Global Tropics Hazards And Benefits Outlook July 15, 2014

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





Week 1 - Valid: Jul 09, 2014 - Jul 15, 2014

Synopsis of Climate Modes

ENSO:

• The chance of El Niño is 64% during the Northern Hemisphere summer and reaches 78% during the fall and winter.

MJO and other subseasonal tropical variability:

• The MJO remained largely incoherent during the past week. Although there has been largescale spatial organization recently, little is readily attributable to the MJO.

• Enhanced convection over the northeastern Indian Ocean and Maritime Continent remains an important part of the subseasonal pattern, largely due to an equatorial Rossby wave.

• Models are in generally good agreement, suggesting little MJO activity moving forward.

Extratropics:

• Not much in the way of North American circulation anomalies is likely attributable to tropical convective activity. There is evidence of some tropical-extratropical interaction over the Far East and northwestern Pacific.



Tropical Cyclone Formation Above-average rainfall Below-average rainfall Above-normal temperatures

Below-normal temperatures



Development of a tropical cyclone (tropical depression - TD, or greater strength).

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.

7-day mean temperatures in the lower third of the historical range.

Product is updated once per week, except from 6/1 - 11/30 for the region from 120E to 0, 0 to 40N. The product targets broad scale conditions integrated over a 7-day period for US interests only. Consult your local responsible forecast agency.







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IR Satellite & 200-hpa Velocity Potential Anomalies

Green: Enhanced Divergence Brown: Enhanced Convergence



Eastward propagation due to atmospheric Kelvin wave. (Red arrow)

Westward propagation due to an equatorial Rossby wave. (Black arrow)

MJO Observation/Forecast



- The GFS, ECMWF, and UKMET MJO Index Forecasts all show weak MJO activity
- The GFS ensemble keys in more on the westward moving modes, while the ECMWF shows propagation more in line with MJO, but also the low-frequency state.
- The UKMET offers a compromise between the two.

Enhanced convection over the northern Indian Ocean and Maritime Continent is associated with interactions between an equatorial Rossby Wave and a Kelvin Wave.









Ø Post-Tropical Cyclone × Remnants







Connections to U.S. Impacts





Week 2 – Temperature and Precipitation







High Moderate

Tropical Cyclone Formation Above-average rainfall Below-average rainfall

Above-normal temperatures

Below-normal temperatures

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