



Weeks 2-3 Global Tropics Hazards Outlook 2/6/2024

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Outlook Review: TC development & anomalous precipitation during the past week

TCs formed in the past week

- TD Nine (Southern IO, 1/31)
- TC Nat (South Pacific, 2/5)



ENSO: (Jan 11, 2024 Update) next update on Thursday, Feb 8th

- ENSO Alert System Status: El Niño Advisory
- El Niño is expected to continue for the next several seasons, with ENSO-neutral favored during April-June, 20224 (73% chance).

MJO and other subseasonal tropical variability:

- The MJO remains active, and has almost completed a circumnavigation of the globe since late December, currently residing in Phase 7 (Western Pacific).
- The MJO has slowed near the Date Line during the past few days as it interacts with the low frequency El Niño footprint, as well as enhanced Rossby Wave activity.
- Enhanced convection and strong low level westerlies, combined with the seasonal climatology, support high chances of tropical cyclone development across the southern tropical Pacific during the next few weeks.
- The MJO meandering through phases 7 and 8 may help induce a relatively colder pattern across eastern and southern portions of the U.S. by late February.

GTH Outlook:



Forecaster: Collow

200-hPa Velocity Potential Anomaly Maps:

- Anomalous divergence aloft is forecast to increase near and east of the Date Line over the southern tropical Pacific.
- Enhanced upper level convergence is favored to build across the Maritime Continent and Pacific as the **MJO** weakens and shifts eastward.
- Several Kelvin and Rossby Waves are apparent through the filtering which will help drive TC activity even in a suppressed convective pattern.



RMM Index Observations & Forecasts:



- In the near term, the CFSv2, ECMWF, and GEFS ensembles depict a meandering MJO signal near the Date Line (Phases 7 and 8) as several competing modes of tropical variability interact.
- There is considerable uncertainty among the ensembles during late-February, with some individual members depicting the MJO weakening into the RMM unit circle, while others depict a healthier propagation into the Western Hemisphere.

Outgoing Longwave Radiation (OLR) Anomaly Time/Lon Plots:



Consolidated Probabilistic Precipitation: Weeks 2 & 3

CONS 00z: Week2 Probability for Total Rainfall Below(Above) Lower(Upper) Tercile (%) Valid: 14Feb2024-20Feb2024



CONS 00z: Week3 Probability for Total Rainfall Below(Above) Lower(Upper) Tercile (%) Valid: 21Feb2024-27Feb2024



Consolidated Probabilistic Temperatures: Week-2

CFS/ECMWF/GEFS Correlation Weighted: Week2 Probability for Tmax Above Upper Tercile (%) Valid: 14Feb2024-20Feb2024



CFS/ECMWF/GEFS Correlation Weighted: Week2 Probability for Tmin Below Lower Tercile (%) Valid: 14Feb2024-20Feb2024



CFS/ECMWF/GEFS Correlation Weighted: Week3 Probability for Tmax Above Upper Tercile (%) Valid: 21Feb2024-27Feb2024



CFS/ECMWF/GEFS Correlation Weighted: Week3 Probability for Tmin Below Lower Tercile (%) Valid: 21Feb2024-27Feb2024



EPS 2-meter Air Temperature (°C) Init: 00z Feb 06 2024 Forecast Hour: [306] valid at 18z Sun, Feb 18 2024



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Historical Precipitation Anomalies By MJO Phase:

JFM MJO Composite: GPCP1DD (mm/day)











Phase 3





Phase 4







Historical TC Origin Anomalies By MJO Phase & Weeks 2+3 Genesis Climo:



Experimental

Tropical Cyclone Monitoring/Forecast: JTWC











AO Index: Observed & GEFS Forecasts



Historical 500-hPa Height & U.S. Temperatures By MJO Phase:



-50 -40 -30 -20 -10 10 20 30 40 50



-2 -1.5 -1 -0.5 -0.25 0.25 0.5 1 1.5 2

Mean 500-hPa Height Anomaly Forecasts: Weeks 2+3



Official Temperature & Precipitation Forecasts:



