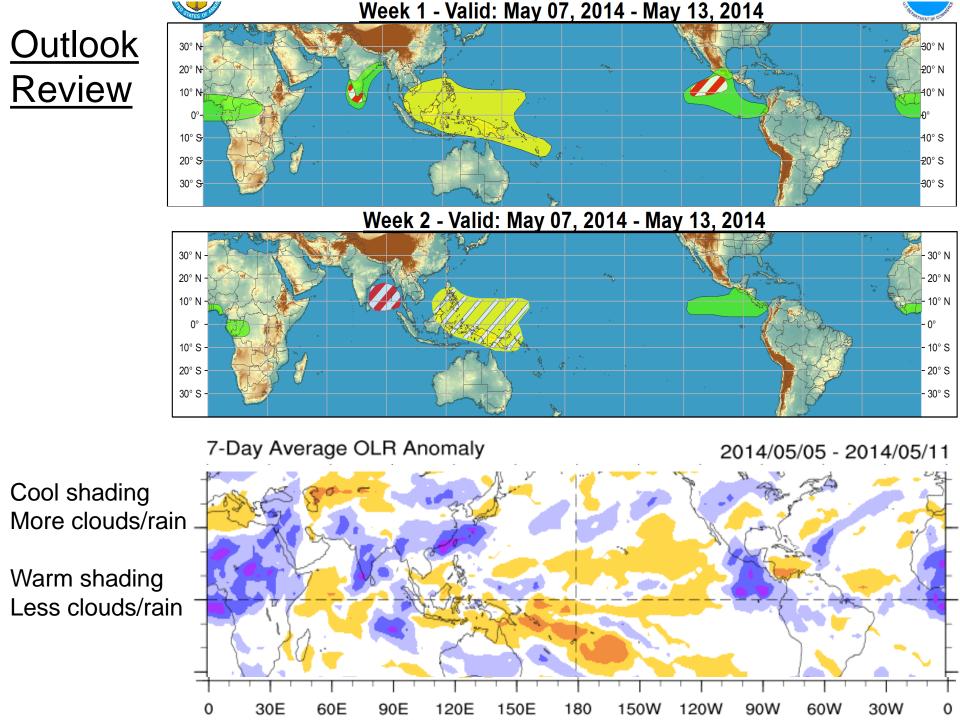
# Global Tropics Hazards And Benefits Outlook May 13, 2013

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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



# Synopsis of Climate Modes

#### **ENSO**:

• Chance of El Niño increases during the remainder of the year, exceeding 65% during summer.

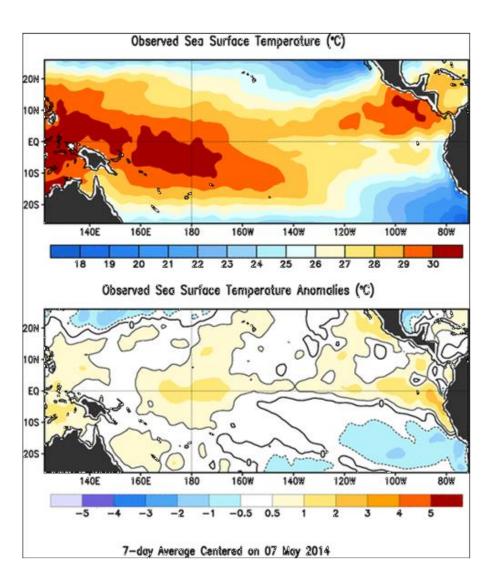
#### MJO and other subseasonal tropical variability:

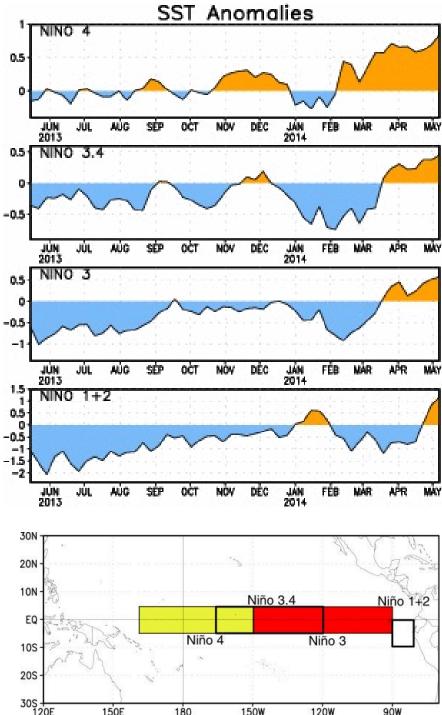
- The MJO remained active during the past two weeks, with the enhanced phase currently propagating over Africa.
- A Kelvin Wave propagating ahead of the main MJO envelope over the Maritime Continent has made some indicators less coherent during the past several days.
- Dynamical model MJO forecasts present varying solutions as the MJO enhanced phase interacts with the slowly evolving base state towards potential El Niño conditions that favors suppressed convection over the Indian Ocean and Maritime Continent. Statistical models support continued MJO activity.

#### **Extratropics:**

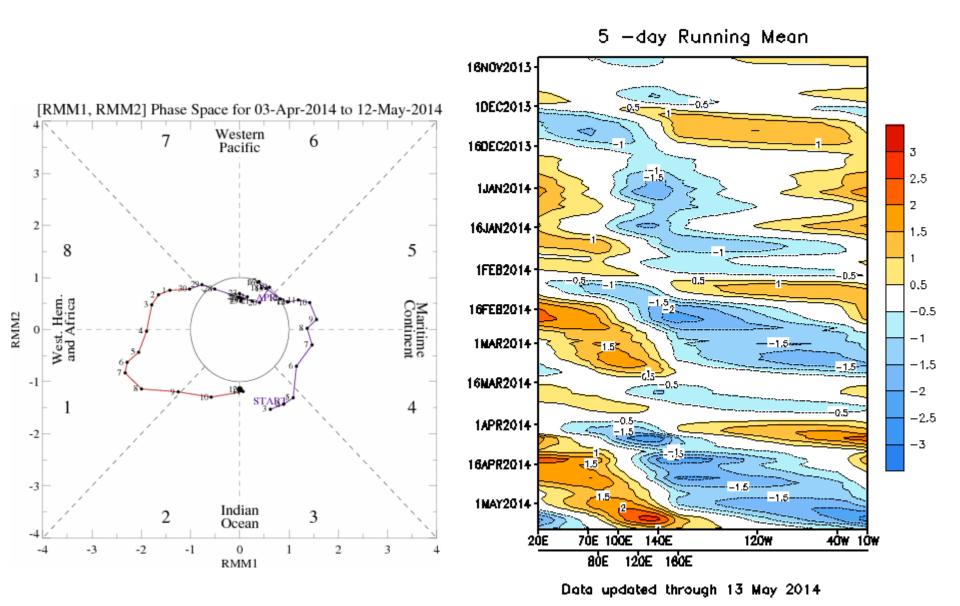
• It is challenging to discern extratropical impacts from the MJO during the Spring season; however, an MJO enhanced phase departing the Western Hemisphere is associated with enhanced precipitation over the Gulf Coast states, and lagged composites support the eastward progression of a trough over the CONUS.

#### SSTs are increasing over the equatorial Pacific





## **MJO Indices**





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**Above-normal temperatures** 









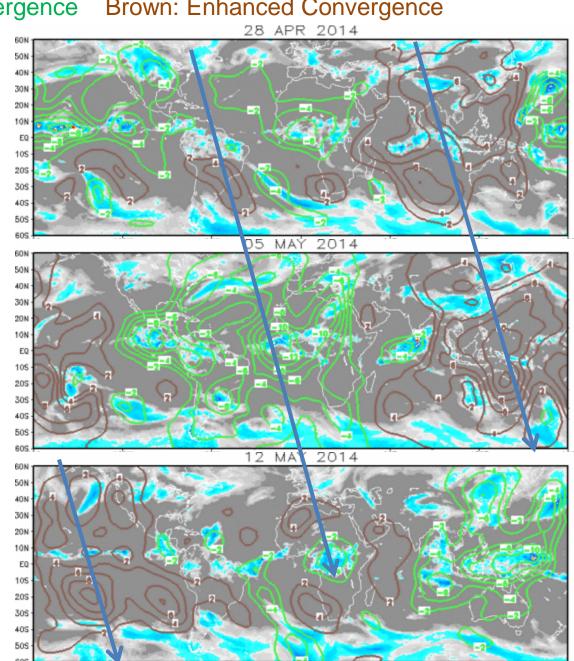


#### IR Satellite & 200-hpa Velocity Potential Anomalies

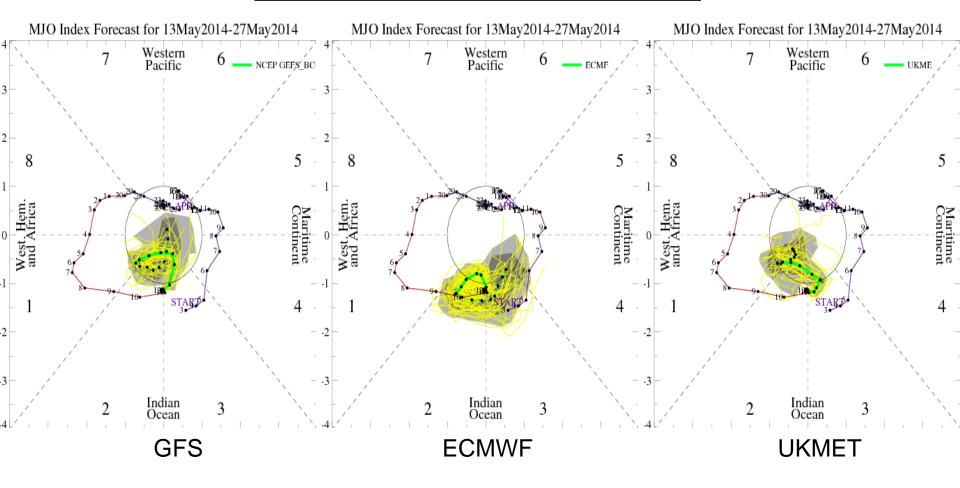
Green: Enhanced Divergence Brown: Enhanced Convergence

#### Features of note:

- 1. Eastward progression of anomalies associated with MJO
- 2. Lingering convection over the central Pacific associated with above normal SSTs (top panel)
- 3. Enhanced convection over the eastern Indian Ocean/Maritime Continent associated with a KW (bottom panel)

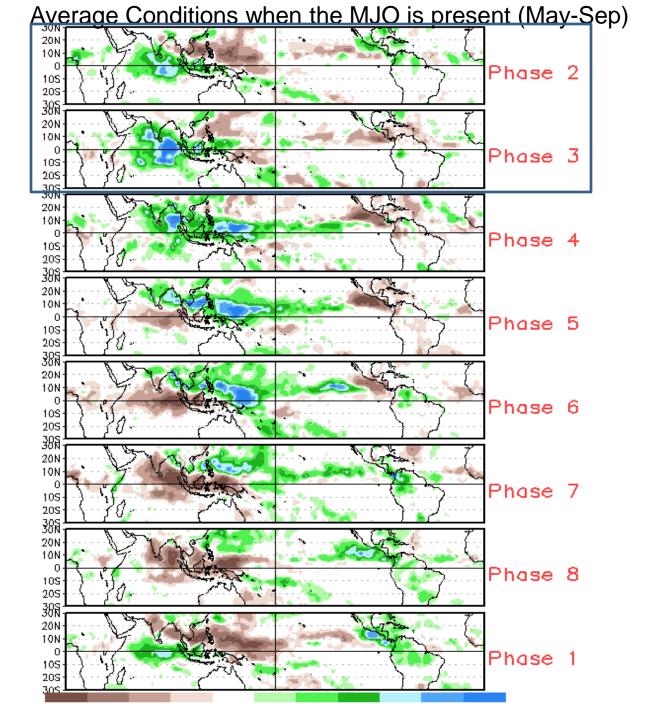


# MJO Observation/Forecast



Each model "loops" the index back as the MJO enhanced phase enters the Indian Ocean.

The European Model (center) maintains the most active MJO signal.

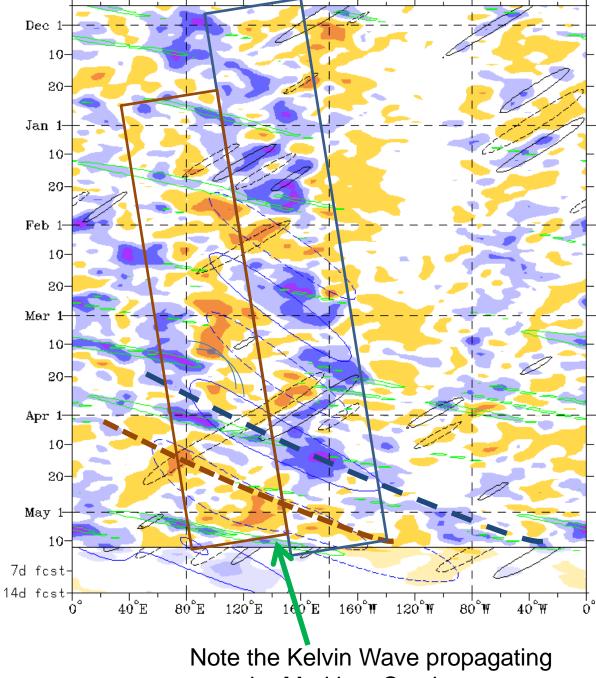


Active MJO pattern (dashed/dotted lines)

Low frequency base state (boxes)

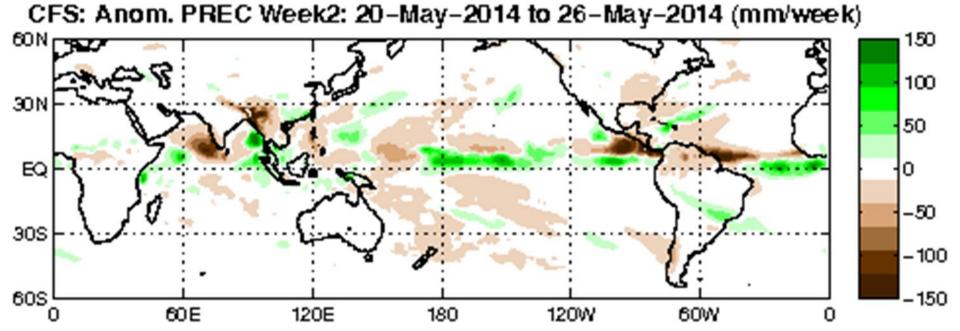
The low frequency signal has been modulated by subseasonal signals (e.g., MJO, Kelvin Waves)

The MJO is currently destructively interfering with the low frequency state.

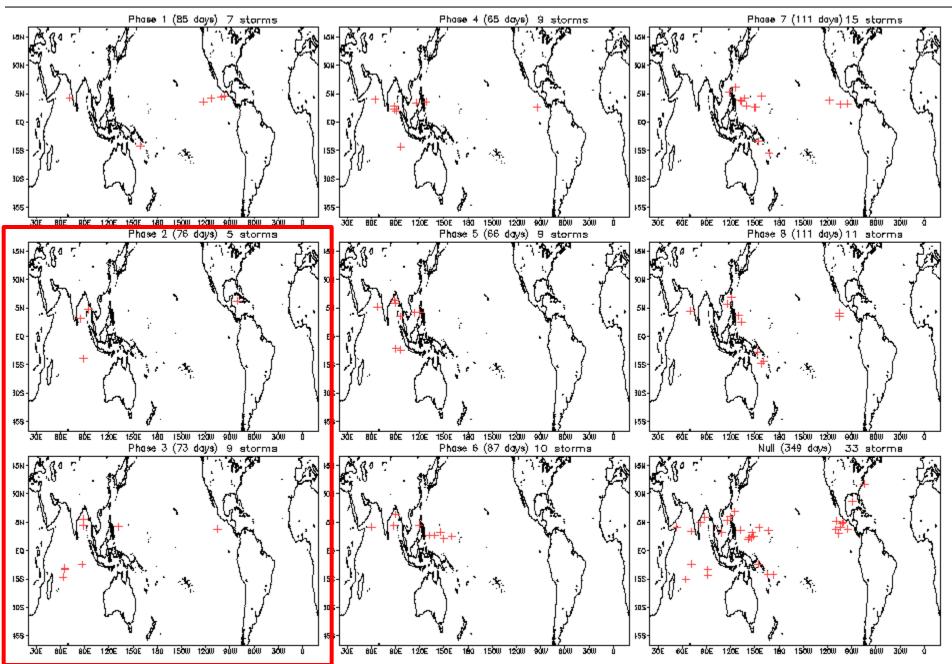


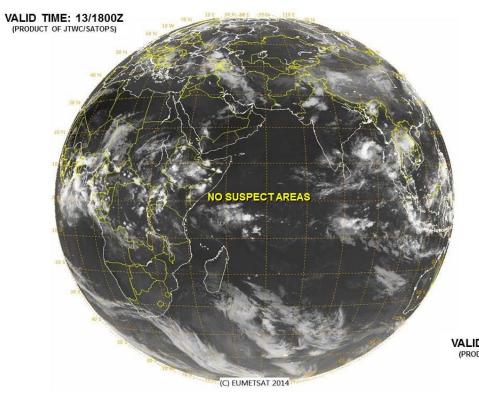
over the Maritime Continent

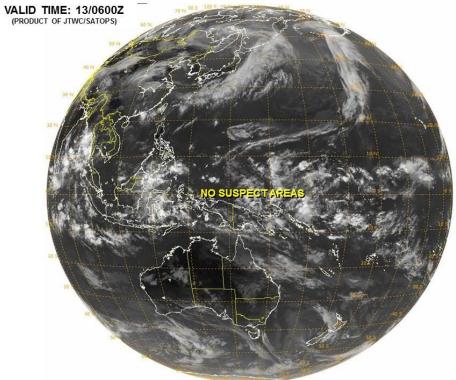
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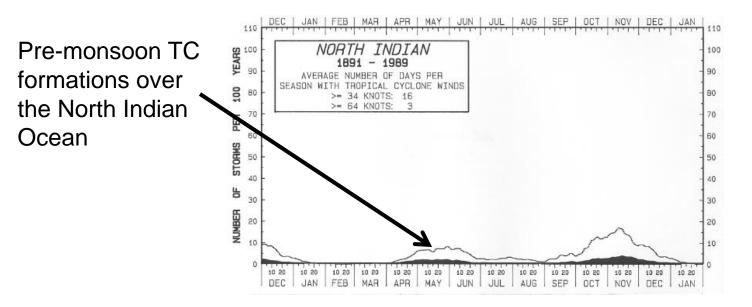


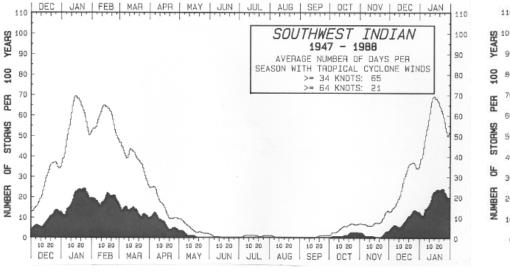
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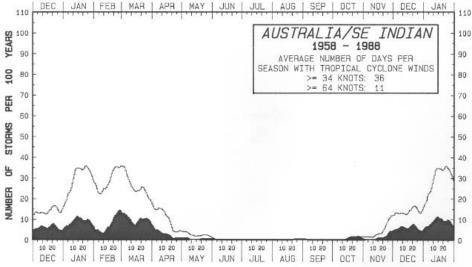


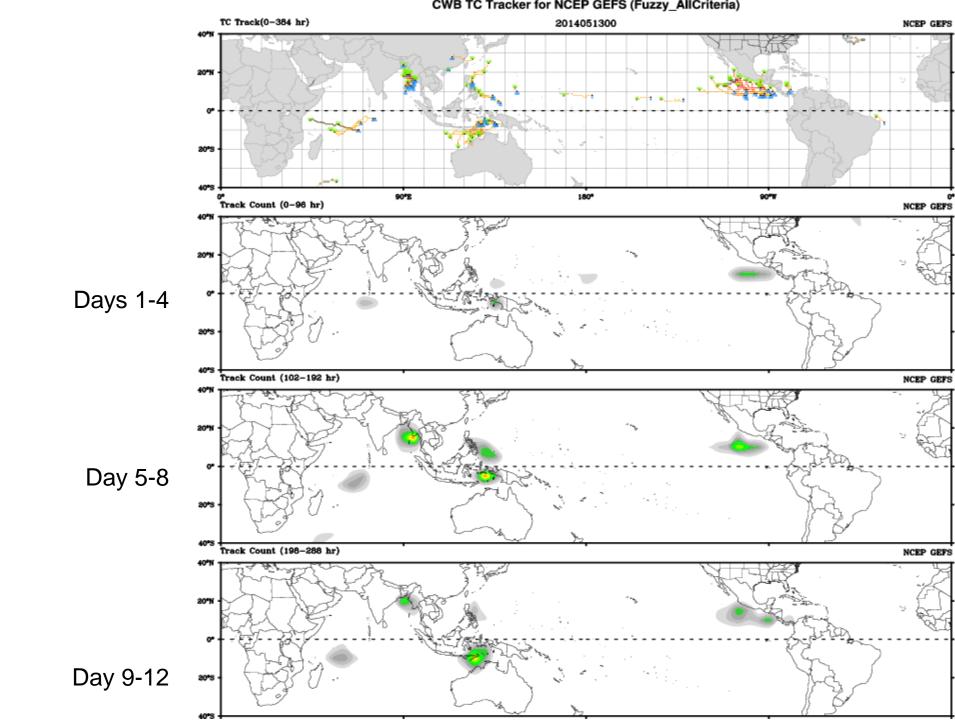


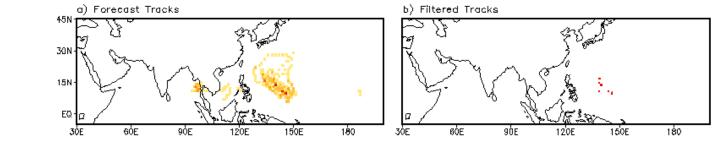




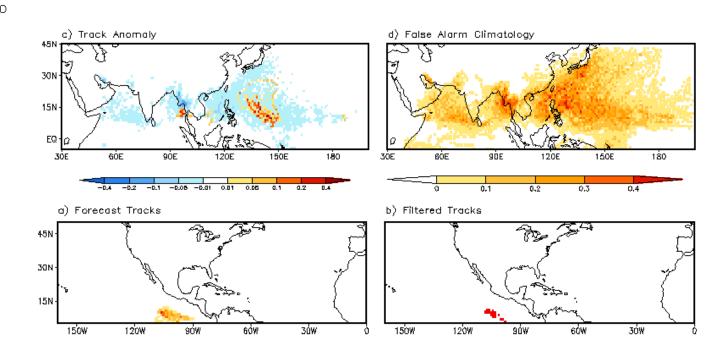




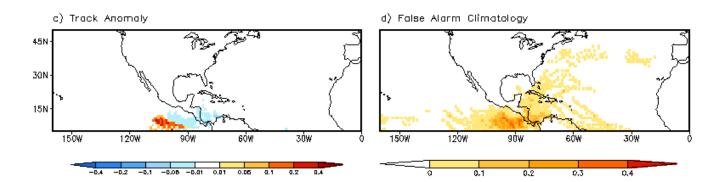




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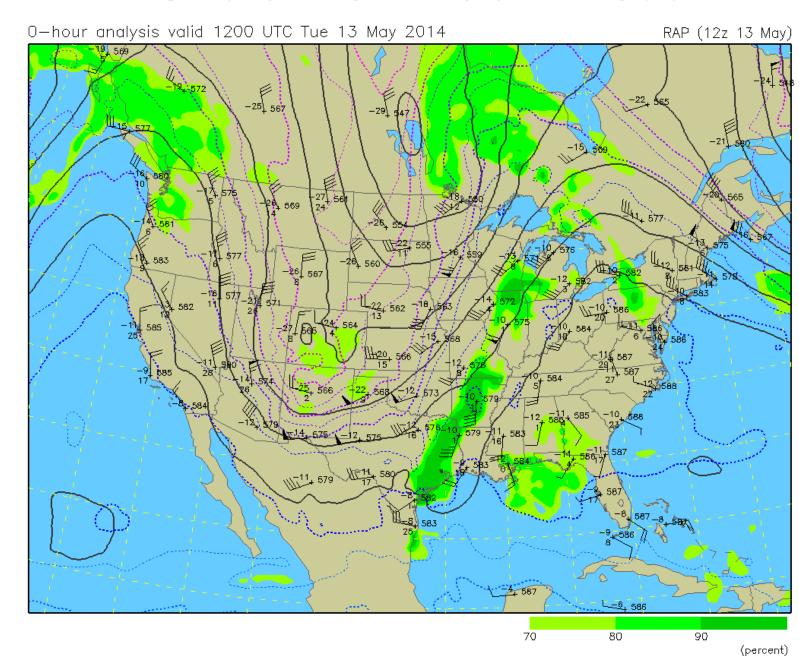
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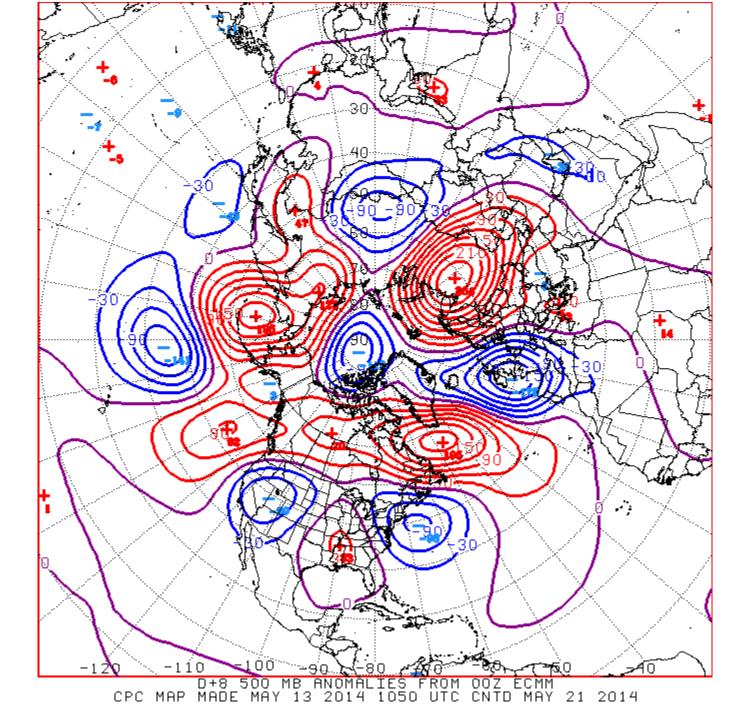


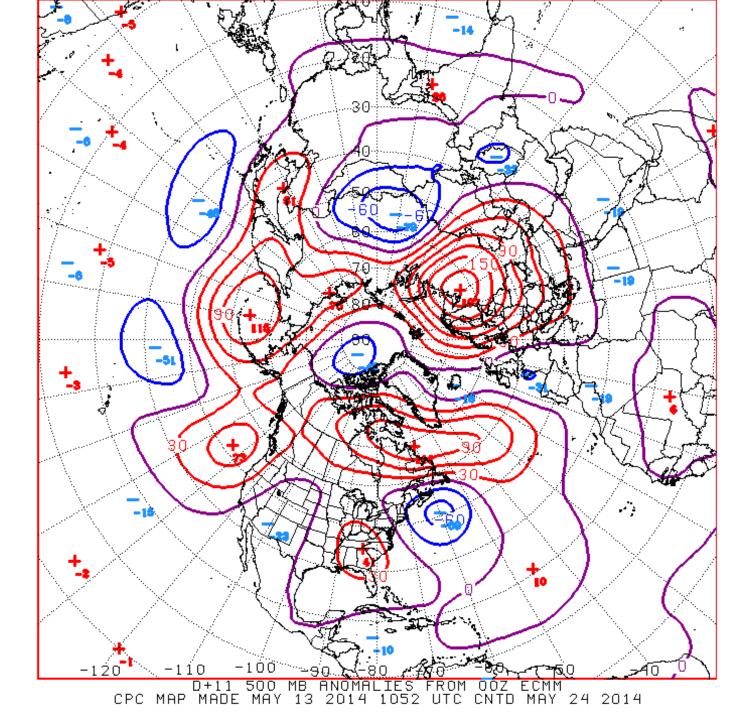
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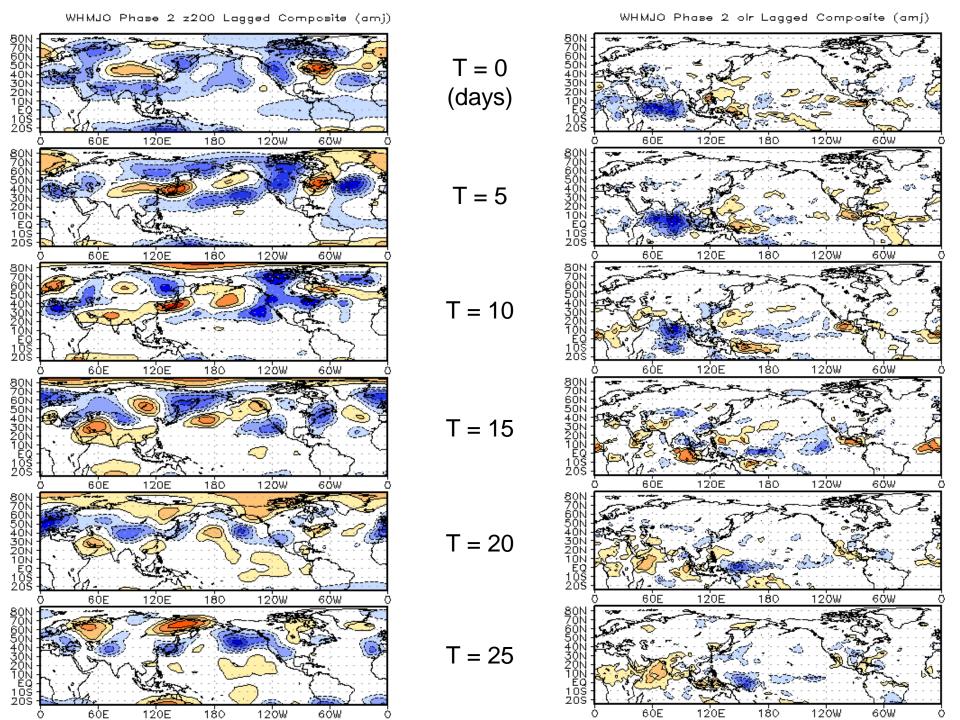
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Current Conditions

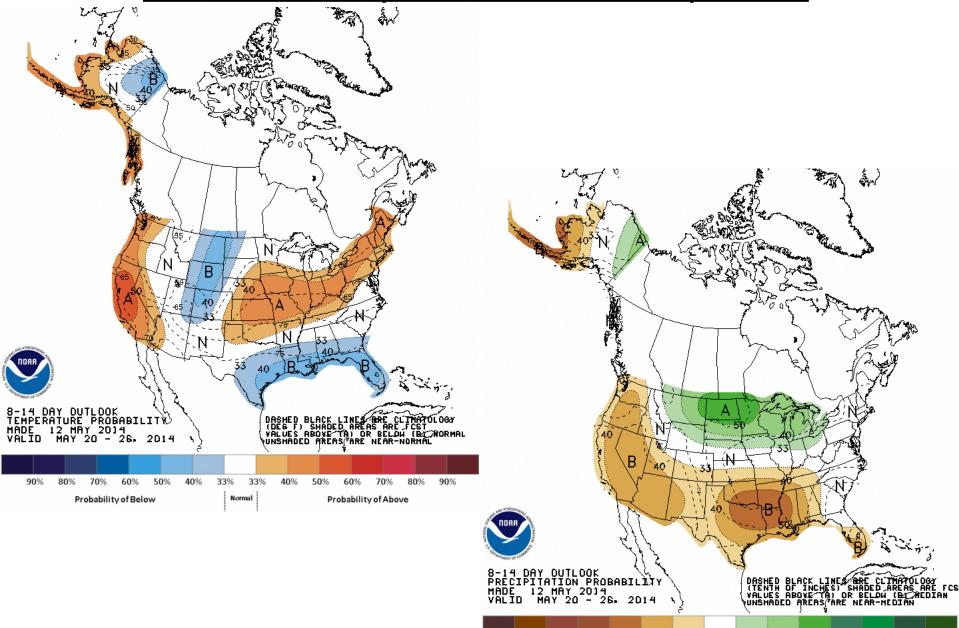








Week 2 - Temperature and Precipitation



70%

Probability of Below

33%

Normal

Probability of Above



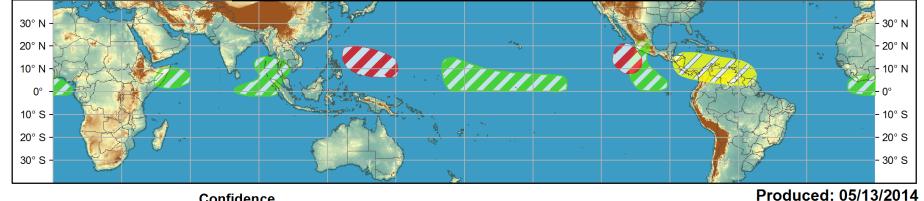
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