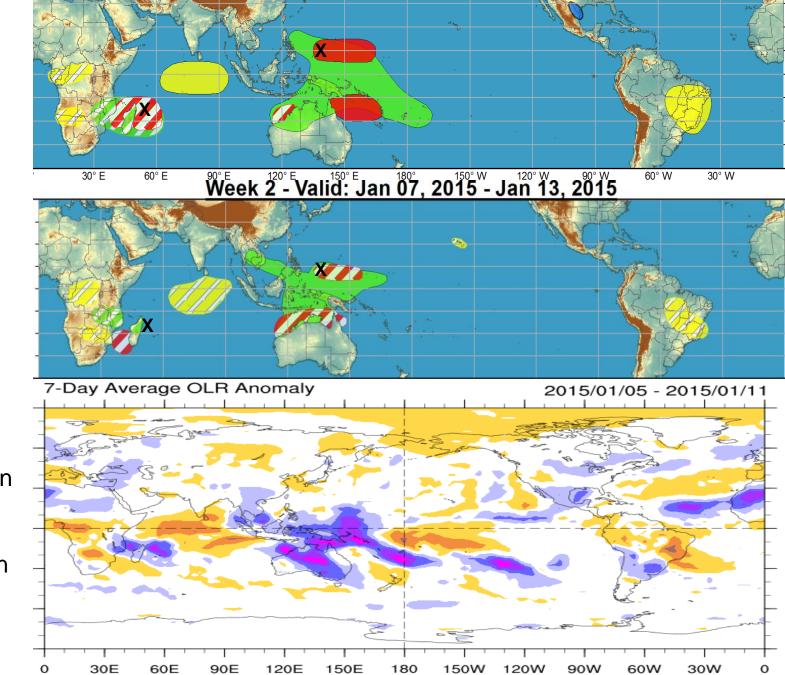
Global Tropics Hazards And Benefits Outlook January 13, 2015

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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



Week 1 - Valid: Jan 07, 2015 - Jan 13, 2015

Cool shading More clouds/rain

Warm shading Less clouds/rain

Synopsis of Climate Modes

ENSO:

- Current: ENSO-neutral (lack of coupling between atmosphere and above-normal SSTs)
- Outlook: There is an approximately 50-60% chance of El Niño conditions during the next two months .

MJO and other subseasonal tropical variability:

- The MJO remains active with the enhanced convective phase over the West Pacific.
- Most dynamical model MJO index forecasts depict a continuation of a MJO signal during Week-1 followed by increasing forecast spread.

Extratropics:

- The current phase of the MJO supports below normal 500-hpa heights across the Aleutians with downstream ridging over the Northeast Pacific.
- After a warming trend (Week-1) across the CONUS, a signal for a colder temperatures across the central U.S. later in Week-2.



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Week 2 - Valid: Jan 21, 2015 - Jan 27, 2015



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

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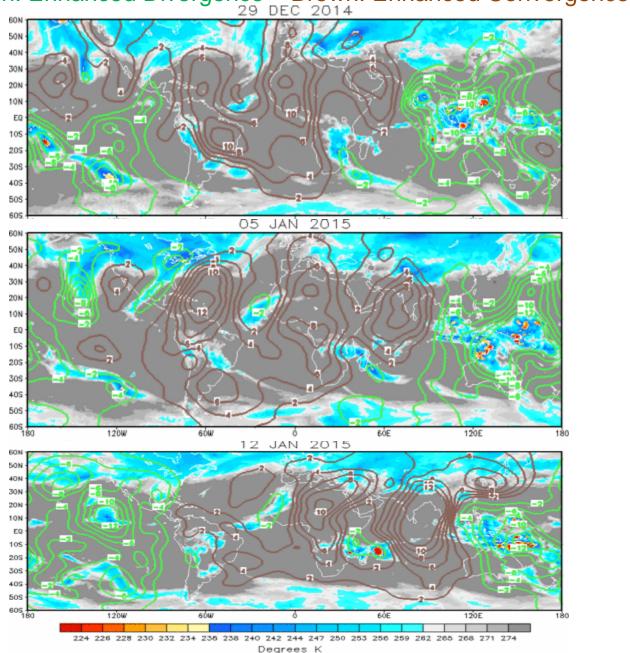




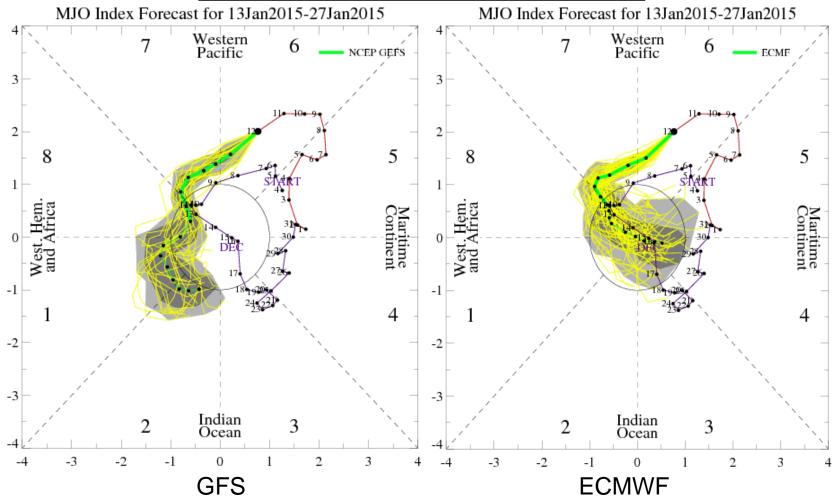


IR Satellite & 200-hpa Velocity Potential Anomalies

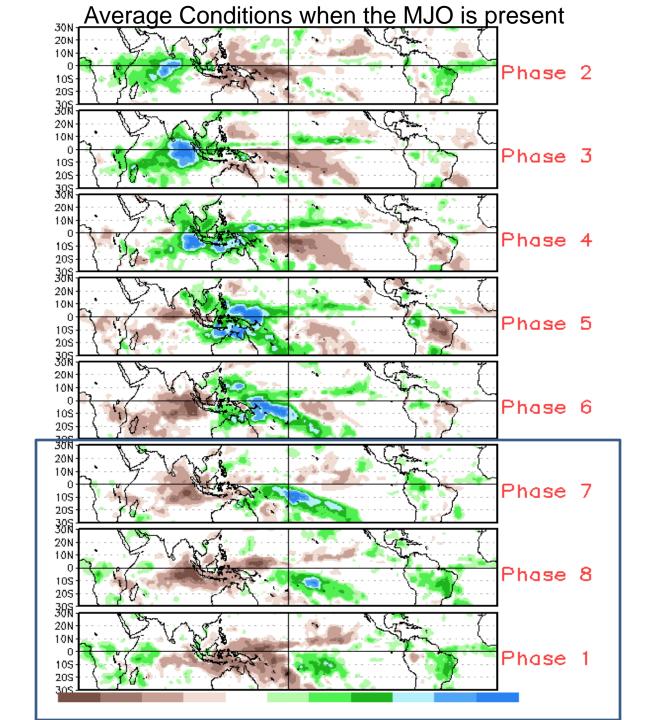
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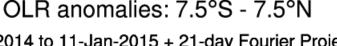


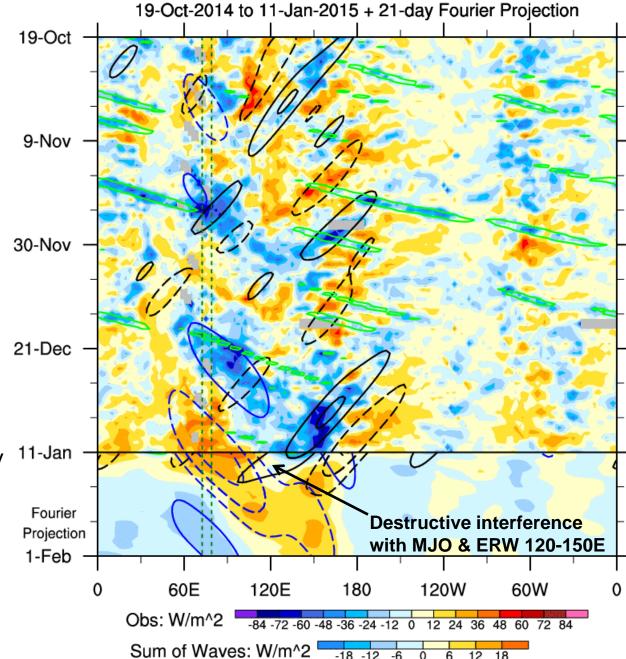
MJO Observation/Forecast



Wheeler-Hendon based analyses of GFS model forecast indicates a persistent MJO although a smaller amplitude.

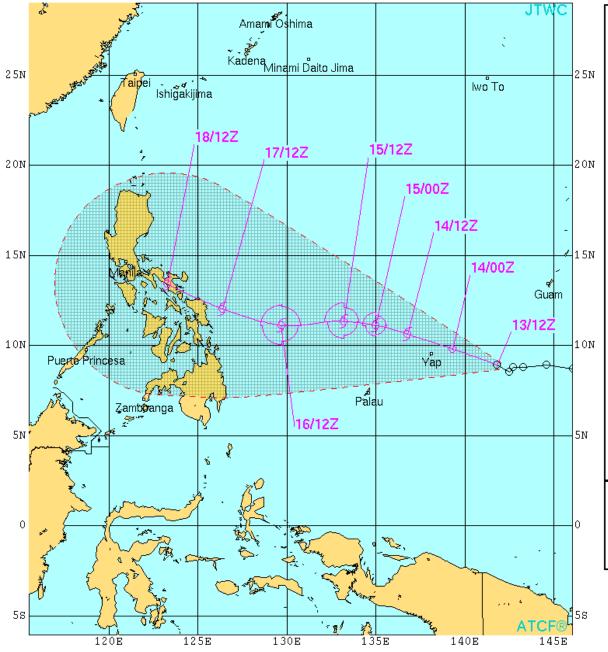






MJO active over the West Pacific; Equatorial Rossby Wave (ERW) also evident

MJO (blue, CINT=12); ER (black, CINT=12); Kelvin (green, CINT=12)



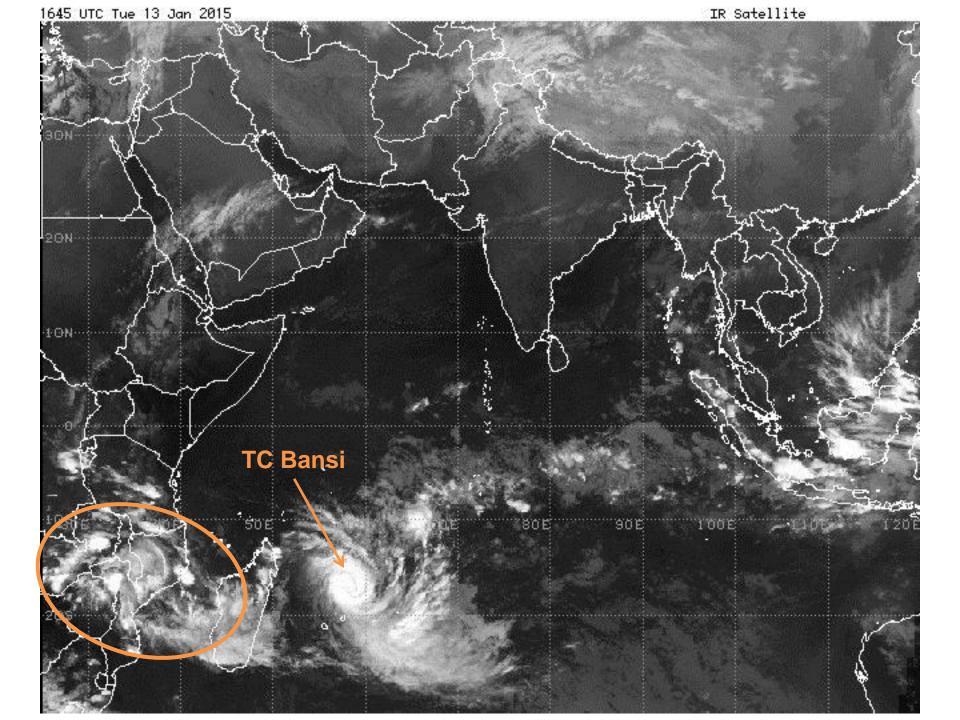
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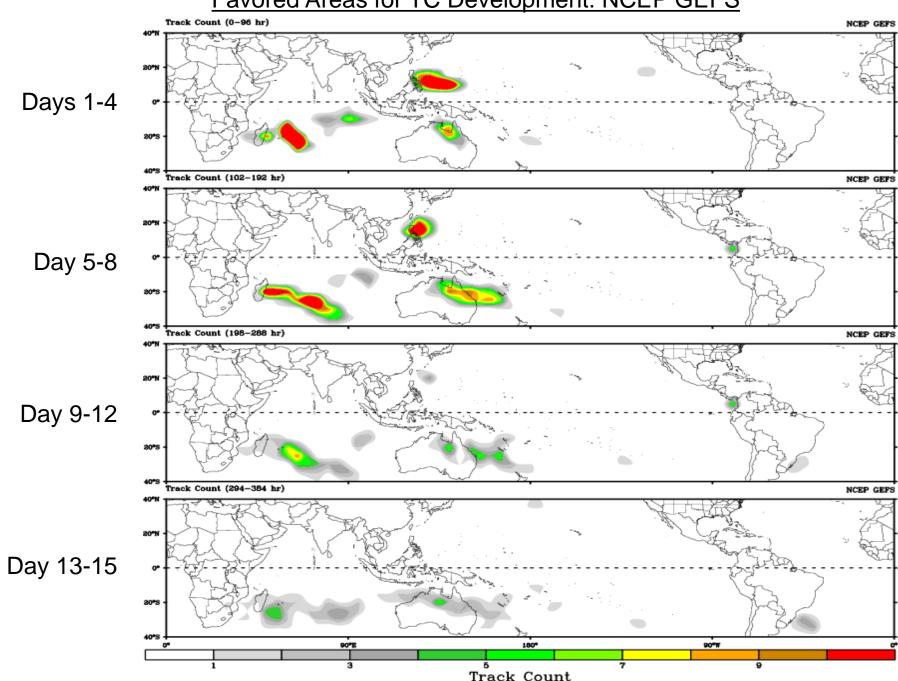
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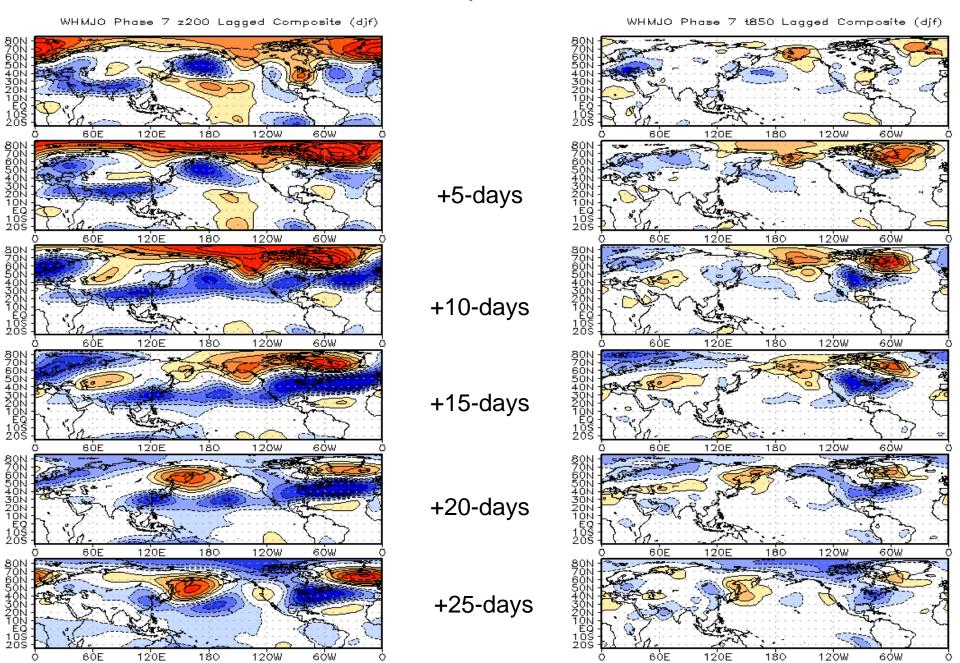


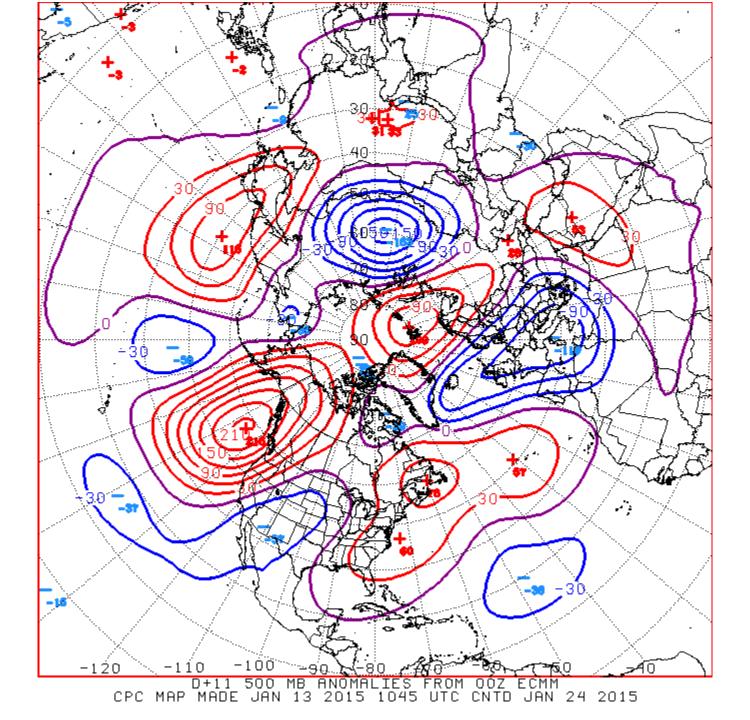
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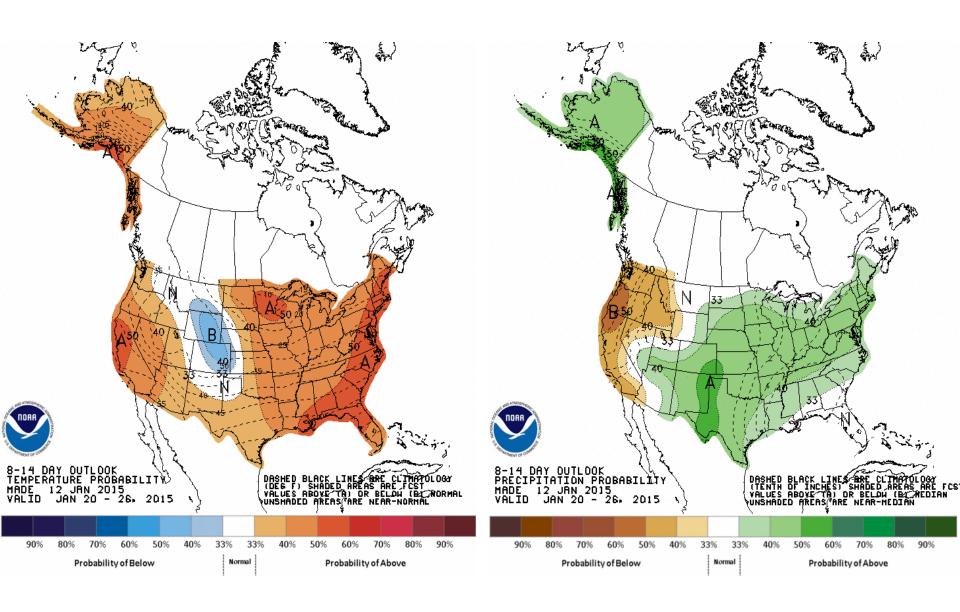
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Lagged composites from MJO 5-day intervals





Week 2 – Temperature and Precipitation





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