# Global Tropics Hazards And Benefits Outlook 4/21/2020

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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

Week 1 - Valid: Apr 15, 2020 - Apr 21, 2020 <u>Outlook</u> 30° N **Review** 20° № 20° N 10° N 10° N⋅ 10° S 40° S 20° S -20° S -30° S 30° S 30° E 60° E Week 2 - Valid: Apr 15, 2020 - Apr 21, 2020 0° 60° W 30° W 30° N 20° N 20° N 10° N 10° N 10° S 10° S 20° S 20° S 30° S 30° S 7-Day Average OLR Anomaly 2020/04/13 - 2020/04/19 30N 30S 60E 30E 90E 120E 150E 180 150W 120W 90W 60W 30W

## Synopsis of Climate Modes

#### **ENSO**: (April 9, 2020 Update)

next update on 14th of May!

- ENSO Alert System Status: Not Active
- ENSO-neutral is favored for the Northern Hemisphere summer 2020 (~60% chance), remaining the most likely outcome through autumn.

#### MJO and other subseasonal tropical variability:

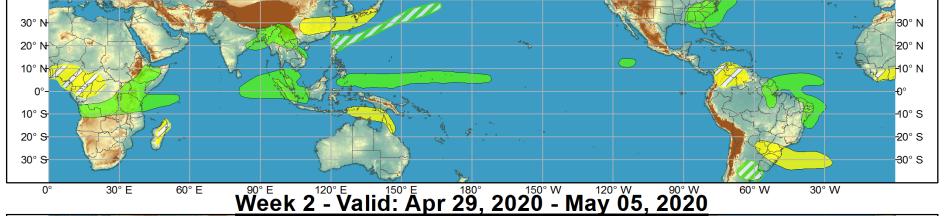
- A fast and coherent upper-level intraseasonal signal continues to circumnavigate the globe. The enhanced phase is currently over Africa.
- Trade winds have increased over the Pacific, which may erode the positive SST anomalies that are sitting above an increasingly shallow thermocline.
- Rossby wave activity over the west-central Pacific may interfere with the fast intraseasonal signal as it approaches the Maritime Continent.
- Little impact from the MJO on the midlatitudes is anticipated.
- Tropical cyclone activity is favored to remain quiet over the next two weeks.

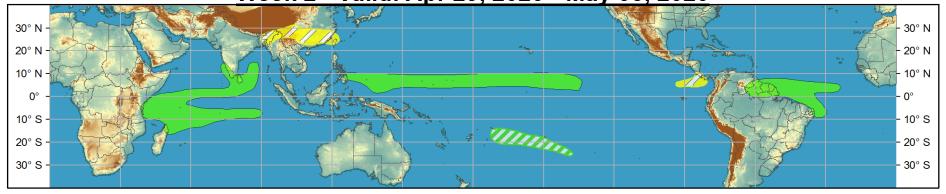


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**Confidence** High Moderate Produced: 04/21/2020

Forecaster: Allgood

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**Above-normal temperatures** 

**Below-normal temperatures** 













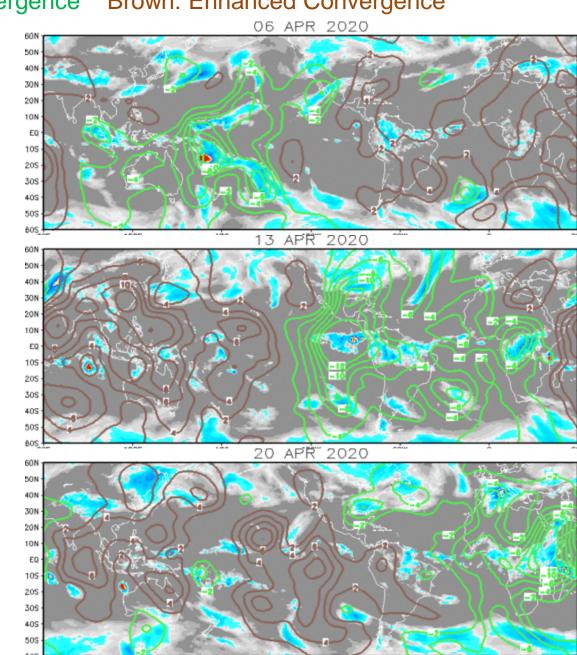
#### IR Satellite & 200-hpa Velocity Potential Anomalies

Green: Enhanced Divergence Brown: Enhanced Convergence

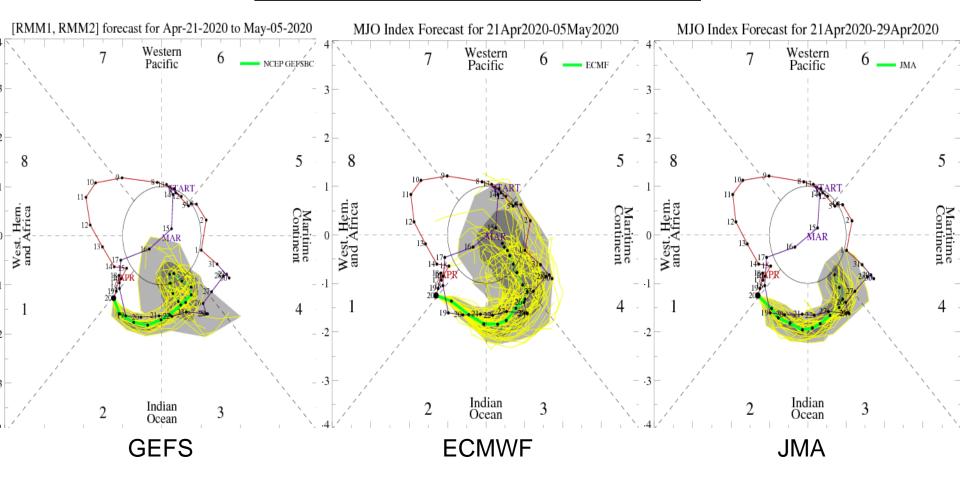
Fast upper-level signal over the Pacific, provided favorable environment for extremely intense Cyclone Harold.

Signal rapidly crossed the Pacific to the Western Hemisphere by mid-April.

Signal now over Africa and the far western Indian Ocean. Enhanced phase is becoming zonally narrow (interference?)

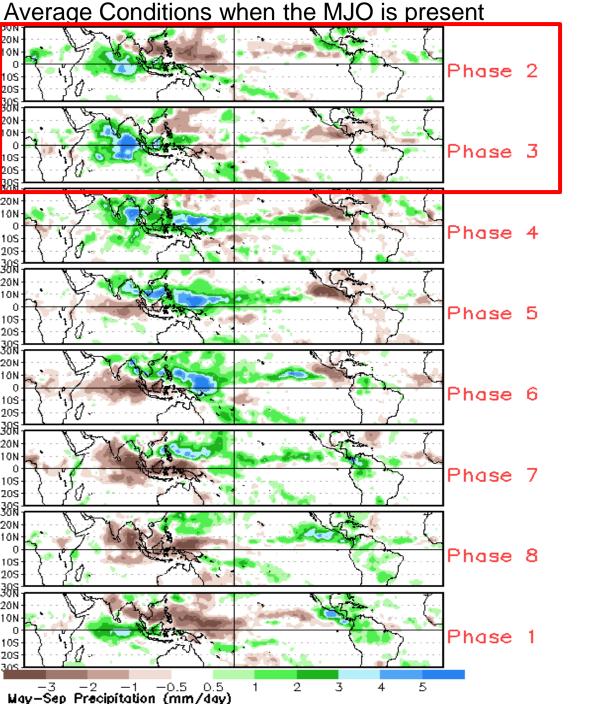


## MJO Observation/Forecast



Models are in good agreement. All depict continued eastward propagation over the Indian Ocean, followed by a pronounced "left turn"

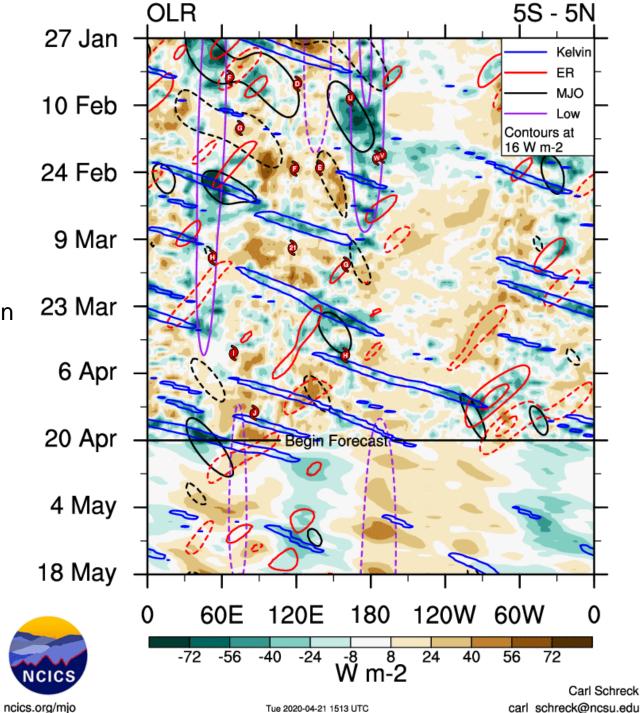
The left turn is indicative of interference from Rossby wave activity.



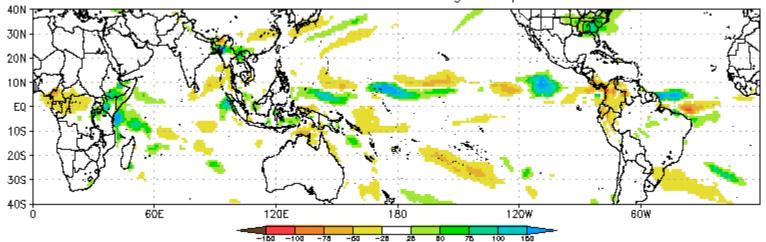
CAVEAT: These panels are representative of robust MJO events during May - Sep.

Kelvin wave activity has been the dominant feature in the absence of widespread convective anomalies.

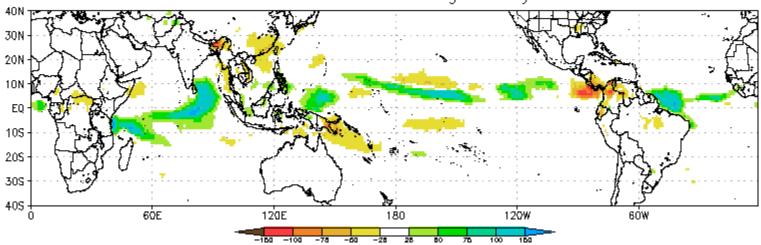
Low frequency signal favoring enhanced convection near/west of the Date Line appears to be weakening (or moving offequator).



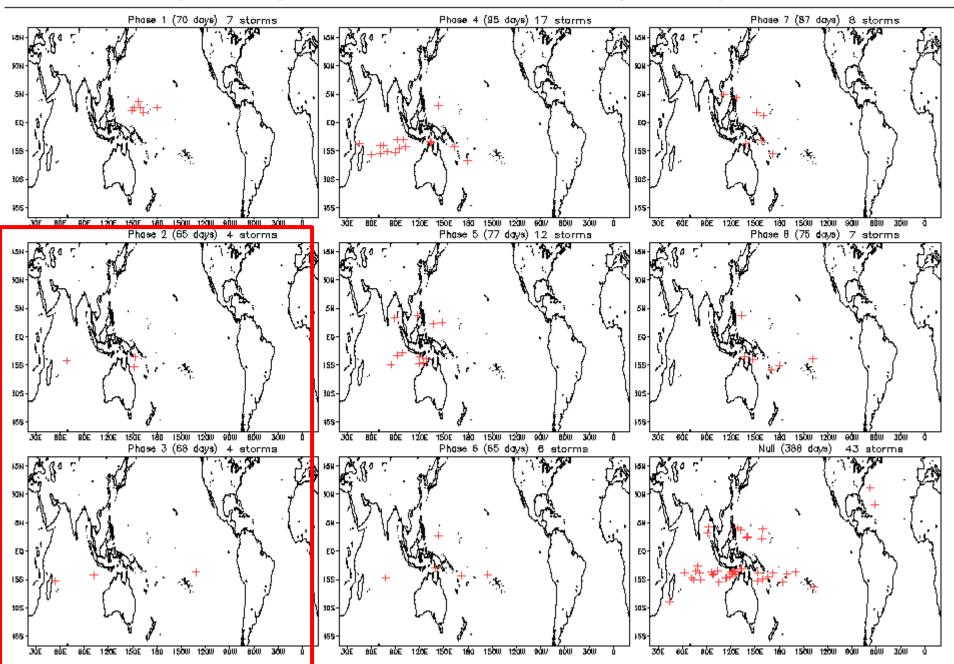
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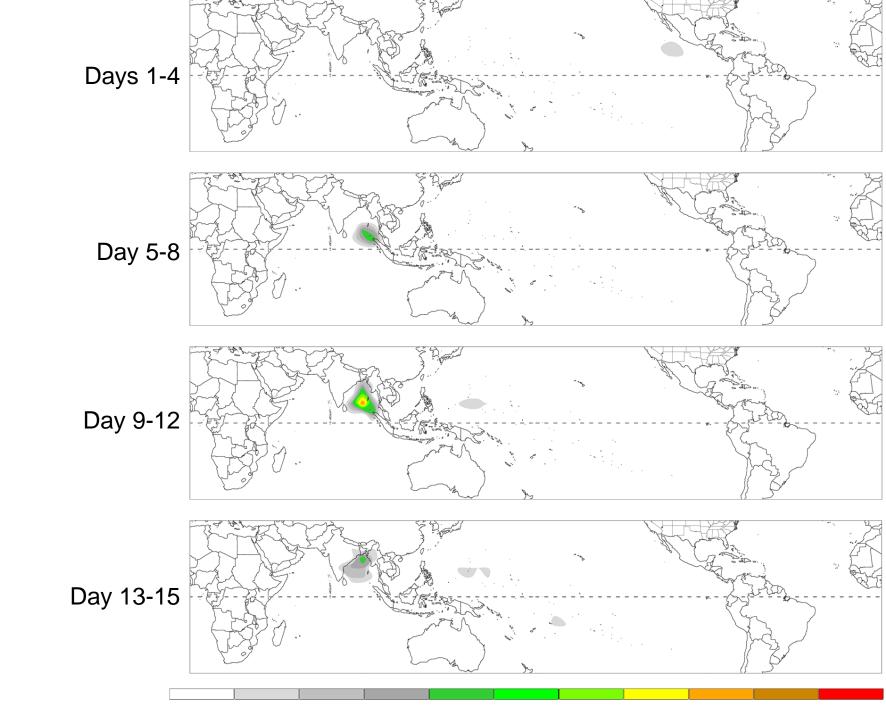


CFS Precipitation Anomalies (mm) Issued 20Apr2020 Week-2 Forecast Ending 05May2020

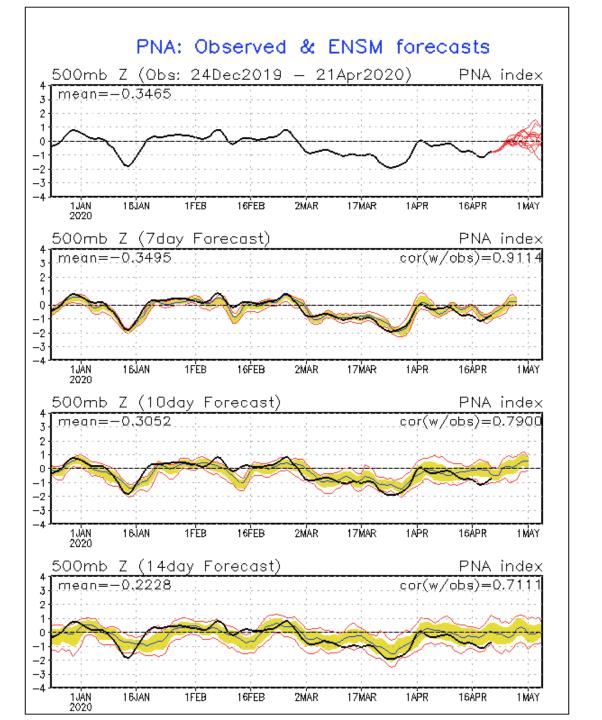


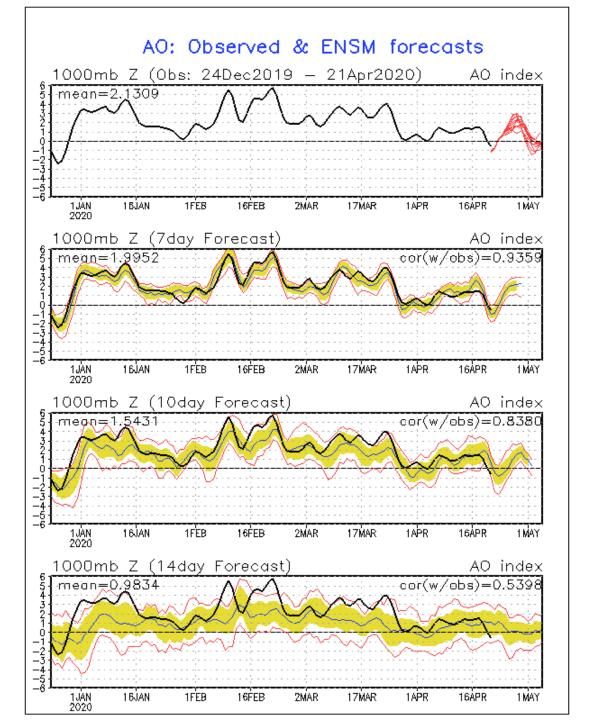
#### April Tropical Storm Formation by MJO phase

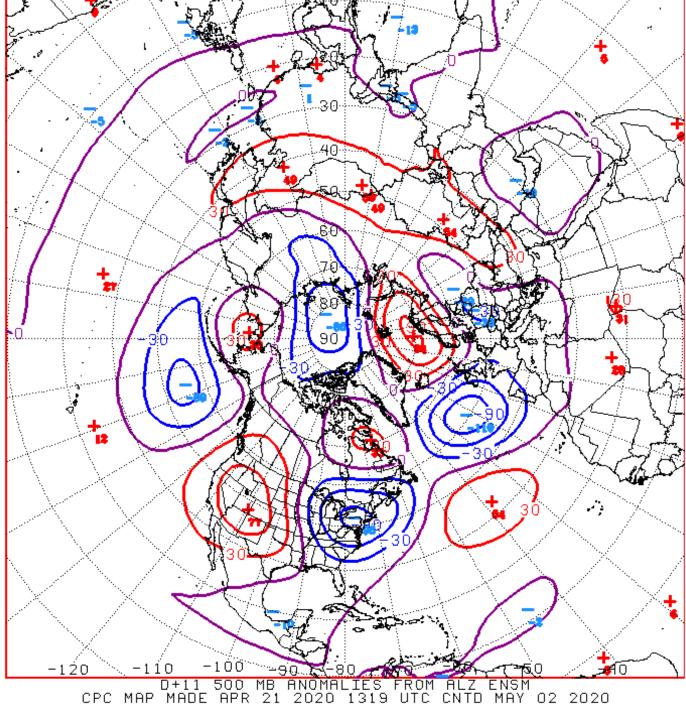




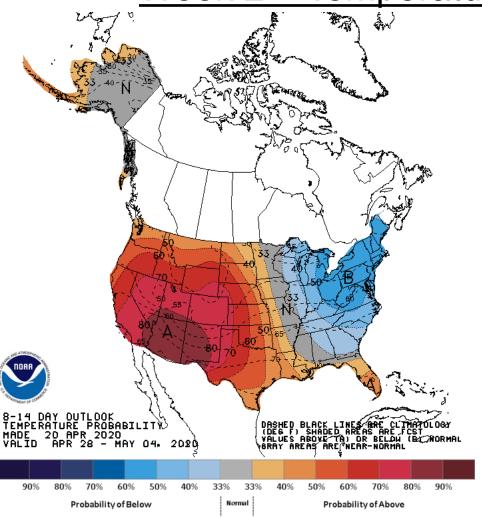
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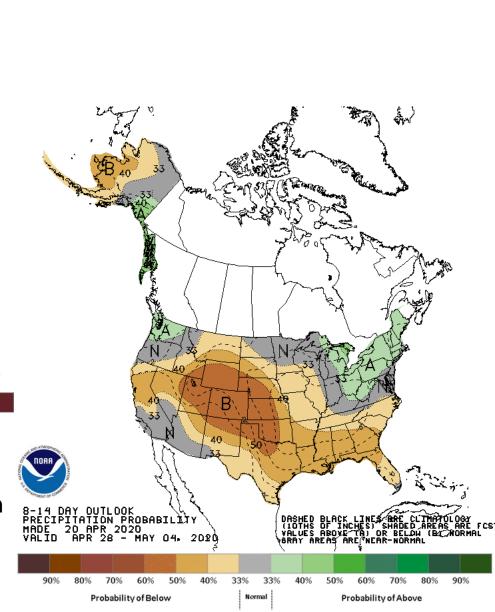




Week 2 - Temperature and Precipitation



Since we are in an amplified, stable pattern today's outlooks are likely to be similar.

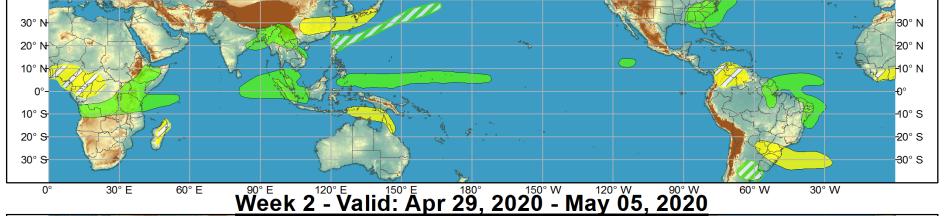




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