

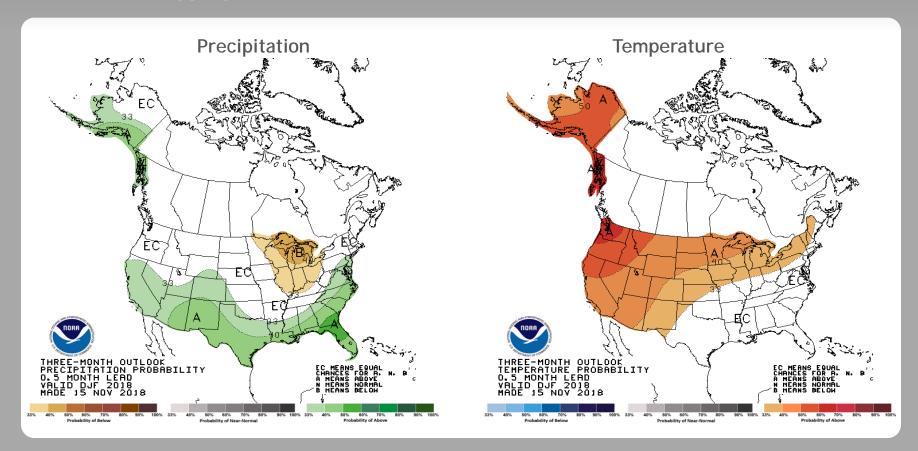
Summary

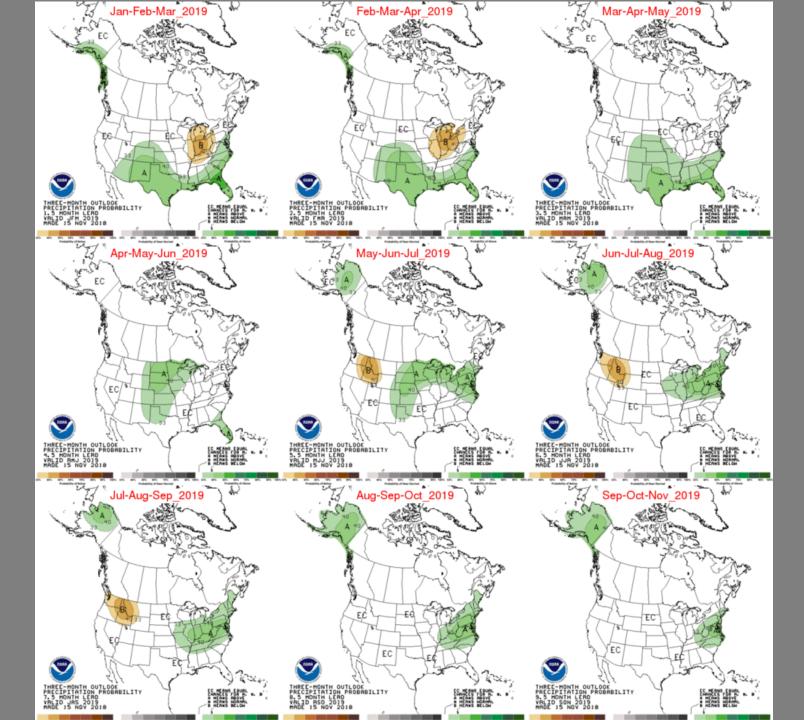
- The Climate Prediction Center (CPC) is forecasting <u>above</u> normal rainfall for December through February.
- ENSO-neutral conditions are present. El Niño is expected to form and continue through winter 2018-19 (~80% chance) and into spring (55-60% chance).* El Niño increases the chances of a wetter-than-normal dry season.
- Monitoring Atlantic Multidecadal Oscillation (AMO) index for switch to negative (cold) phase, this has the potential to contribute to drier-than-normal wet seasons.

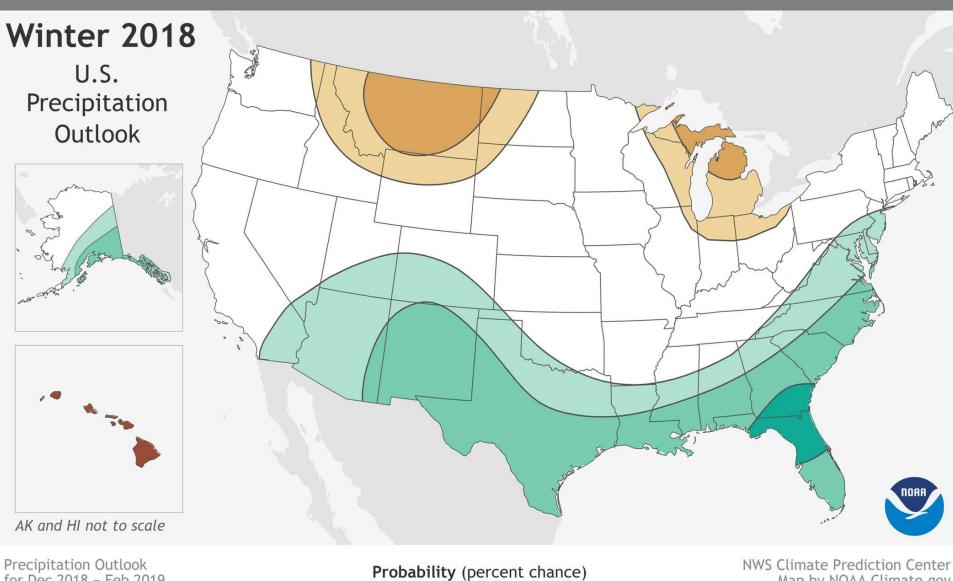
U. S. Seasonal Outlooks

December 2018 - February 2019

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







for Dec 2018 - Feb 2019 drier than normal equal chances wetter than normal Issued 18 October 2018 70 40 33 33 50 70 80 60 50 60

Map by NOAA Climate.gov

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

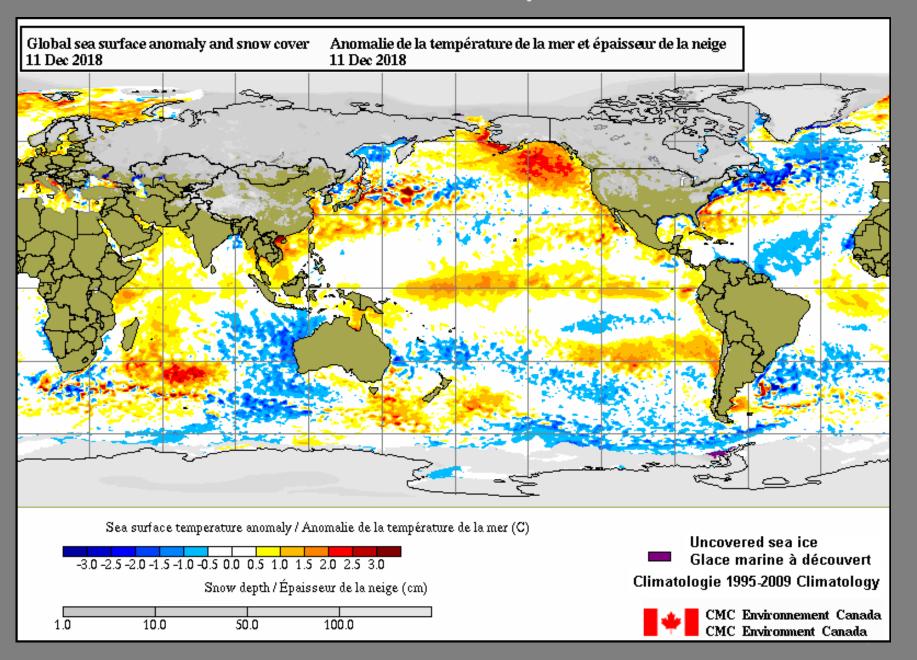
Atlantic Multidecadal Oscillation (AMO)

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

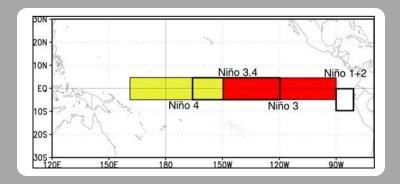
Current Global Sea Surface Temperature Anomalies

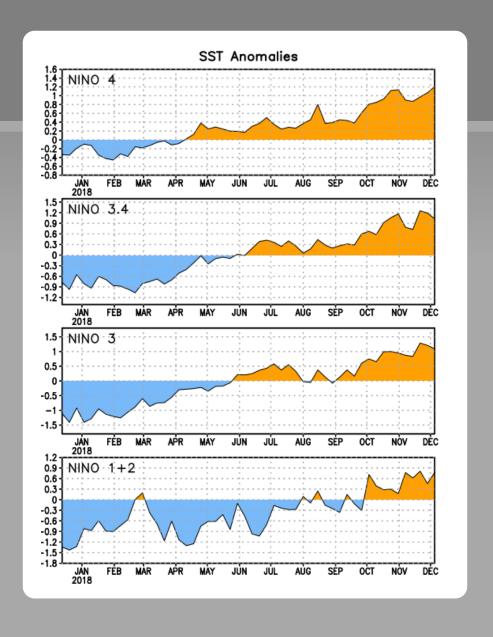


Niño Region SST Departures (°C) Recent Evolution

The latest weekly SST departures are:

| Niño | 4 | 1.2°C |
|------|-----|-------|
| Niño | 3.4 | 1.0°C |
| Niño | 3 | 1.1°C |
| Niño | 1+2 | 0.8°C |





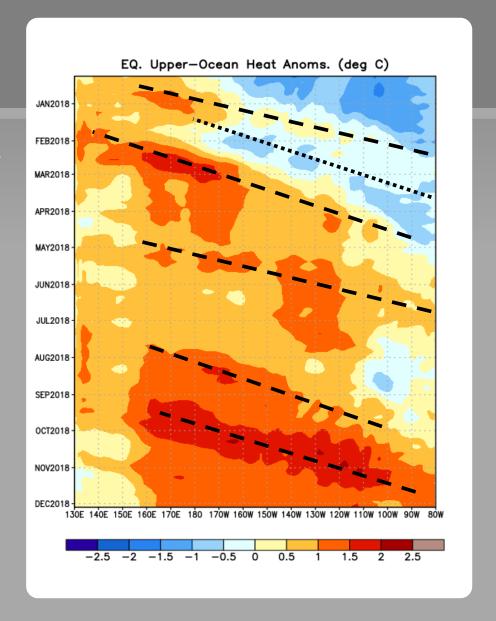
Weekly Heat Content Evolution in the Equatorial Pacific

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

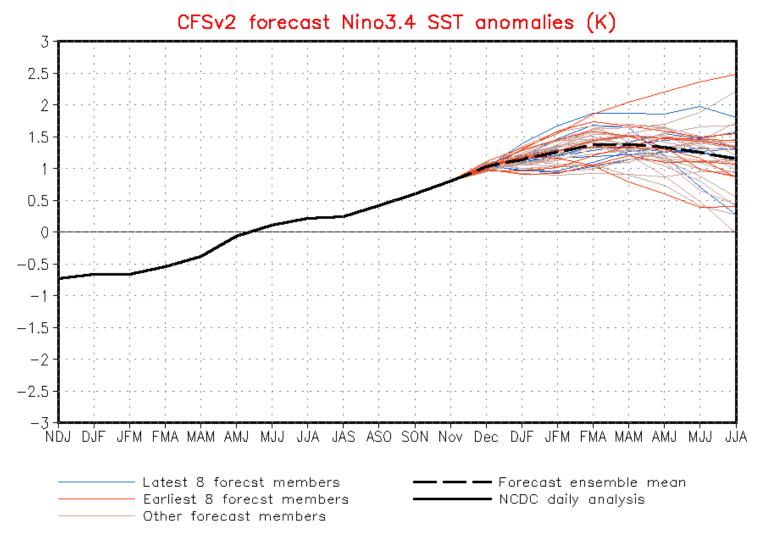
During July-August 2018, positive subsurface temperature anomalies weakened in the eastern Pacific.

In early August and again in October and November 2018, positive subsurface anomalies increased, partly due to downwelling Kelvin waves.

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 El Niño to develop and persist through at least Northern Hemisphere spring 2019.

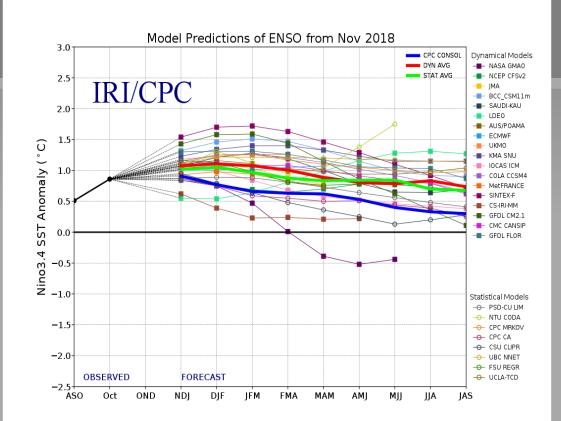


Figure provided by the International Research Institute (IRI) for Climate and Society (updated 19 November 2018).

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.

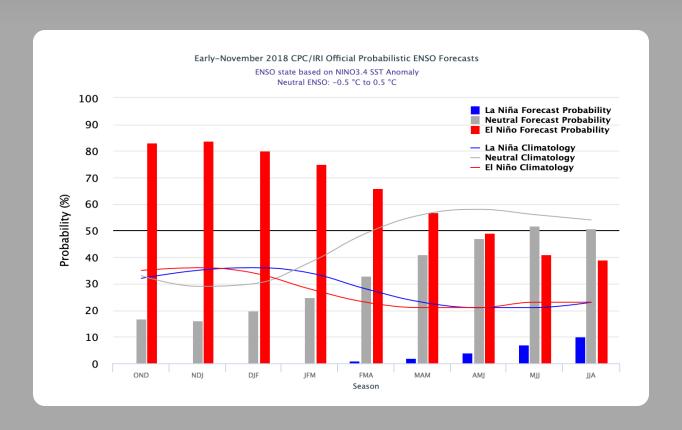
The ONI is one measure of the El Niño-Southern Oscillation, and other indices can confirm whether features consistent with a coupled ocean-atmosphere phenomenon accompanied these periods. The complete table going back to DJF 1950 can be found here.

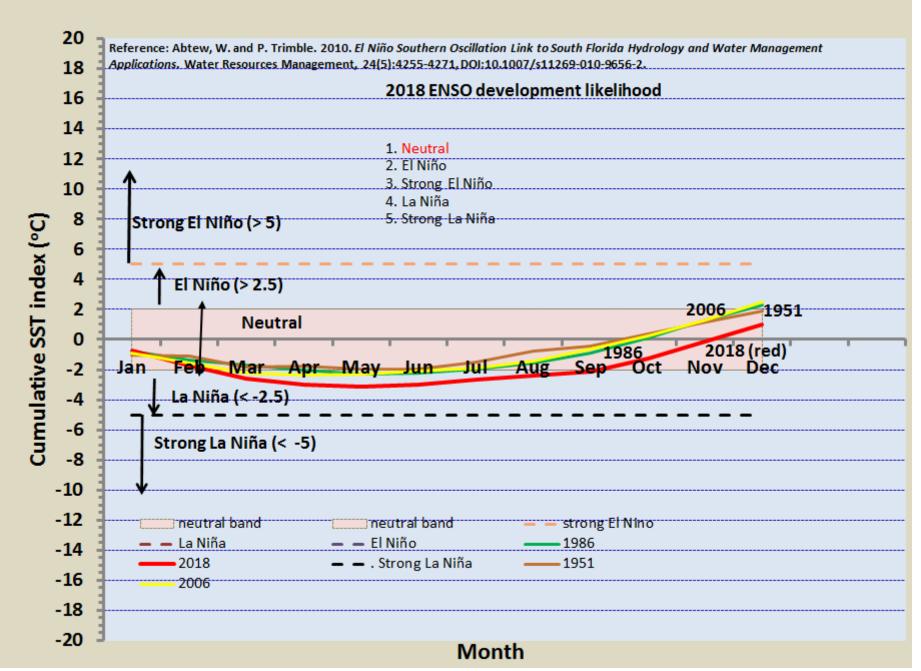
| Year | DJF | JFM | FMA | MAM | AMJ | MJJ | JJA | JAS | ASO | SON | OND | NDJ |
|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| 2006 | -0.8 | -0.7 | -0.5 | -0.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.5 | 0.7 | 0.9 | 0.9 |
| 2007 | 0.7 | 0.3 | 0.0 | -0.2 | -0.3 | -0.4 | -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 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.7 | | |

CPC/IRI Probabilistic ENSO Outlook

Updated: 8 November 2018

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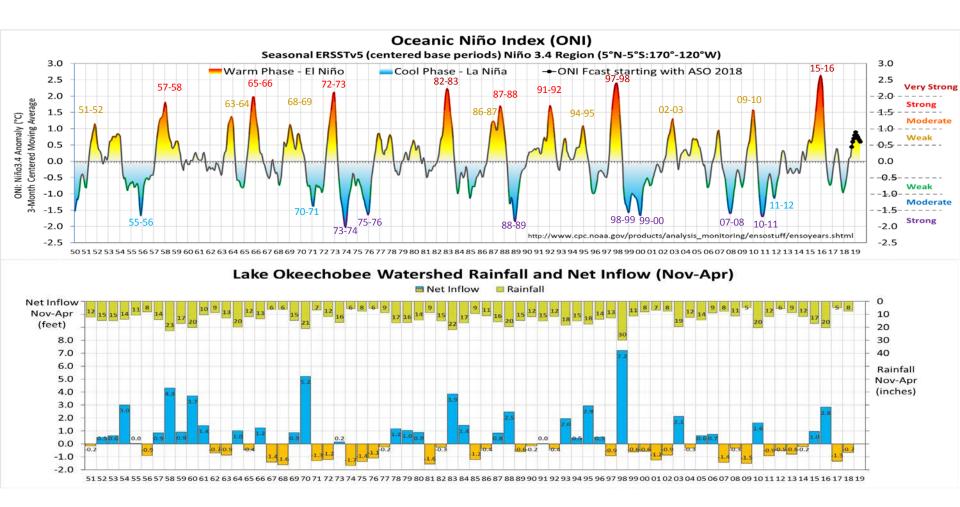




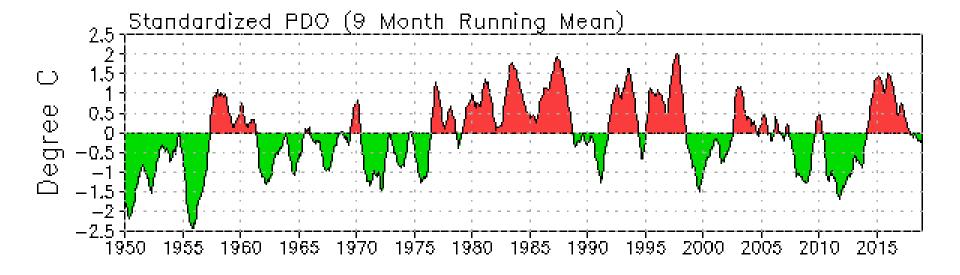
Source: Wossenu Abtew (SFWMD)

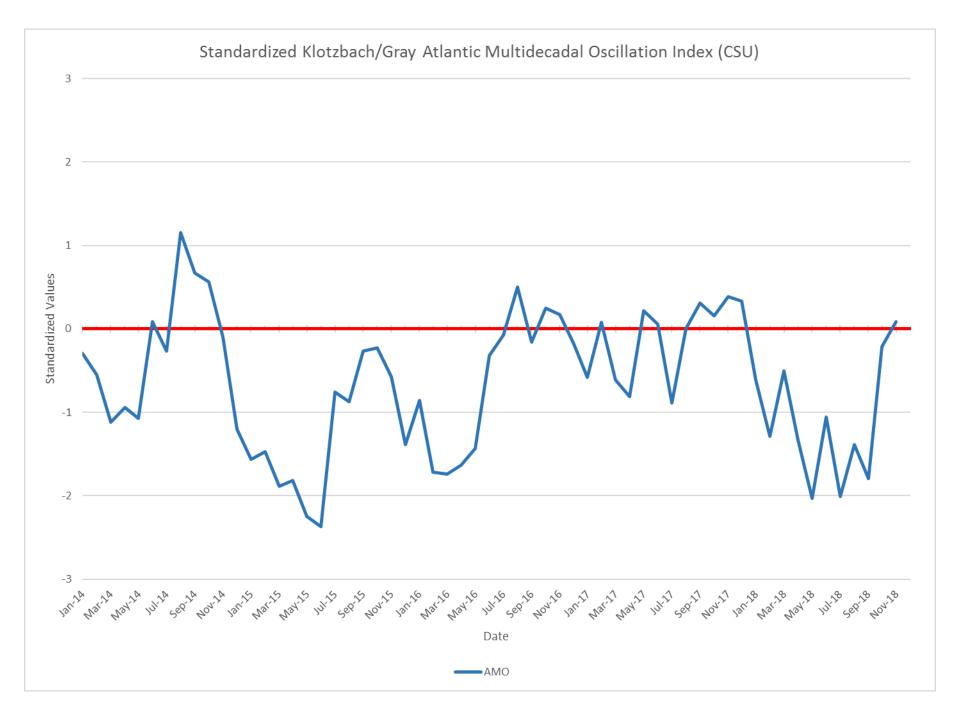
Multivariate ENSO Index (MEI) for six short El Niño events since 1950 vs. 2017-18 81-82 14-15 90 +Standardized Departure 90-91 05-06 .′[□]17-18 0 12-13 53-54 Update: 7 December 2018 NOAA/E\$RL/Physical Science Division-University of Colorado at Boulder CIRES Declan

El Niño & La Niña Events (1950-2018), and Lake Okeechobee Watershed Rainfall & Net Inflow



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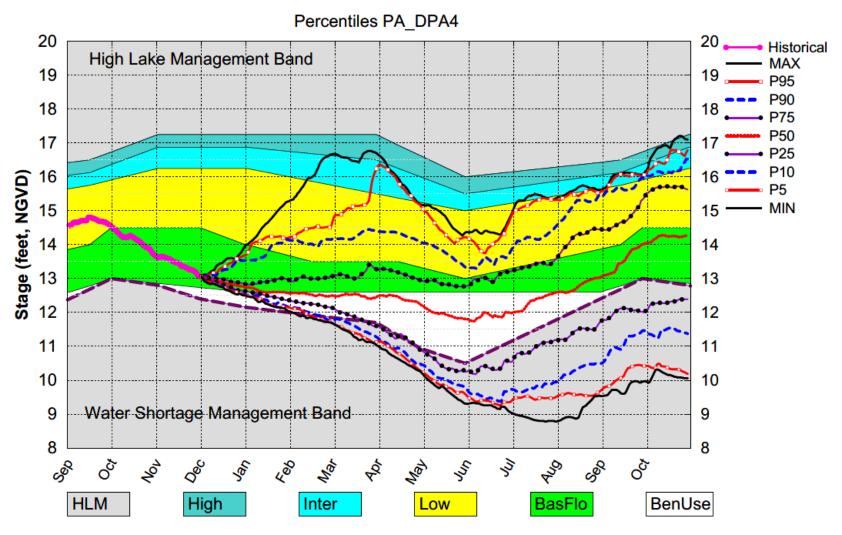




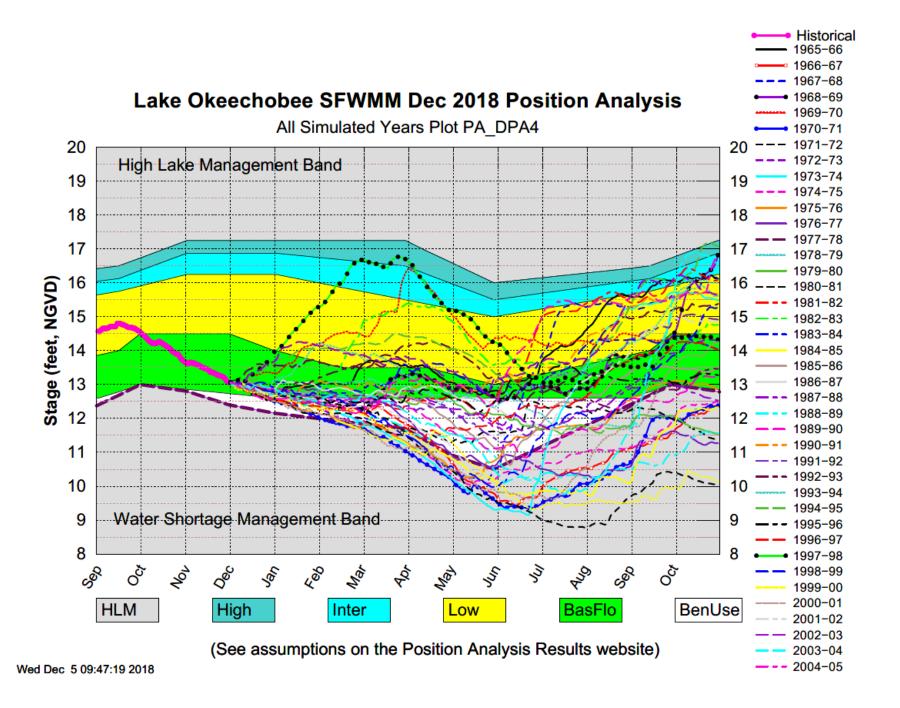
Dynamic Position Analysis

- 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 the 1st of the current month for
 both Lake Okeechobee and the Water Conservation Areas
- Dynamic Position Analysis
 - Each 1-year simulation starts with current hydrologic conditions (e.g., 1-Dec-2018)
 - 41 1-year simulations of system response to historical rainfall conditions
 - Statistical summaries used to display projections

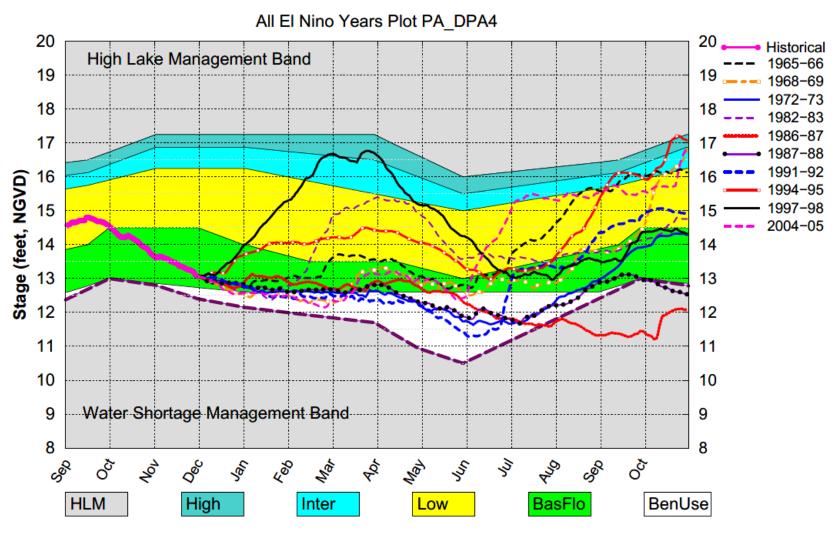
Lake Okeechobee SFWMM Dec 2018 Position Analysis



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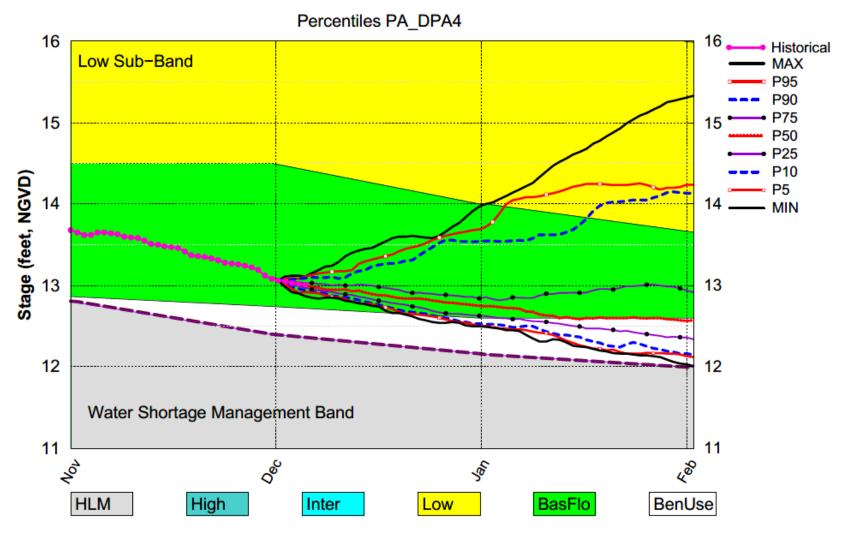


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