

Global Tropics Hazards And Benefits Outlook

April 8, 2013

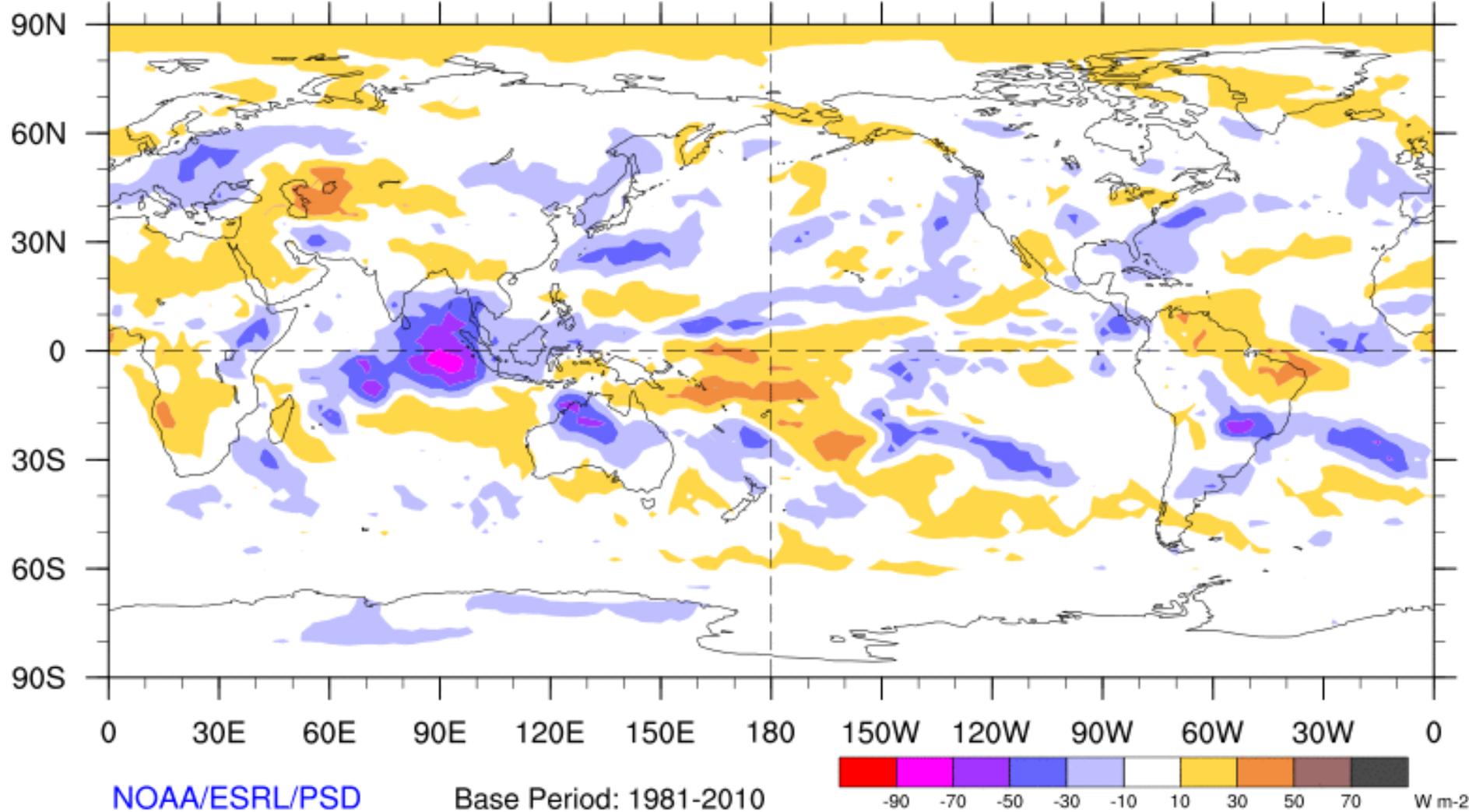
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Outline

1. Review of Recent Conditions
2. Synopsis of Climate Modes
3. GTH Outlook and Forecast Discussion

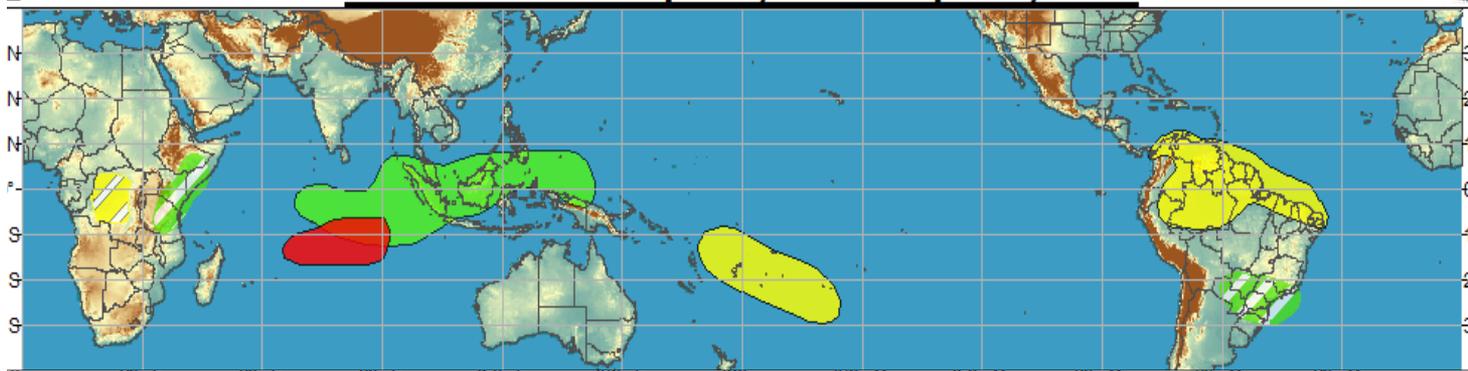
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2013/04/01 - 2013/04/07



Outlook Review

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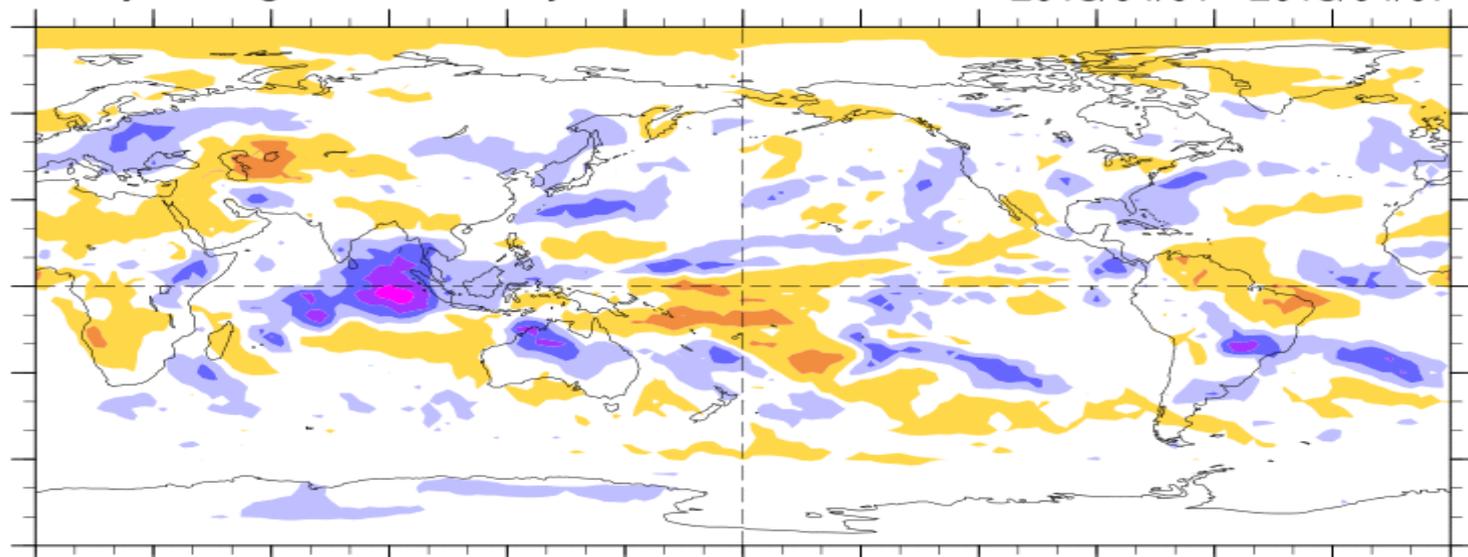


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Cool shading
More clouds/rain

Warm shading
Less clouds/rain

Synopsis of Climate Modes

ENSO:

- ENSO-neutral conditions are favored to continue through Northern Hemisphere spring 2013

MJO and other subseasonal tropical variability:

- The MJO remained active over the past week, although some observational indicators are less coherent than in previous weeks as other subseasonal variability are playing a large role in the pattern of anomalous tropical convection. The MJO enhanced phase is centered over the eastern Indian Ocean.

- Dynamical model MJO index forecasts generally support continued eastward propagation. The statistical tools also support continued MJO activity, although those reflect a weaker signal.

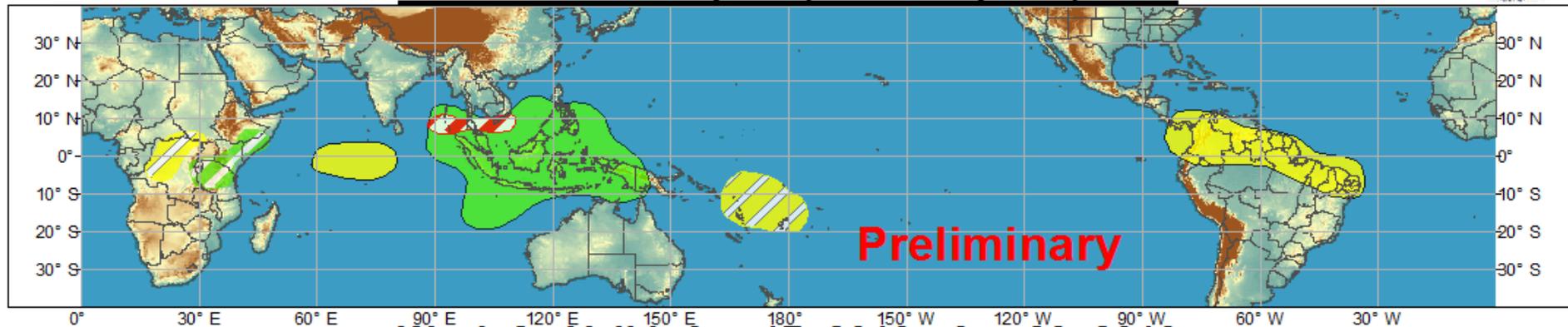
Extratropics:

- The extended range forecast for the U.S. aligns well with the typical circulation patterns based on the current and forecast phases of the MJO. These include a trend towards above-normal temperatures across the eastern U.S. and a more active across the central U.S.

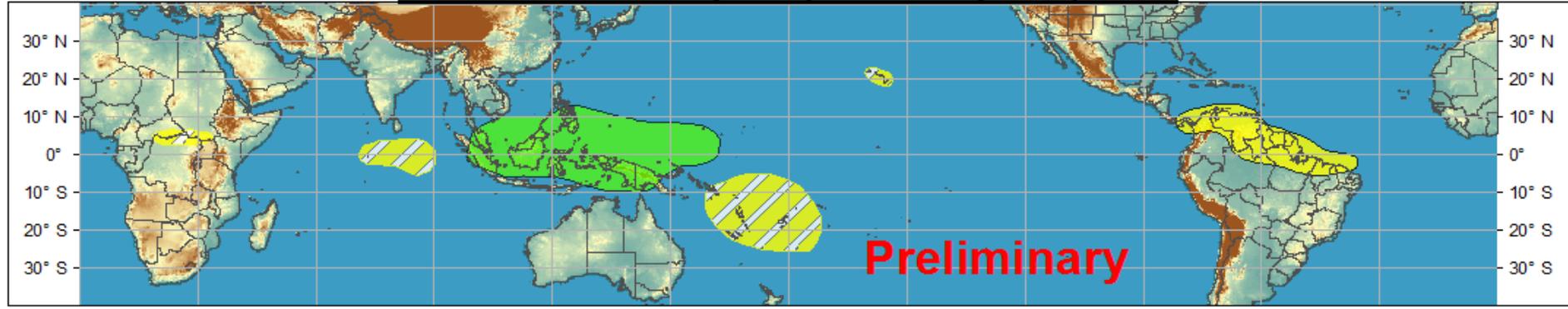


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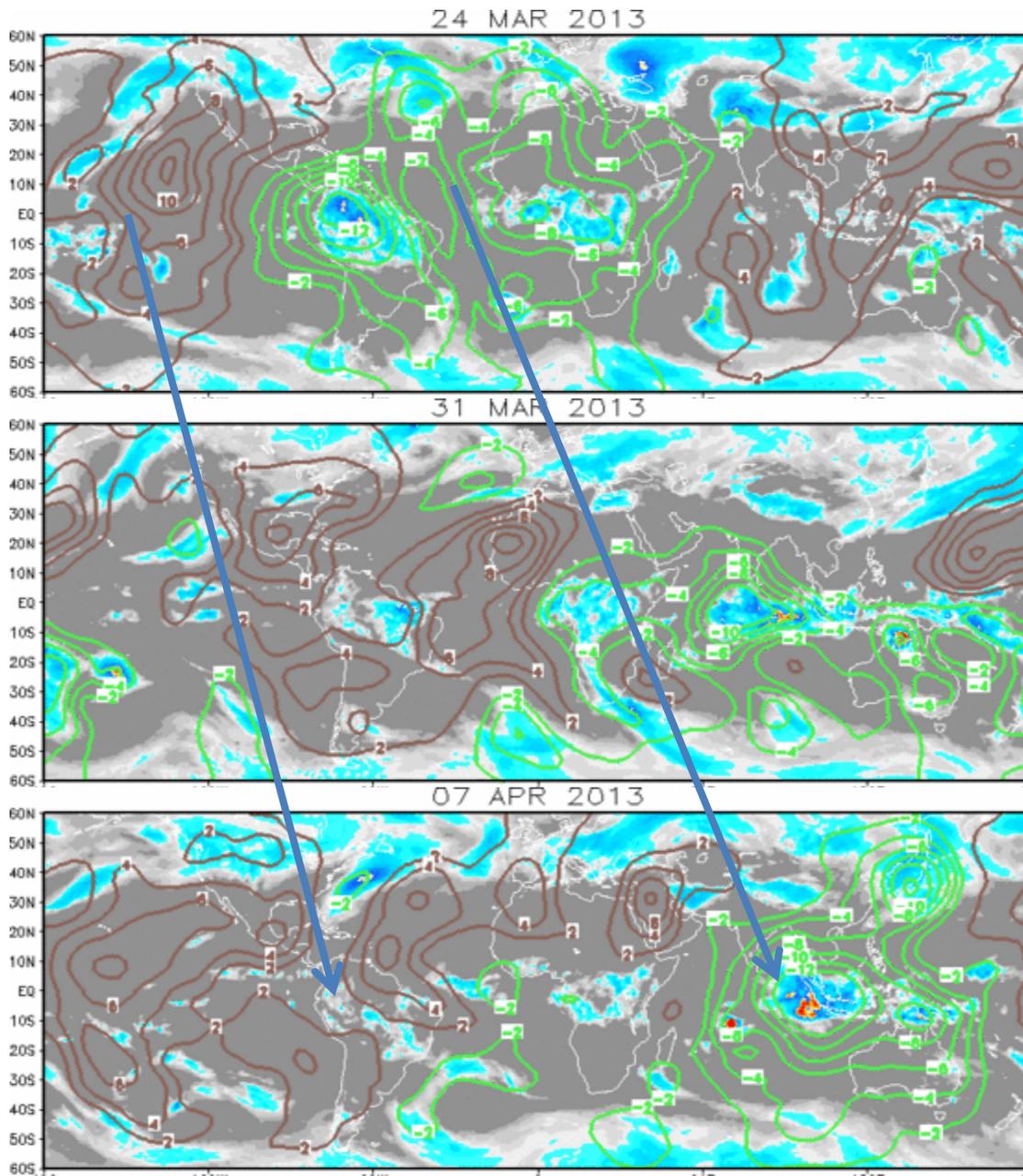
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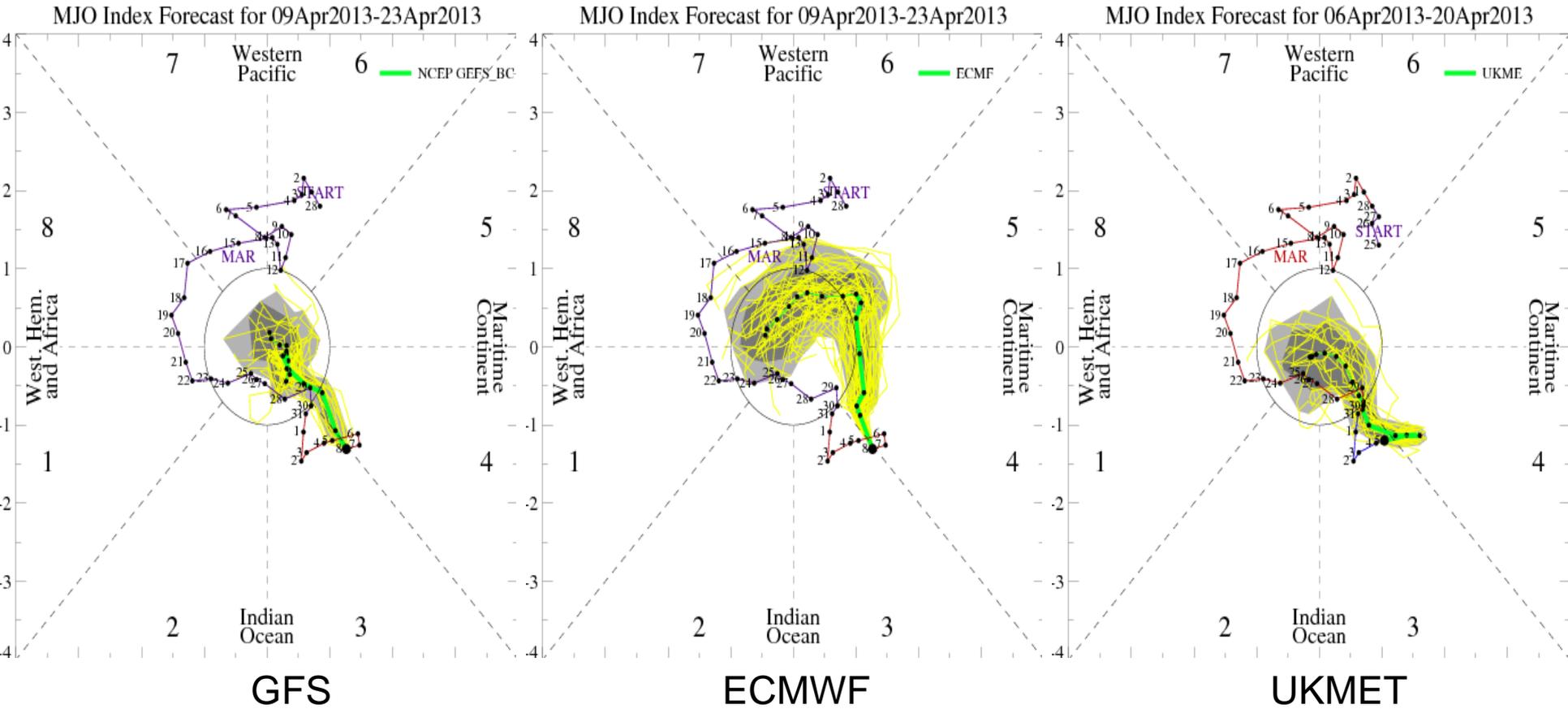


IR Satellite & 200-hpa Velocity Potential Anomalies

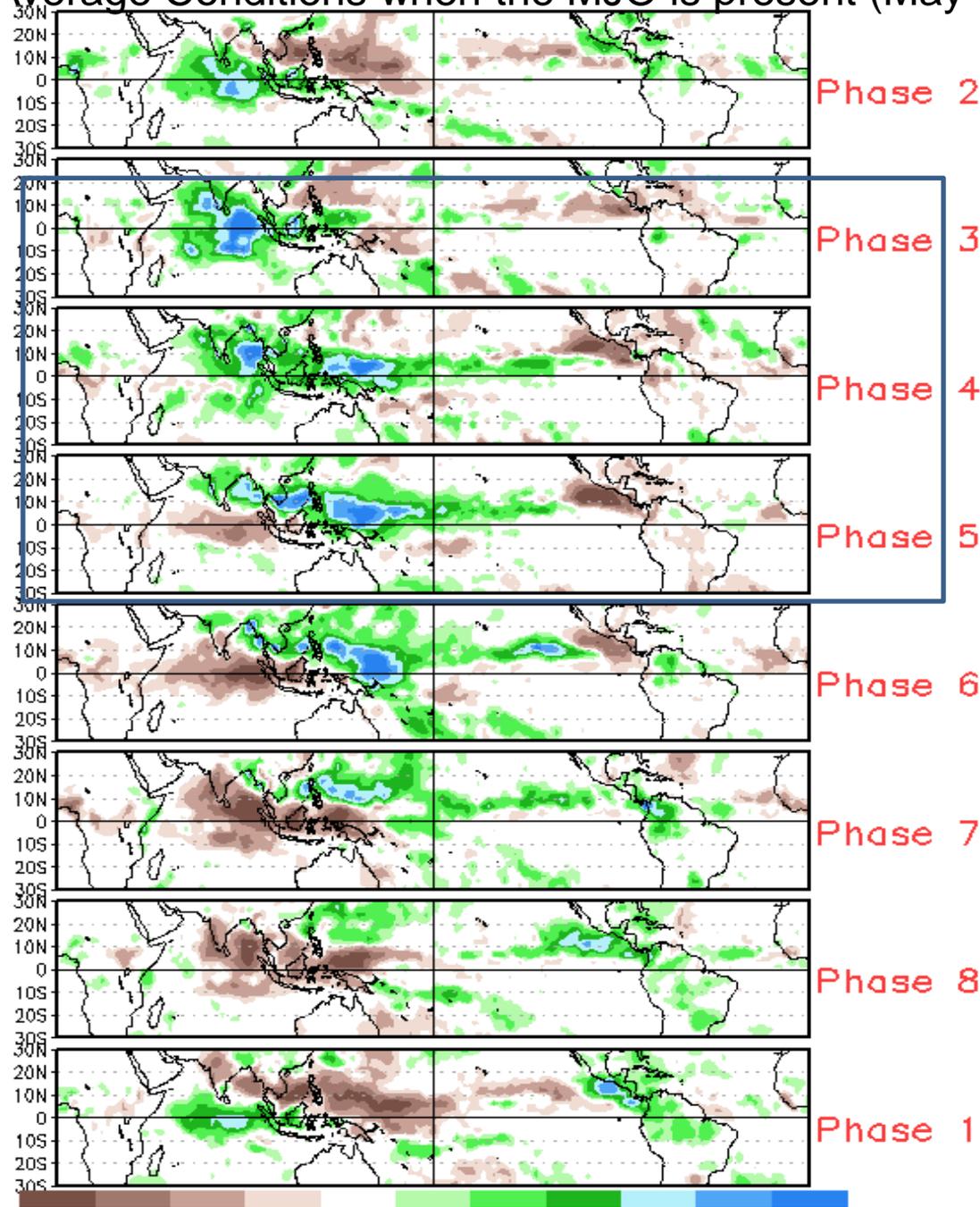
Green: Enhanced Divergence Brown: Enhanced Convergence



MJO Observation/Forecast



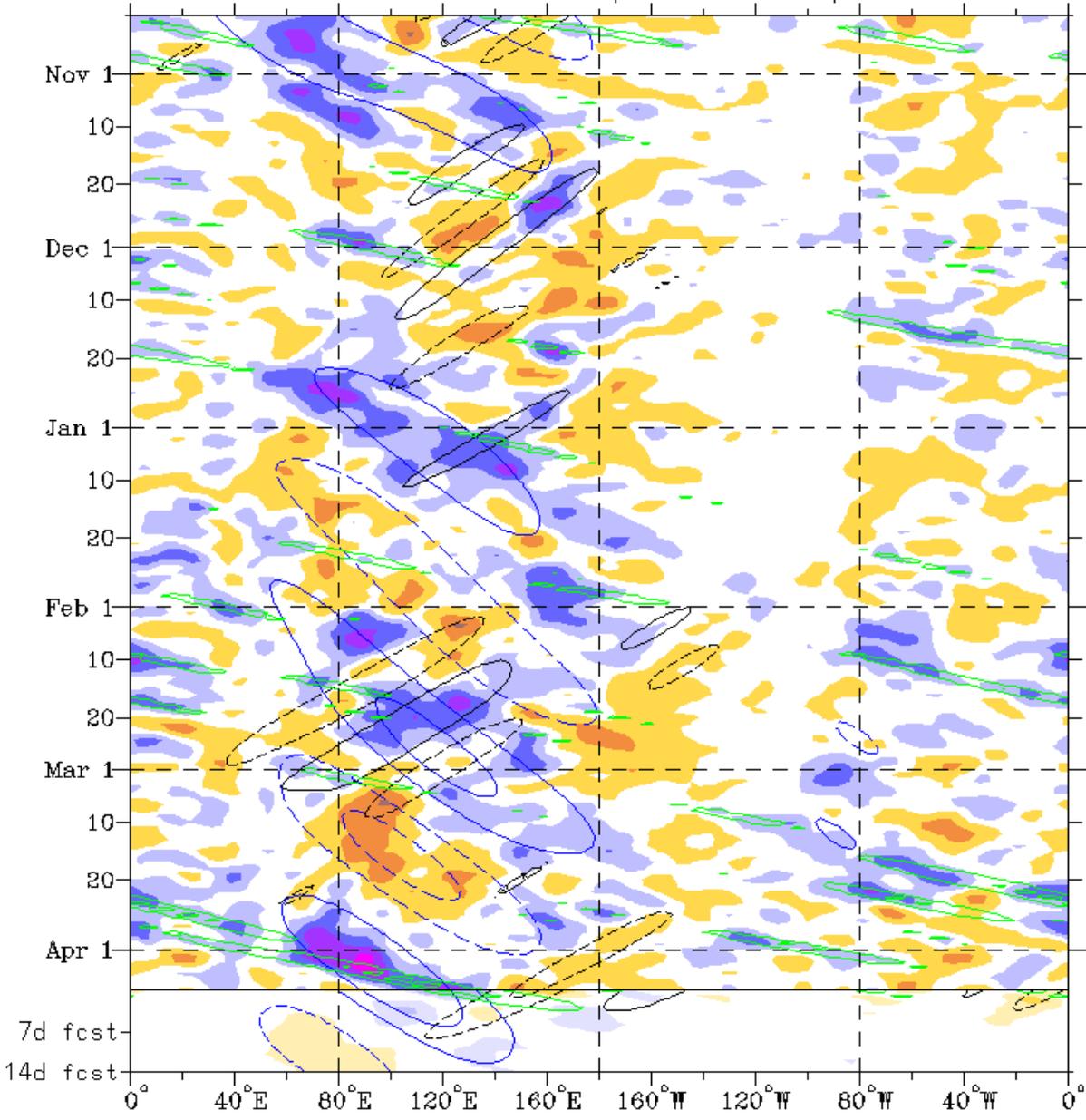
Average Conditions when the MJO is present (May-Sep)



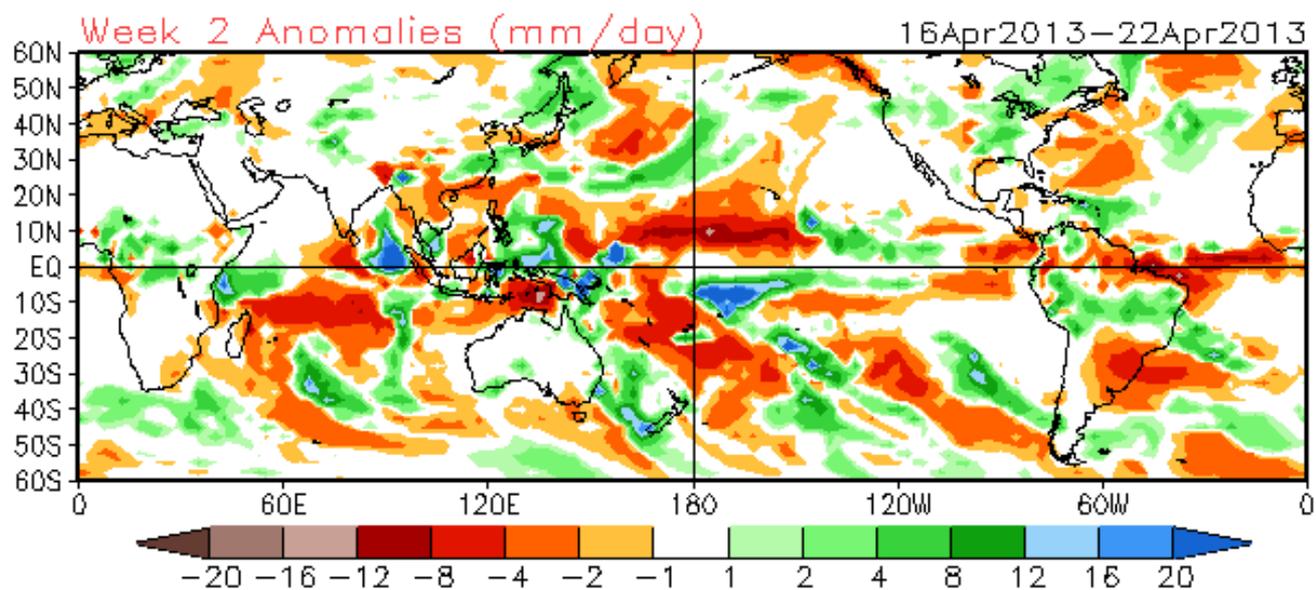
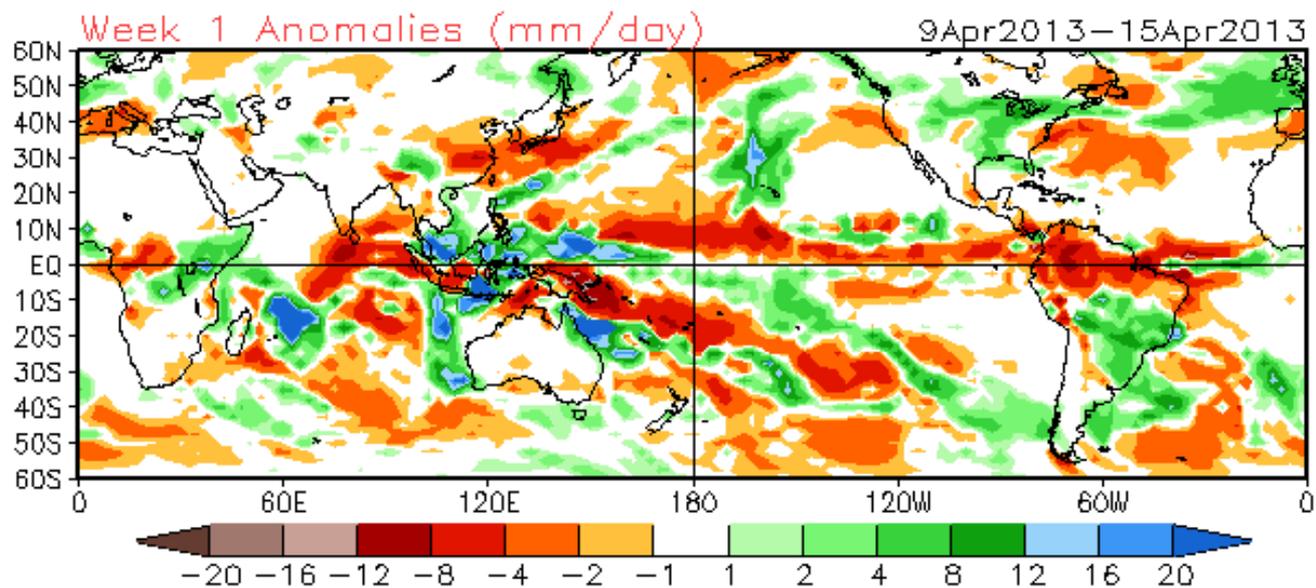
CAVEAT:
Connection of
downstream
precipitation
patterns to MJO
phase is not as
robust during
spring.



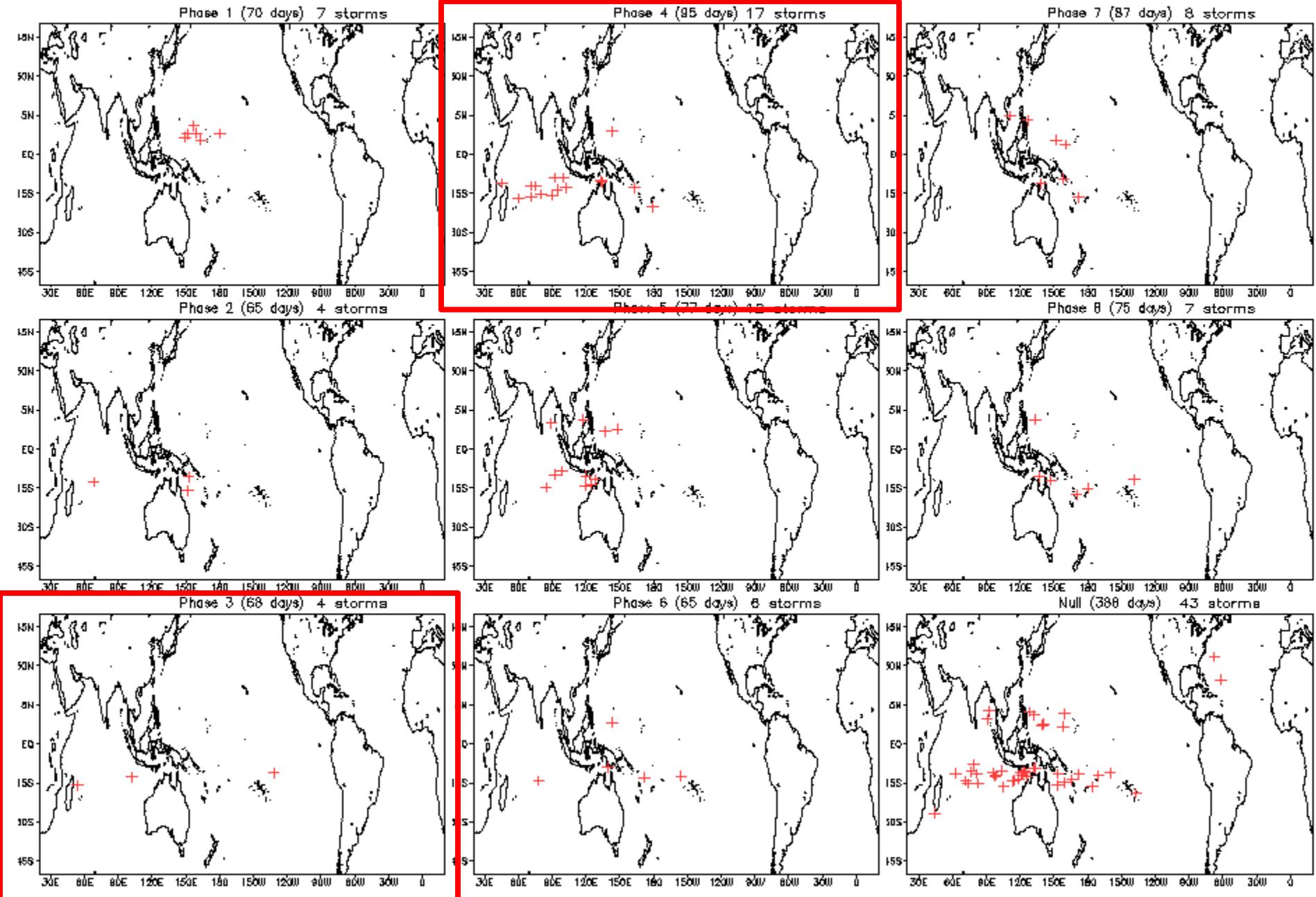
Atmospheric Kelvin waves and active phase of the MJO forecast to impact Indian Ocean and Maritime Continent.

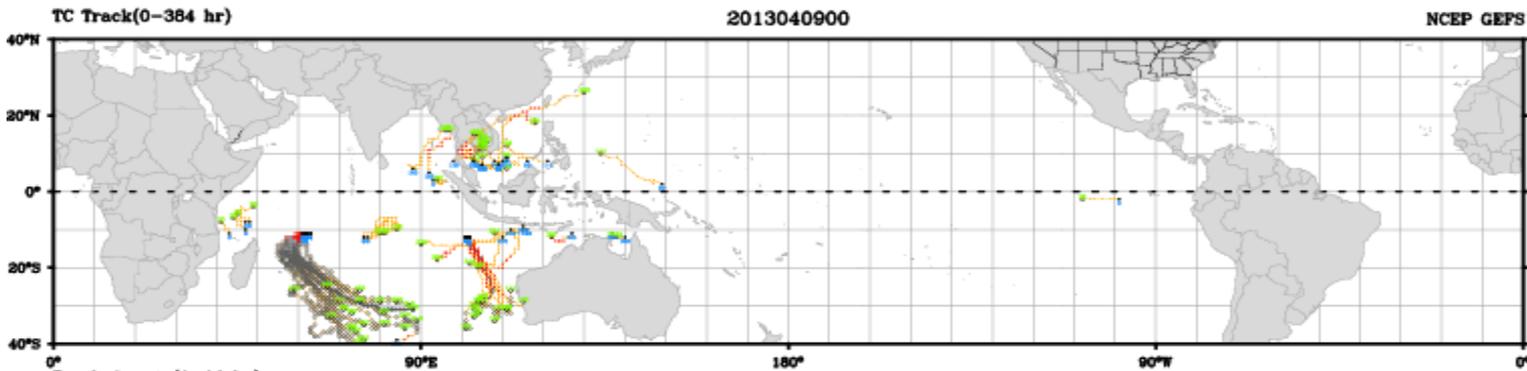


Indications of other modes of variability, including mid-latitude influence near the Date Line.

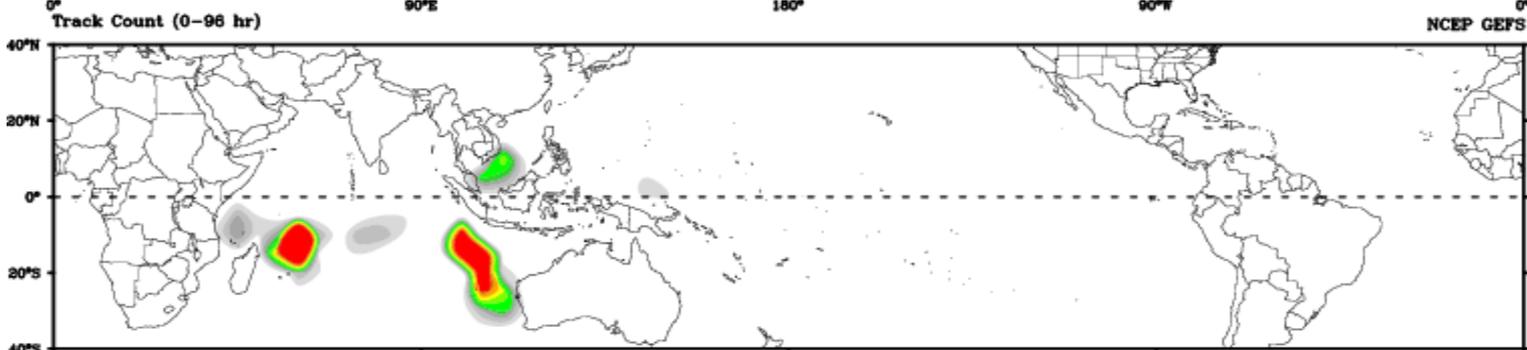


April Tropical Storm Formation by MJO phase

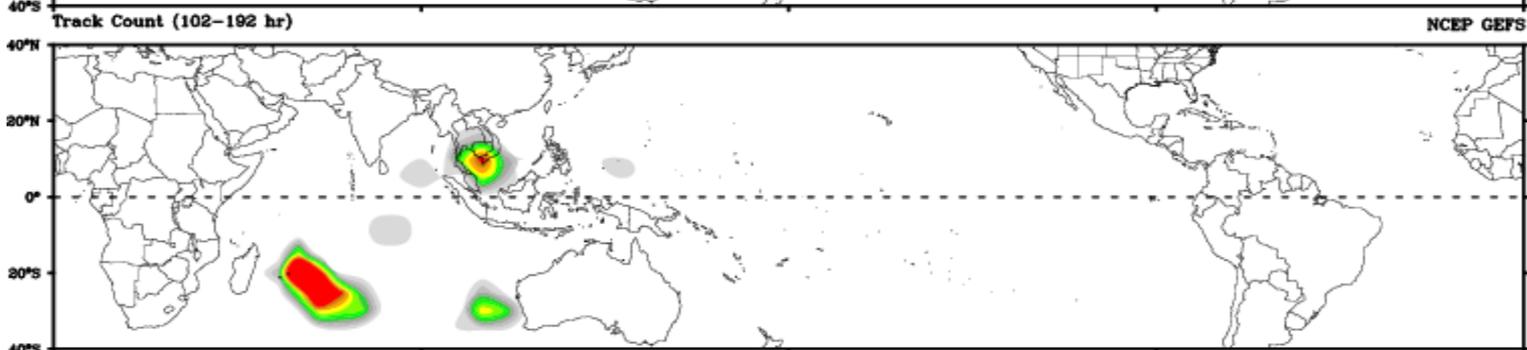




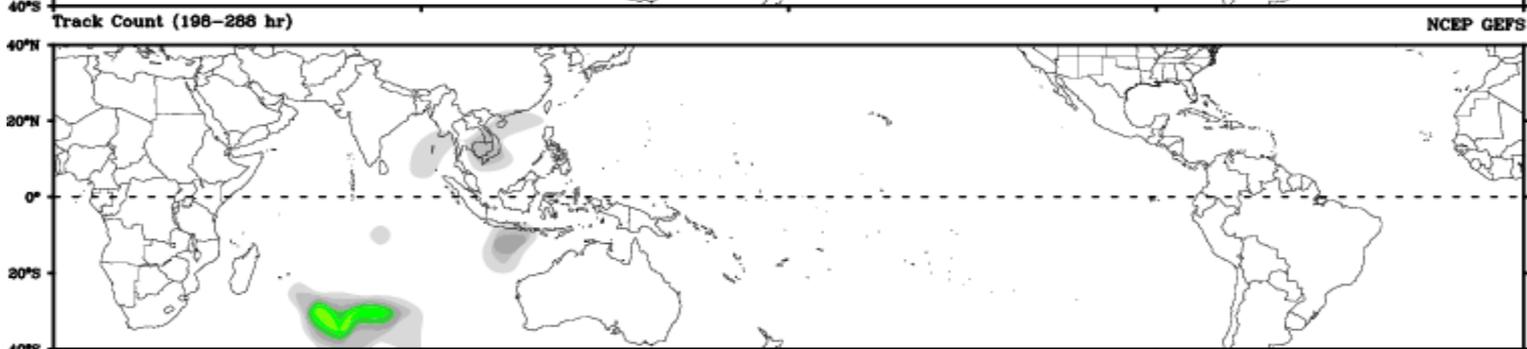
Days 1-4



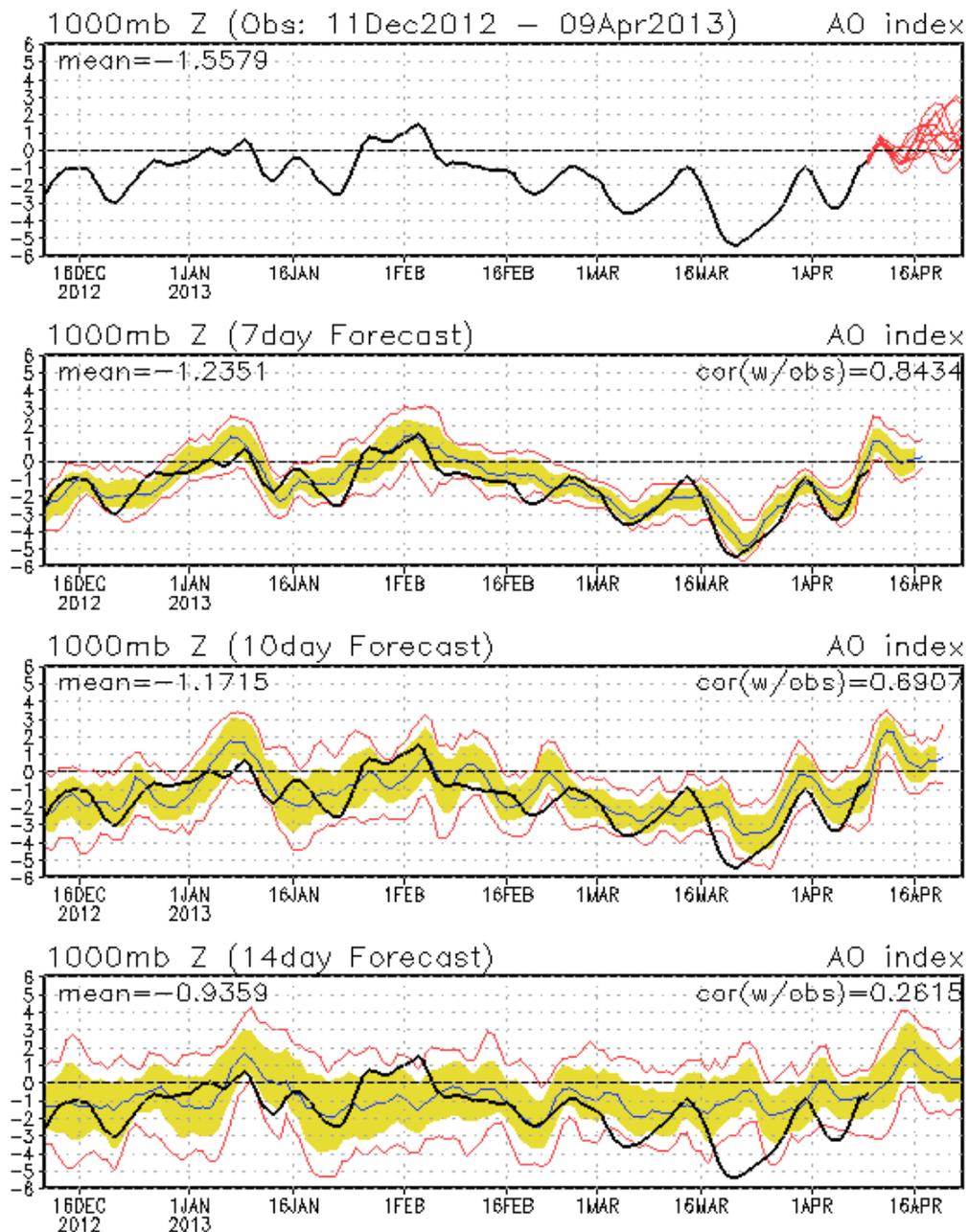
Day 5-8

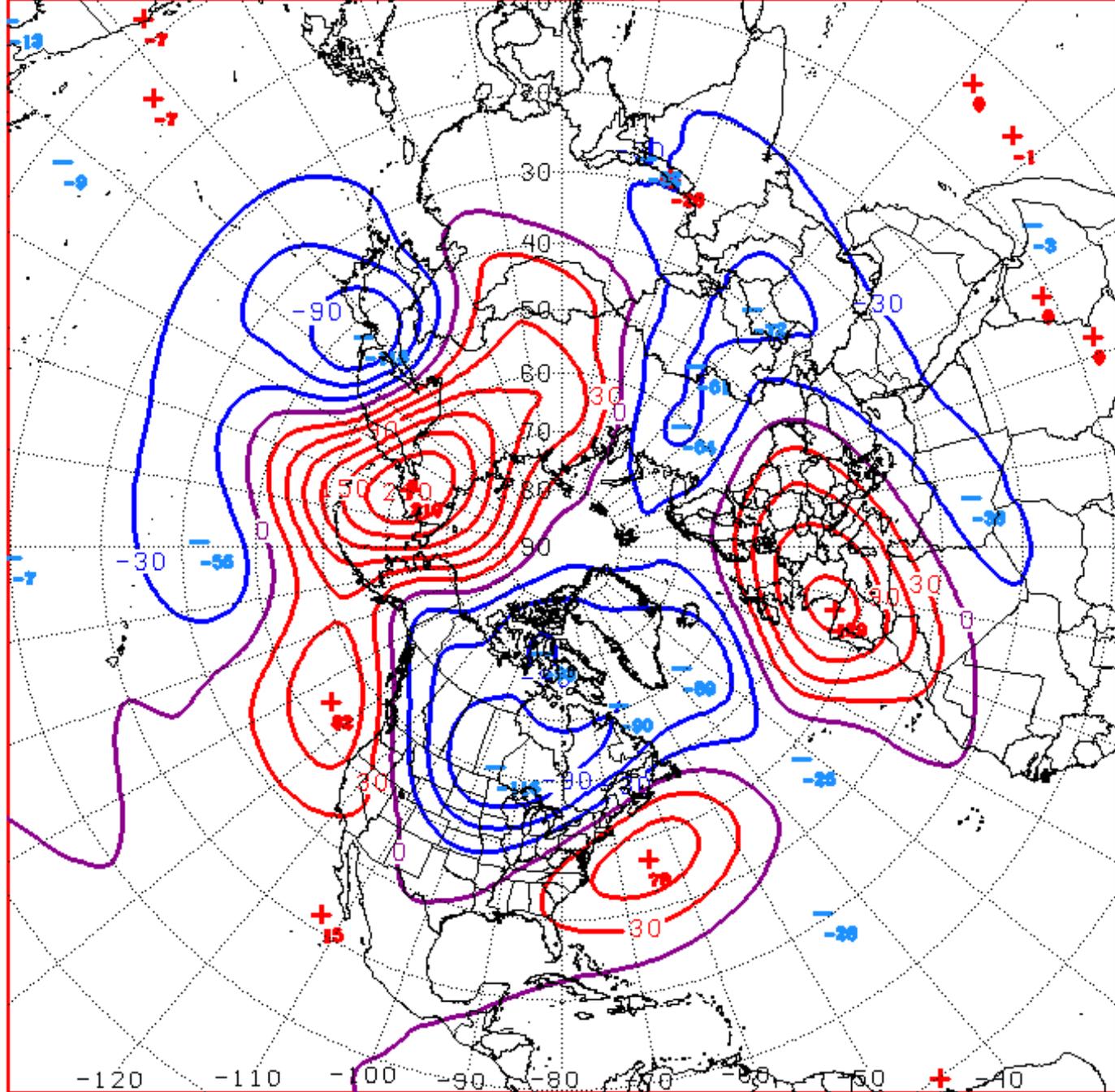


Day 9-12

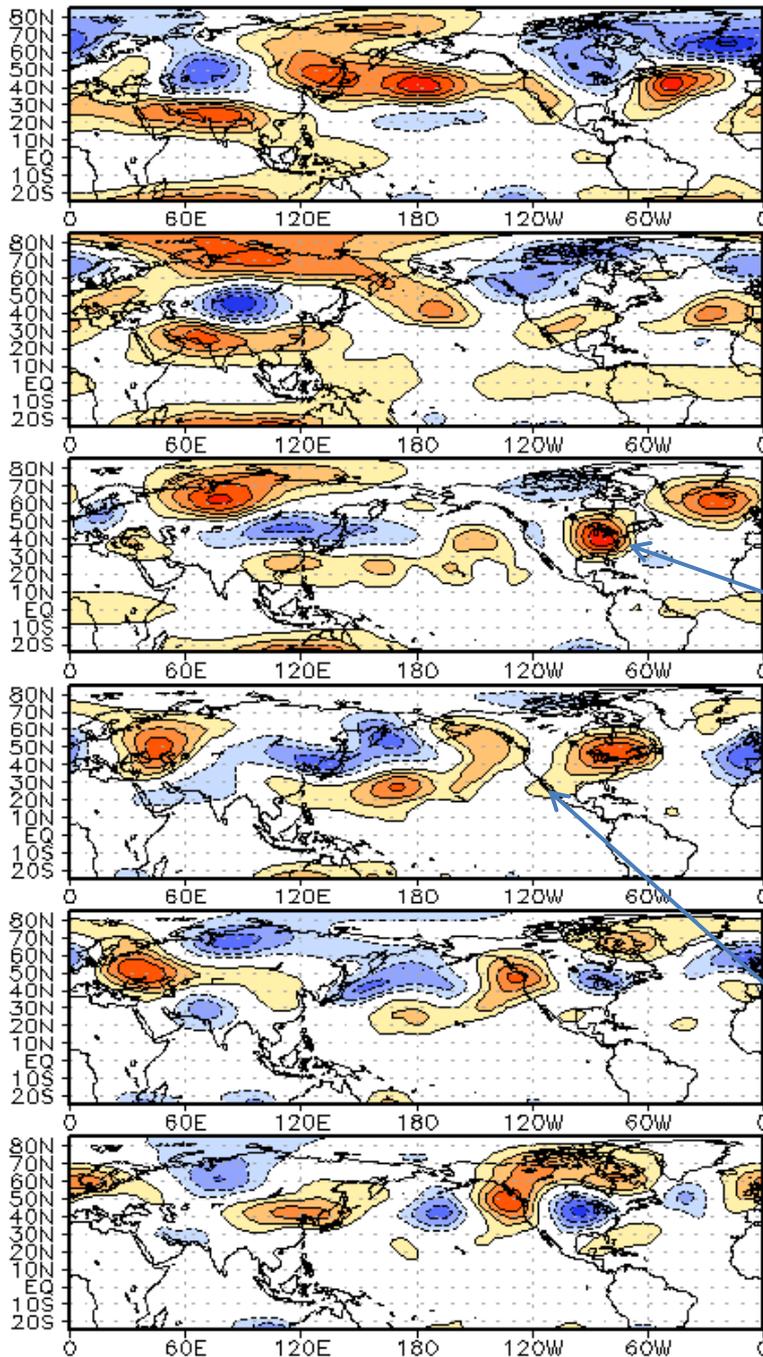


AO: Observed & ENSM forecasts





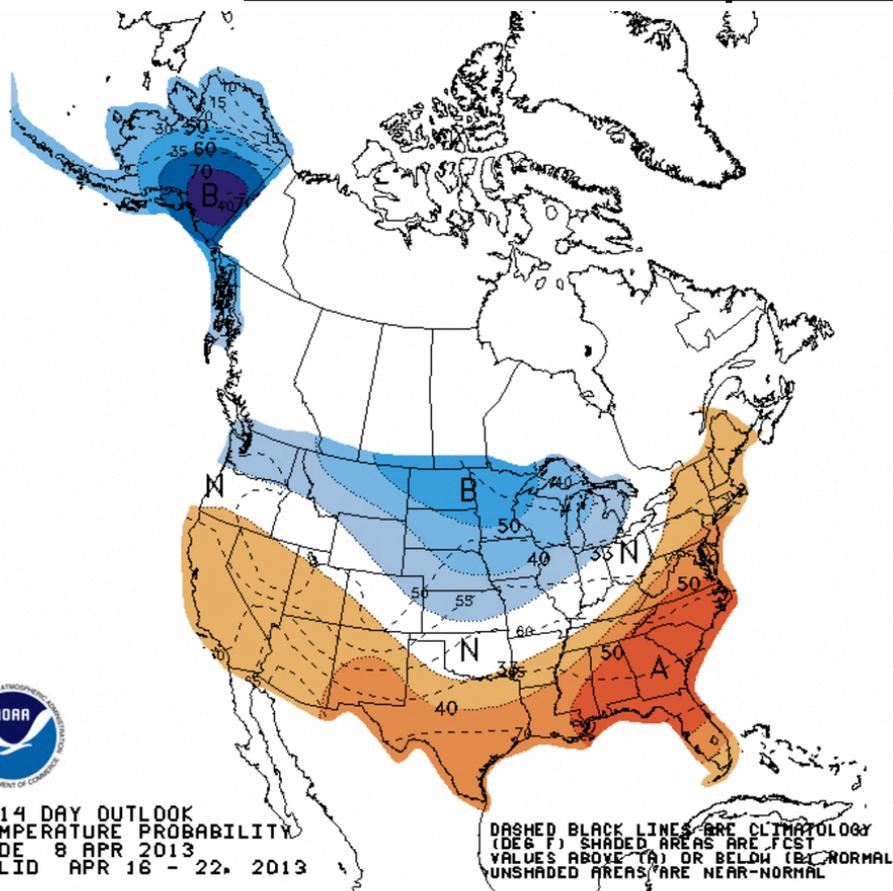
D+11 500 MB ANOMALIES FROM 00Z ECMM
CPC MAP MADE APR 09 2013 1037 UTC CNTD APR 20 2013



Indicates a shift toward warmer conditions across the eastern half of the CONUS. 5-15 days out. Slightly offset from current dynamical model outputs.

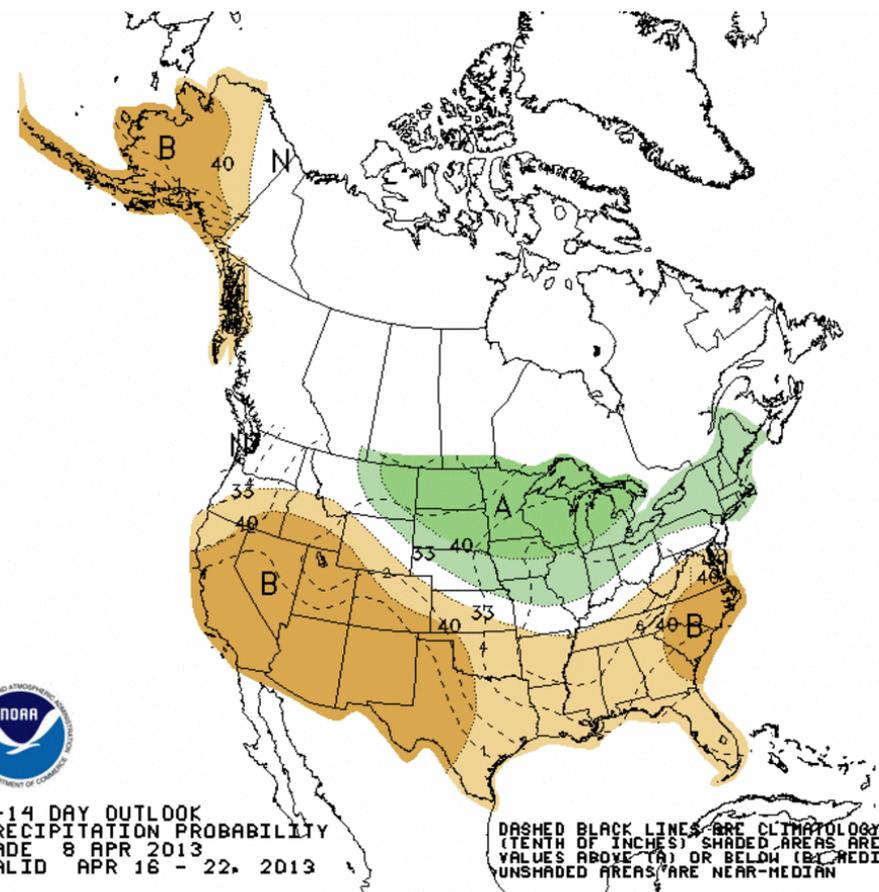
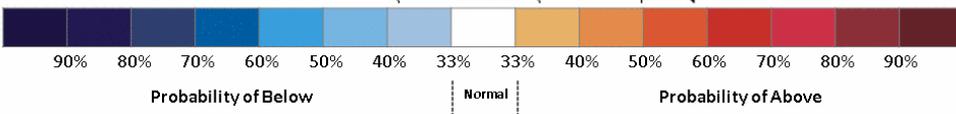
Would also support some moisture return over the central portions of the country, although a bit later and north (minimal southern stream energy)

Week 2 – Temperature and Precipitation



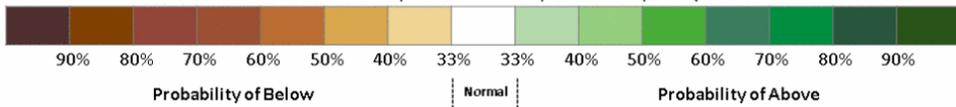
8-14 DAY OUTLOOK
TEMPERATURE PROBABILITY
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(DEG F) SHADED AREAS ARE FCST
VALUES ABOVE (A) OR BELOW (B) NORMAL
UNSHADED AREAS ARE NEAR-NORMAL



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PRECIPITATION PROBABILITY
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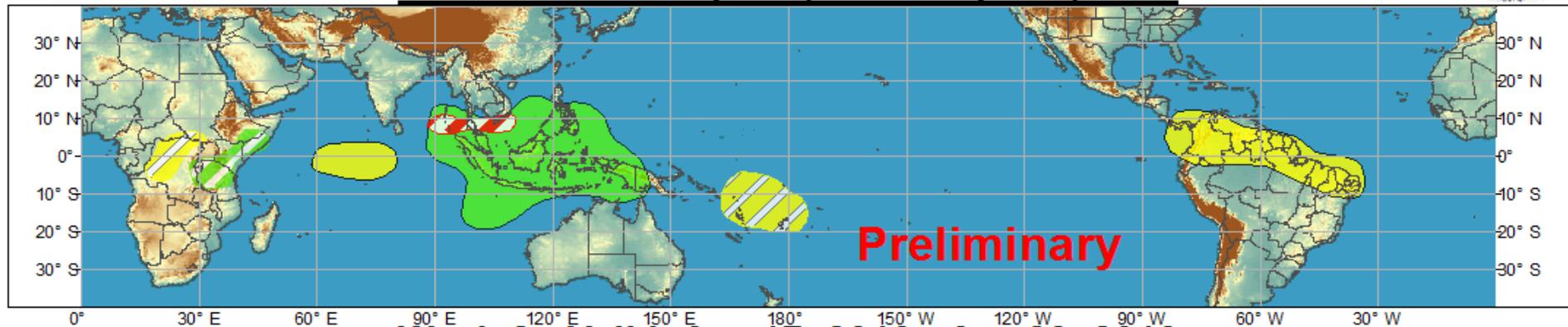
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(TENTH OF INCHES) SHADED AREAS ARE FCST
VALUES ABOVE (A) OR BELOW (B) MEDIAN
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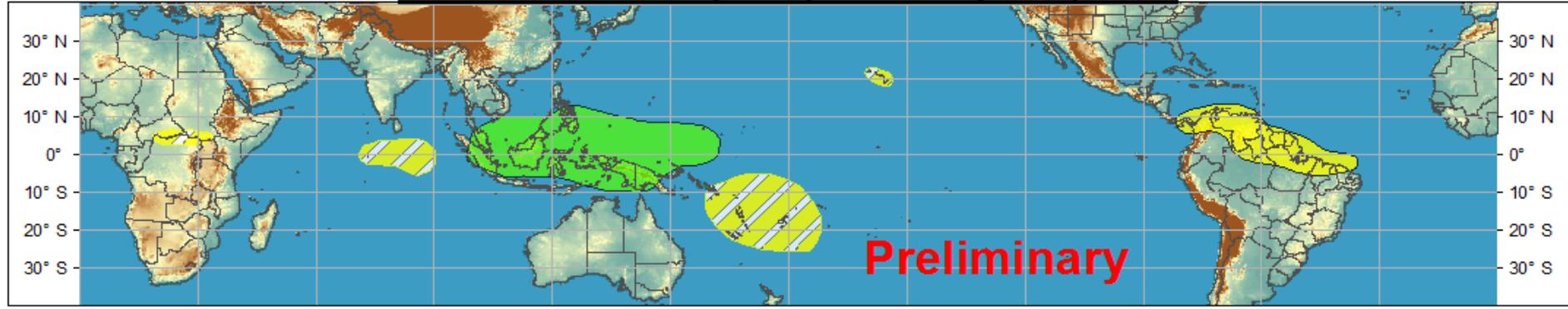


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