Experimental Global Tropics
Hazards/Benefits Assessment

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**Week 1 Outlook – Valid: September 4-September 10, 2007**

1. **Hurricane Henriette** will impact Baja California early in the period with very strong winds, heavy rains, and high seas.  
   **Confidence: High**

2. **An increased chance for above average rainfall over sections of northwestern Mexico and the southwest US.** Moisture from Hurricane Henriette and its remnants are expected to move northwards and result in areas of heavy rain across this region.  
   **Confidence: High**

3. **The potential for tropical cyclone development off of the southeast US coast.** A disturbance in this region has persisted for several days and conditions are favorable for tropical development. Numerical weather forecast models indicate tropical development of this system. Interests along the US east coast should monitor the evolution of this potential system.  
   **Confidence: High**

4. **The potential for tropical cyclone development in the deep tropical Atlantic Ocean.** The continuation of generally weak vertical wind shear across much of this region, above average SSTs, and the continuation of typical African easterly waves increases the prospects for tropical cyclogenesis in this area.  
   **Confidence: Moderate**

5. **An increased chance for above average rainfall over western Africa.** Favorable large-scale upper-level divergence and an enhanced west African monsoon system is expected to persist.  
   **Confidence: Moderate**

6. **Typhoon Fitaw** is expected to slightly strengthen and impact Japan and nearby waters with very strong winds, heavy rains, and high seas early in the period.  
   **Confidence: High**

**Additional Items:**
- The moisture associated with the remnants of Felix will result in heavy rainfall, flooding, and mudslides across sections of Central America early in the period.
- The potential exists for additional tropical cyclone development across the northwest Pacific Ocean. The probability, however, is considered low.
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