# Global Tropics Hazards And Benefits Outlook

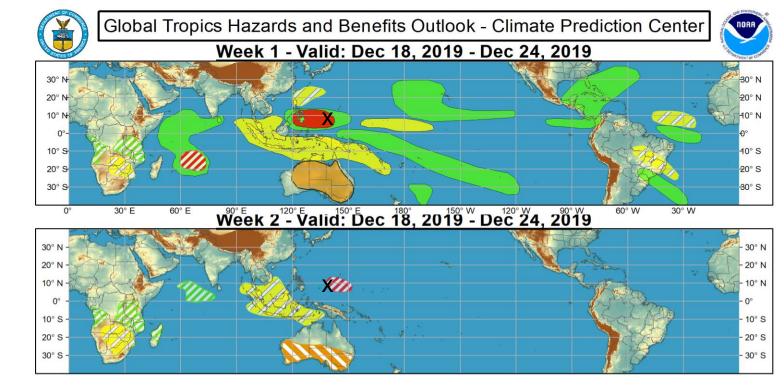
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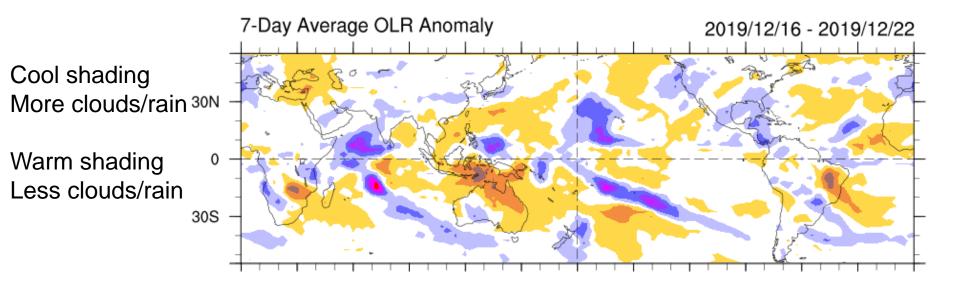
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# <u>Outline</u>

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







# Synopsis of Climate Modes

## ENSO: (December 12, 2019 Update)

- ENSO Alert System Status: Not Active
- ENSO-neutral is favored during the Northern Hemisphere winter 2019-20 (70% chance), continuing through spring 2020 (~65% chance).

### MJO and other subseasonal tropical variability:

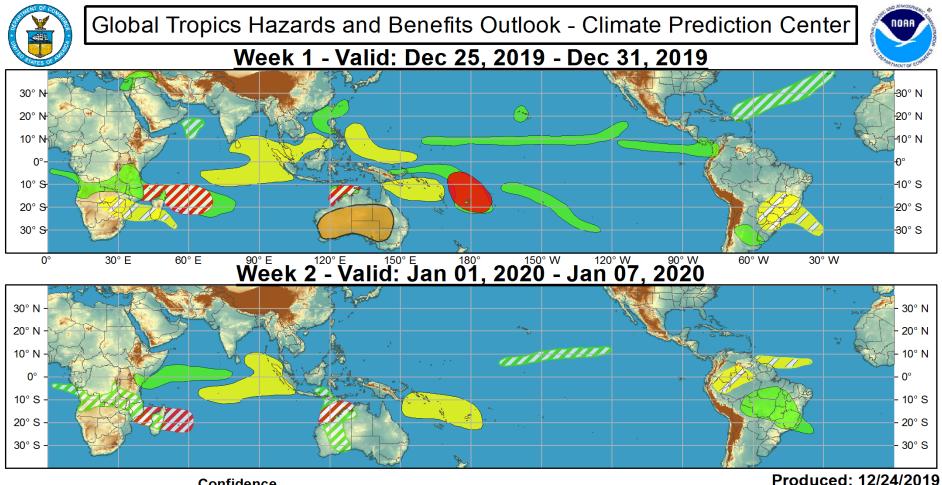
• The MJO remained weak, with little convective footprint, but there is evidence of an eastward propagating signal in the upper level wind field, now over the West Pacific.

• Dynamical models show an amplifying MJO RMM index signal over the West Pacific during Week-1, but the GEFS and ECMWF reverse the signal during Week-2 with a quick return to the Maritime Continent.

• Potential tropical cyclone activity may be contributing to the reversal of the index

## **Extratropics**:

• Due to the lack of a clear convective signal associated with the MJO and the highly uncertain dynamical model forecasts, the MJO is not anticipated to play a role in the evolution of the extratropical circulation. Dynamical models favor Arctic air invading the Western Hemisphere, but there is no clear mechanism for sustained Arctic outbreaks into the CONUS.



#### Confidence High Moderate

Tropical Cyclone Formation

Above-average rainfall

Below-average rainfall

Above-normal temperatures

Below-normal temperatures

Forecaster: Allgood 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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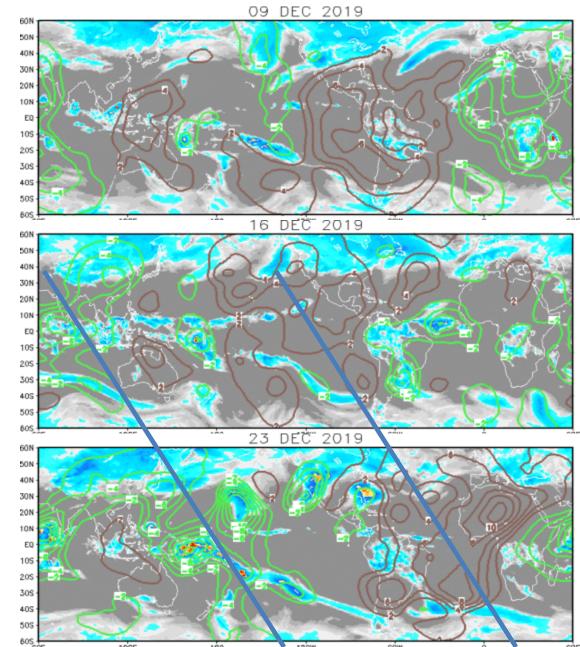
### IR Satellite & 200-hpa Velocity Potential Anomalies

Green: Enhanced Divergence Brown: Enhanced Convergence

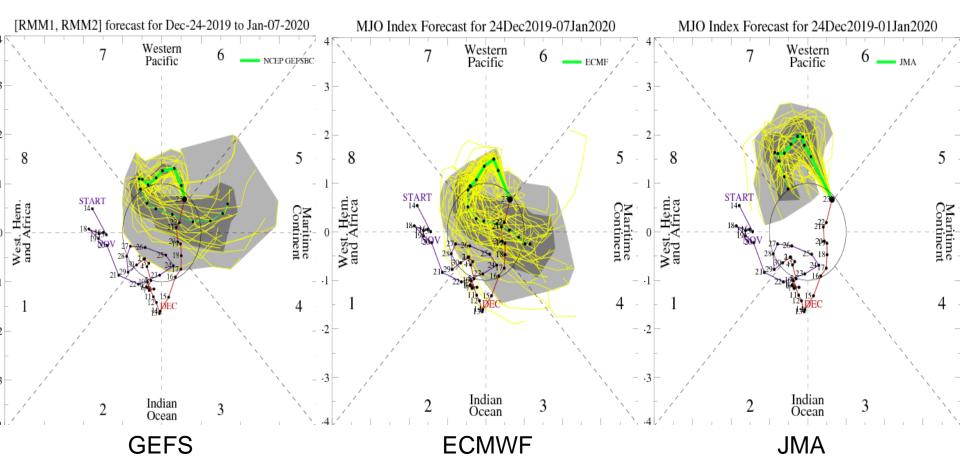
Upper-level pattern reflective of a response to the ongoing positive IOD.

Notable eastward shift in the upper-level VP anomalies over the Indian Ocean as the IOD began to weaken.

Eastward propagation of the upper-level VP anomalies suggestive of an intraseasonal signal, though the IOD response continues.



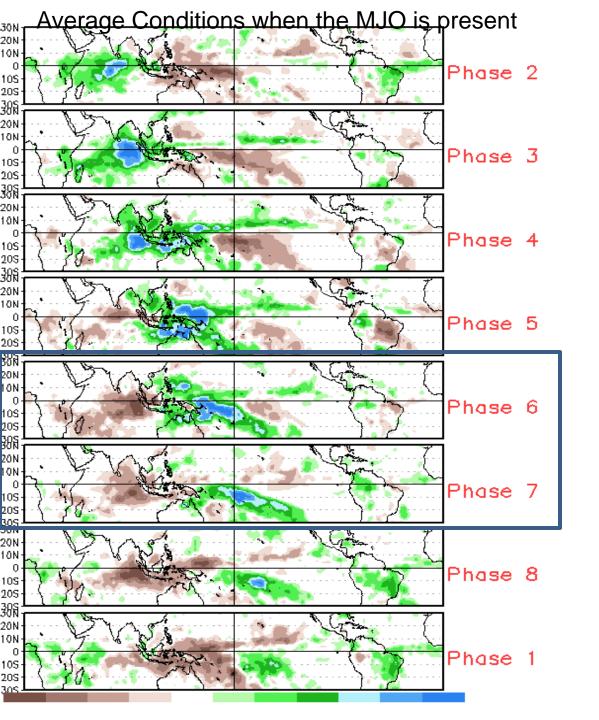
# **MJO Observation/Forecast**



All models show some signal emerging over the Pacific.

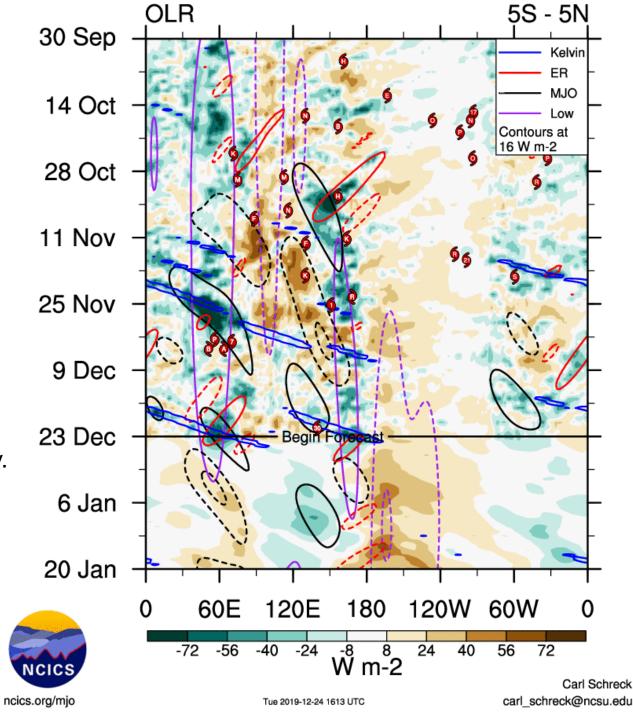
The GEFS and ECMWF rapidly weaken the signal by Week-2 and return it to the Maritime Continent (TC activity near the Kimberley Coast?)

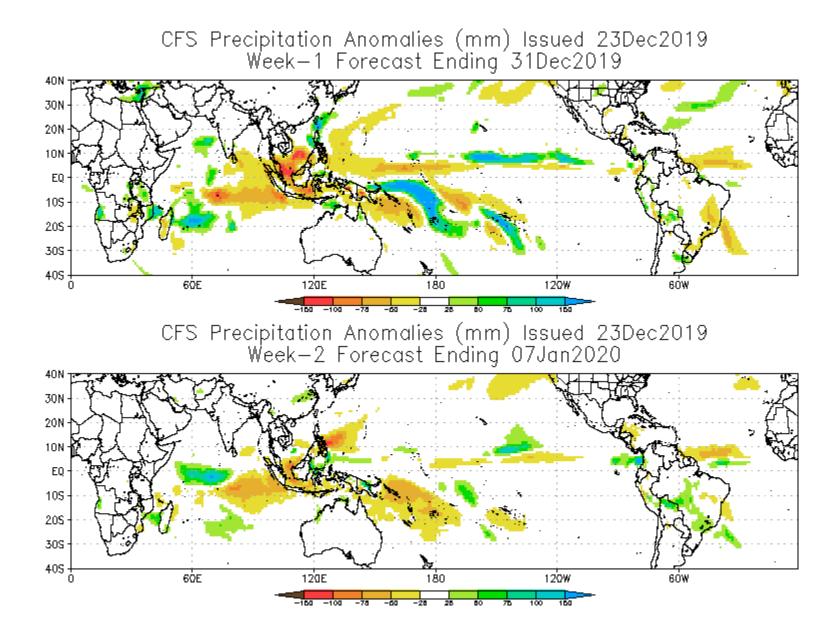
The JMA is more consistent with an MJO event.



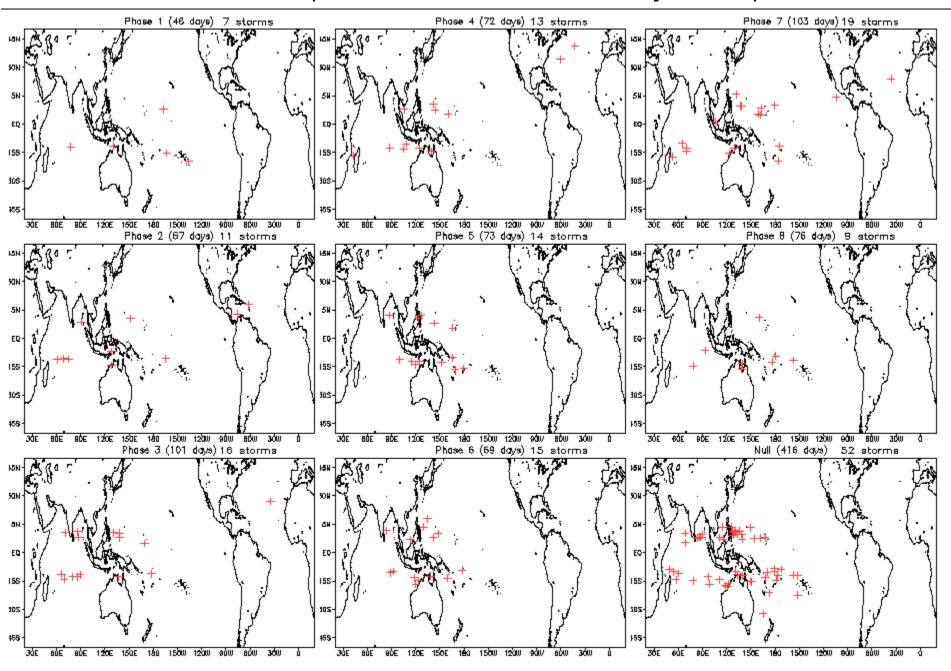
CAVEAT: These panels are representative of robust MJO events.

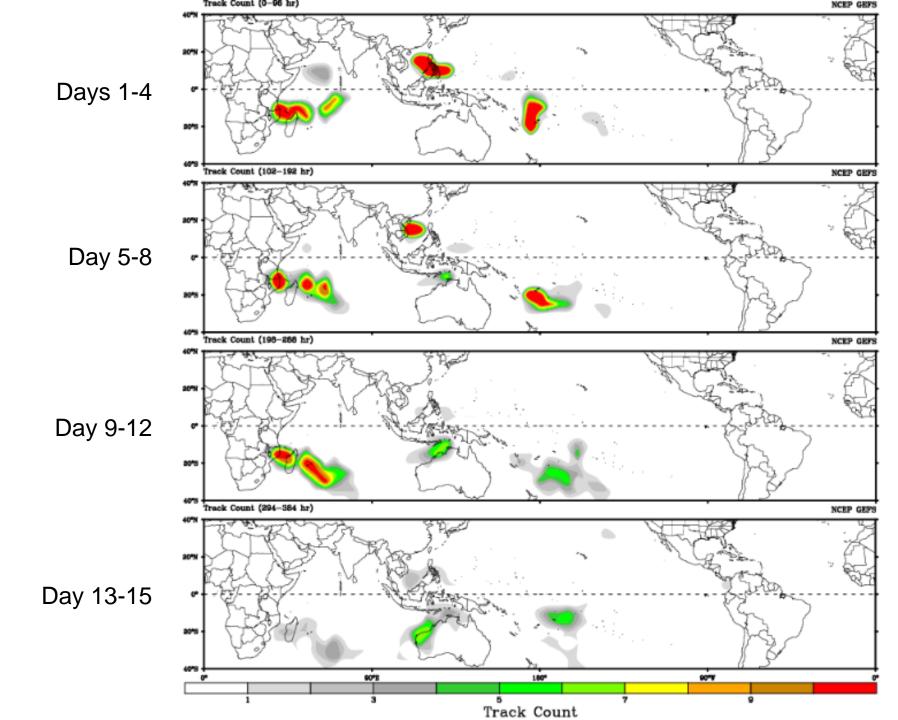
IOD convective anomalies weakened in mid-December, but convection over the western IO increased recently.





December Tropical Storm Formation by MJO phase

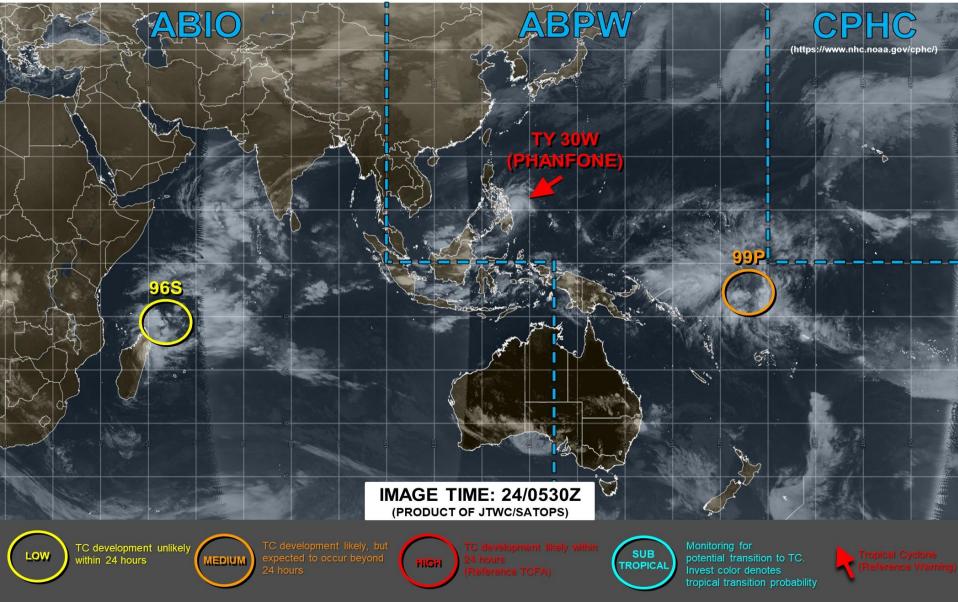




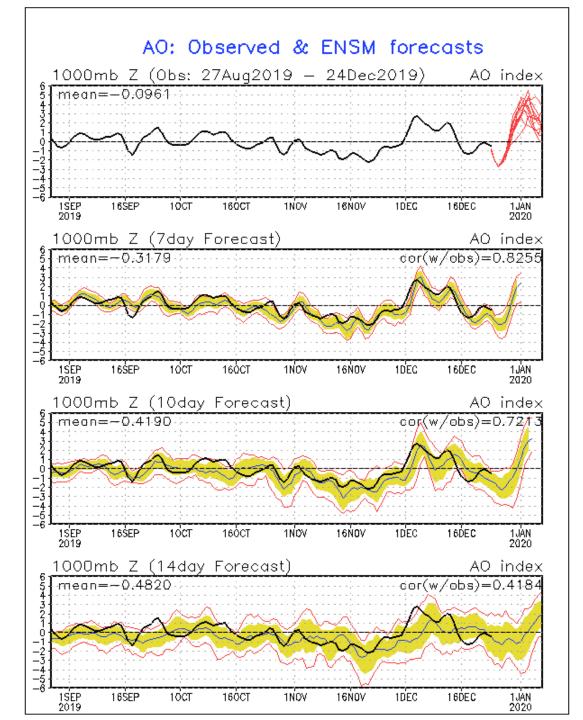


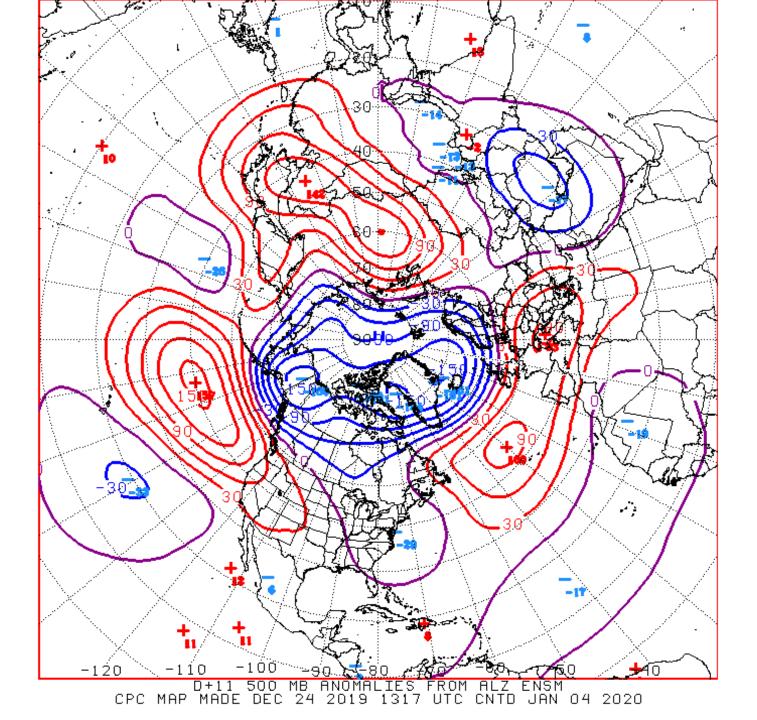
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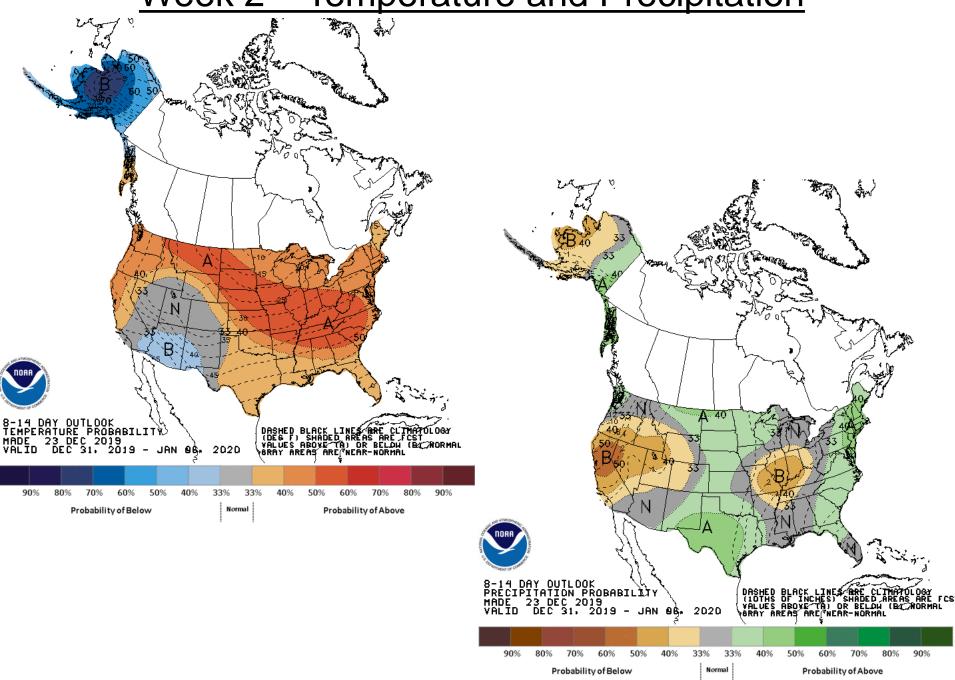


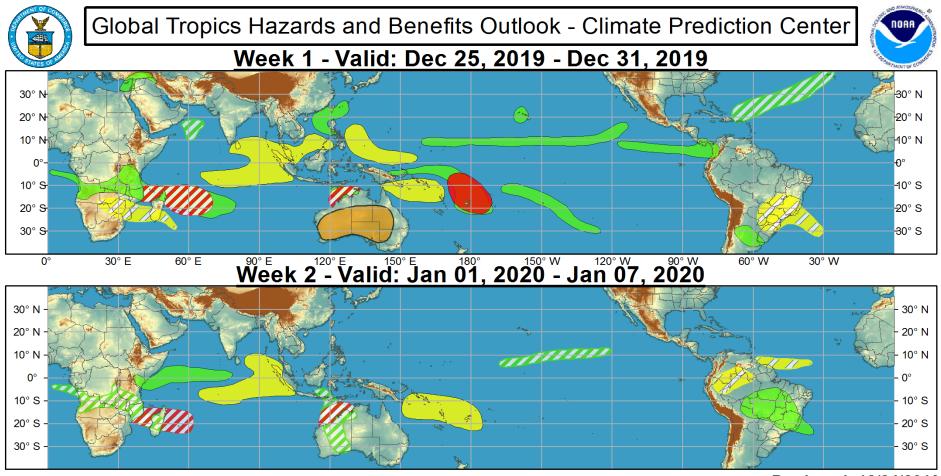
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## Week 2 – Temperature and Precipitation





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