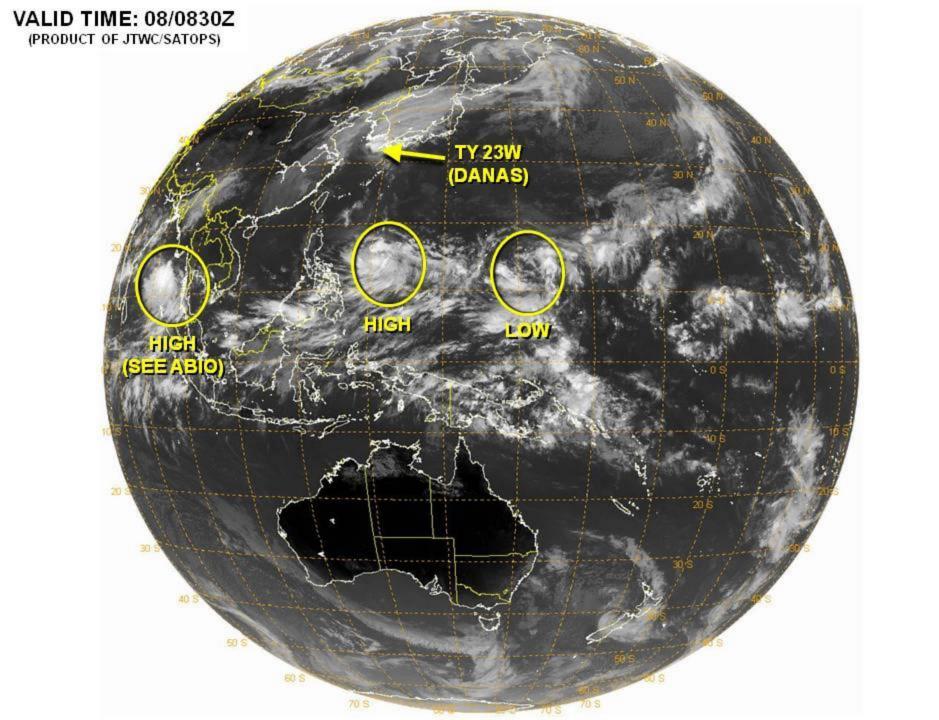
Active phase of the MJO forecast to impact western North Pacific.



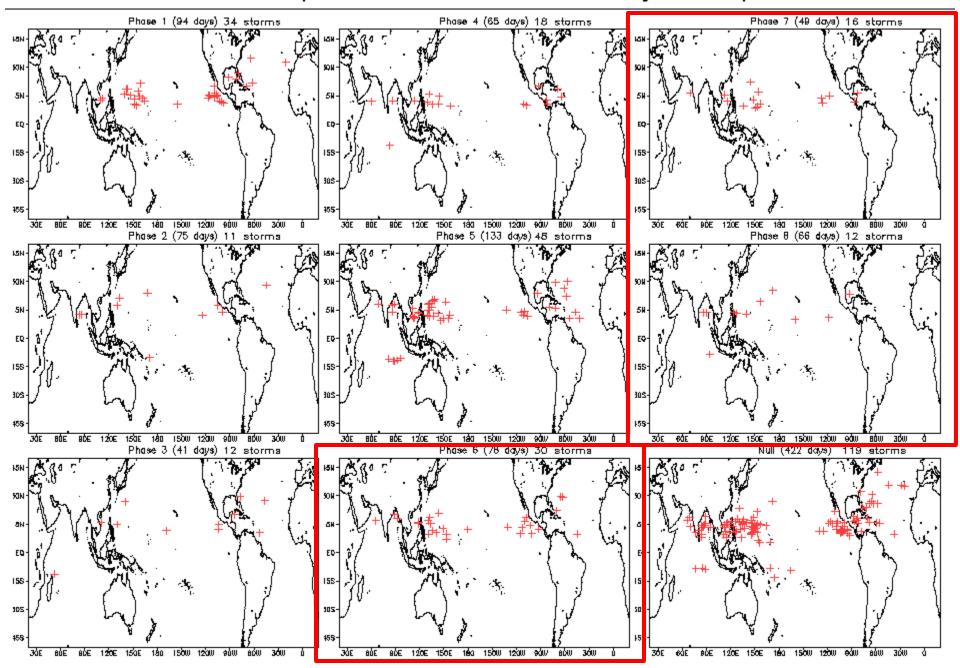
Indications of other modes of variability, including mid-latitude influence near the Date Line.

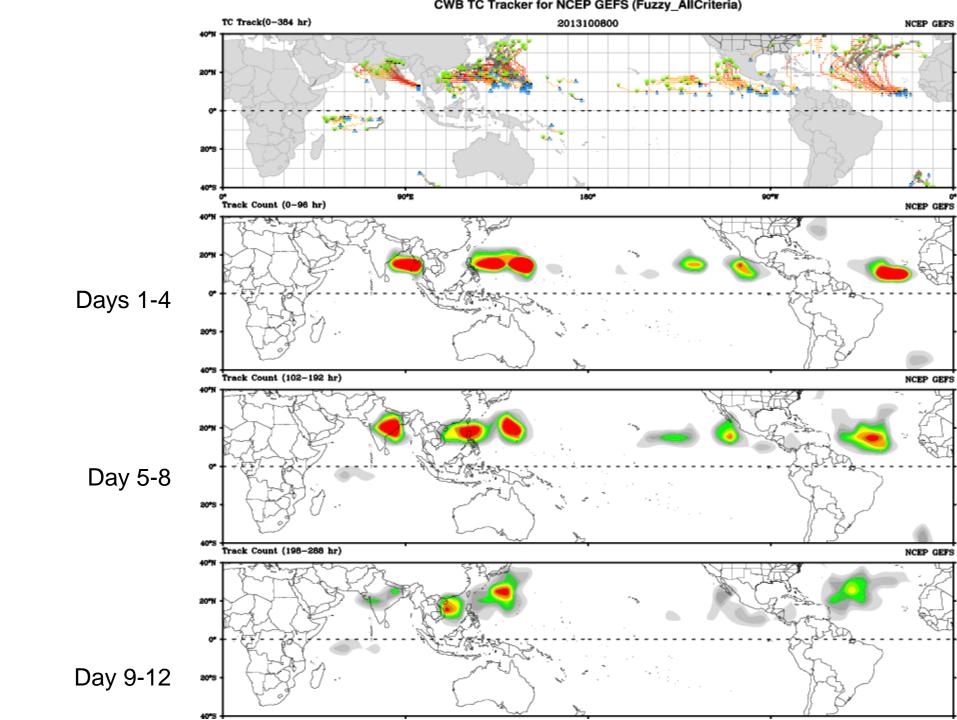


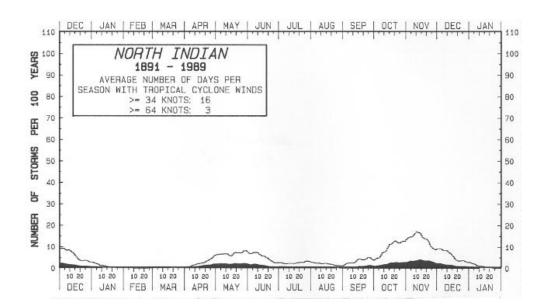


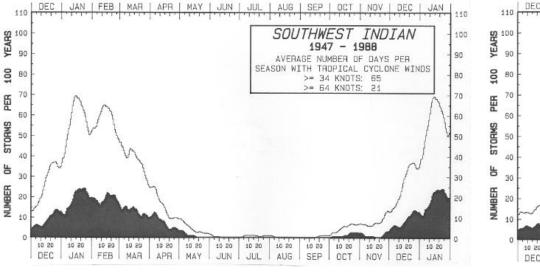


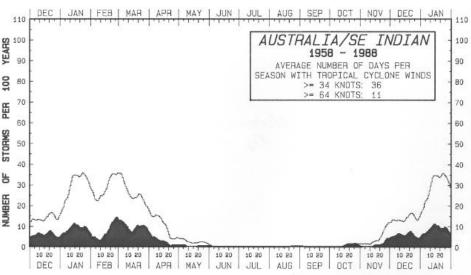
October Tropical Storm Formation by MJO phase





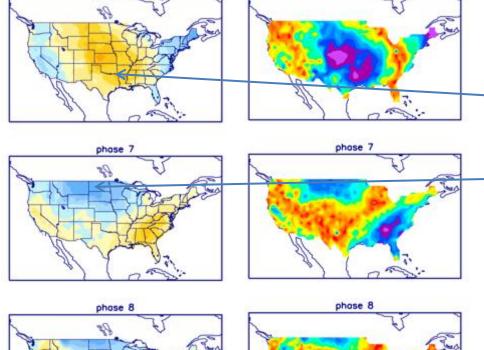




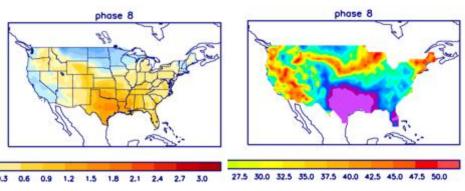


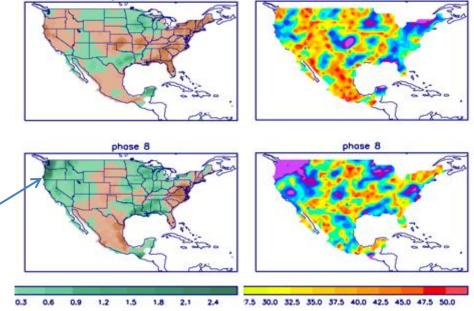
Connections to U.S. Impacts

US Composites based on MJO Phase

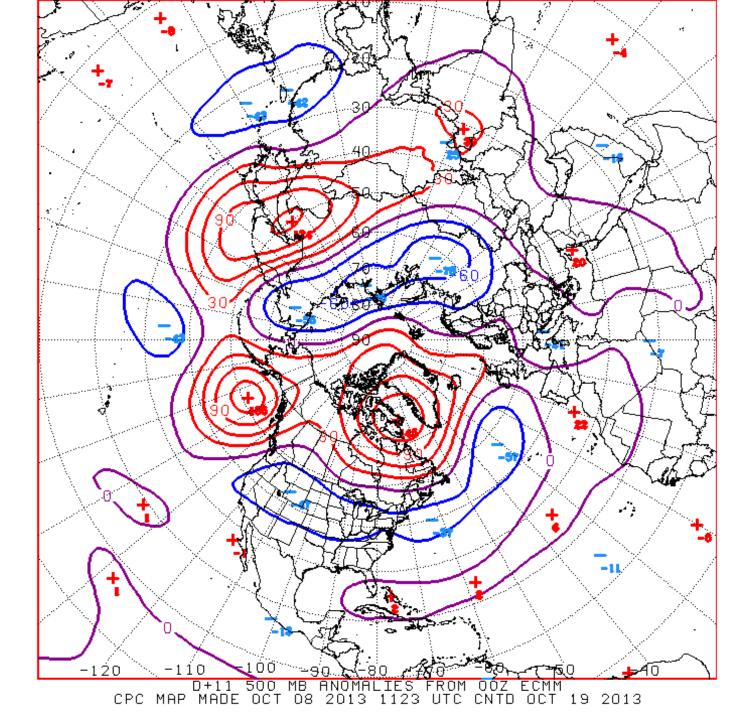


Indicated warmer conditions shifting across the CONUS, to the southeast and potentially cooler across northern Great Plains.

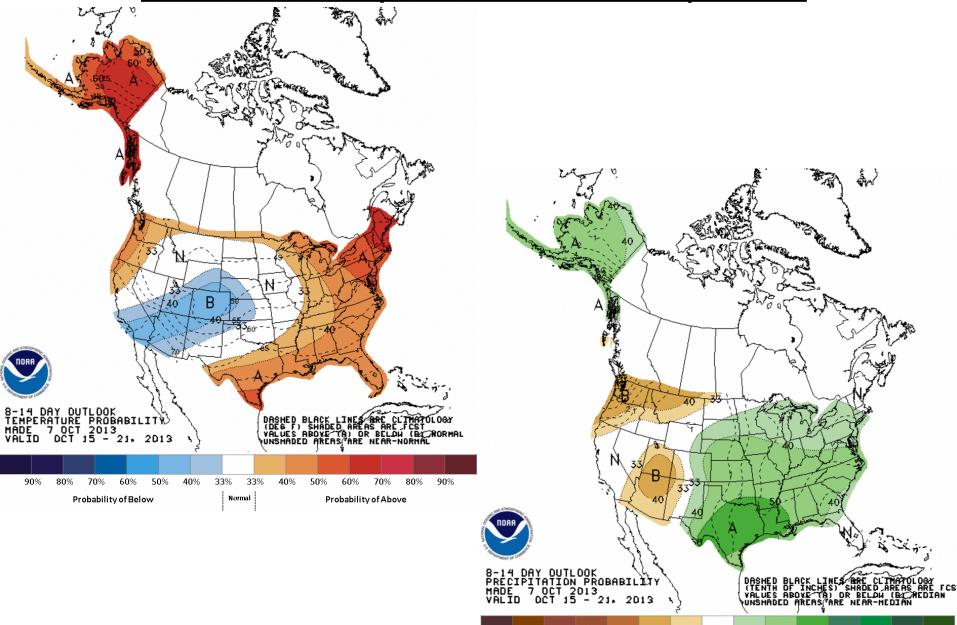




Precipitation signal is less robust, although some indications for week 3 for wetness into the PacNorWest.



Week 2 - Temperature and Precipitation



70%

Probability of Below

33%

Normal

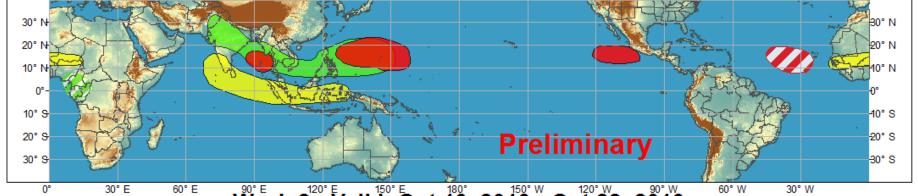
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