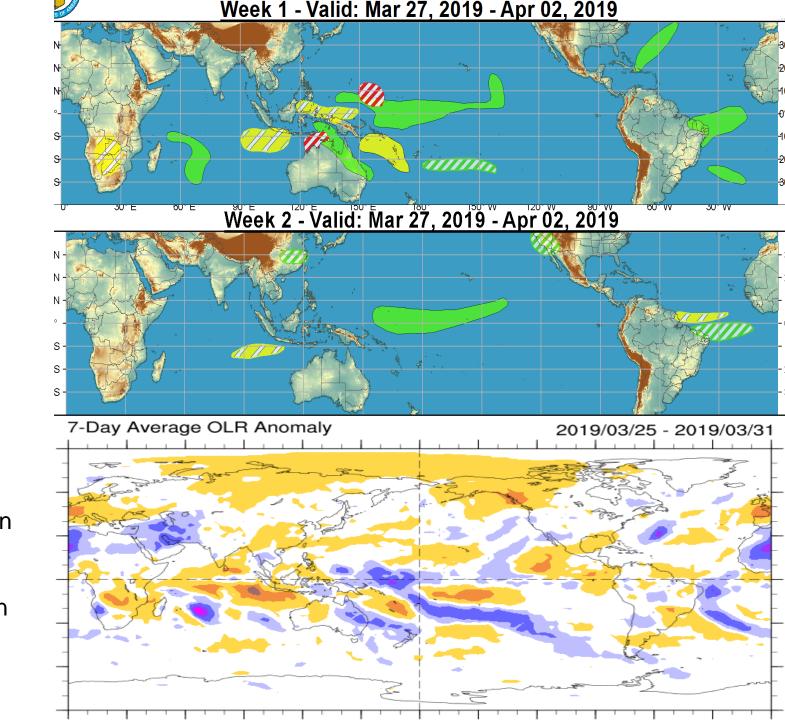
# Global Tropics Hazards And Benefits Outlook 04/02/2019

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

# Outlook Review



Cool shading More clouds/rain

Warm shading Less clouds/rain

### Synopsis of Climate Modes

#### **ENSO**: (March 14, 2019 Update)

- ENSO Alert System Status: El Niño Advisory
- Weak El Nino conditions are likely to continue through the Northern Hemisphere spring 2019 (~80% chance) and summer (~60% chance).

#### **MJO** and other subseasonal tropical variability:

- The MJO remains weak in an RMM sense. It hasn't left the circle in over a week.
- Model forecasts are for the MJO to remain weak during most of the forecast period.
  - A handful of ensemble members suggest it might become active again at the end of Week-2.

#### **Extratropics**:

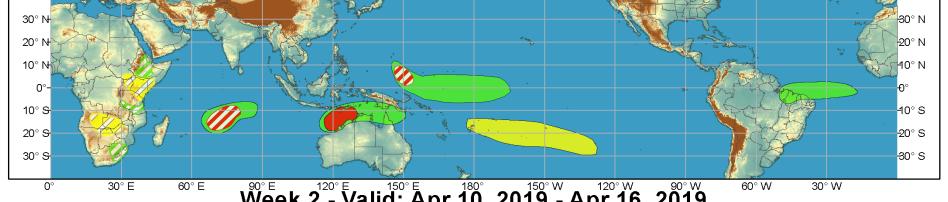
• The MJO is not likely to play an observable role in any tropical-extratropical interactions. The ENSO signal is likely to be the most reliable mode producing long lasting convective anomalies.



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<u> Week 2 - Valid: Apr 10, 2019 - Apr 16, 2019</u>



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Forecaster: MacRitchie



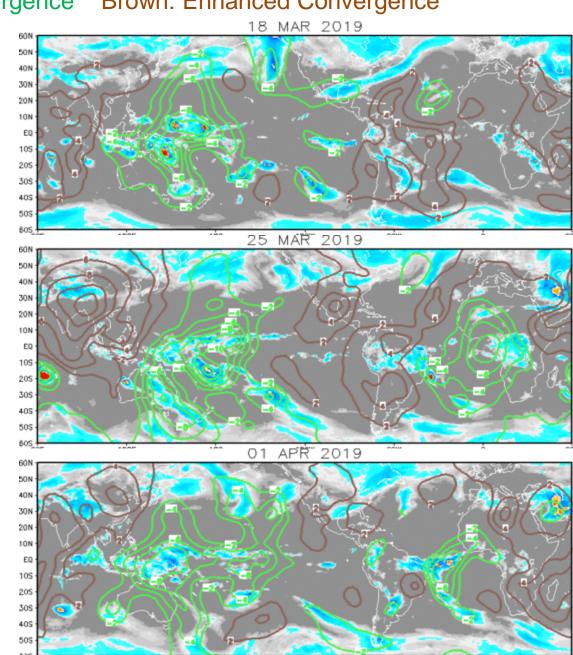
#### IR Satellite & 200-hpa Velocity Potential Anomalies

Green: Enhanced Divergence Brown: Enhanced Convergence

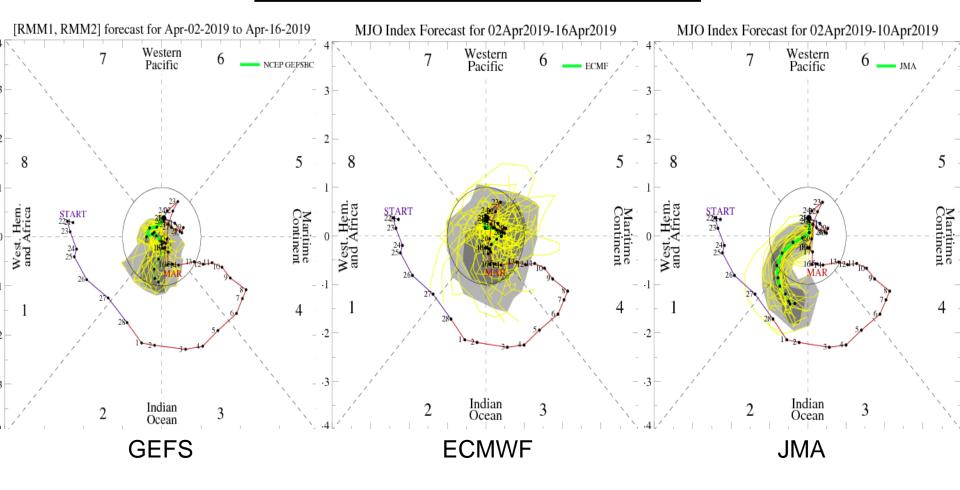
Robust MJO signal with the enhanced phase over the Maritime Continent (interfering with ENSO).

Wave-2 projection. The convective regions are anchored by low-frequency, Kelvin, and ER waves throughout the tropics.

The Wave-2 projection is a bit noisier than before. Main areas of convection are in the western Pacific and southern Atlantic.

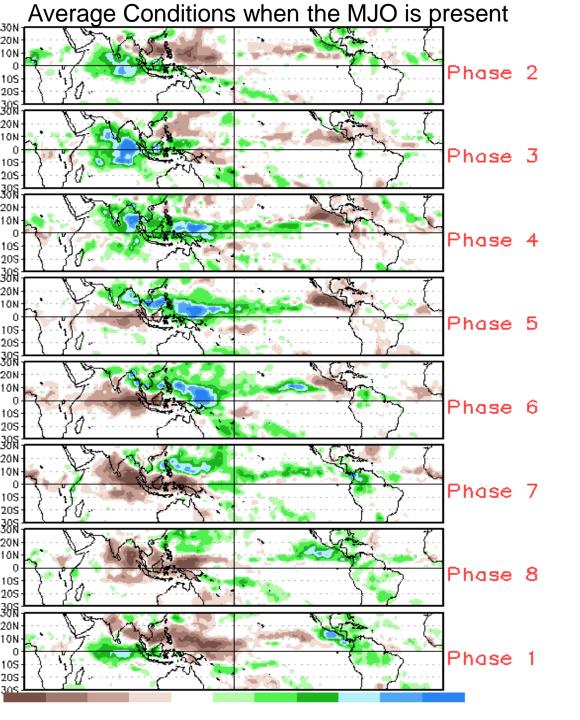


### MJO Observation/Forecast



All models depict weak MJO activity over the next two weeks.

A handful of ensemble members in the GEFS and ECMWF as well as most of the JMA ensemble members suggest that the MJO will strengthen in Week-2. However, probability of a weak MJO signal is higher than that of a strong MJO signal.

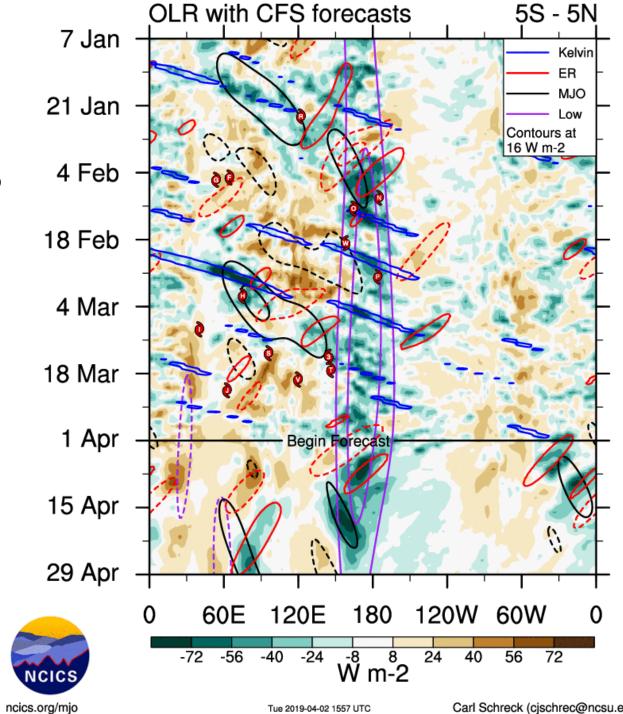


CAVEAT: These panels are representative of robust MJO events.

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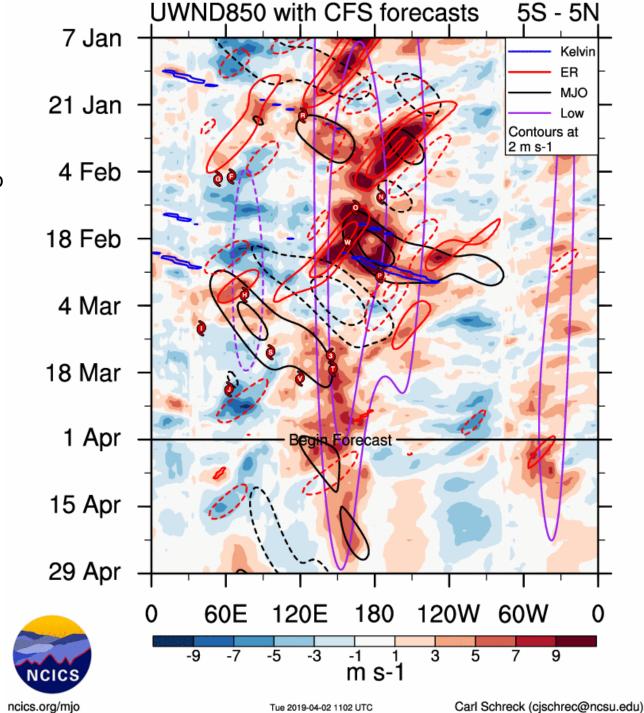
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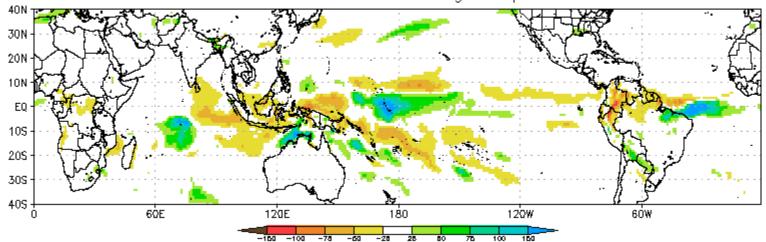
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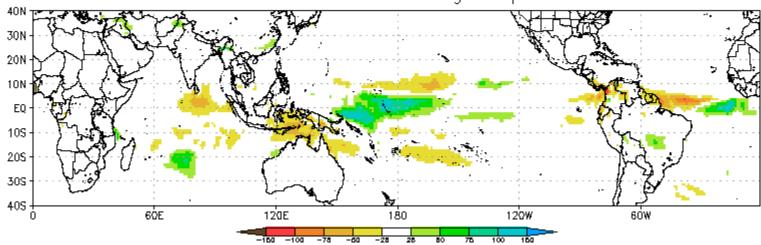
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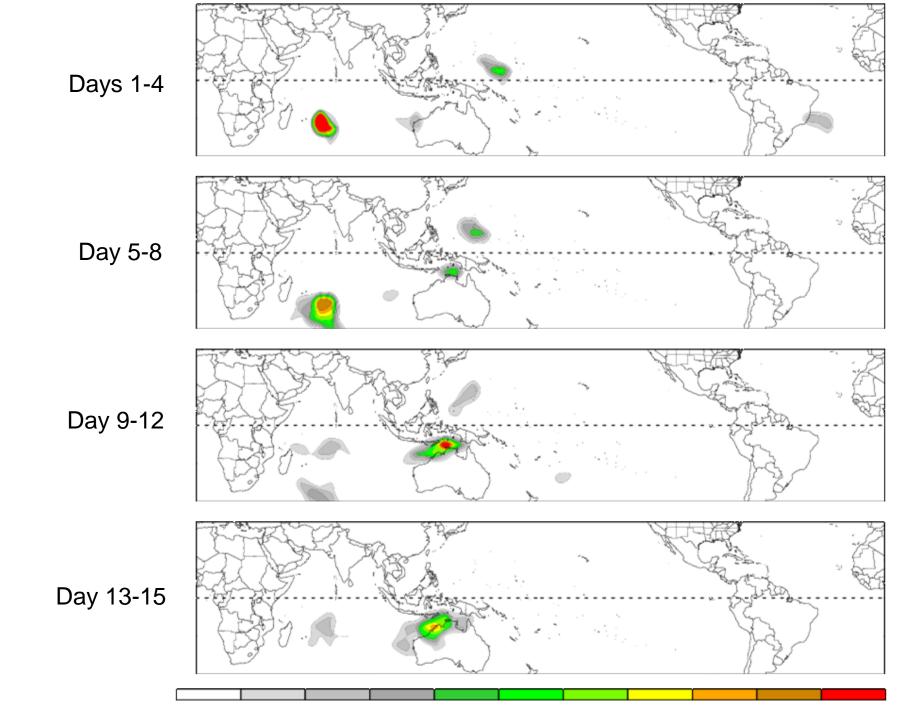


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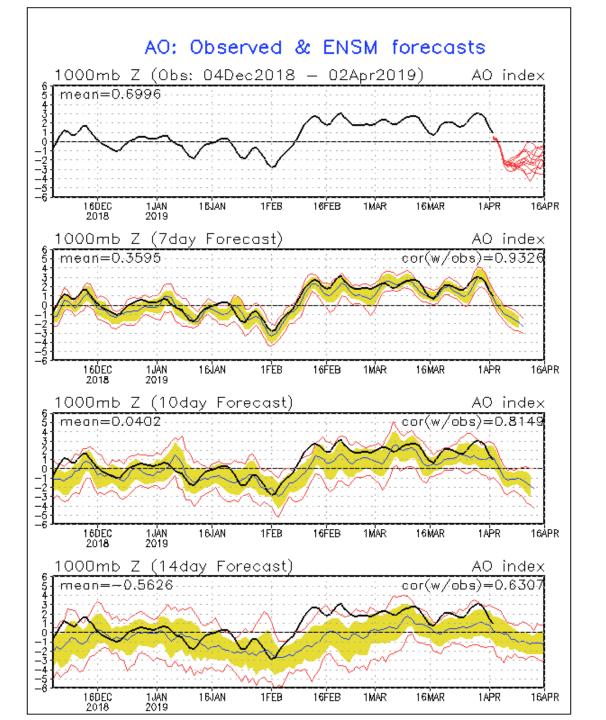


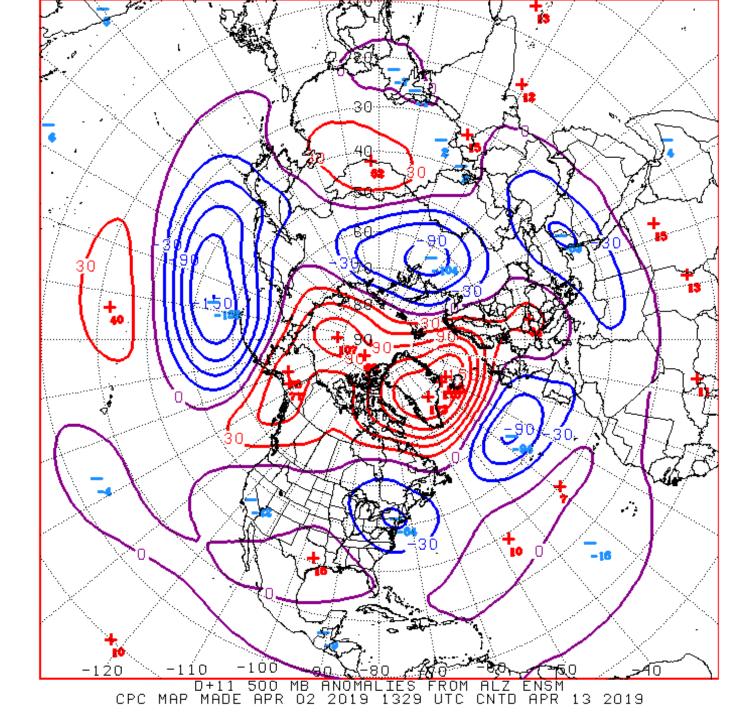
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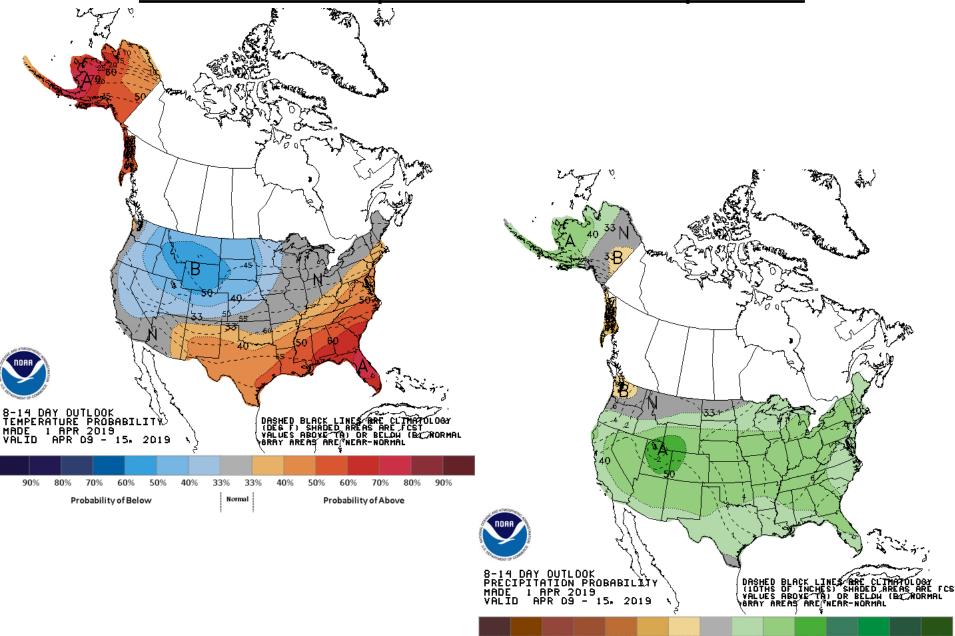


## Connections to U.S. Impacts





Week 2 – Temperature and Precipitation



70%

Probability of Below

60%

Probability of Above

33%

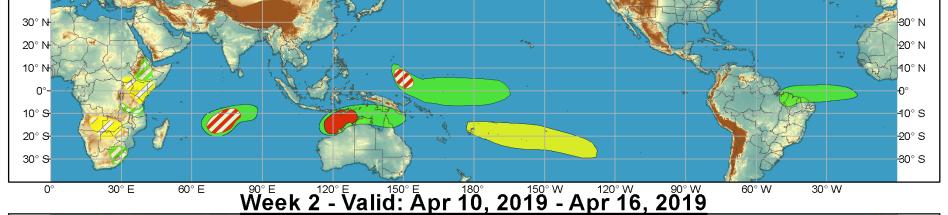
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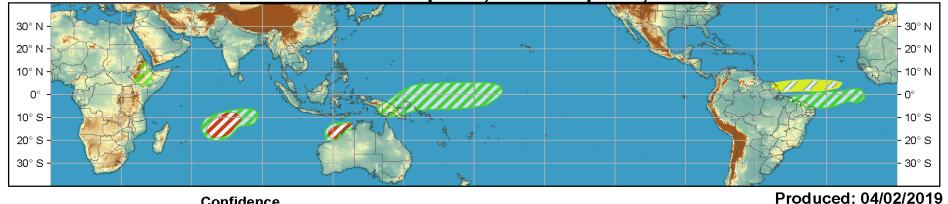


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