

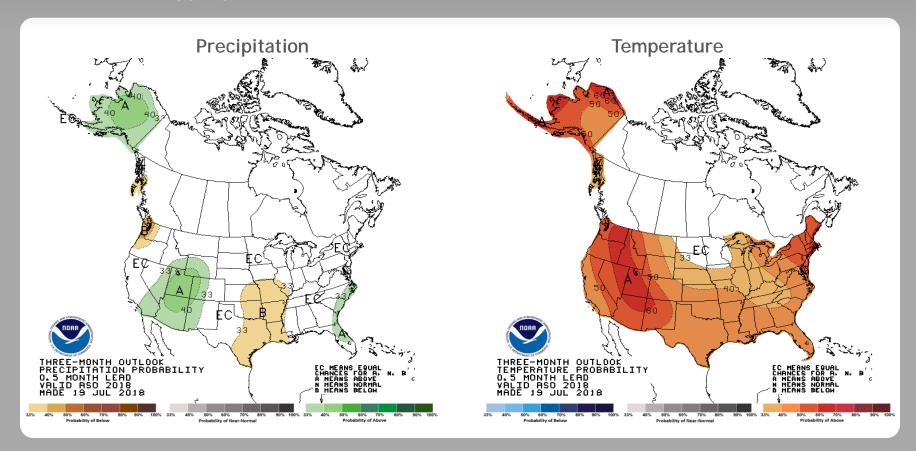
Summary

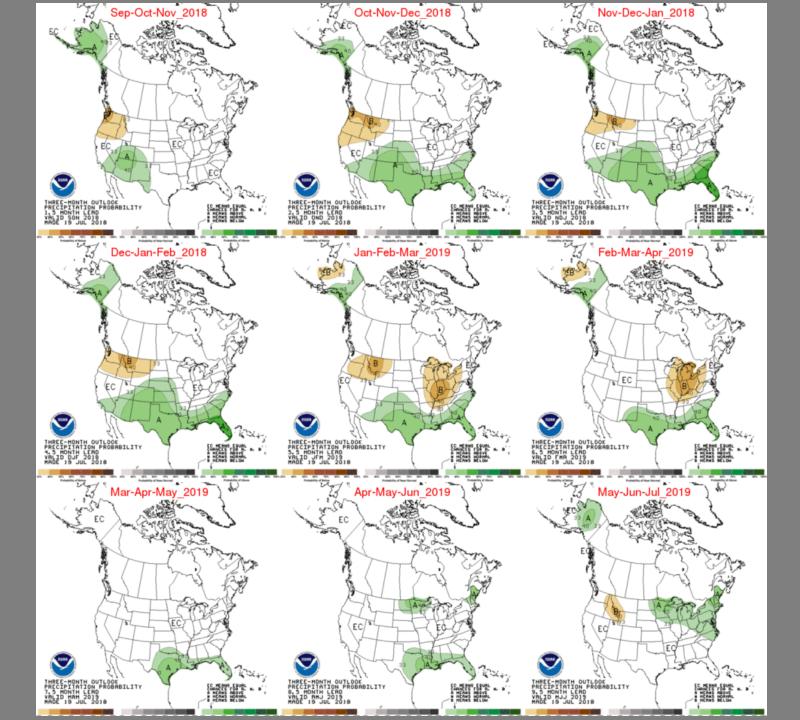
- The Climate Prediction Center (CPC) is forecasting <u>equal</u> <u>chances of below normal</u>, <u>normal and above normal</u>
 <u>rainfall for August through October for most of the</u>
 <u>District with slight chances of above normal rainfall north</u>
 of Lake Okeechobee.
- ENSO-neutral is favored through summer 2018, with the chance for El Niño increasing to about 65% during fall, and to about 70% during winter 2018-19. El Niño increases the chances of a wetter-than-normal dry season.
- Monitoring Atlantic Multidecadal Oscillation (AMO) index for switch to negative (cold) phase, this has the potential to contribute to <u>drier-than-normal wet seasons</u>.

U. S. Seasonal Outlooks

August - October 2018

The seasonal outlooks combine the effects of long-term trends, soil moisture, and, when appropriate, ENSO.





Teleconnections to South Florida

Climate anomalies being related to each other at large distances:

El Niño Southern Oscillation (ENSO)

South Florida dry season (November through May) rainfall is positively correlated with El Niño which has a frequency that ranges between 3 to 7 years while rainfall is negatively correlated with La Niña November through March with a potential increase in tropical rainfall during La Niña

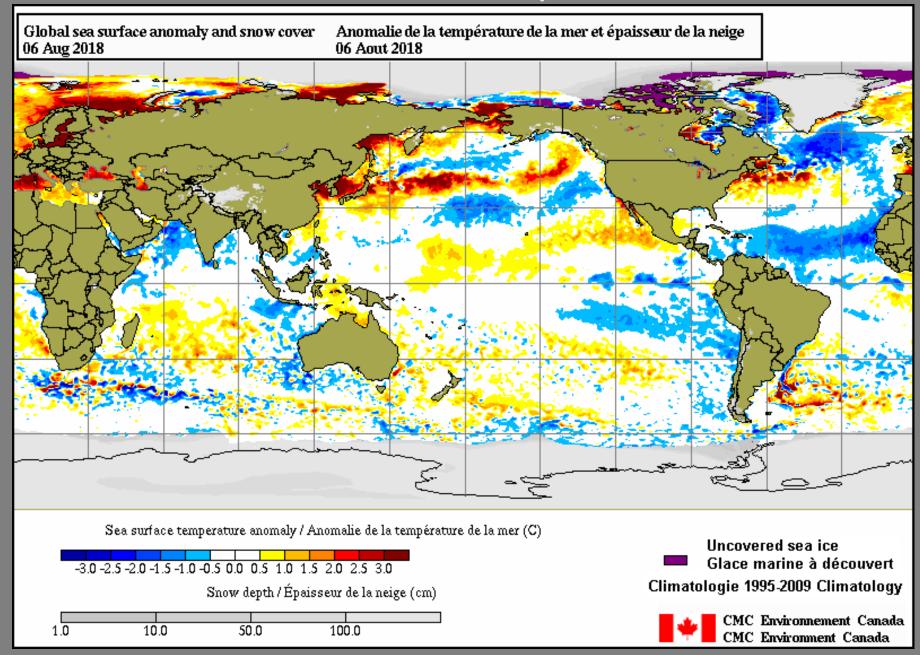
Atlantic Multidecadal Oscillation (AMO)

Average annual inflow to Lake Okeechobee is nearly 50% greater during the warm phase compared to the cold phase of the AMO, easterly flow toward south Florida affected by phase

Pacific Decadal Oscillation (PDO)

Increases variations of south Florida dry season rainfall

Current Global Sea Surface Temperature Anomalies



Niño Region SST Departures (°C) Recent Evolution

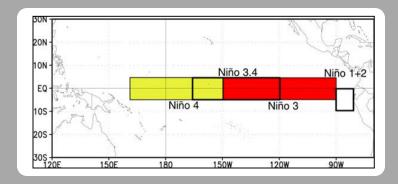
The latest weekly SST departures are:

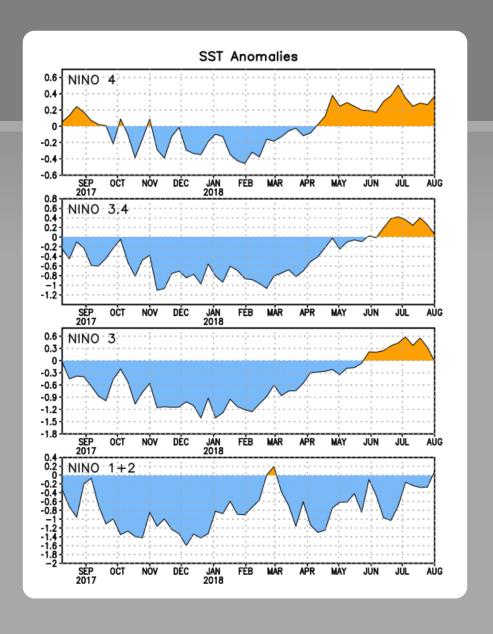
 Niño 4
 0.4°C

 Niño 3.4
 0.1°C

 Niño 3
 0.0°C

 Niño 1+2
 0.1°C





Weekly Heat Content Evolution in the Equatorial Pacific

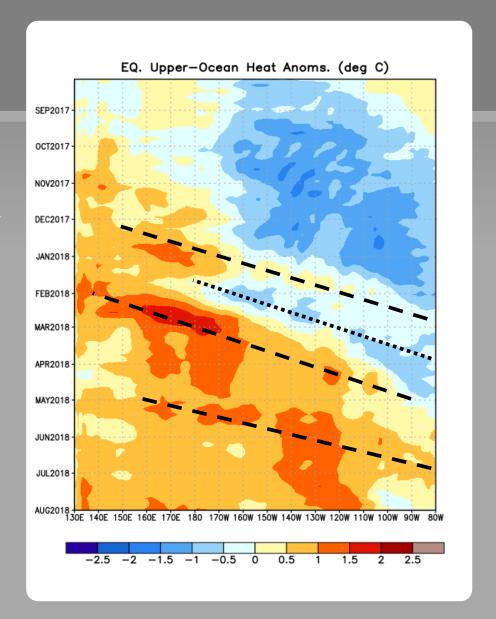
From August 2017- early January 2018, negative subsurface temperature anomalies persisted in the central and eastern Pacific Ocean.

From December 2017- May 2018, successive Kelvin waves contributed to the eastward shift of positive and negative subsurface temperature anomalies.

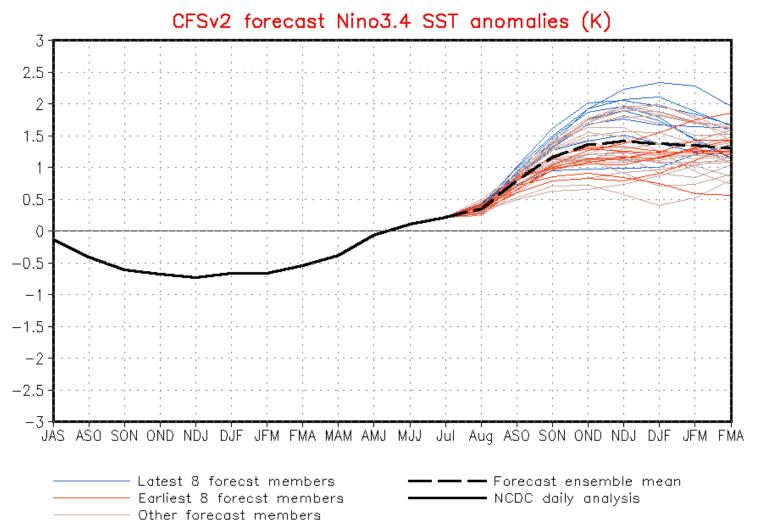
Since early April 2018, positive subsurface temperature anomalies persisted across most of the equatorial Pacific, with the largest anomalies since mid-May 2018 occurring between ~150°-110°W.

Since early July 2018, positive subsurface temperature anomalies weakened in the far eastern Pacific.

Equatorial oceanic Kelvin waves have alternating warm and cold phases. The warm phase is indicated by dashed lines. Downwelling and warming occur in the leading portion of a Kelvin wave, and up-welling and cooling occur in the trailing portion.







IRI/CPC Pacific Niño 3.4 SST Model Outlook

The majority of models predict ENSO-neutral through summer 2018, with El Niño favored by August-October 2018.

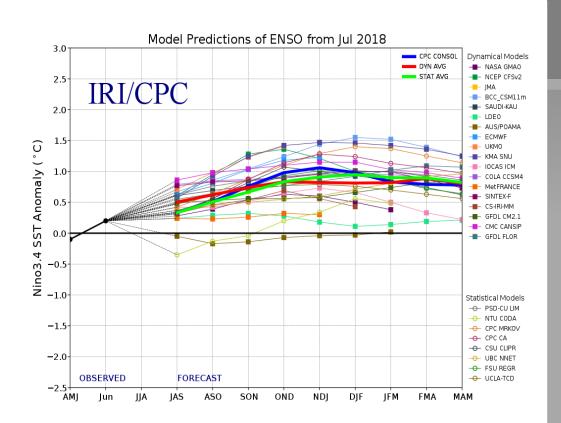


Figure provided by the International Research Institute (IRI) for Climate and Society (updated 19 July 2018).

Historical El Niño and La Niña Episodes Based on the ONI computed using ERSST.v5

Recent Pacific warm (red) and cold (blue) periods based on a threshold of +/- 0.5 °C for the Oceanic Nino Index (ONI) [3 month running mean of ERSST.v5 SST anomalies in the Nino 3.4 region (5N-5S, 120-170W)]. For historical purposes, periods of below and above normal SSTs are colored in blue and red when the threshold is met for a minimum of 5 consecutive over-lapping seasons.

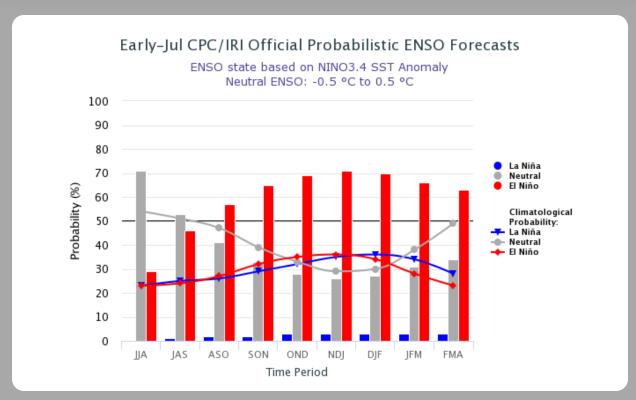
The ONI is one measure of the El Niño-Southern Oscillation, and other indices can confirm whether features consistent with a coupled ocean-atmosphere phenomenon accompanied these periods. The complete table going back to DJF 1950 can be found here.

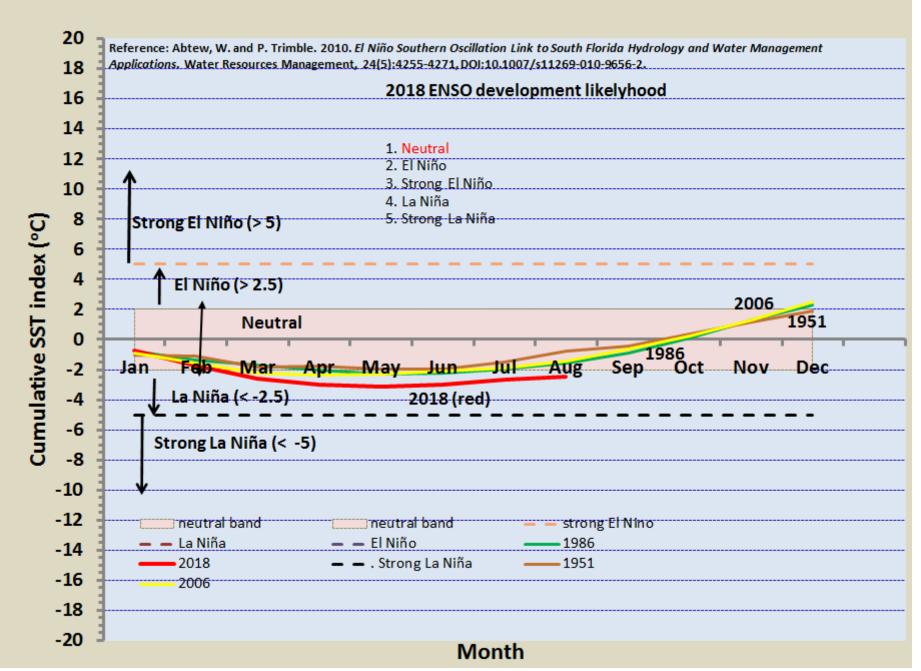
Year	DJF	JFM	FMA	MAM	AMJ	MJJ	JJA	JAS	ASO	SON	OND	NDJ
2006	-0.8	-0.7	-0.5	-0.3	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.3	0.5	0.7	0.9	0.9
2007	0.7	0.3	0.0	-0.2	-0.3	-0.4	-0.5	-0.8	-1.1	-1.4	-1.5	-1.6
2008	-1.6	-1.4	-1.2	-0.9	-0.8	-0.5	-0.4	-0.3	-0.3	-0.4	-0.6	-0.7
2009	-0.8	-0.7	-0.5	-0.2	0.1	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.7	1.0	1.3	1.6
2010	1.5	1.3	0.9	0.4	-0.1	-0.6	-1.0	-1.4	-1.6	-1.7	-1.7	-1.6
2011	-1.4	-1.1	-0.8	-0.6	-0.5	-0.4	-0.5	-0.7	-0.9	-1.1	-1.1	-1.0
2012	-0.8	-0.6	-0.5	-0.4	-0.2	0.1	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.0	-0.2
2013	-0.4	-0.3	-0.2	-0.2	-0.3	-0.3	-0.4	-0.4	-0.3	-0.2	-0.2	-0.3
2014	-0.4	-0.4	-0.2	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.2	0.4	0.6	0.7
2015	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.8	1.0	1.2	1.5	1.8	2.1	2.4	2.5	2.6
2016	2.5	2.2	1.7	1.0	0.5	0.0	-0.3	-0.6	-0.7	-0.7	-0.7	-0.6
2017	-0.3	-0.1	0.1	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.2	-0.1	-0.4	-0.7	-0.9	-1.0
2018	-0.9	-0.8	-0.6	-0.4	-0.1	0.1						

CPC/IRI Probabilistic ENSO Outlook

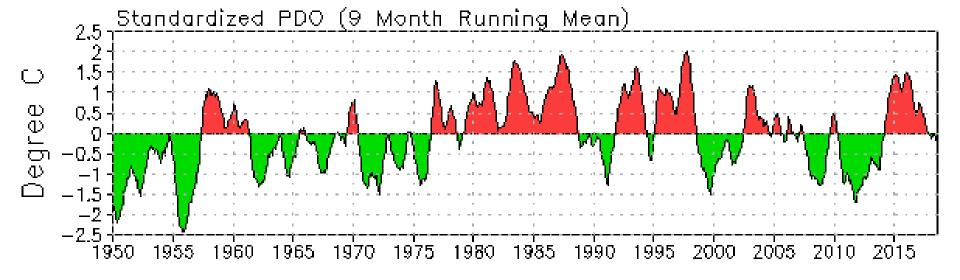
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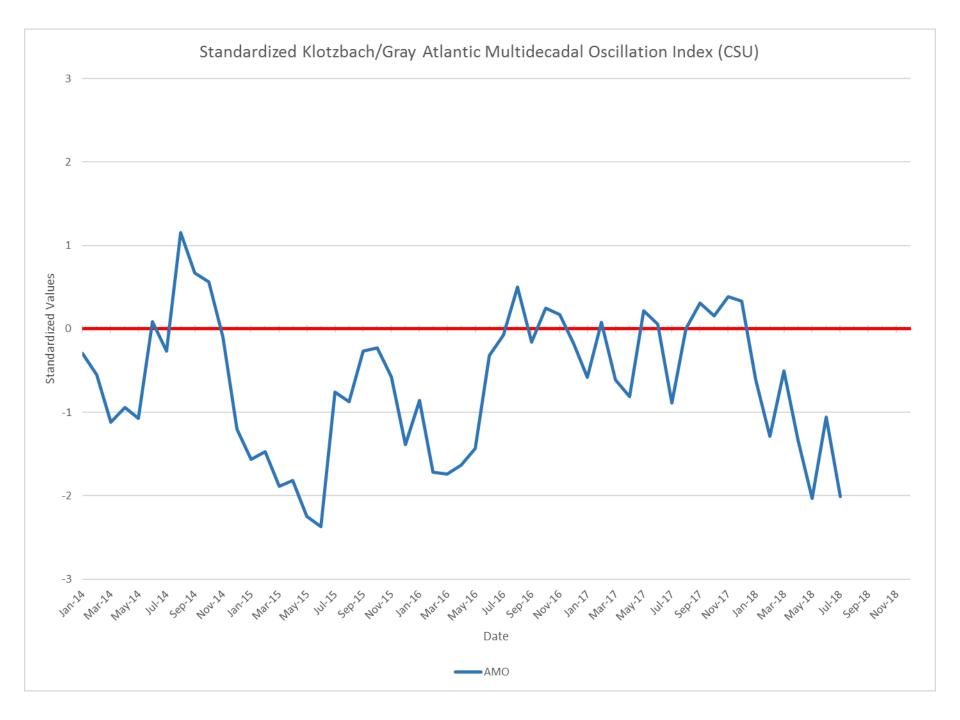
ENSO-neutral is favored through July-September 2018, with El Niño favored thereafter. Chances for El Niño are near 70% during Northern Hemisphere winter 2018-19.





Source: Wossenu Abtew (SFWMD)



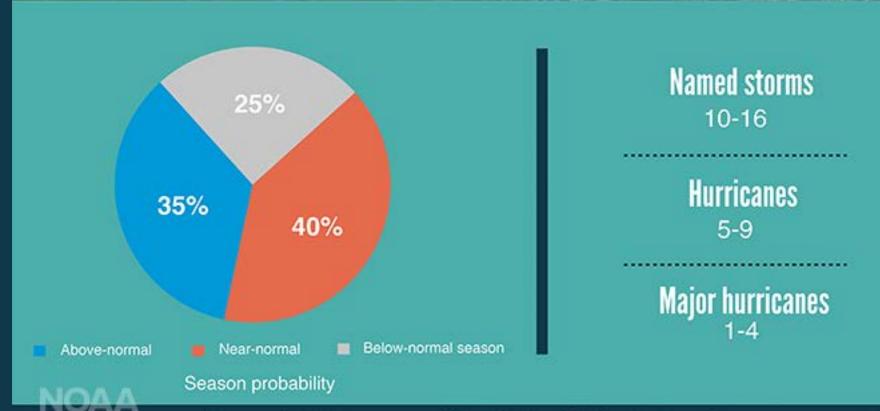


2018 Tropical Outlook





2018 Atlantic Hurricane Season Outlook



2018 FORECAST AS OF 2 AUGUST 2018

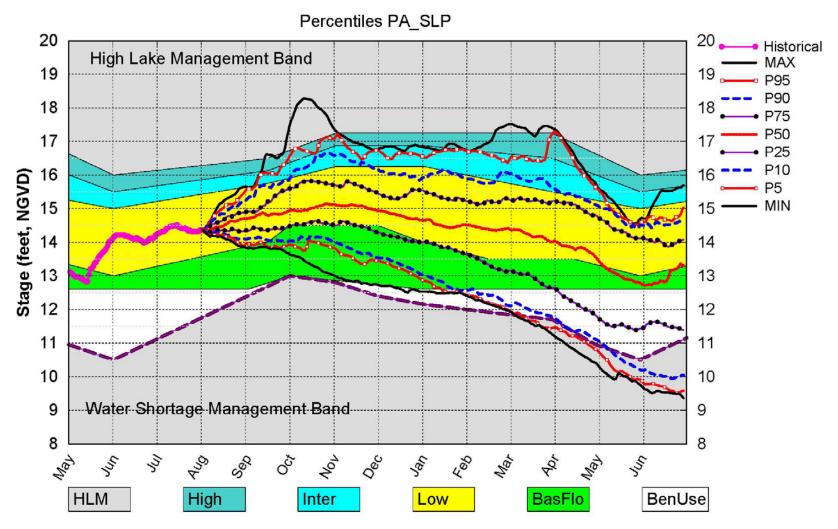
Forecast Parameter	Statistical Forecast	Analog Forecast	Final Forecast (Including Alberto, Beryl and Chris)	1981-2010 Median
Named Storms (NS)	11.2	8.2	12	12.0
Named Storm Days (NSD)	47.3	34.6	53	60.1
Hurricanes (H)	6.2	4.0	5	6.5
Hurricane Days (HD)	16.0	10.0	15	21.3
Major Hurricanes (MH)	1.1	0.6	1	2.0
Major Hurricane Days (MHD)	1.8	0.8	2	3.9
Accumulated Cyclone Energy (ACE)	66	44	64	92
Net Tropical Cyclone Activity (NTC)	78	51	78	103

Source: Colorado State University Tropical Meteorology Project

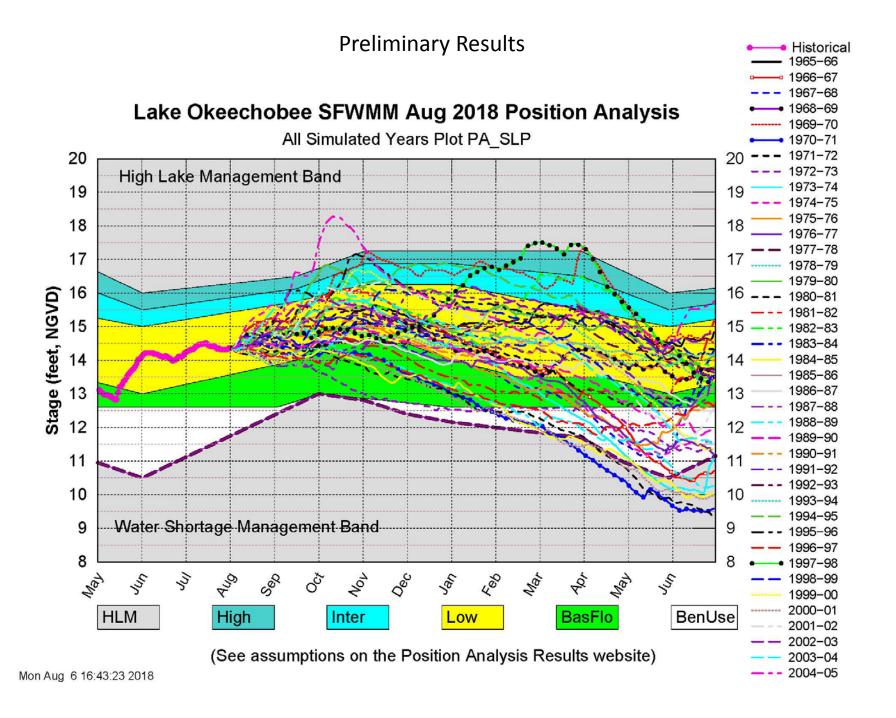
Dynamic Position Analysis

- Based on historical climatic conditions spanning the period 1965-2005
- Each year the model resets the initial stages for Lake Okeechobee (LOK) and the Water Conservation Areas (WCAs) to value on the 1st of the previous month and conditions the simulation using real time data during the previous month to achieve real time stage on current month's 1st for both Lake Okeechobee and the water conservation areas
- Dynamic Position Analysis
 - Each 1-year simulation starts with current hydrologic conditions (e.g., 1-Aug-2018)
 - 41 1-year simulations of system response to historical rainfall conditions
 - Statistical summaries used to display projections

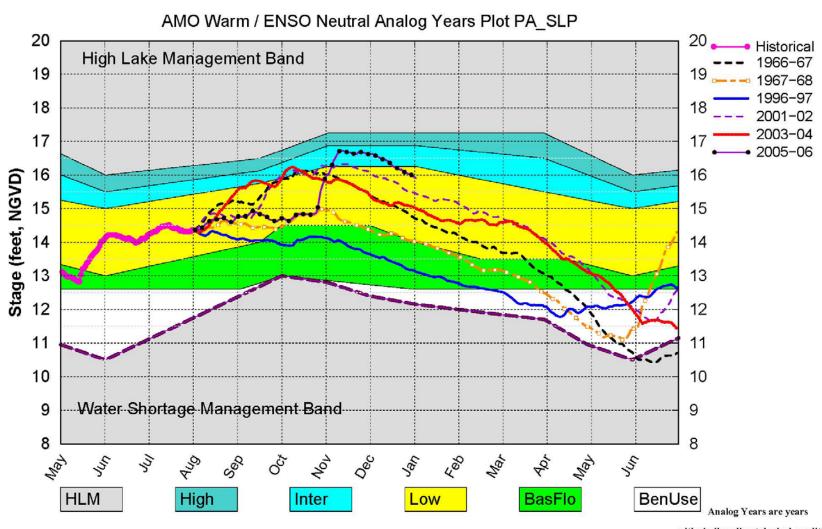
Lake Okeechobee SFWMM Aug 2018 Position Analysis



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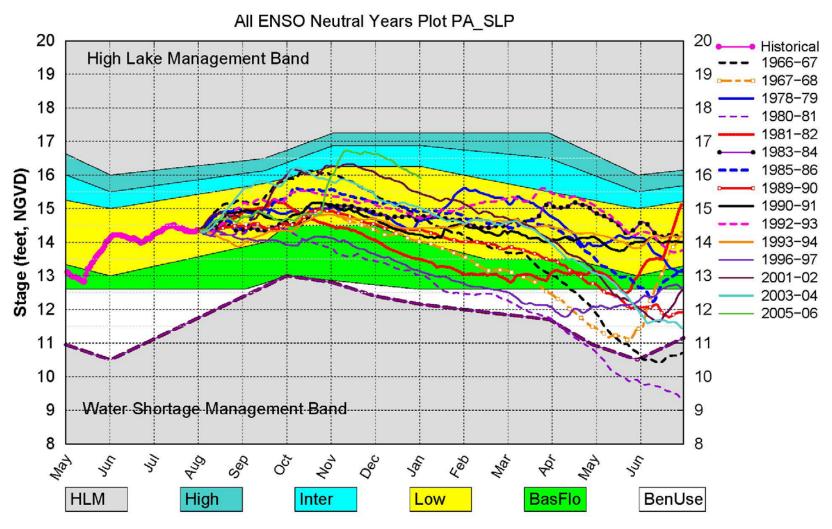
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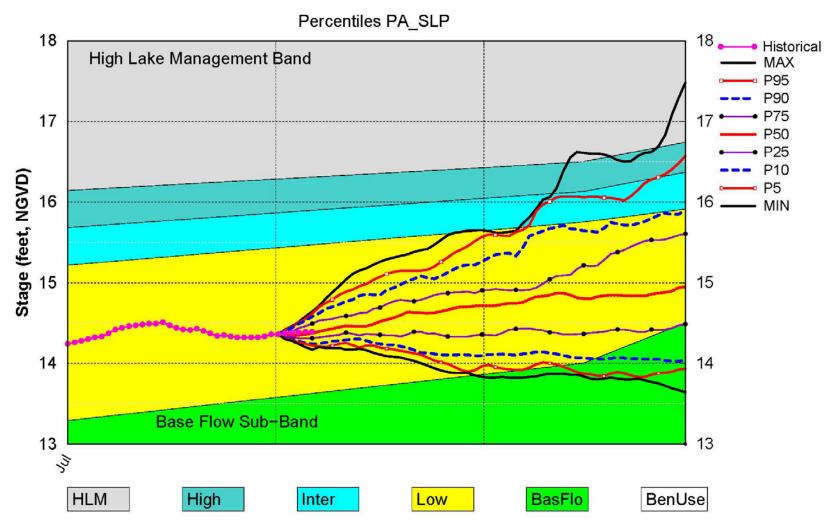
with similar climatological conditions to the current year.

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