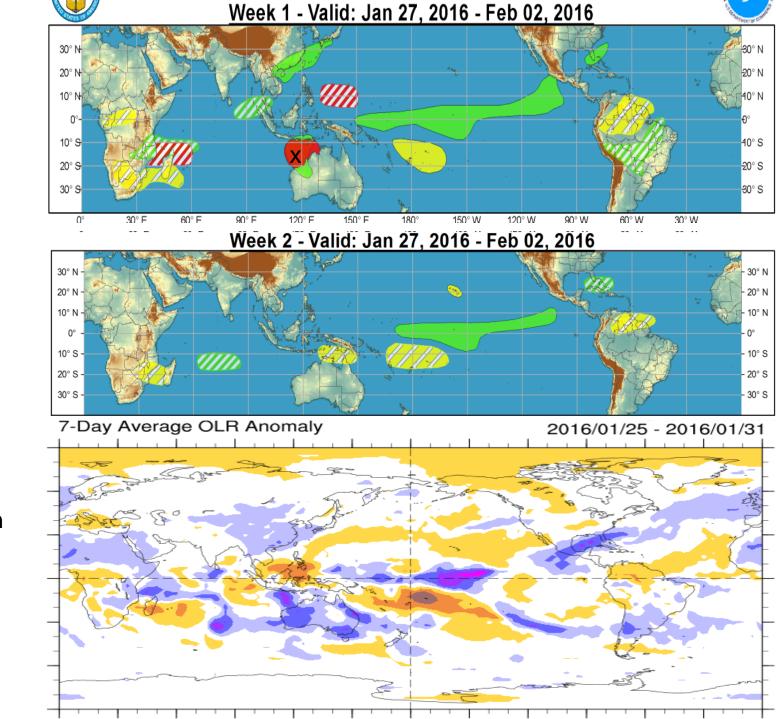
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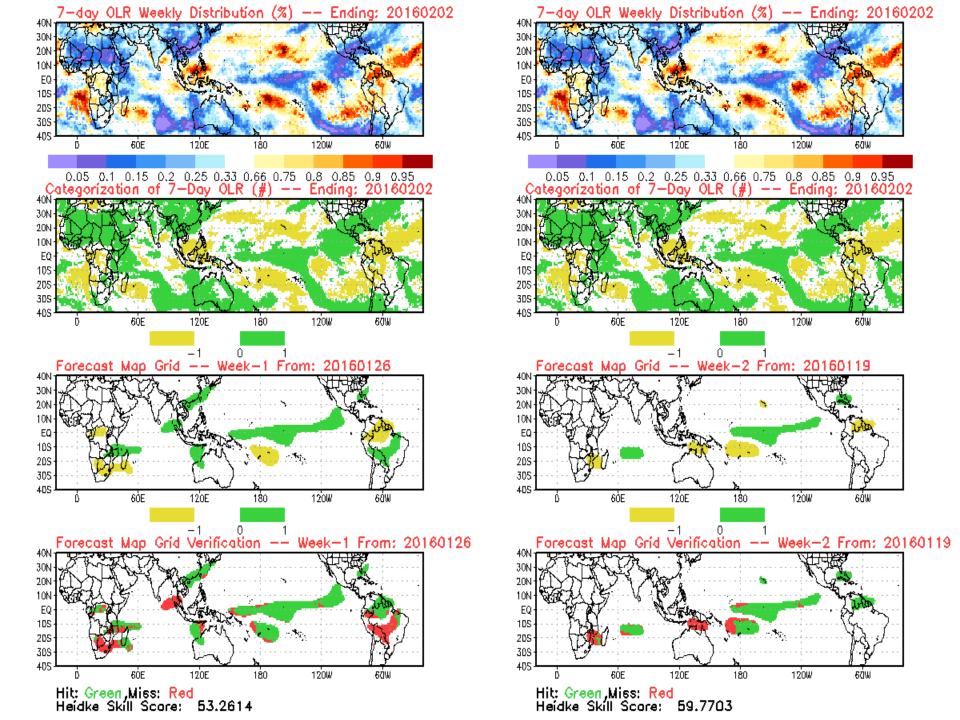
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Outlook Review



Cool shading More clouds/rain

Warm shading Less clouds/rain



Synopsis of Climate Modes

ENSO:

- Current: El Niño Advisory
- A strong El Niño is expected to gradually weaken through spring 2016, and to transition to ENSO-neutral during late spring or early summer.
- Next CPC update on Thursday, Feb 11

MJO and other subseasonal tropical variability:

- MJO was weak during late January due in part to destructive interference with the background state of El Nino.
- The preferred dynamical model MJO index forecast depicts a strengthening MJO signal with eastward propagation across the Maritime Continent during the next two weeks.

Extratropics:

• The Week-2 temperature outlook is likely to be affected by an amplifying pattern featuring a ridge (trough) over western (eastern) North America.



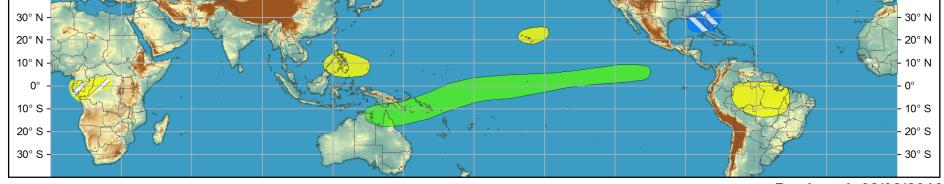
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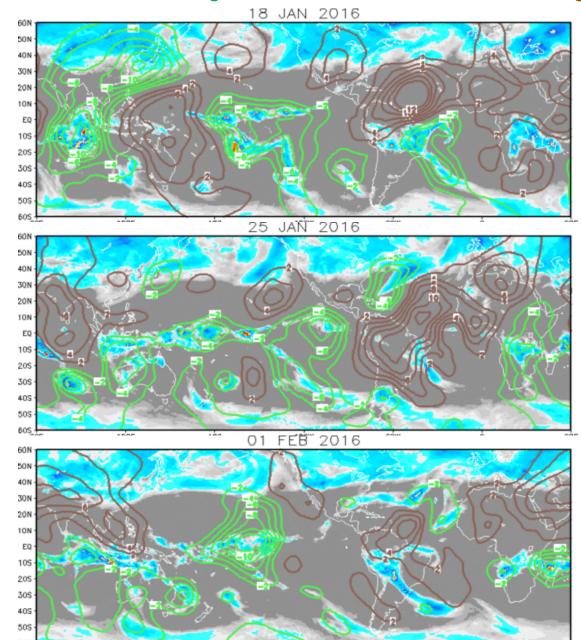






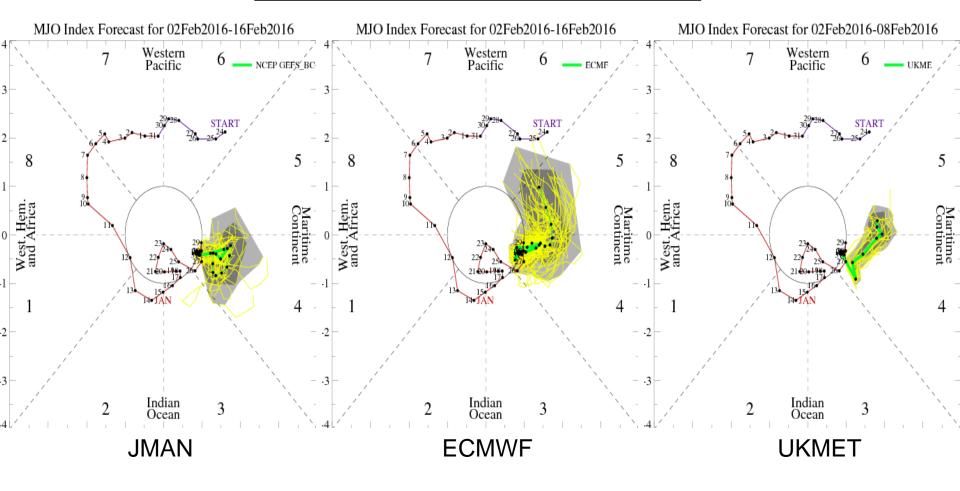
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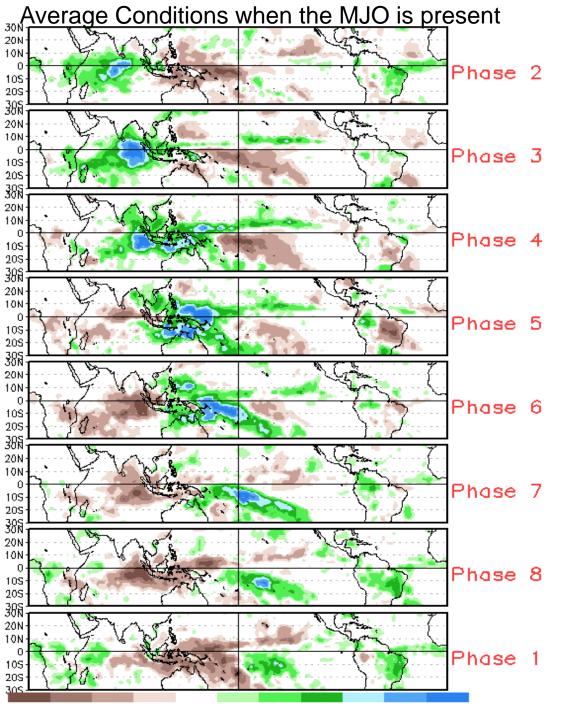


A variable and incoherent pattern as the MJO weakens.

MJO Observation/Forecast



Wheeler-Hendon based analyses of model forecasts indicate a strengthening signal but differ on eastward propagation.



Phase 3 CAVEAT: These panels are representative of robust MJO events, with all phases of Phase 4 ENSO.

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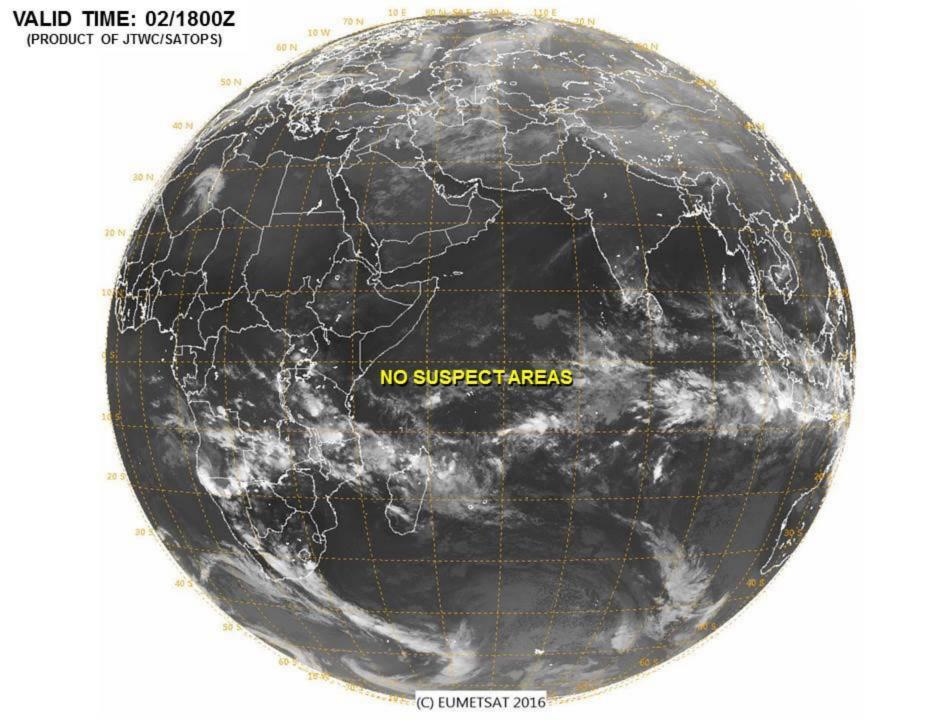
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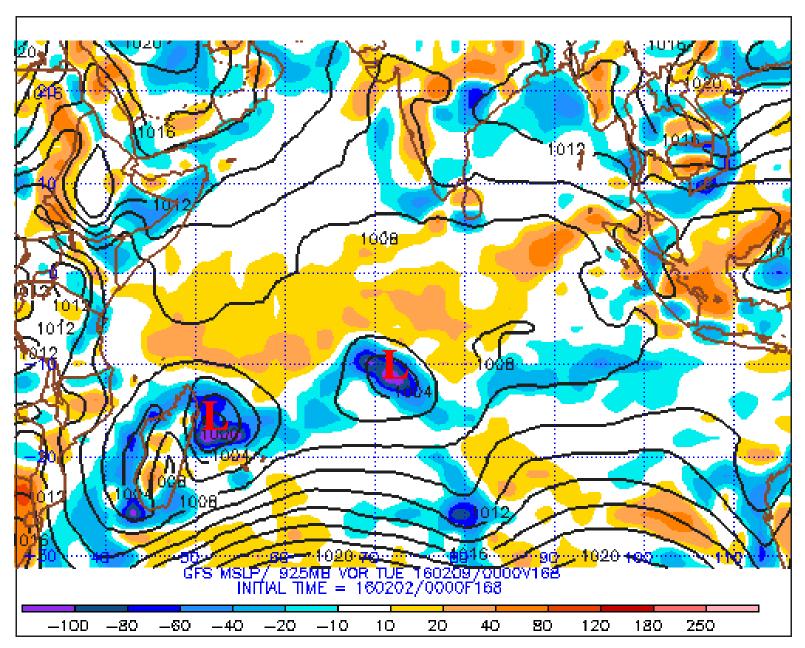
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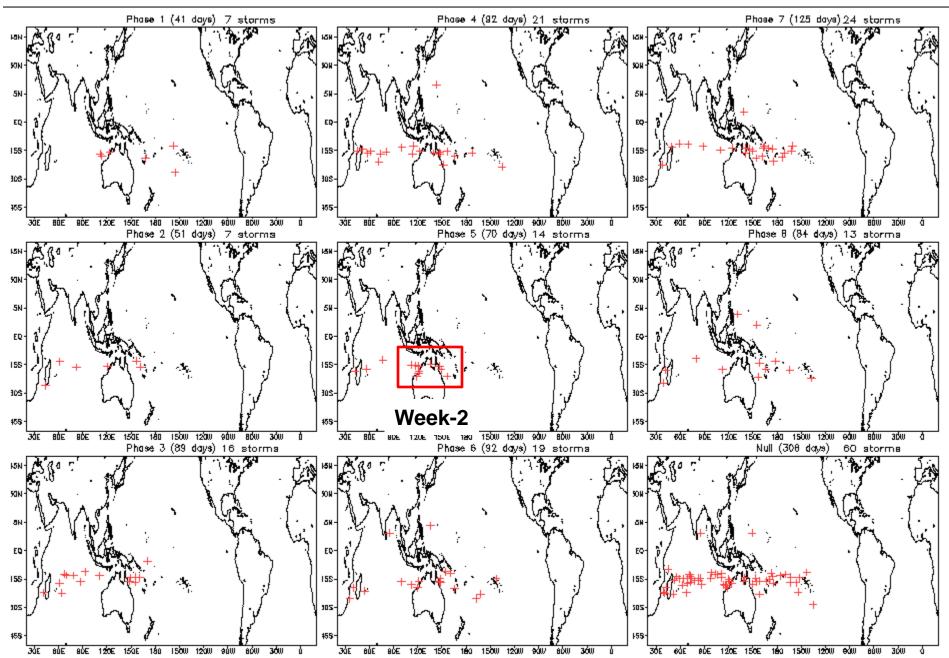
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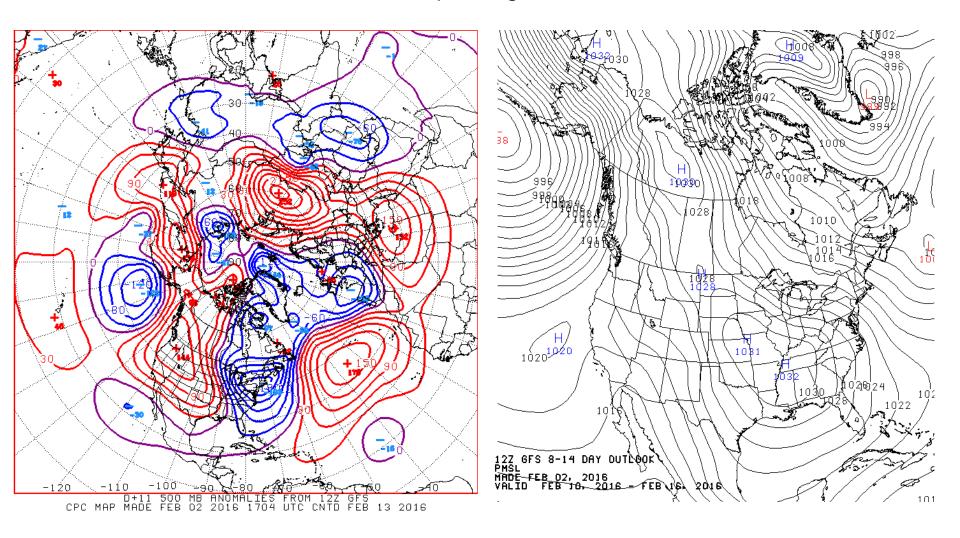


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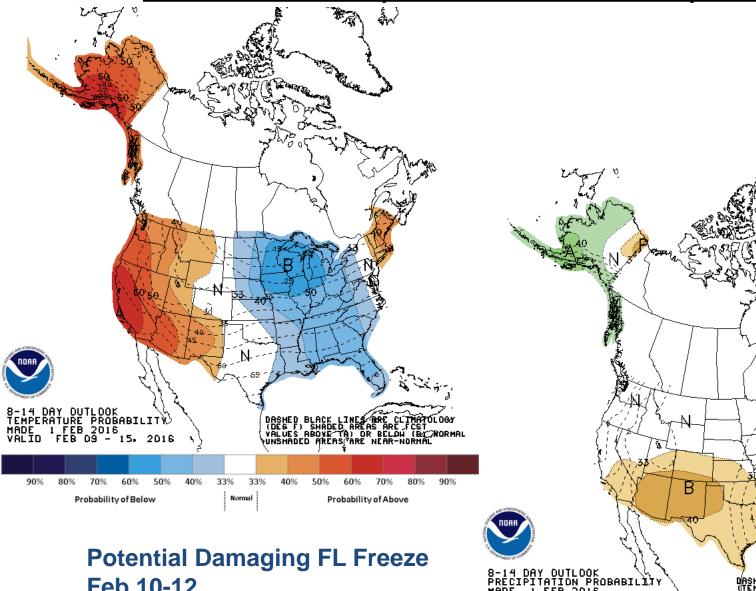


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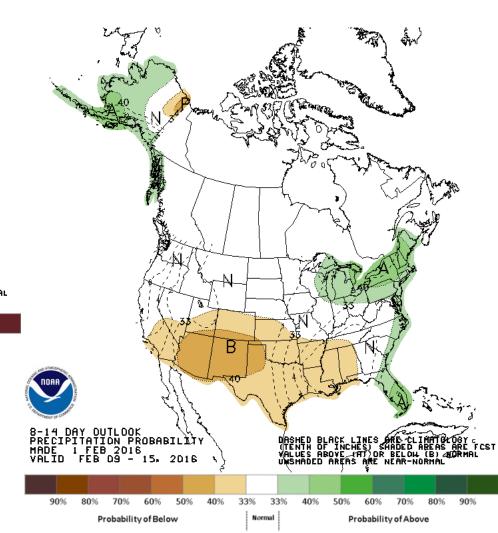
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Week 2 – Temperature and Precipitation



Feb 10-12





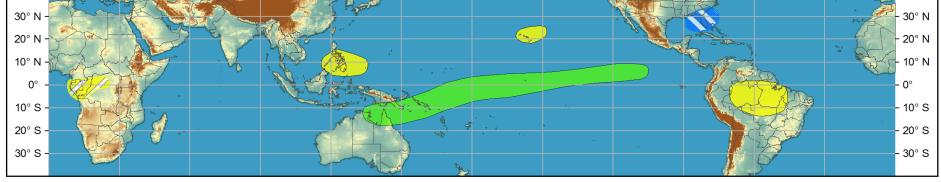
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