# Global Tropics Hazards And Benefits Outlook

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### <u>Outline</u>

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

### <u>Outlook</u> <u>Review</u>

### Hurricane Barry

7/11-14 Peak winds: 75 mph

### Trop. Depression 6

7/16-present Peak winds: 34 mph<sub>s</sub>

Cool shading More clouds/rain

Warm shading Less clouds/rain



# Synopsis of Climate Modes

### ENSO: (as of July 11, 2019 – next update on Thursday, August 8th)

- ENSO Alert System Status: <u>El Niño Advisory</u>
- A transition from El Niño to ENSO-neutral is expected in the next month or two, with ENSO-neutral most likely to continue through Northern Hemisphere fall and winter.

#### MJO and other subseasonal tropical variability:

• The MJO was incoherent over the past week, as equatorial Rossby wave and Kelvin wave activity helped mask its presence.

• Dynamical models offer mixed takes on whether the MJO will come to dominate the global tropics, or continue to be obscured by other modes of tropical variability. Limited character of the MJO crossing from Africa to the Indian Ocean may be apparent during the next two weeks.

#### **Extratropics**:

• Tropical influences on the extratropics are unlikely outside of tropical cyclone influences during the next two weeks. If tropical cyclone activity picks up off the southwestern coast of Mexico as models suggest during Week-2 the chances of a moisture surge into the southwestern U.S. would increase during early August.



#### Confidence High Moderate

Tropical Cyclone Formation

Above-average rainfall

Below-average rainfall

Above-normal temperatures

Below-normal temperatures

Forecaster: D.Harnos 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.

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

Green: Enhanced Divergence Brown: Enhanced Convergence

A wave-1 pattern was apparent, consistent with the MJO being focused east of the Date Line.

The MJO shifted eastward over the Western Hemisphere, but exhibited signs of weakening as seen in its a less robust footprint.

The most recent analysis is highly mixed, featuring Rossby wave activity in the West Pacific, Kelvin wave activity in the East Pacific, and remains of the MJO over Africa.



Very busy pattern!

- Enhanced (suppressed)
  MJO envelope over Africa (the Maritime Continent).
- Widespread Rossby wave activity from the Indian Ocean through Pacific.
- Two Kelvin waves are also apparent over the Central Pacific and Western Hemisphere.



### **MJO Observation/Forecast**



Variability occurs in how much the eastward propagating MJO envelope is highlighted (JMA the most, ECMWF the least, GEFS in the middle) relative to other modes of tropical variability.

That said, consensus is that the MJO should remain on the weaker side.



If MJO does happen to be stronger, Phases 1-3 would be favored during the next two weeks.

- Increasing rainfall over the Indian Ocean.
- Wet early, before transitioning to a drier East Pacific.
- Dryness shifting northward over the West Pacific.

CAVEAT: These panels are representative of robust MJO events.







## **Connections to U.S. Impacts**





### Week 2 – Temperature and Precipitation



90%

80%

70%

60%

Probability of Below

50%

40%

33%

330

Normal

40%

50%

60%

Probability of Above

70%

80%

90%

Precipitation likely wetter along Gulf



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