Global Tropics Hazards And Benefits Outlook April 8, 2014

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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

Week 1 - Valid: Apr 02, 2014 - Apr 08, 2014 Outlook 30° № 30° N 20° № -20° N Review 10° № 10° N 10° S 10° S 20° S -20° S 30° S 30° S Week 2 - Valid: Apr 02, 2014 - Apr 08, 2014 30° E 60° E 30° W 30° N 20° N 20° N 10° N 10° N 10° S 10° S 20° S 20° S - 30° S 30° S 7-Day Average OLR Anomaly 2014/03/31 - 2014/04/06 Cool shading More clouds/rain Warm shading Less clouds/rain

Synopsis of Climate Modes

ENSO:

- ENSO-neutral is expected to continue through the Northern Hemisphere spring 2014, with about a 50% chance of El Niño developing during the summer or fall.
- •ENSO Alert System Status: El Niño Watch

MJO and other subseasonal tropical variability:

- The MJO became more coherent during the past week, with recent observations and MJO indices indicating that the enhanced convective phase is located over the eastern Indian Ocean and Maritime Continent.
- Other modes of coherent tropical subseasonal variability continue to strongly influence the pattern and are currently interfering constructively with the MJO signal.
- Dynamical model MJO index forecasts support continued eastward propagation during Week-1, with greater uncertainty regarding MJO evolution during Week-2.

Extratropics:

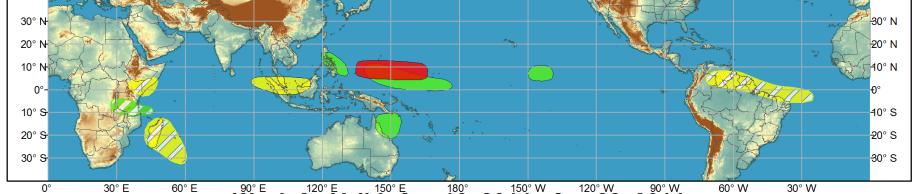
• The current and forecasted extended range pattern over North America aligns well with composites of the current MJO state, with troughing over the eastern U.S. and ridging over Alaska. Lagged composites of Phase-3 and 4 MJO events indicate a potential for ridging over eastern North America during late April (beyond Week-2). Connections are weaker in Spring than in Winter.



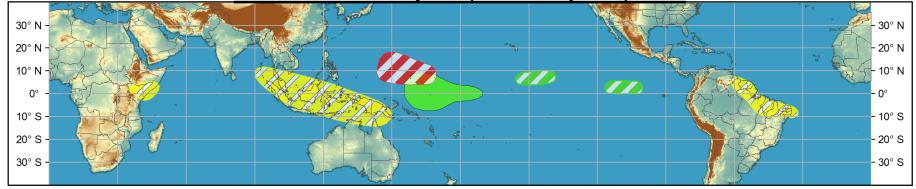
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Week 2 - Valid: Apr 16, 2014 - Apr 22, 2014



Confidence High Moderate Produced: 04/08/2014

Forecaster: Allgood

Tropical Cyclone Formation Development of a tropical cyclone that eventually reaches tropical storm/cyclone strength. Above-average rainfall

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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Below-average rainfall

Above-normal temperatures

Below-normal temperatures

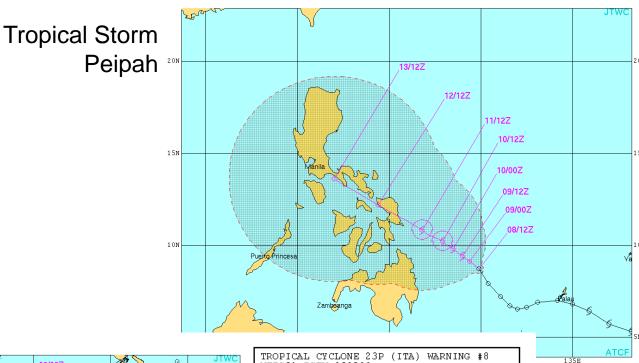




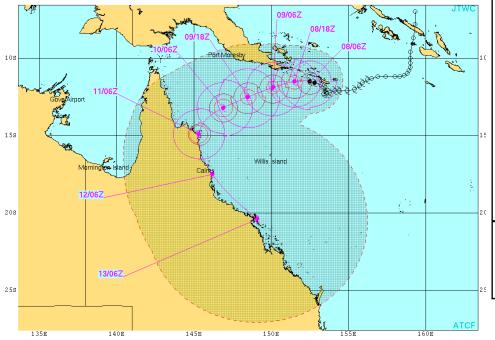












TROPICAL CYCLONE 23P (ITA) WARNING #8
WTPS31 PGTW 080900
0806002 POSIT: NEAR 11.5S 152.5E
MOVING 290 DEGREES TRUE AT 03 KNOTS
MAXIMUM SIGNIFICANT WAVE HEIGHT: 23 FEET
08/06Z, WINDS 065 KTS, GUSTS TO 080 KTS
08/18Z, WINDS 075 KTS, GUSTS TO 090 KTS
09/06Z, WINDS 085 KTS, GUSTS TO 105 KTS
09/18Z, WINDS 095 KTS, GUSTS TO 115 KTS
10/06Z, WINDS 105 KTS, GUSTS TO 130 KTS
11/06Z, WINDS 105 KTS, GUSTS TO 125 KTS
12/06Z, WINDS 100 KTS, GUSTS TO 125 KTS
12/06Z, WINDS 080 KTS, GUSTS TO 100 KTS
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CPA TO:
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o Less than 34 knots

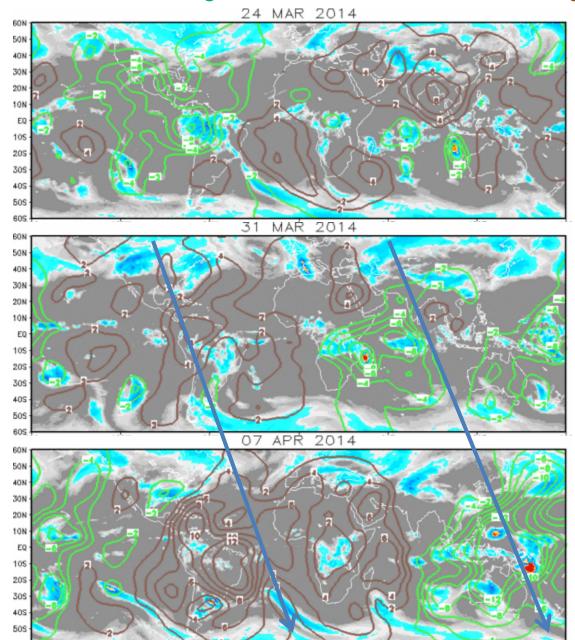
Ò 34-63 KNOTS È MORE THAN 63 KNOTS

PAST 6 HOURLY CYCLONE POSITS IN BLACK FORECAST CYCLONE POSITS IN COLOR



IR Satellite & 200-hpa Velocity Potential Anomalies

Green: Enhanced Divergence Brown: Enhanced Convergence

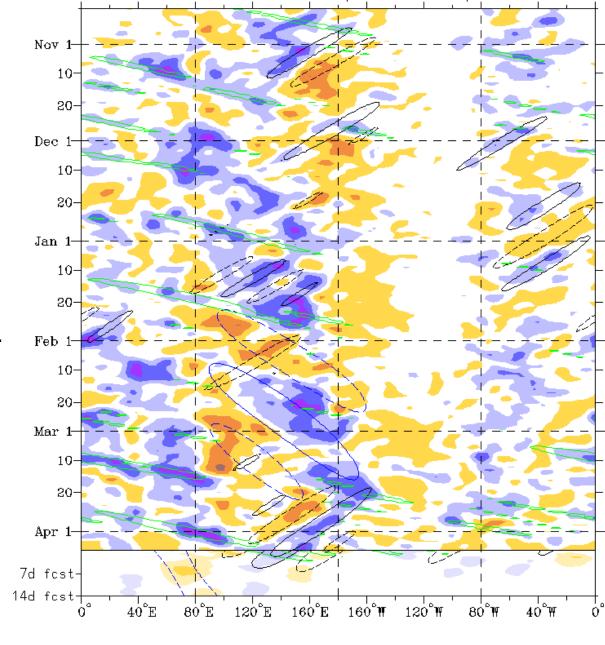


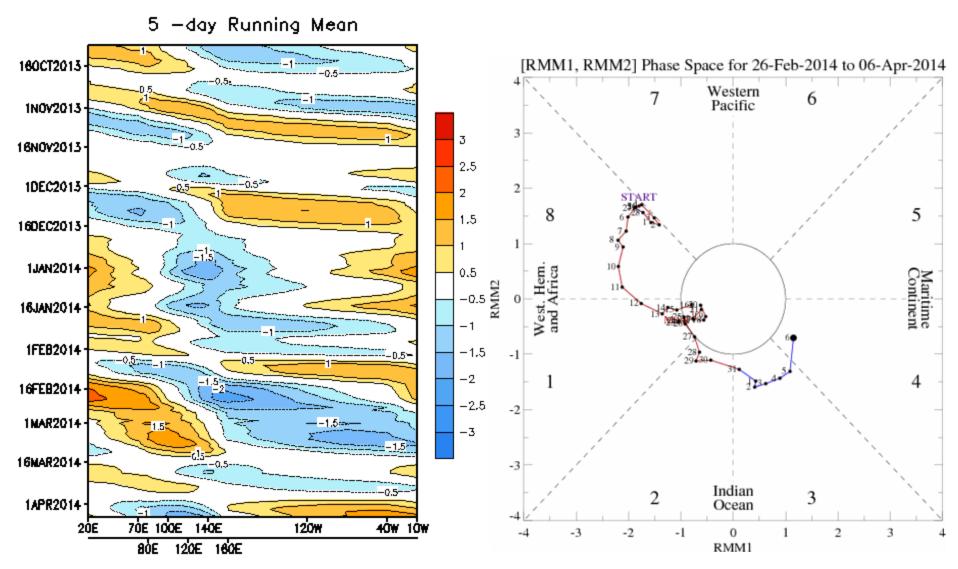
The velocity potential pattern has become more coherent during April

Several Kelvin Waves moved across the Indian Ocean during March and early April (convection fizzles over the Maritime Continent).

Equatorial Rossby Wave is evident over the western Pacific.

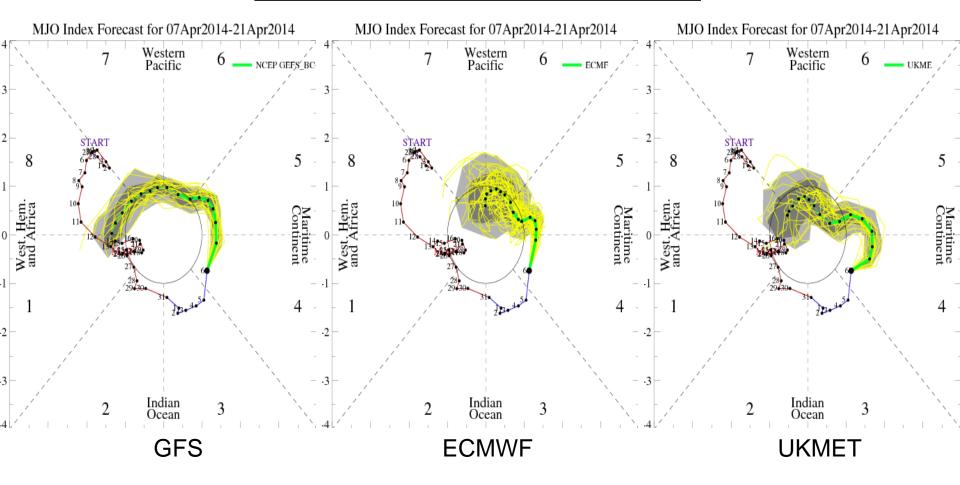
Constructive interference between these signals is resulting in a more coherent MJO-type pattern.





Data updated through 08 Apr 2014

MJO Observation/Forecast

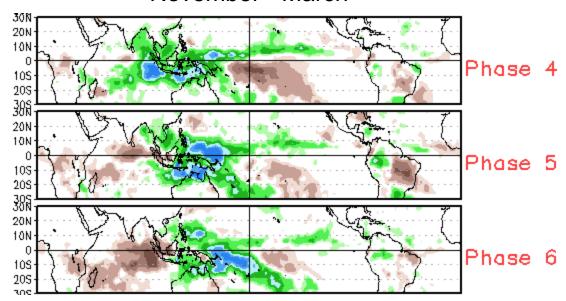


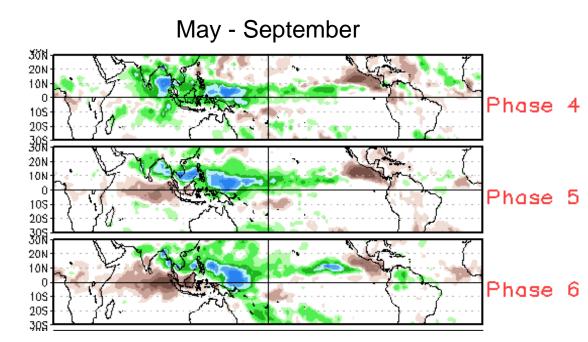
The GFS propagates the MJO signal rapidly across the MT (picking up on KW?)

The European and UkMet models depict a weaker signal during Week-2, with enhanced convection over the Pacific.

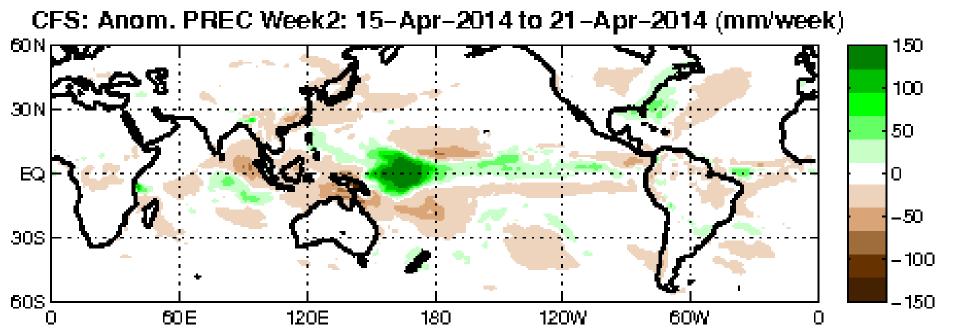
Average Conditions when the MJO is present

November - March

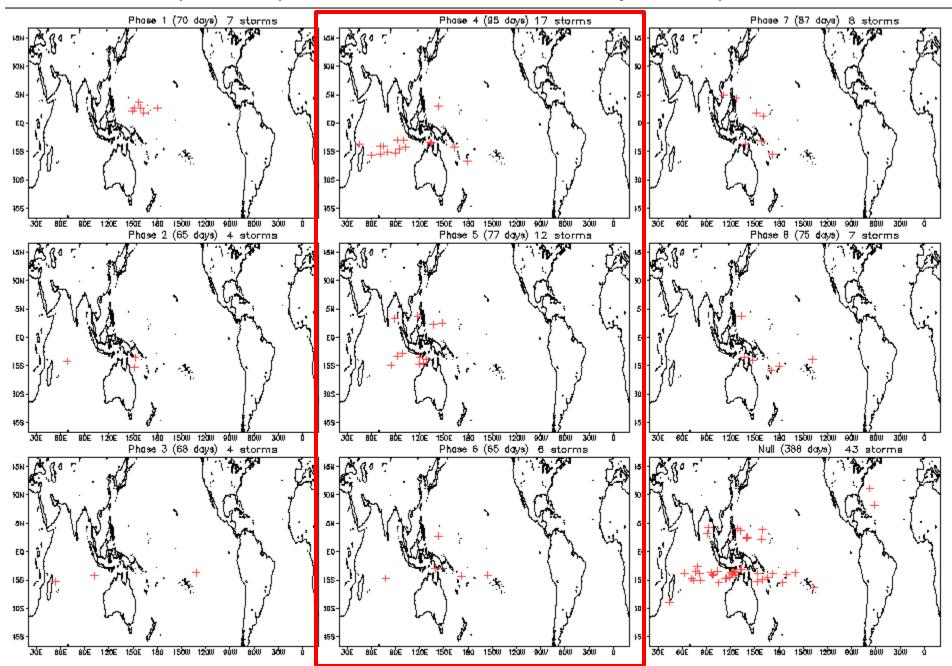


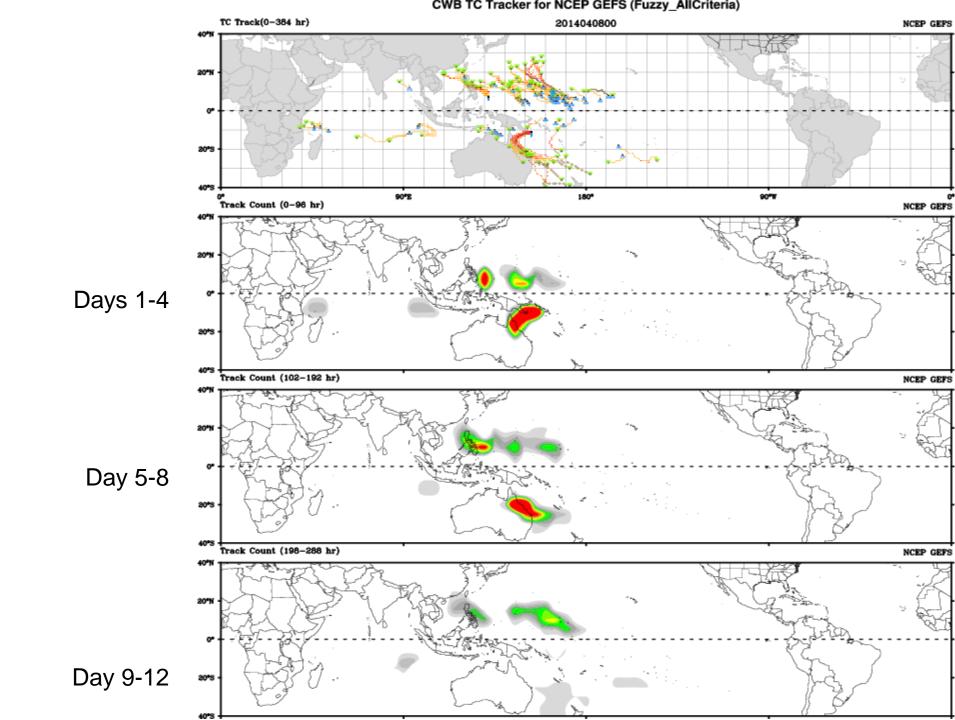


CFS: Anom. PREC Week1: 08-Apr-2014 to 14-Apr-2014 (mm/week). 60 N F 150 100 30 N 50 EQ -5030S -100 60S -15060 E 120E 180 120W 60W

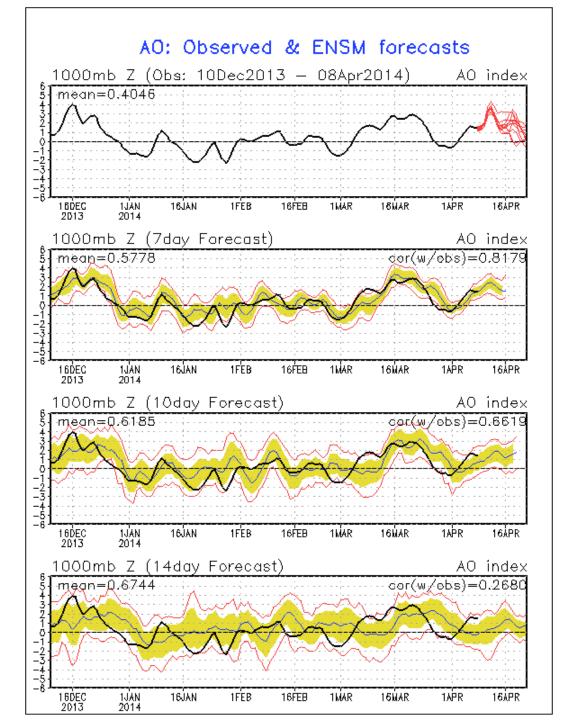


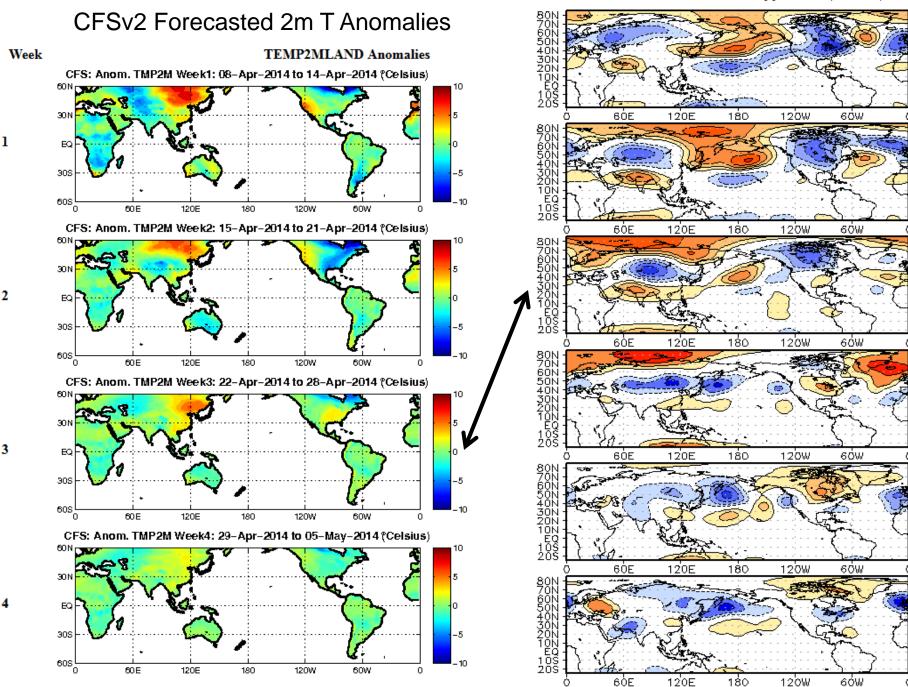
April Tropical Storm Formation by MJO phase

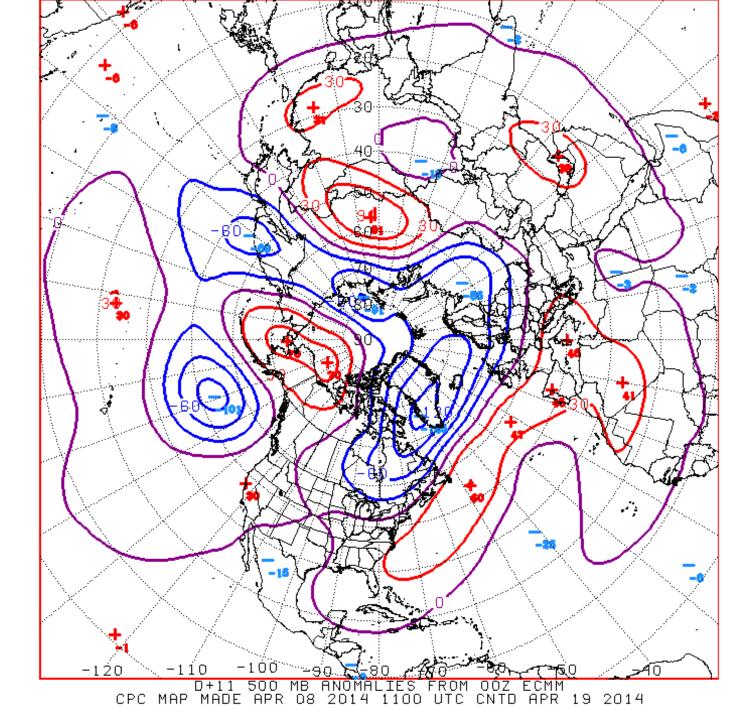




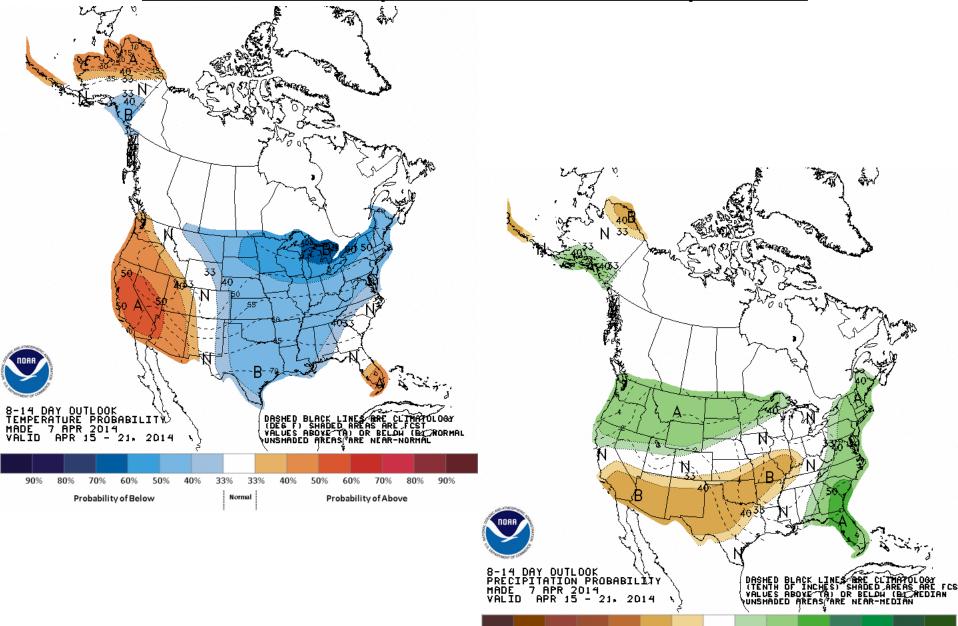
Connections to U.S. Impacts







Week 2 - Temperature and Precipitation



70%

Probability of Below

33%

Normal

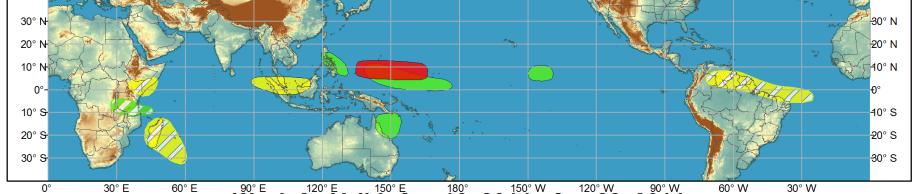
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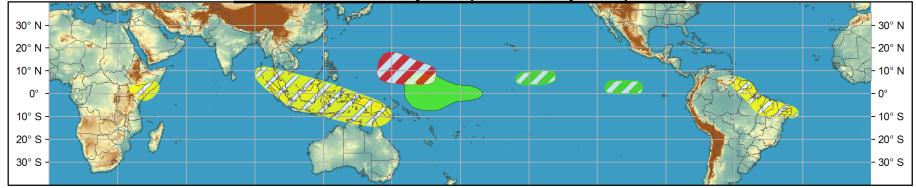
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