

Global Tropics Hazards And Benefits Outlook

March 31, 2015

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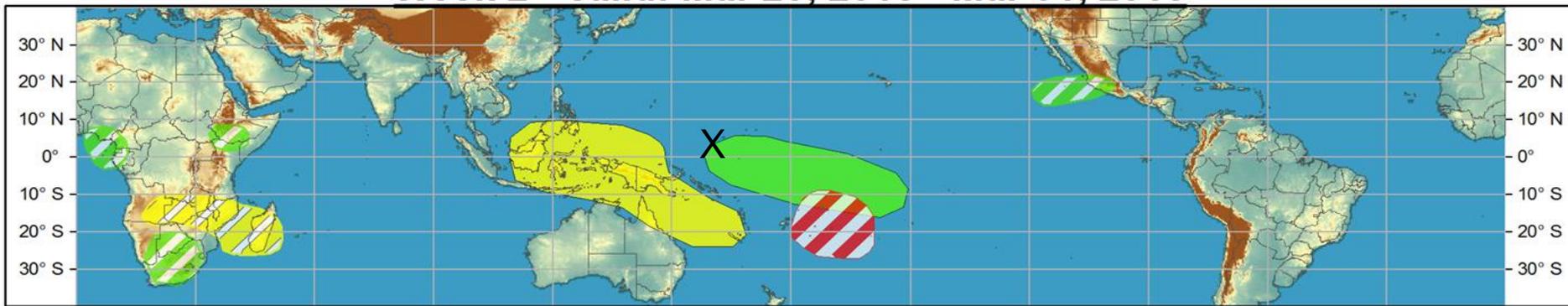
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1. Review of Recent Conditions
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3. GTH Outlook and Forecast Discussion
4. Connections to U.S. Impacts

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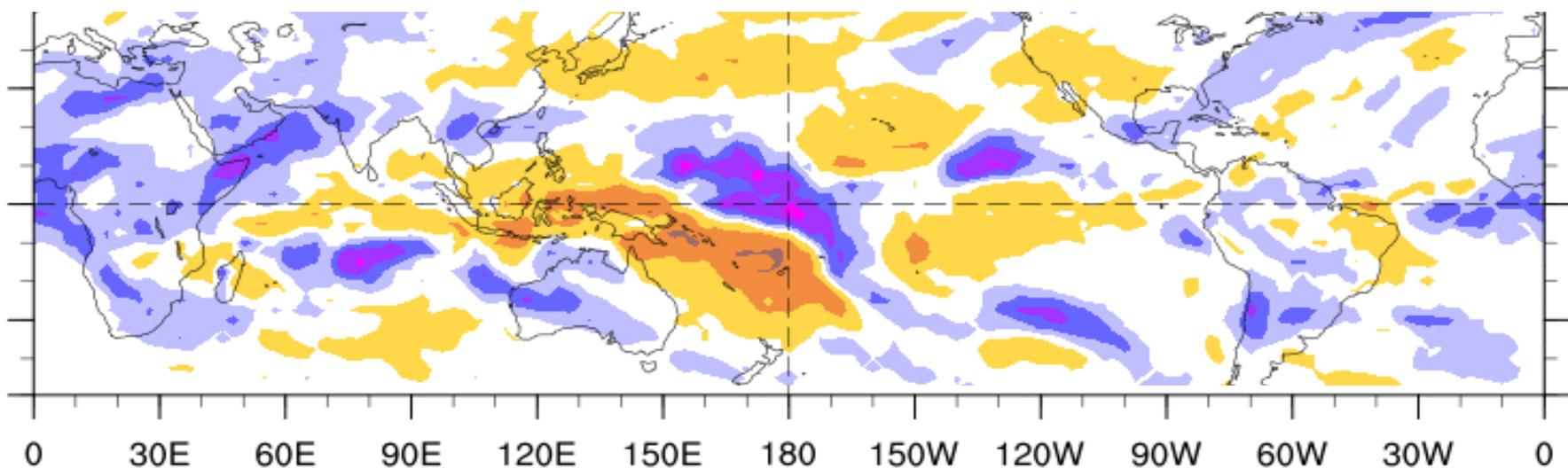


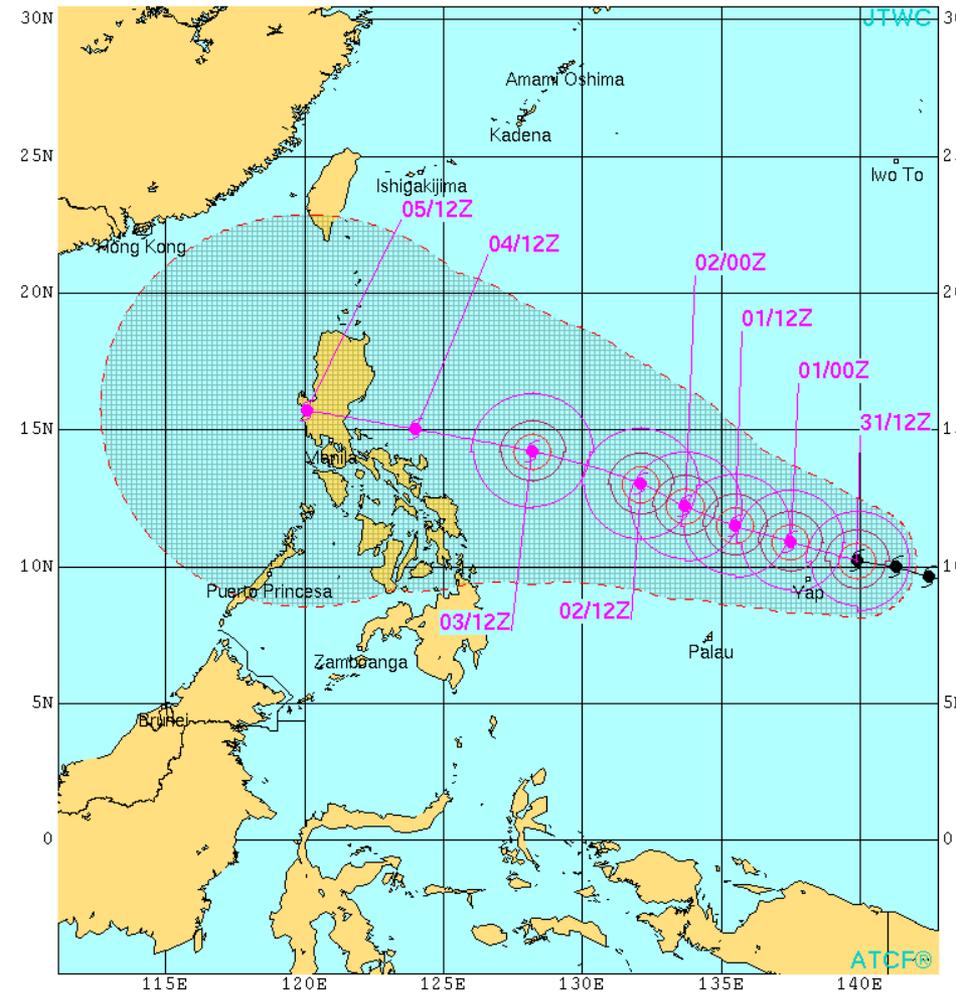
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7-Day Average OLR Anomaly

2015/03/23 - 2015/03/29

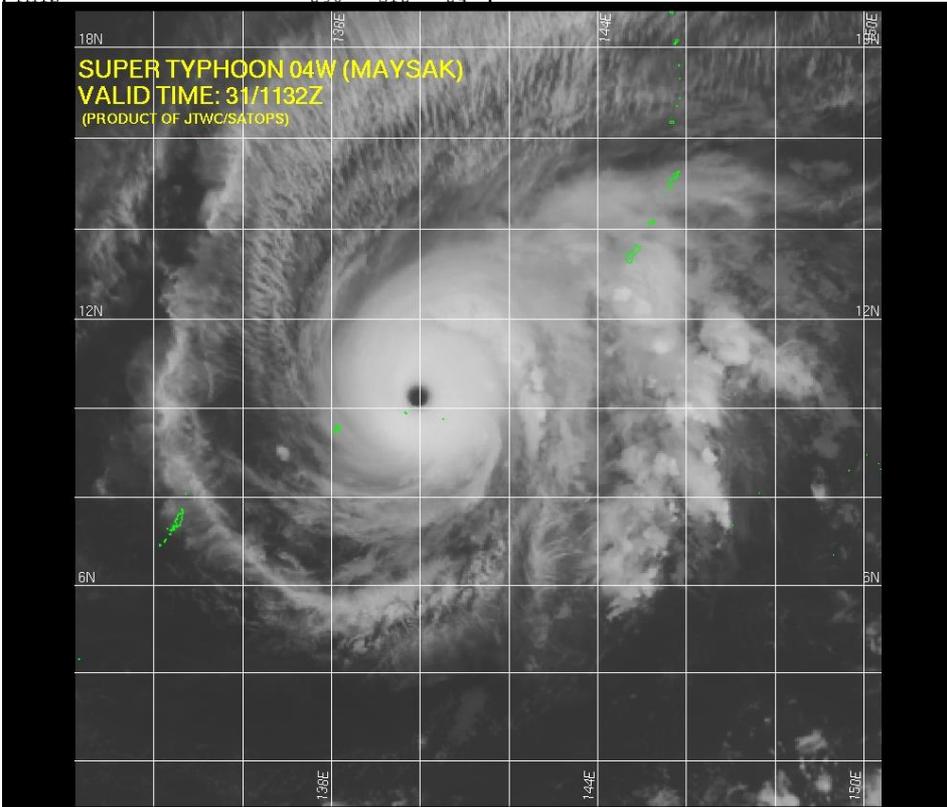




SUPER TYPHOON 04W (MAYSAK) WARNING #19
 WTPN31 PGTW 311500
 311200Z POSIT: NEAR 10.2N 139.9E
 MOVING 280 DEGREES TRUE AT 14 KNOTS
 MAXIMUM SIGNIFICANT WAVE HEIGHT: 40 FEET
 31/12Z, WINDS 140 KTS, GUSTS TO 170 KTS
 01/00Z, WINDS 150 KTS, GUSTS TO 180 KTS
 01/12Z, WINDS 155 KTS, GUSTS TO 190 KTS
 02/00Z, WINDS 140 KTS, GUSTS TO 170 KTS
 02/12Z, WINDS 130 KTS, GUSTS TO 160 KTS
 03/12Z, WINDS 120 KTS, GUSTS TO 145 KTS
 04/12Z, WINDS 105 KTS, GUSTS TO 130 KTS
 05/12Z, WINDS 065 KTS, GUSTS TO 080 KTS

CPA TO:	NM	DTG
KAYANGEL	208	01/10Z
KOROR	259	01/10Z
ANGAUR	286	01/11Z
MANILA	55	05/05Z
CLARK AB	24	05/08Z
SUBIC_BAY	52	05/10Z
PUERTO_PRINCESA	369	05/12Z
ULITHI	23	31/13Z
YAP	71	31/19Z
NGULU	150	31/21Z

BEARING AND DISTANCE	DIR	DIST (NM)	TAU (HRS)
ANGAUR	015	287	24
PAIS	290	312	24



Synopsis of Climate Modes

ENSO:

- ENSO Alert System Status: El Niño Advisory
- Outlook: There is an approximately 50-60% chance that El Niño conditions will continue through Northern Hemisphere summer 2015.

MJO and other subseasonal tropical variability:

- The MJO remained active during the past week, with the enhanced phase propagating very rapidly from the Western Hemisphere to the western Indian Ocean.
- The El Niño base state and West Pacific TC activity are currently destructively interfering with the MJO signal.
- Most dynamical model MJO index forecasts show continued MJO propagation over the Indian Ocean during Week-1, with significant weakening of the signal during Week-2.

Extratropics:

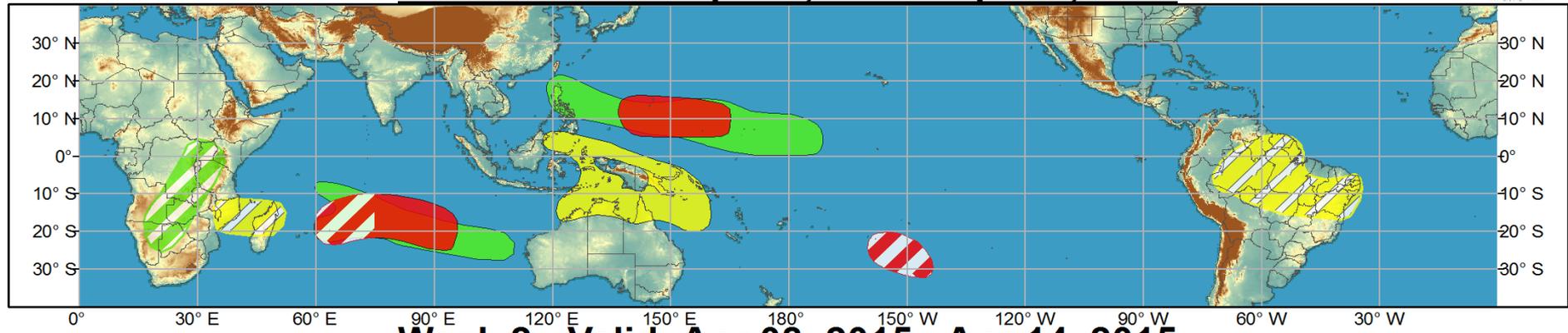
- Extratropical impacts from the tropical subseasonal signal are less discernable during the N.H. Spring season. Additionally, widespread robust Indian Ocean convection is not anticipated. The forecast pattern over North America for Week-2, however, does align reasonably well with lagged MJO composites for an Indian Ocean event.



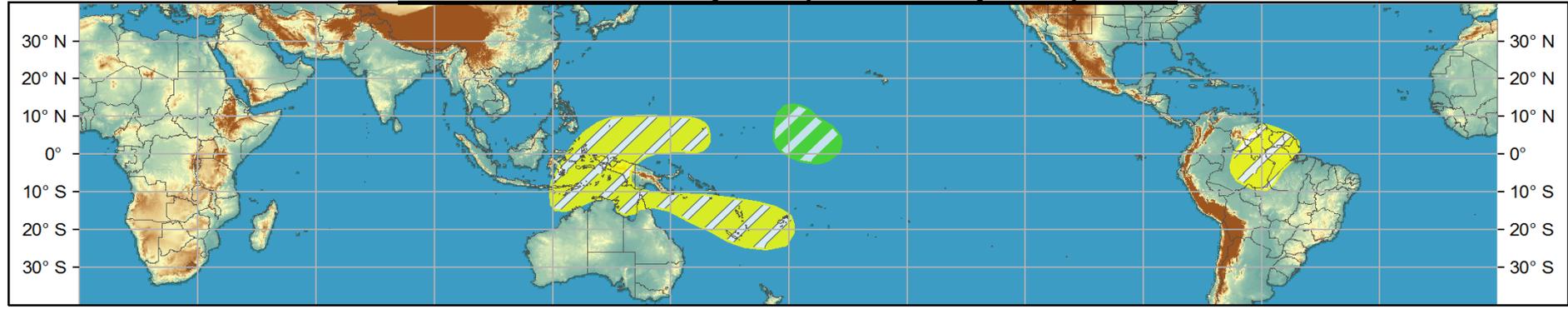
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Week 2 - Valid: Apr 08, 2015 - Apr 14, 2015



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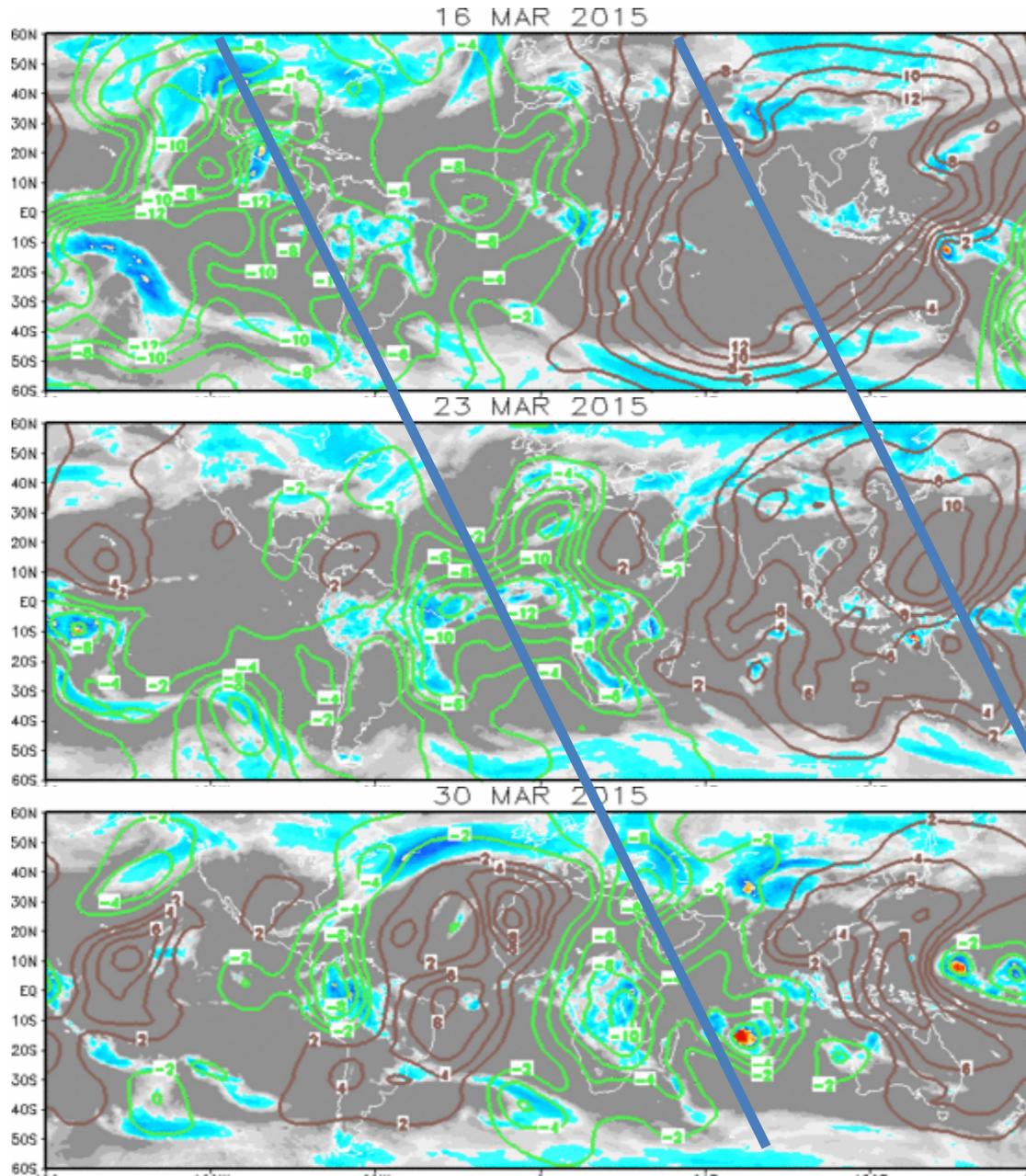
Confidence		
High	Moderate	
		Tropical Cyclone Formation Development of a tropical cyclone (tropical depression - TD, or greater strength).
		Above-average rainfall Weekly total rainfall in the upper third of the historical range.
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		Above-normal temperatures 7-day mean temperatures in the upper third of the historical range.
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IR Satellite & 200-hpa Velocity Potential Anomalies

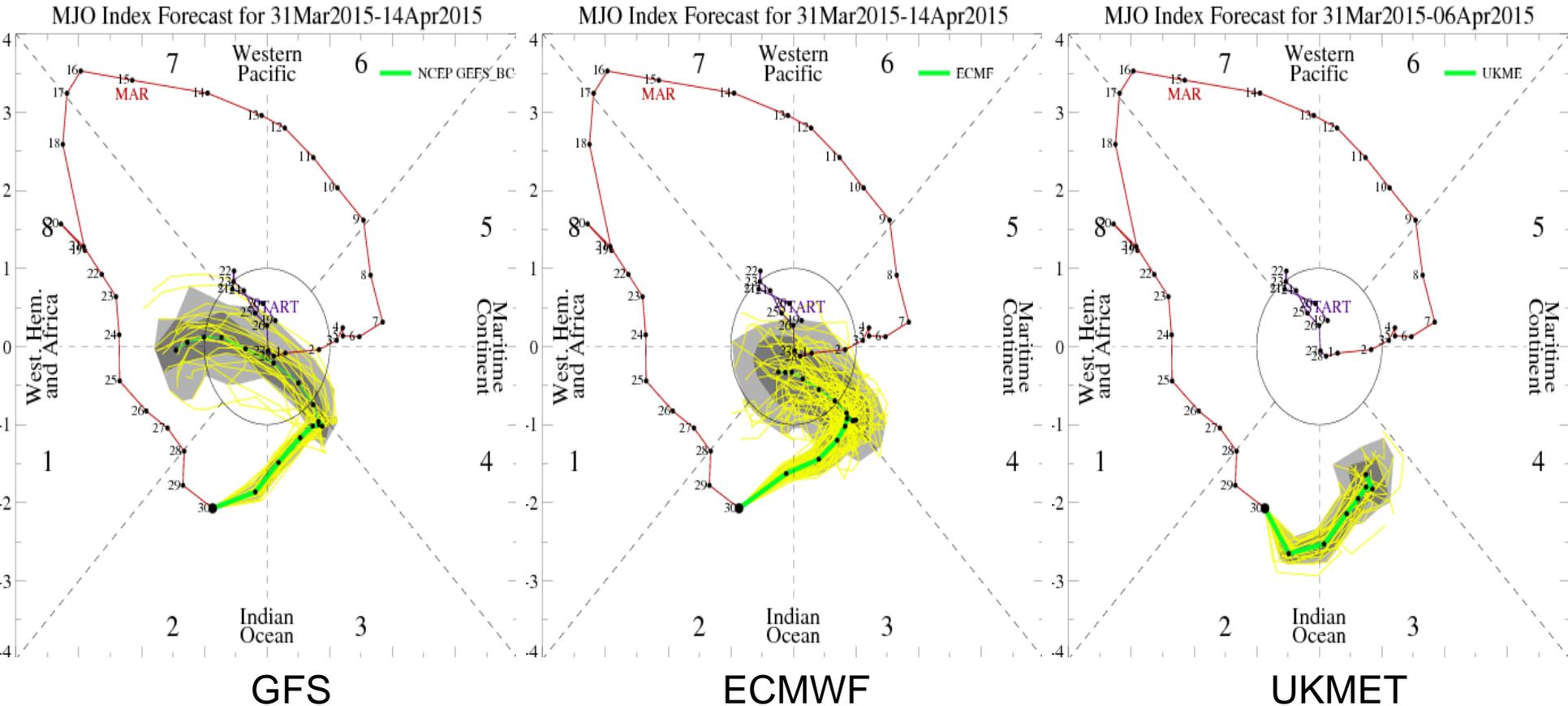
Green: Enhanced Divergence Brown: Enhanced Convergence



Robust MJO propagation is evident (blue lines)

More recent pattern is increasingly incoherent as other modes influence the pattern.

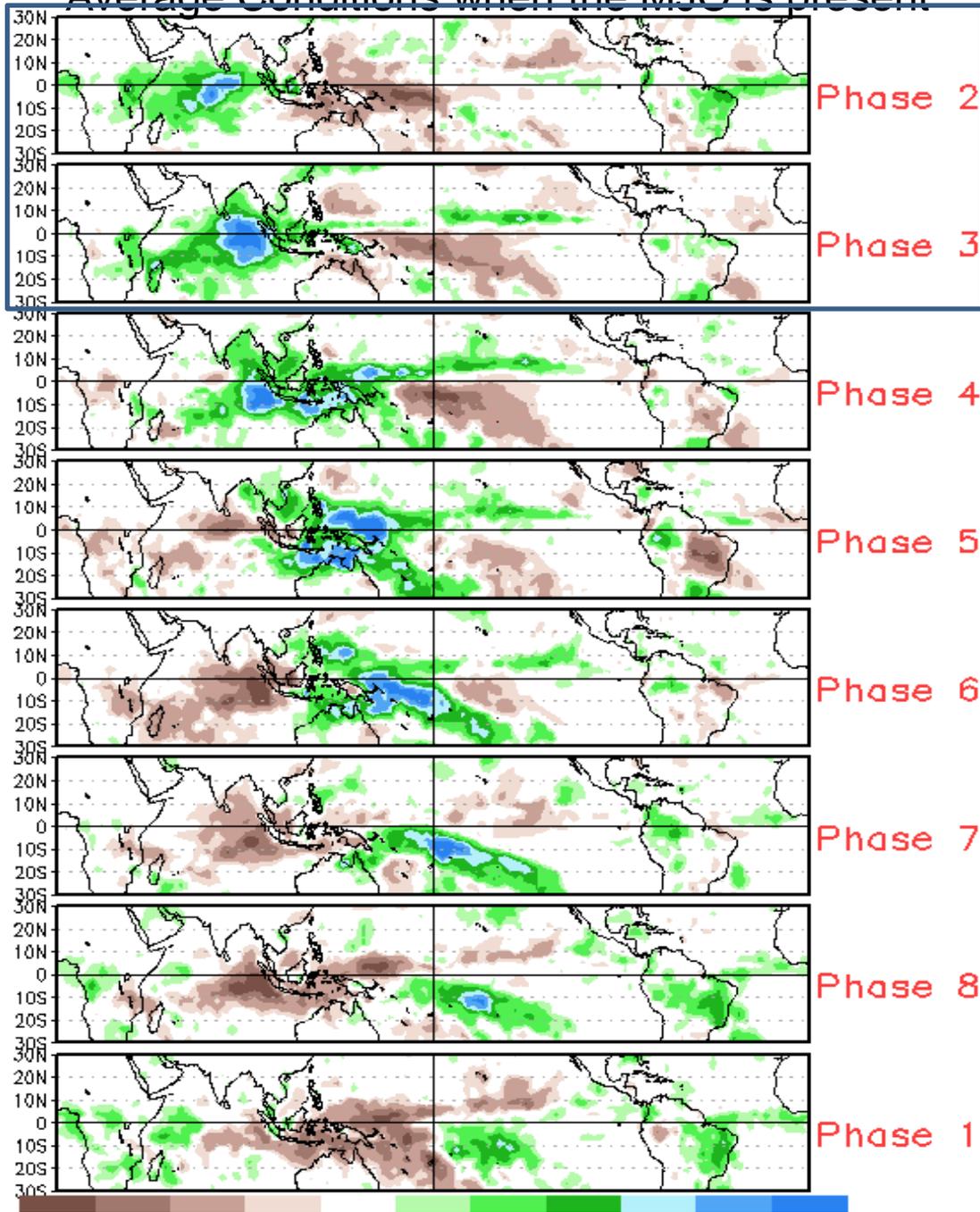
MJO Observation/Forecast



Dynamical model MJO Index forecasts support additional propagation of the signal over the Indian Ocean during the next week.

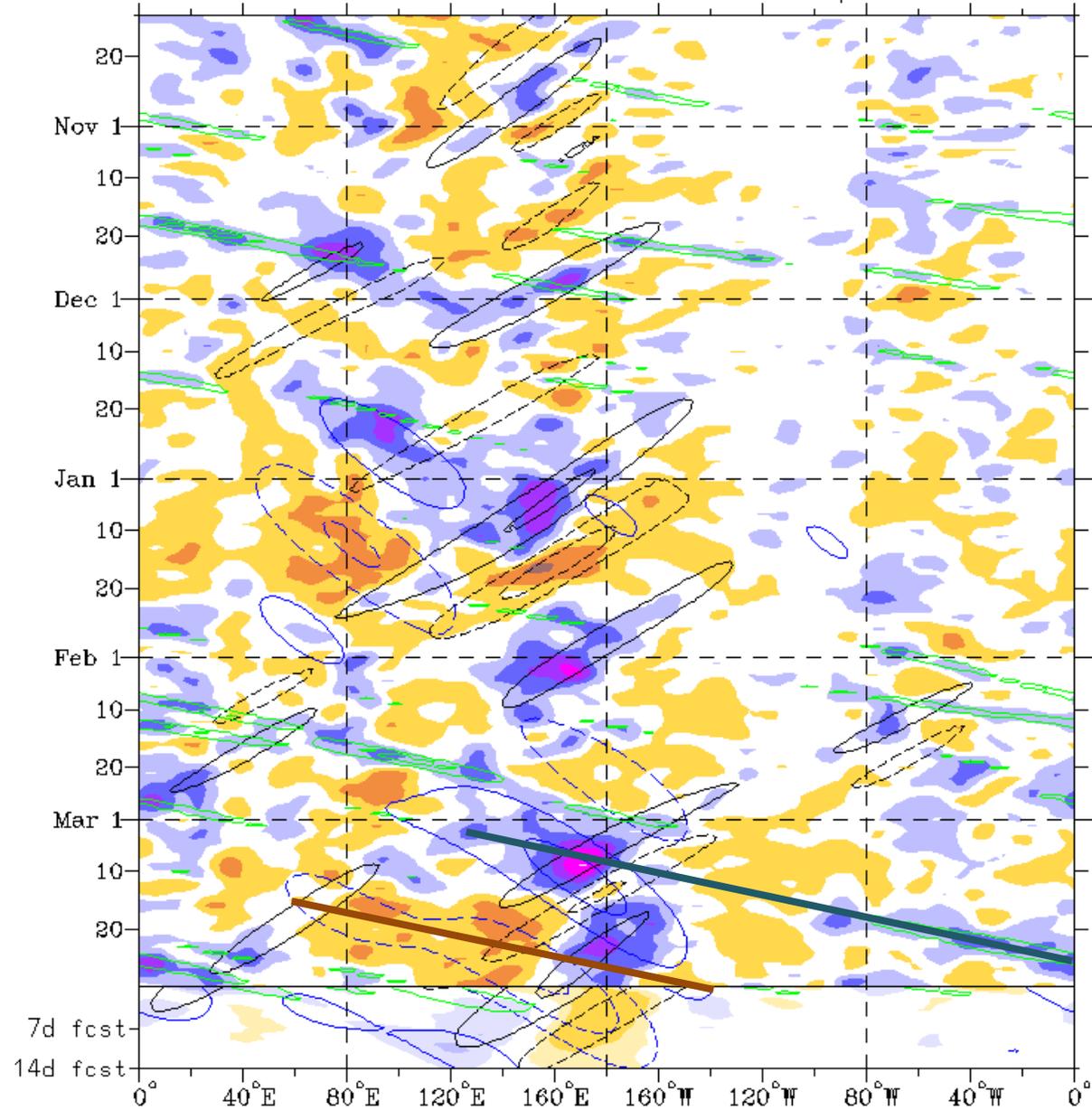
The GFS and ECMWF both depict rapid weakening of the signal during Week-2.

Average Conditions when the MJO is present



CAVEAT: These panels are representative of robust MJO events.

Also note the composites are for Nov – Mar.



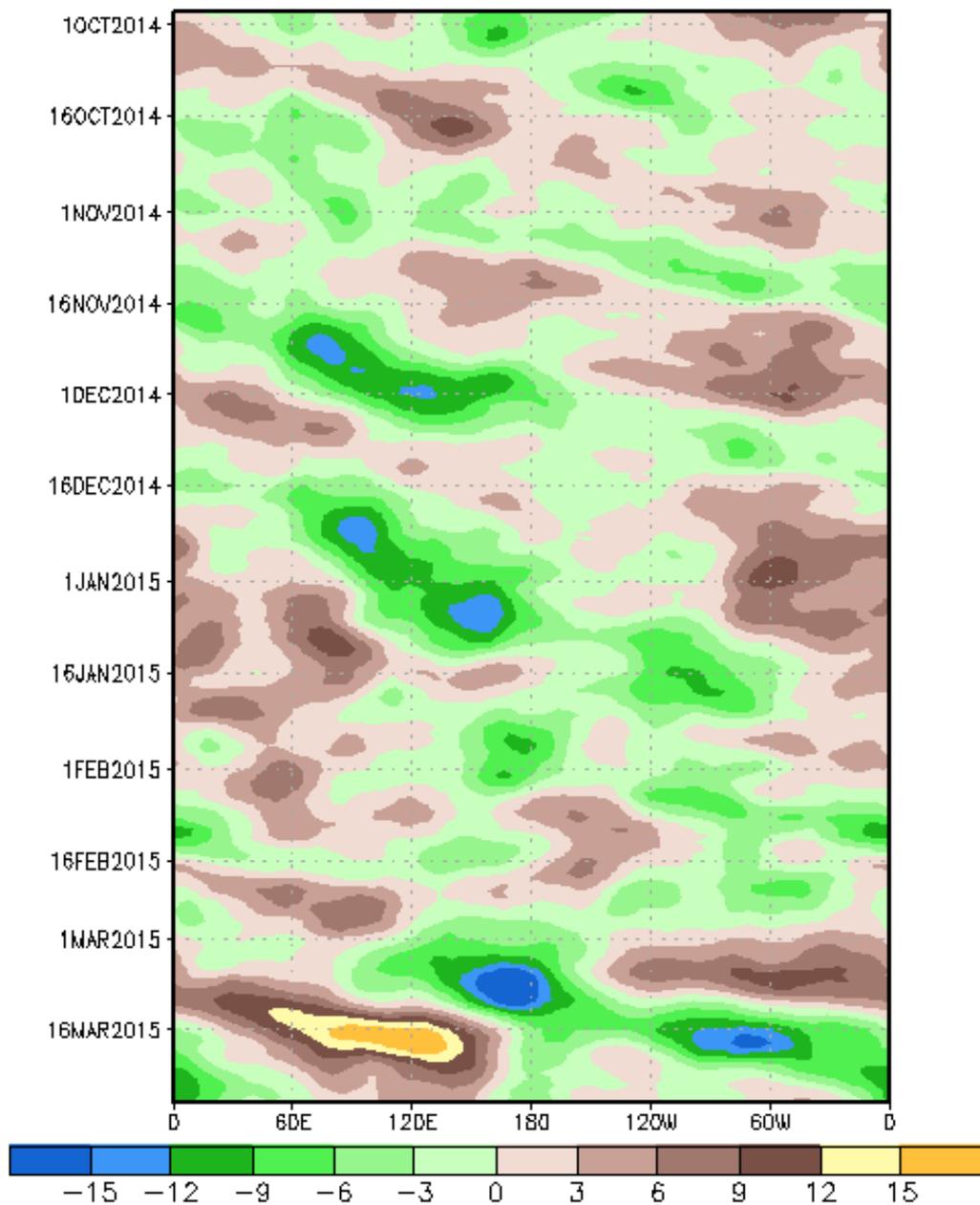
Low frequency is contributing, especially near the Date Line.

Note interference between MJO suppressed phase and the low frequency state.

MJO activity apparent in OLR Field, with fast Phase speed (projecting onto KW band)

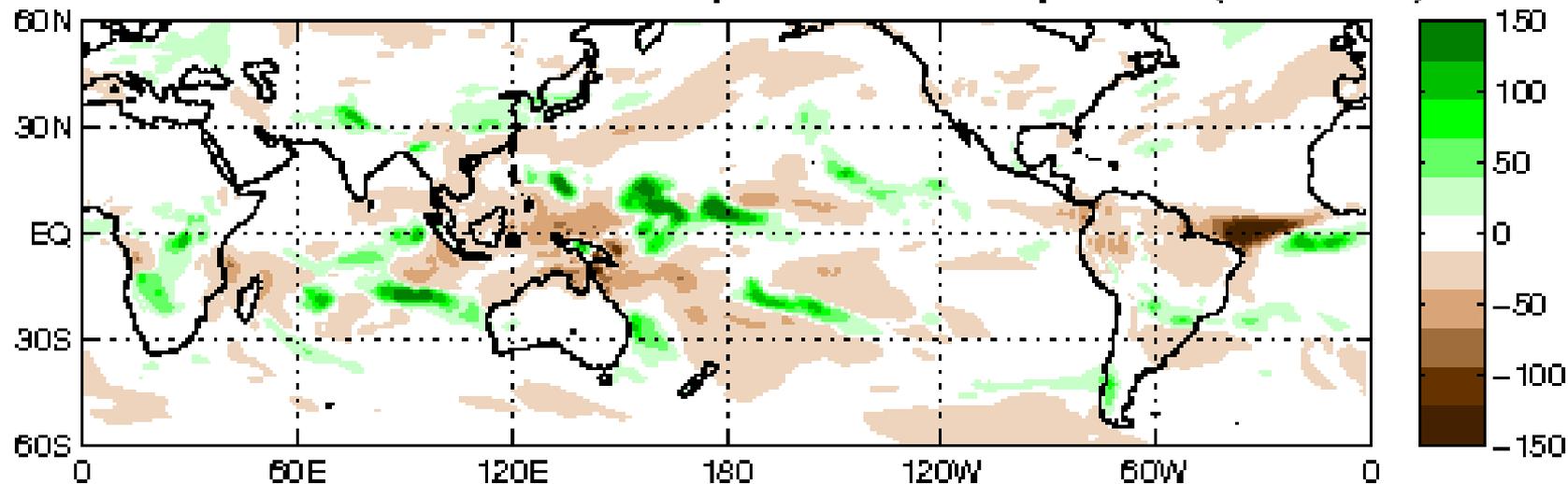
200-hPa Velocity Potential Anomaly: 5N-5S

5-day Running Mean

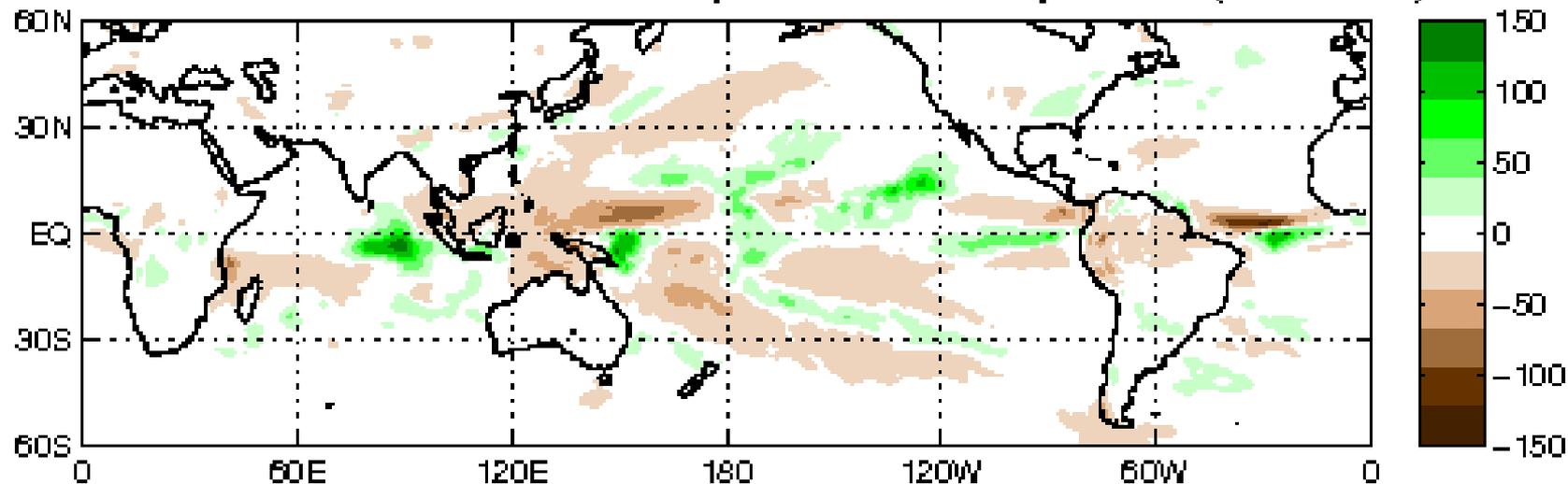


Data updated through 28 MAR 2015

CFS: Anom. PREC Week: 1: 01-Apr-2015 to 07-Apr-2015 (mm/week)

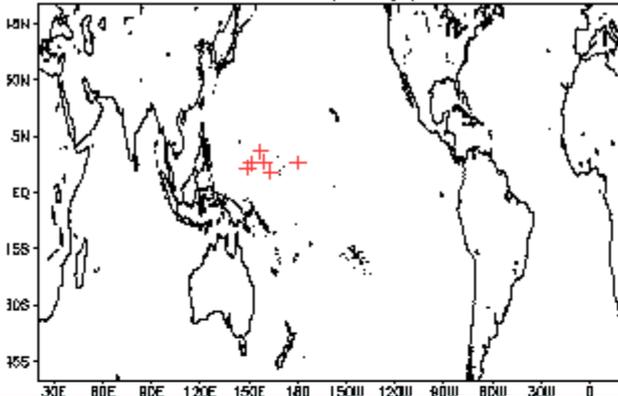


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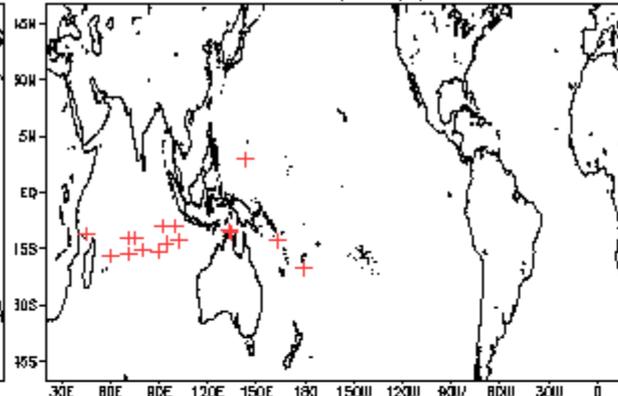


April Tropical Storm Formation by MJO phase

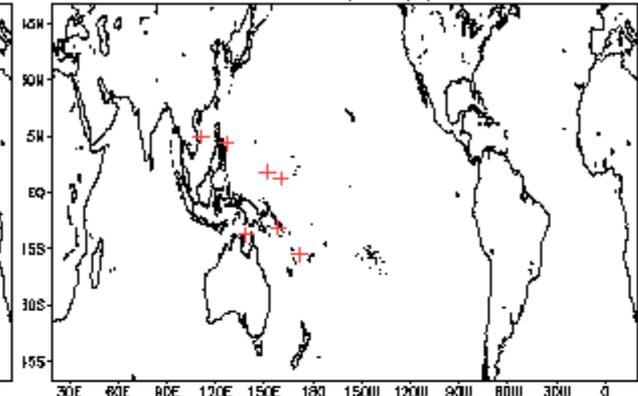
Phase 1 (70 days) 7 storms



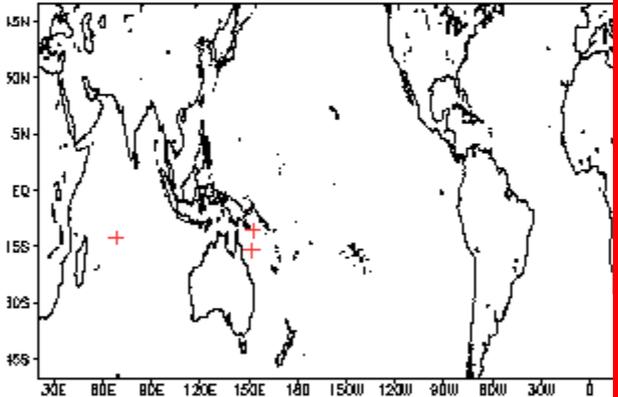
Phase 4 (95 days) 17 storms



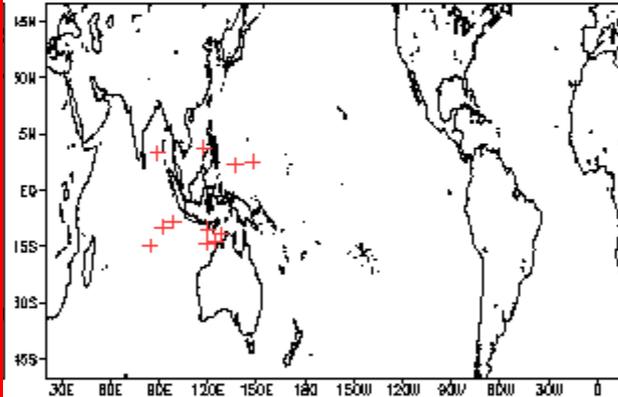
Phase 7 (87 days) 8 storms



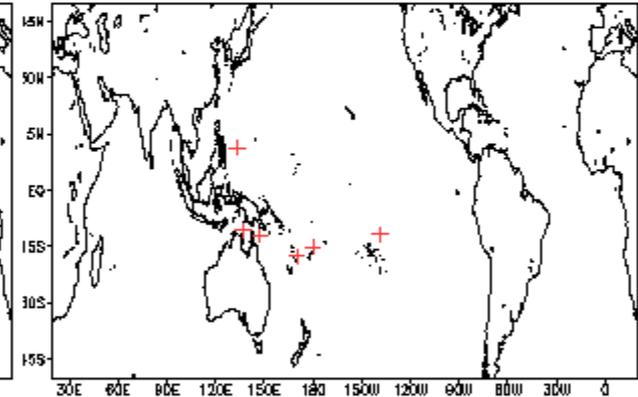
Phase 2 (65 days) 4 storms



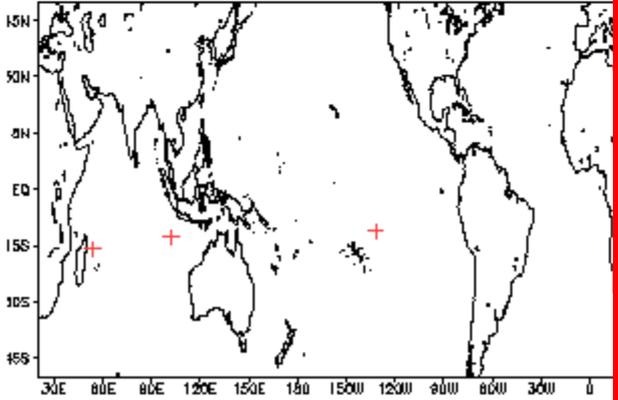
Phase 5 (77 days) 12 storms



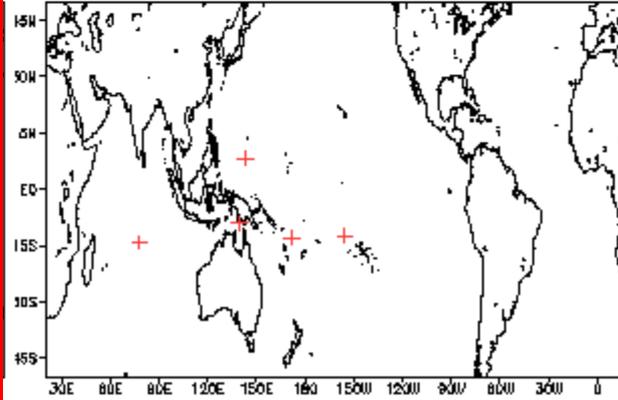
Phase 8 (75 days) 7 storms



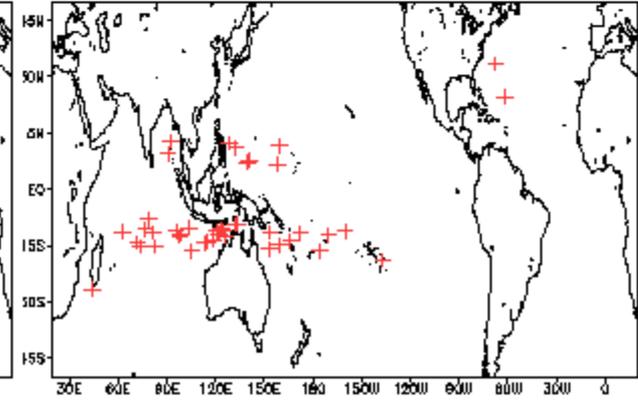
Phase 3 (68 days) 4 storms

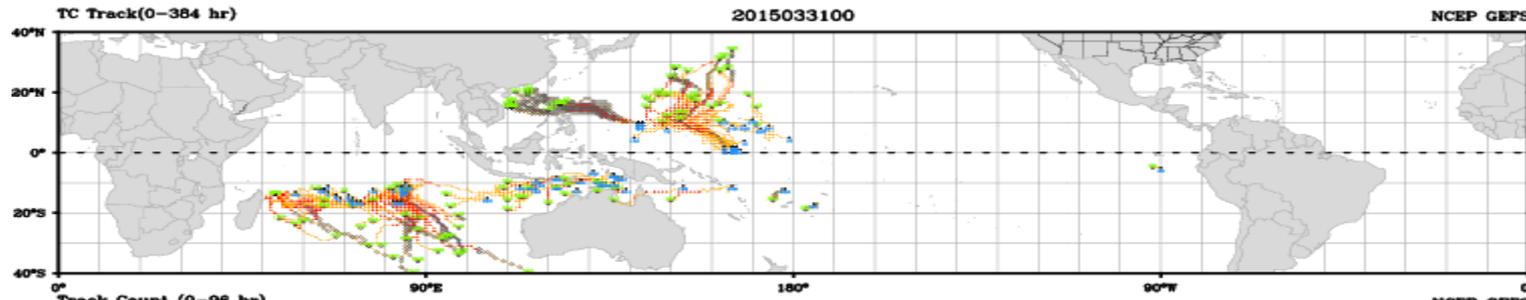


Phase 6 (65 days) 8 storms

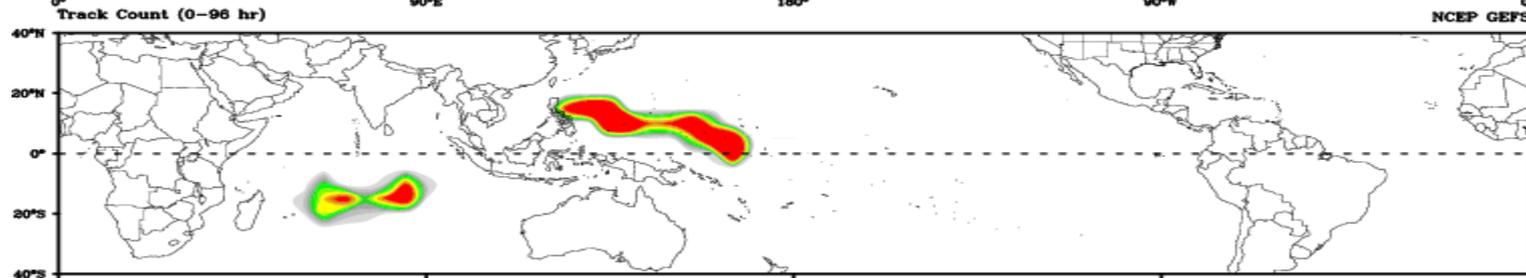


Null (388 days) 43 storms

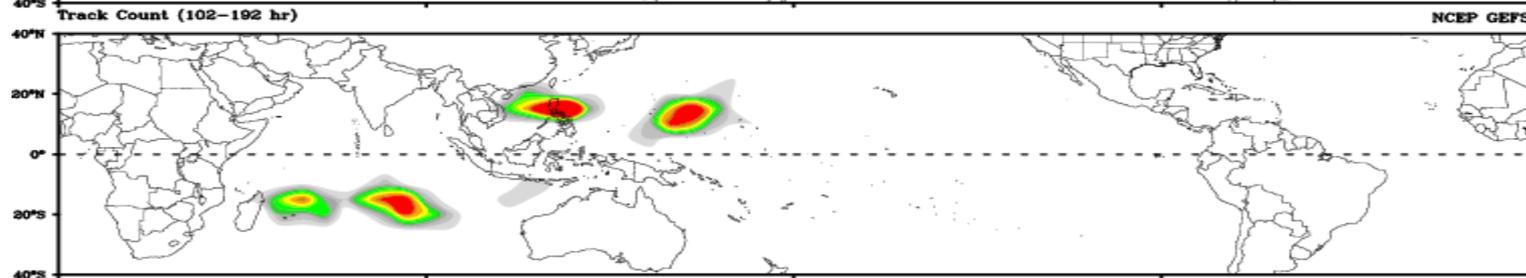




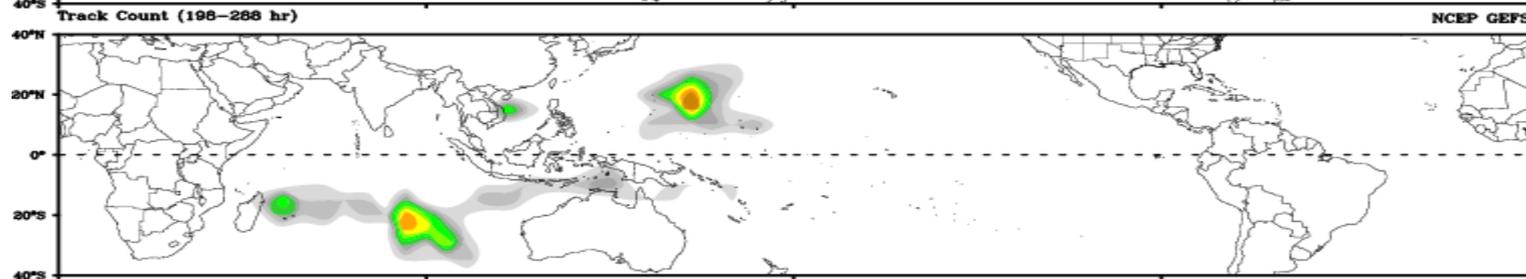
Days 1-4



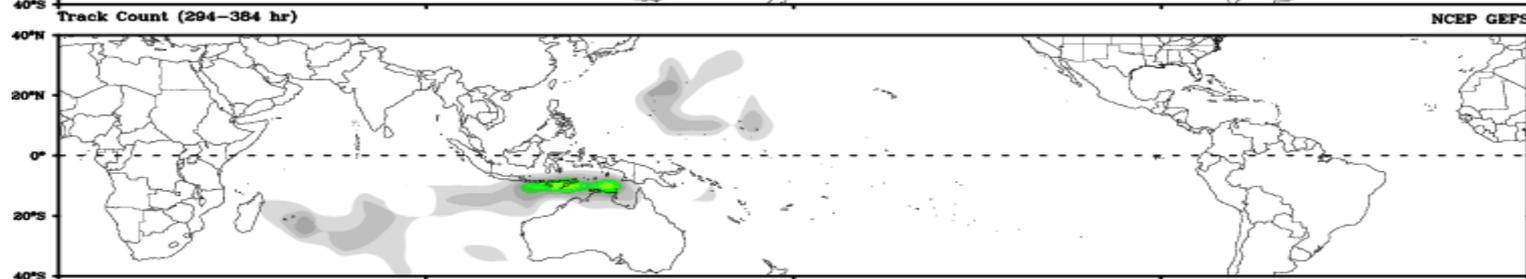
Day 5-8



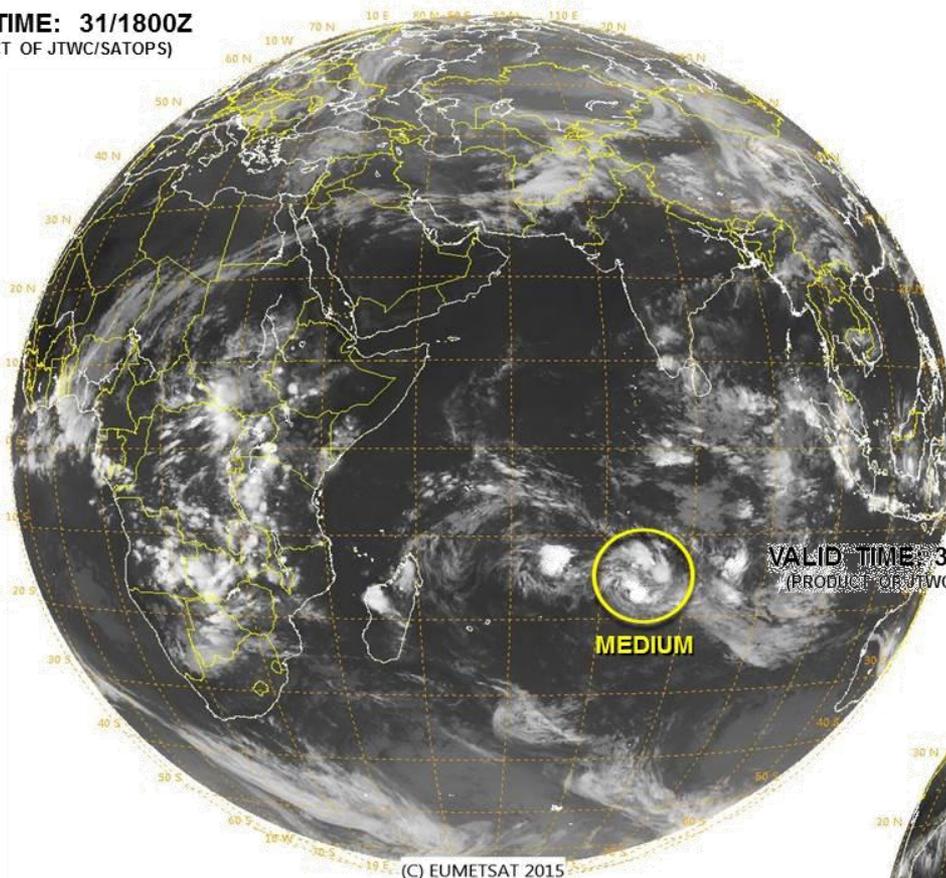
Day 9-12



Day 13-15

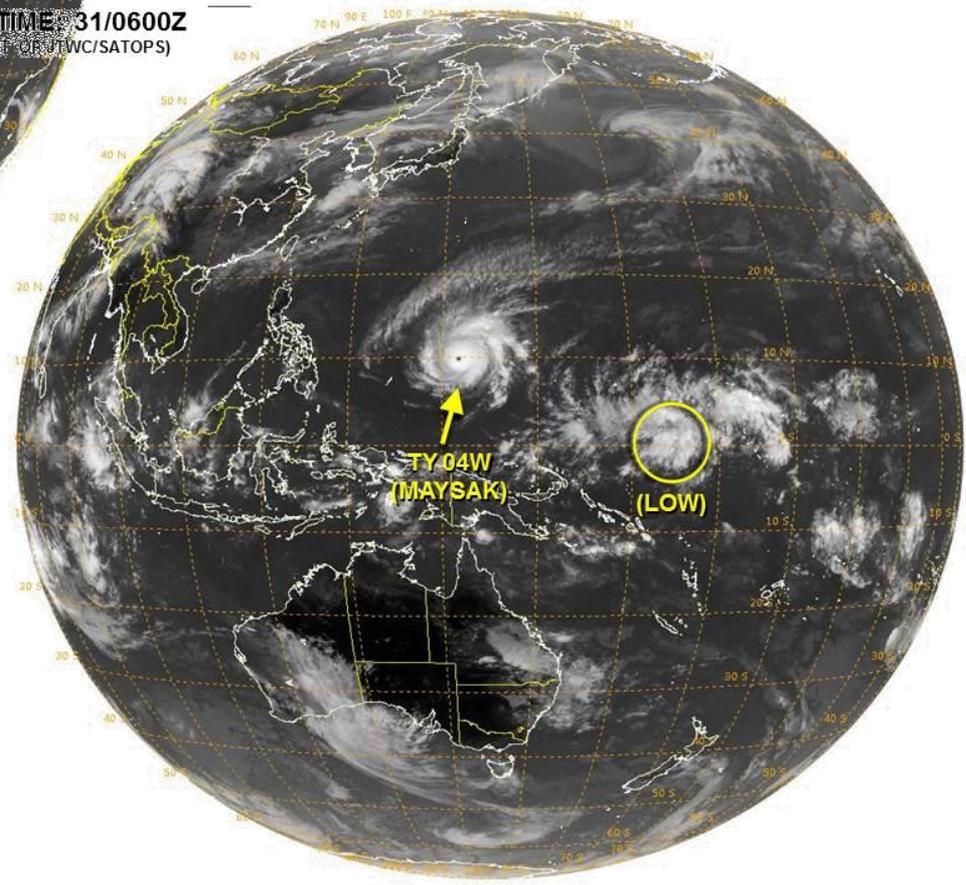


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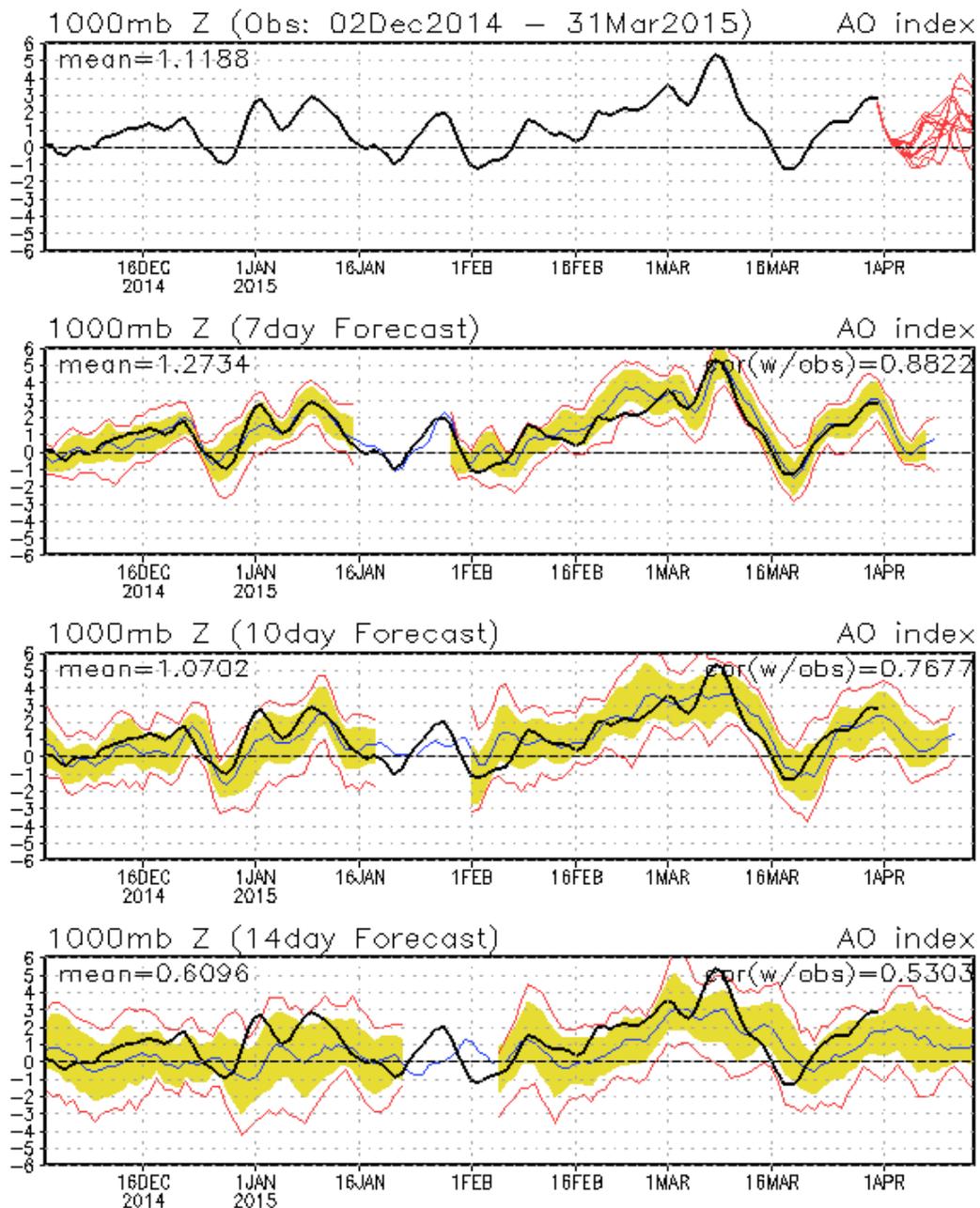
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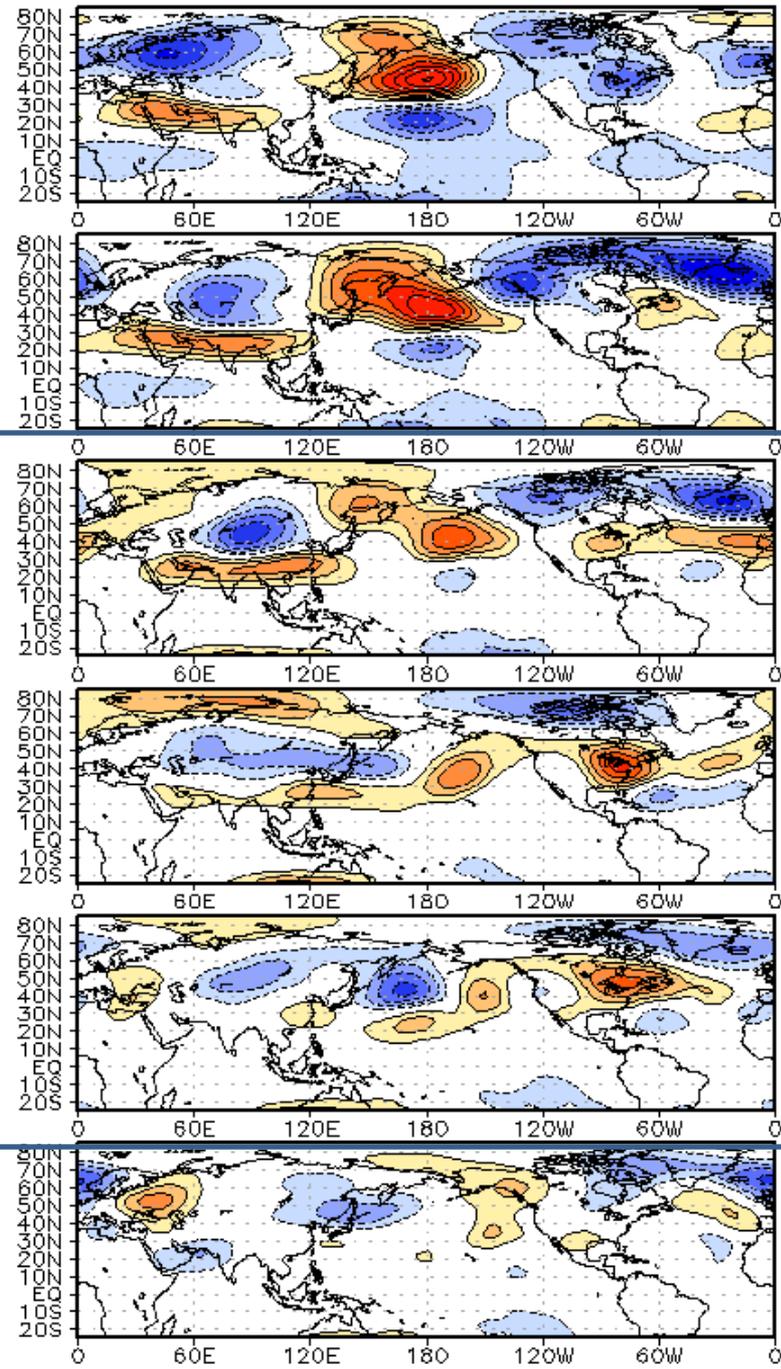


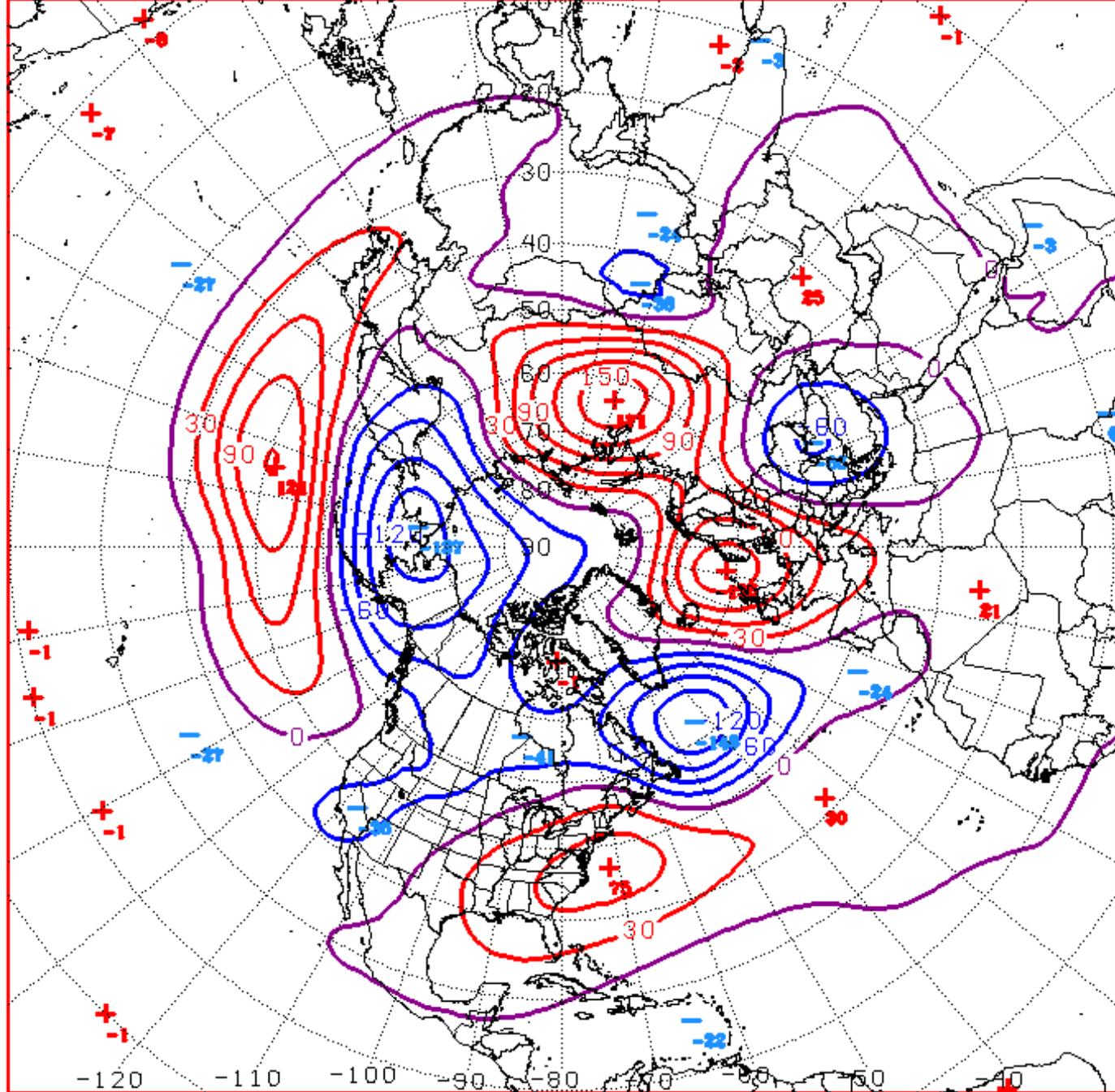
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AO: Observed & ENSM forecasts



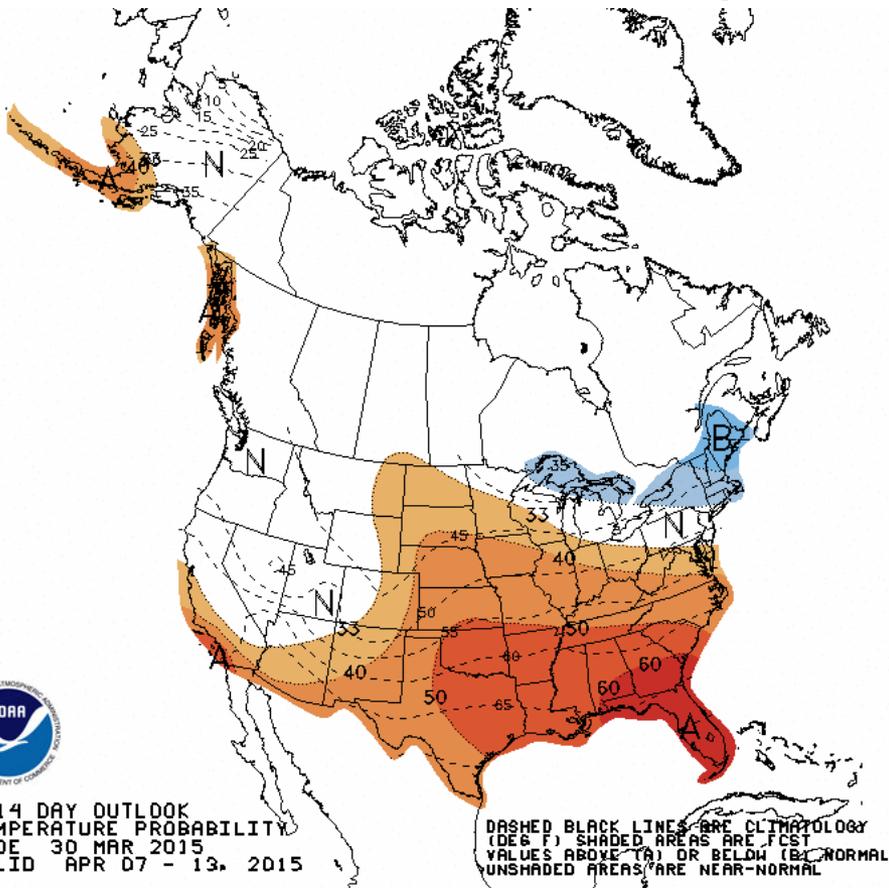
Lagged 200-hPa anomaly composites
from MJO Phase-3
5-day intervals centered on March





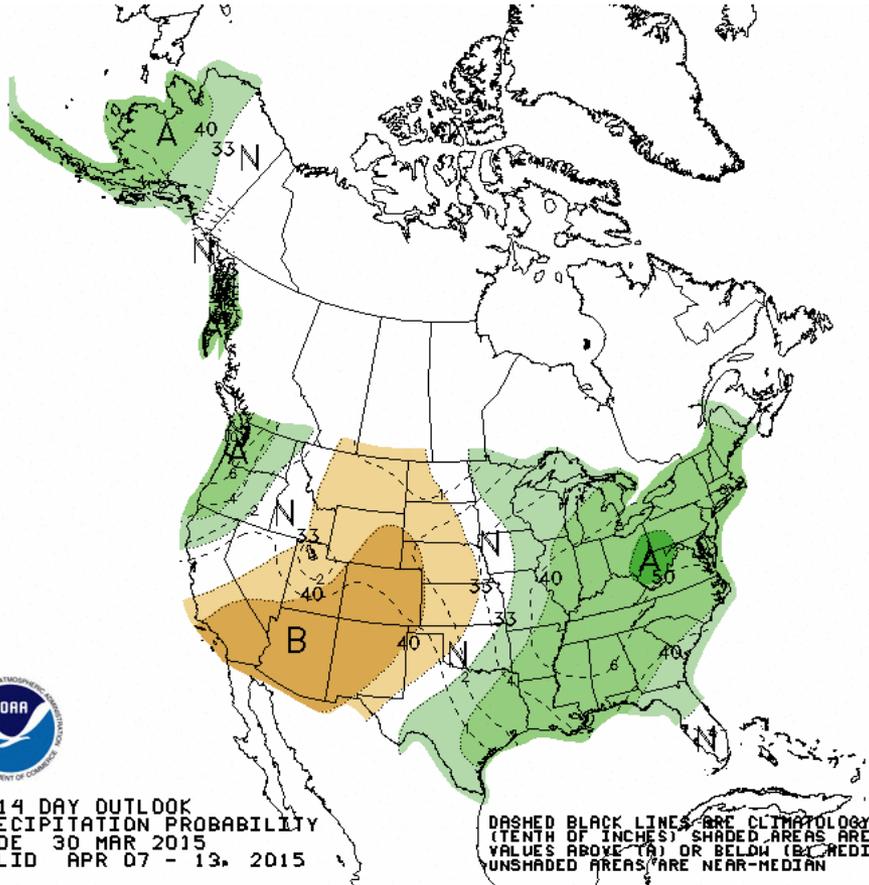
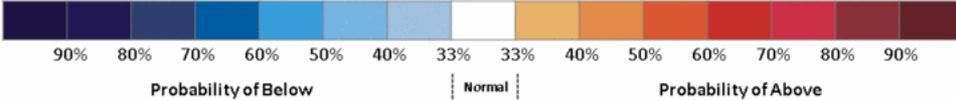
D+11 500 MB ANOMALIES FROM 00Z ECMM
CPC MAP MADE MAR 31 2015 1024 UTC CNTD APR 11 2015

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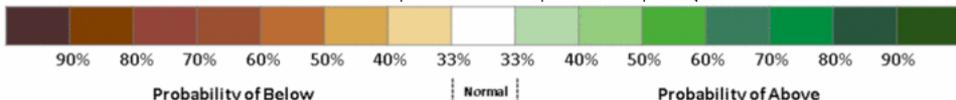
8-14 DAY OUTLOOK
TEMPERATURE PROBABILITY
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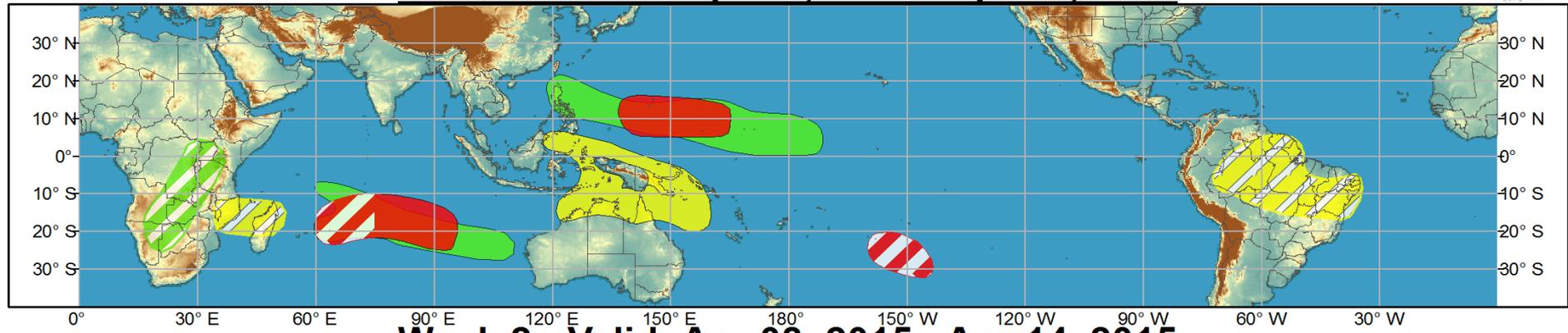
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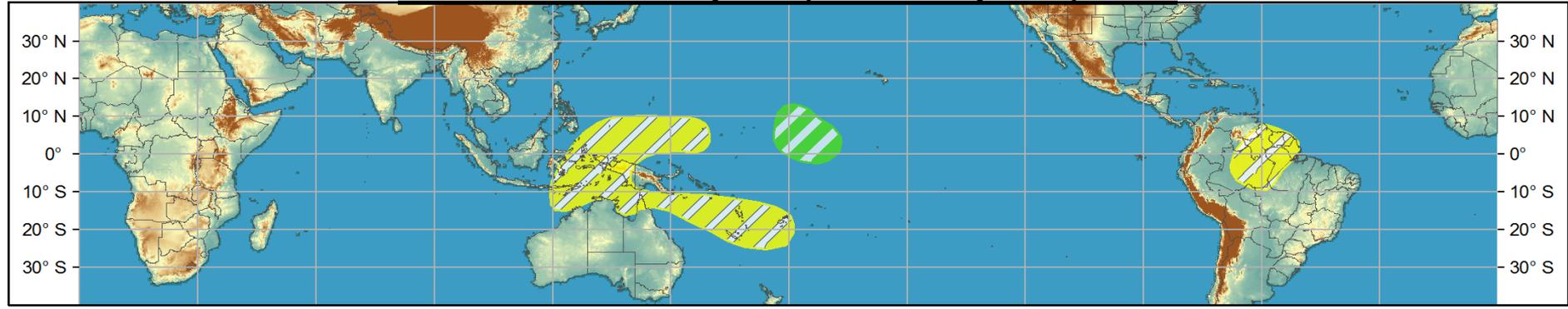


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