Global sea surface anomaly
12 Feb 2019

EXTENDED HYDROLOGIC OUTLOOK
FEBRUARY 12, 2019
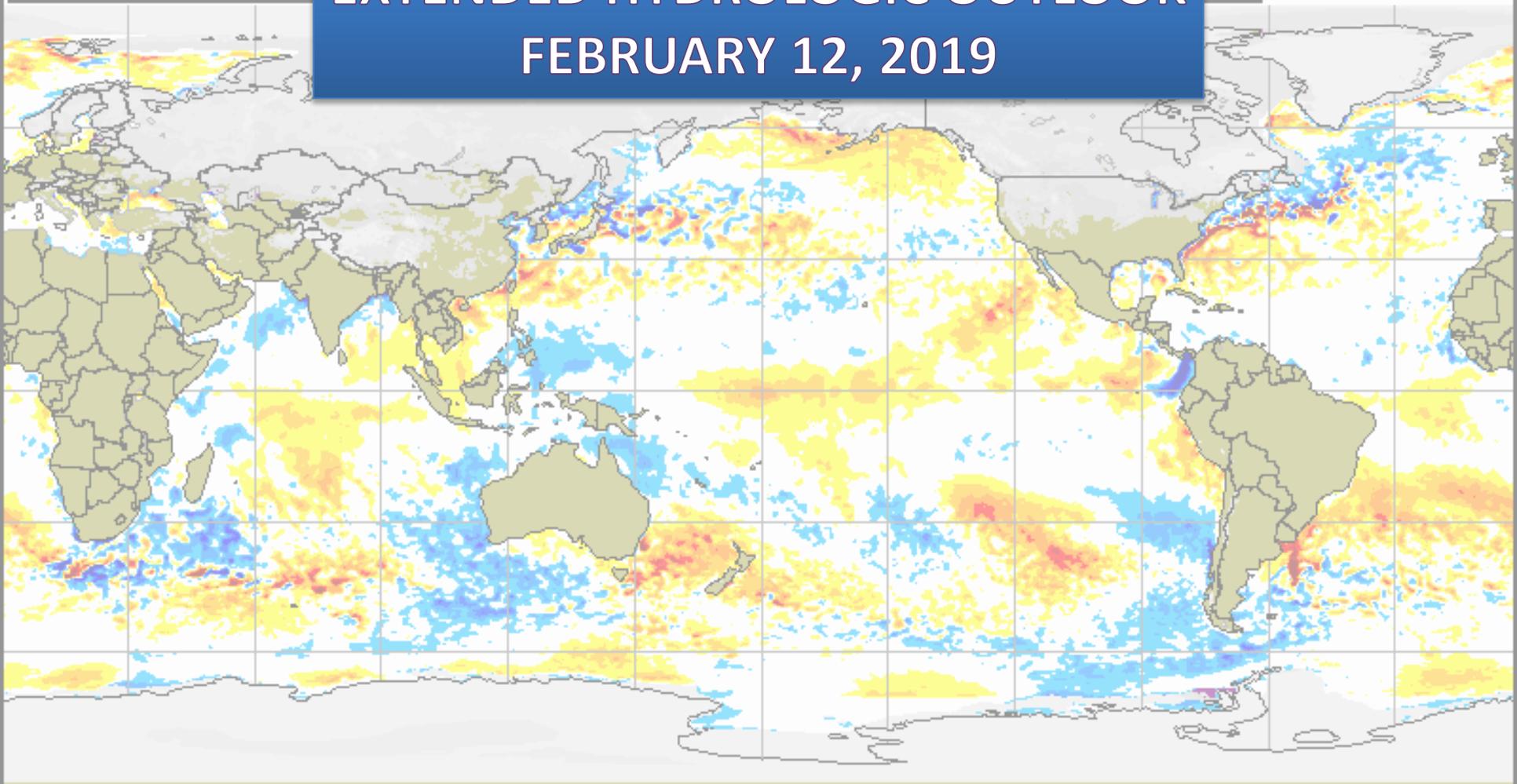
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Snow depth / Épaisseur de la neige (cm)

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Summary

- **The Climate Prediction Center (CPC) is forecasting <u>above normal rainfall for February through April.</u>**

- **ENSO-neutral conditions are present. El Niño is expected to form and continue through the Northern Hemisphere spring 2019 (~65% chance). El Niño increases the chances of a <u>wetter-than-normal dry season.</u>**

- **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

February - April 2019

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

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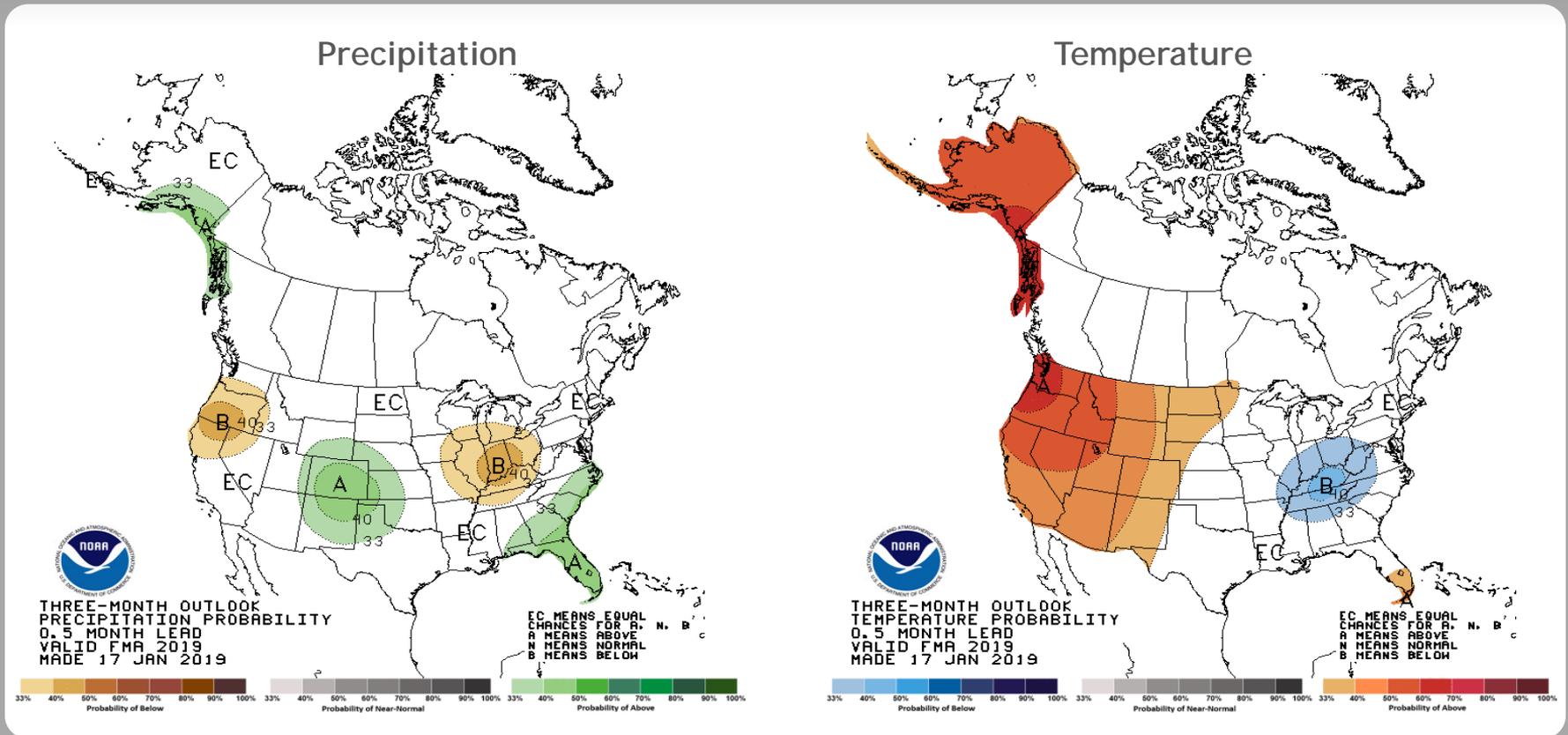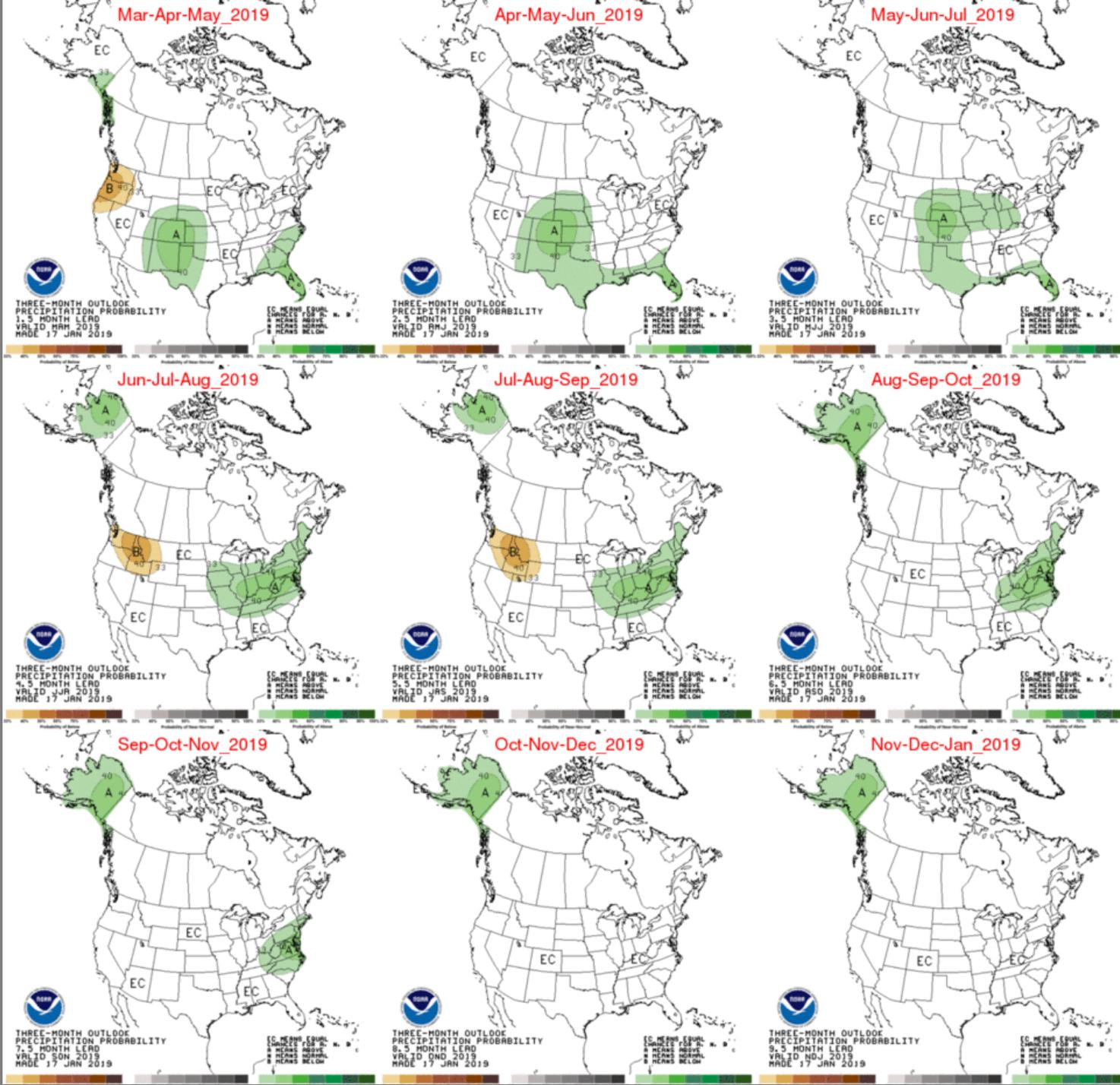
Teleconnections to South Florida

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

Global sea surface anomaly and snow cover
12 Feb 2019

Anomalie de la température de la mer et épaisseur de la neige
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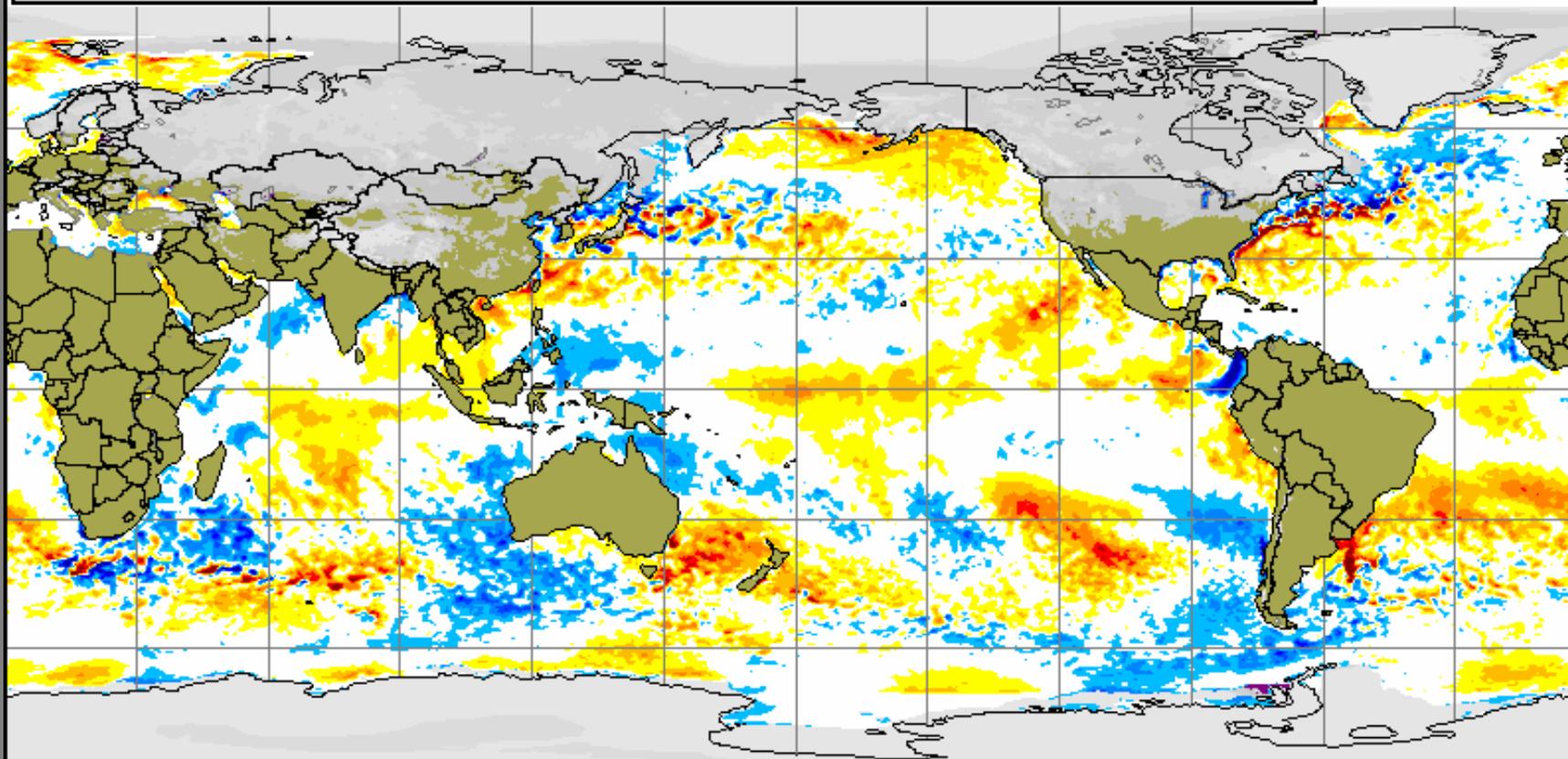
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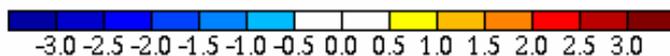
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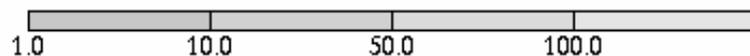
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Niño Region SST Departures (ºC) Recent Evolution

The latest weekly SST departures are:

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Niño 4	0.8ºC
Niño 3.4	0.4ºC
Niño 3	0.4ºC
Niño 1+2	0.3ºC
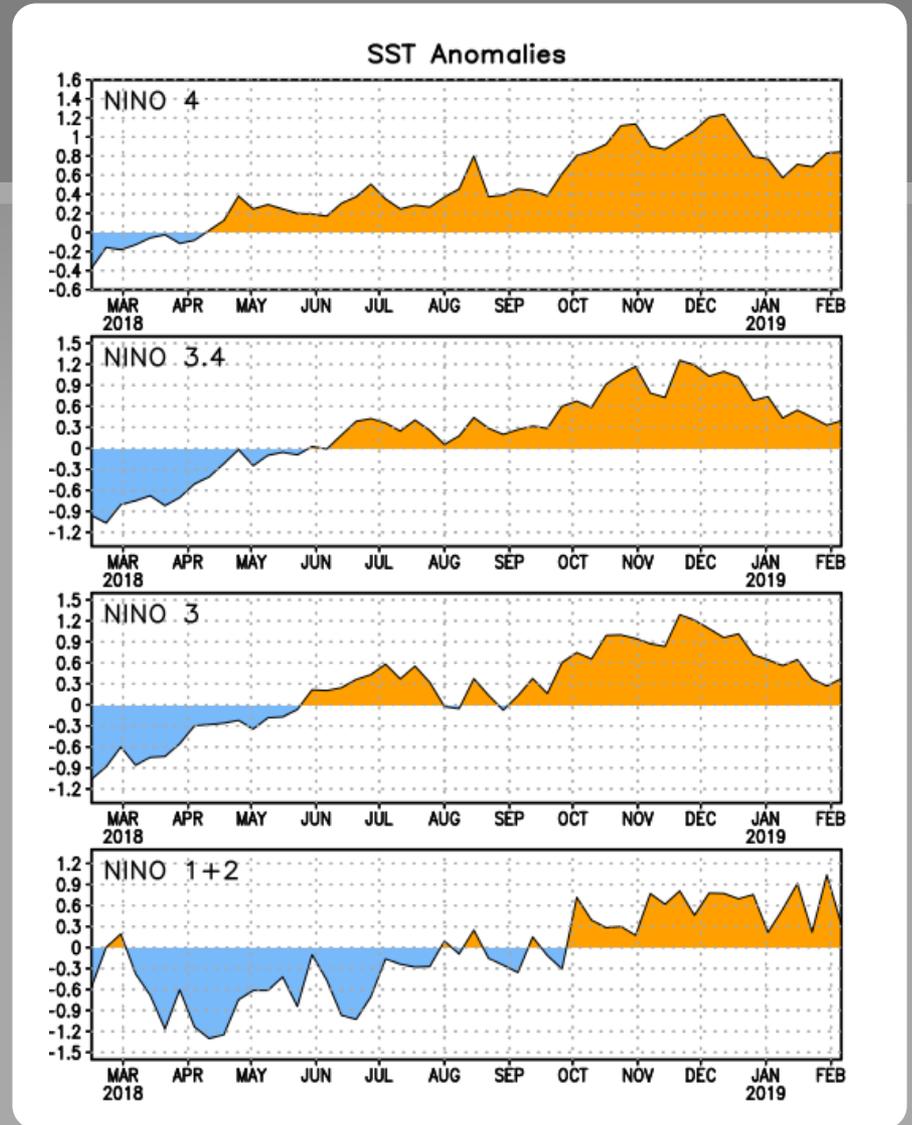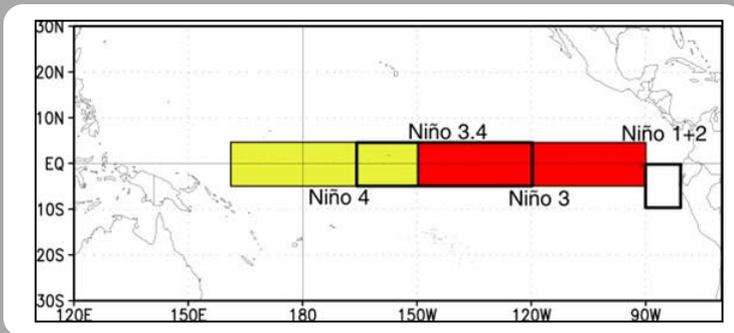
Weekly Heat Content Evolution in the Equatorial Pacific

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

Since mid-December 2018, positive subsurface temperature anomalies weakened between 120°W and 90°W.

Since early January 2019, a downwelling Kelvin wave increased the positive subsurface temperature anomalies around the Date Line and east-central Pacific.

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

EQ. Upper-Ocean Heat Anoms. (deg C)
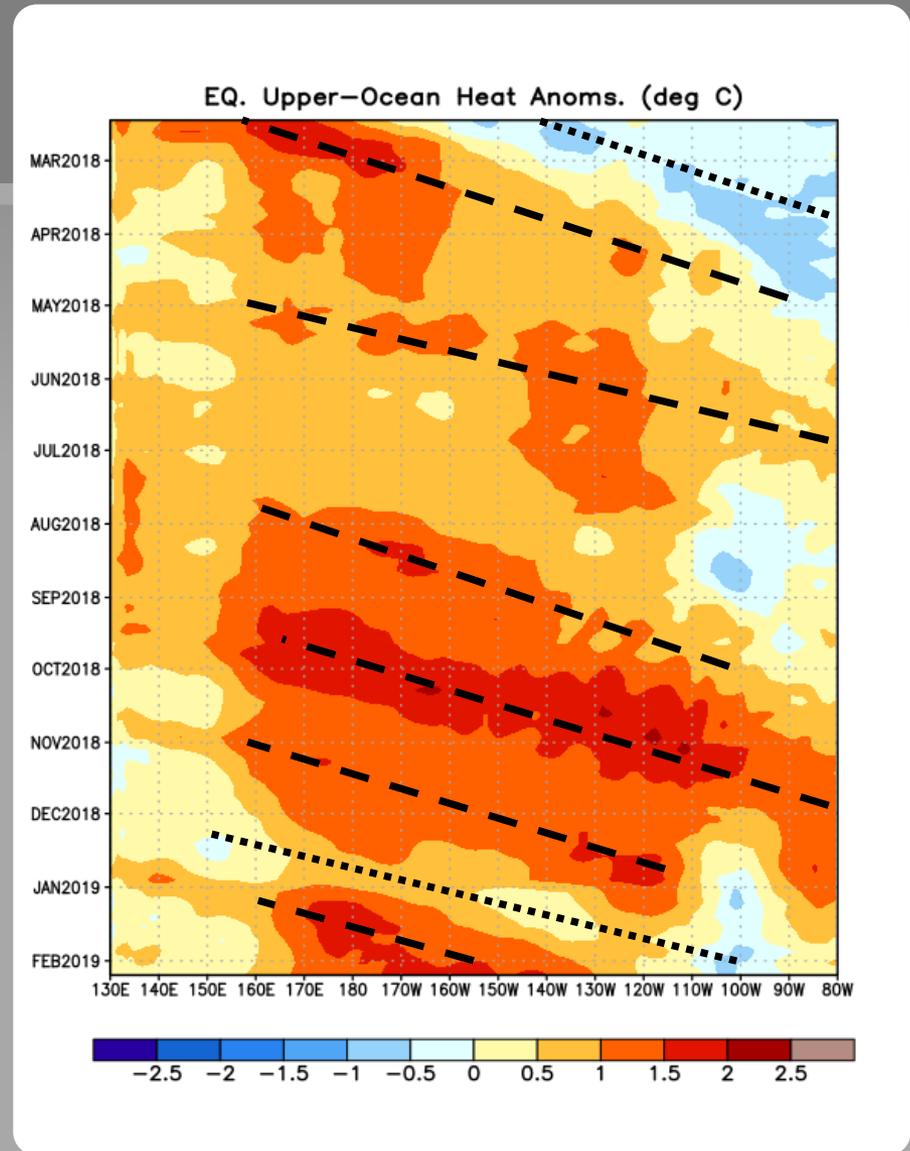
IRI/CPC Pacific Niño 3.4 SST Model Outlook

The majority of models predict the Niño-3.4 index to slowly weaken into the Northern Hemisphere summer 2019.
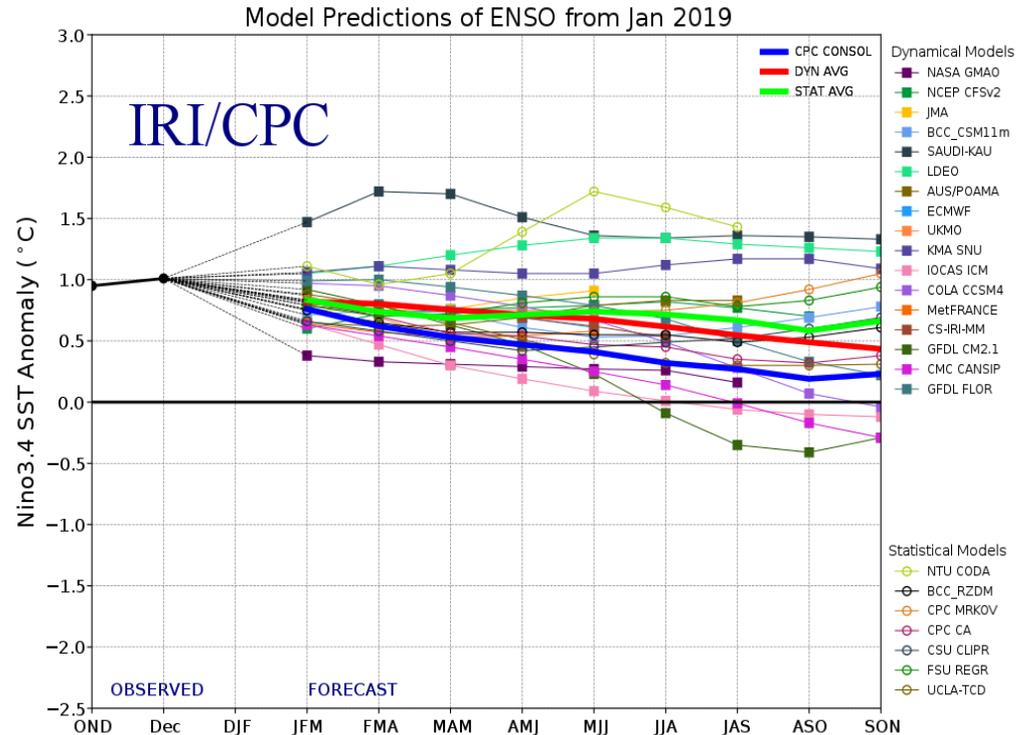

Figure provided by the International Research Institute (IRI) for Climate and Society (updated 19 January 2019).

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
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CPC/IRI Probabilistic ENSO Outlook

Updated: 10 January 2019

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Early–January 2019 CPC/IRI Official Probabilistic ENSO Forecasts
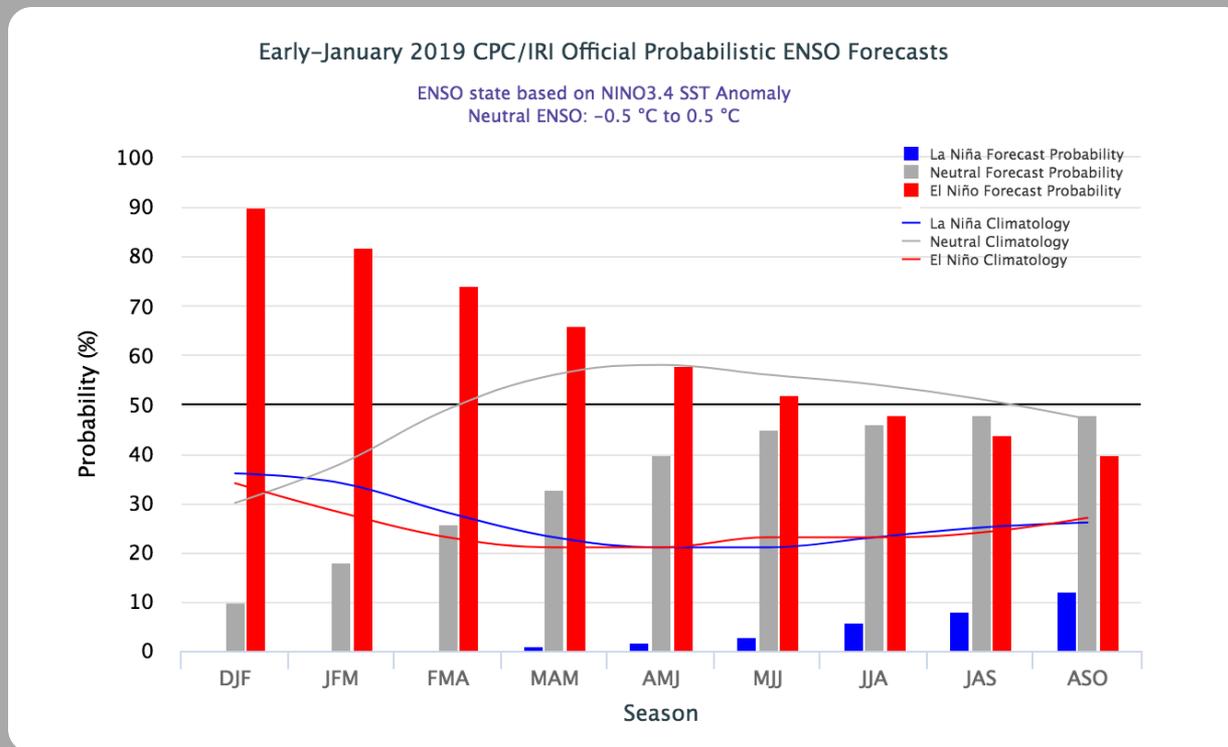
El Niño & La Niña Events (1950-2018), and
Lake Okeechobee Watershed Rainfall & Net Inflow

Source: Cal Neidrauer (SFWMD)

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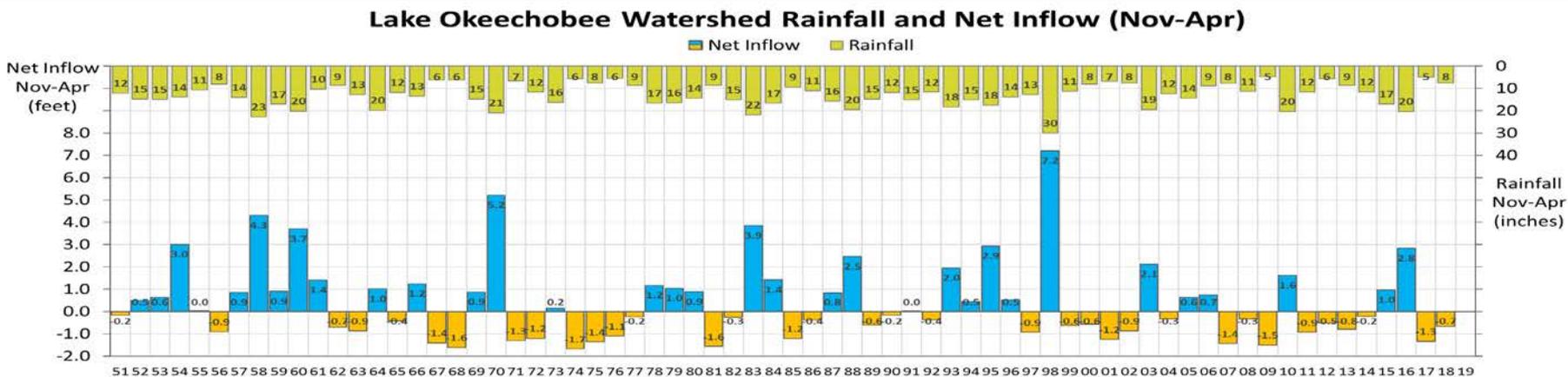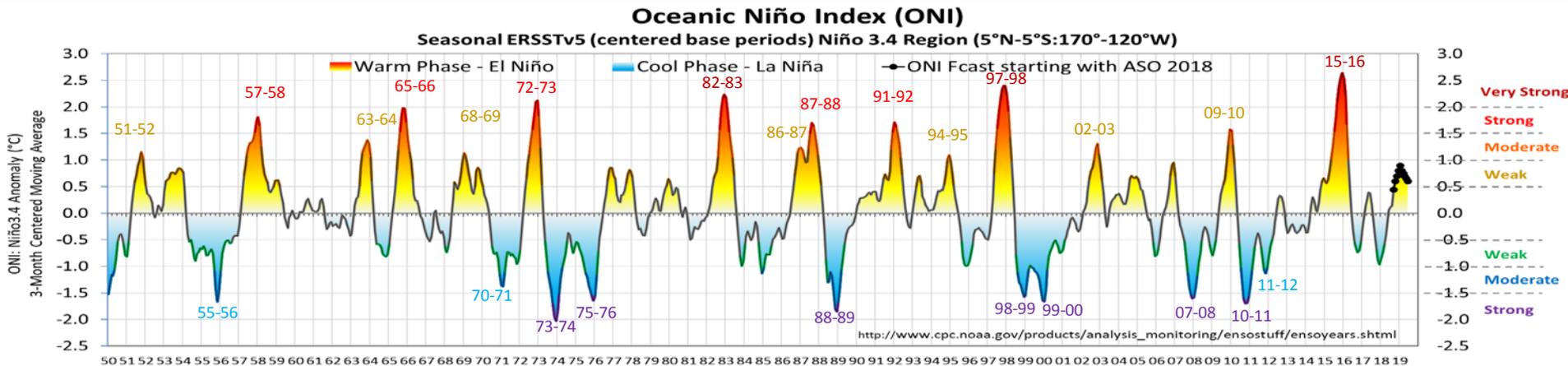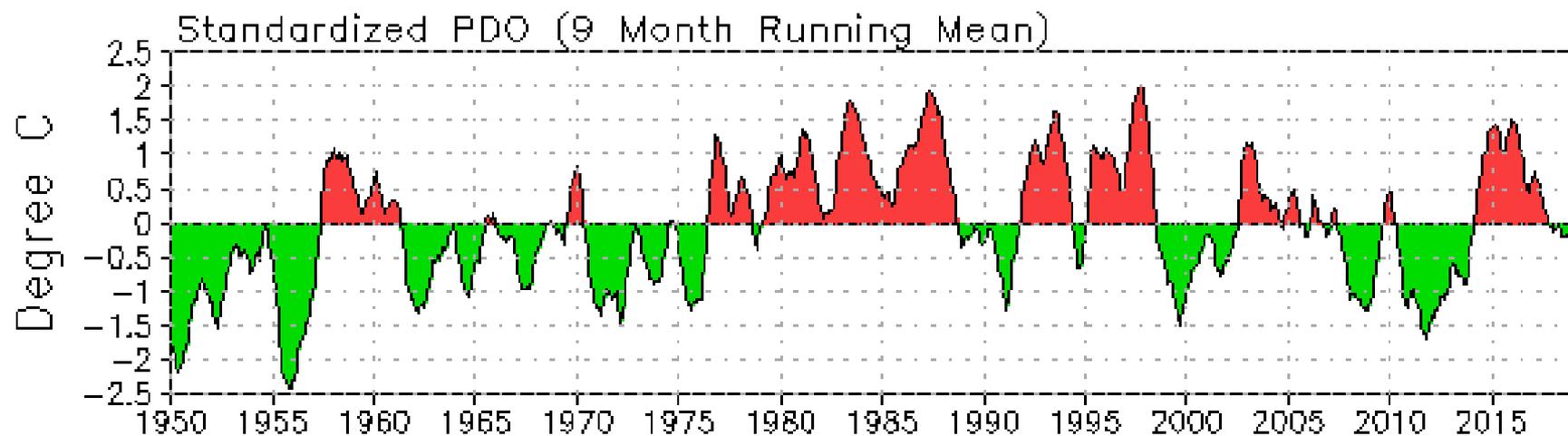
Dynamic Position Analysis

- 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 Feb 2019 Position Analysis
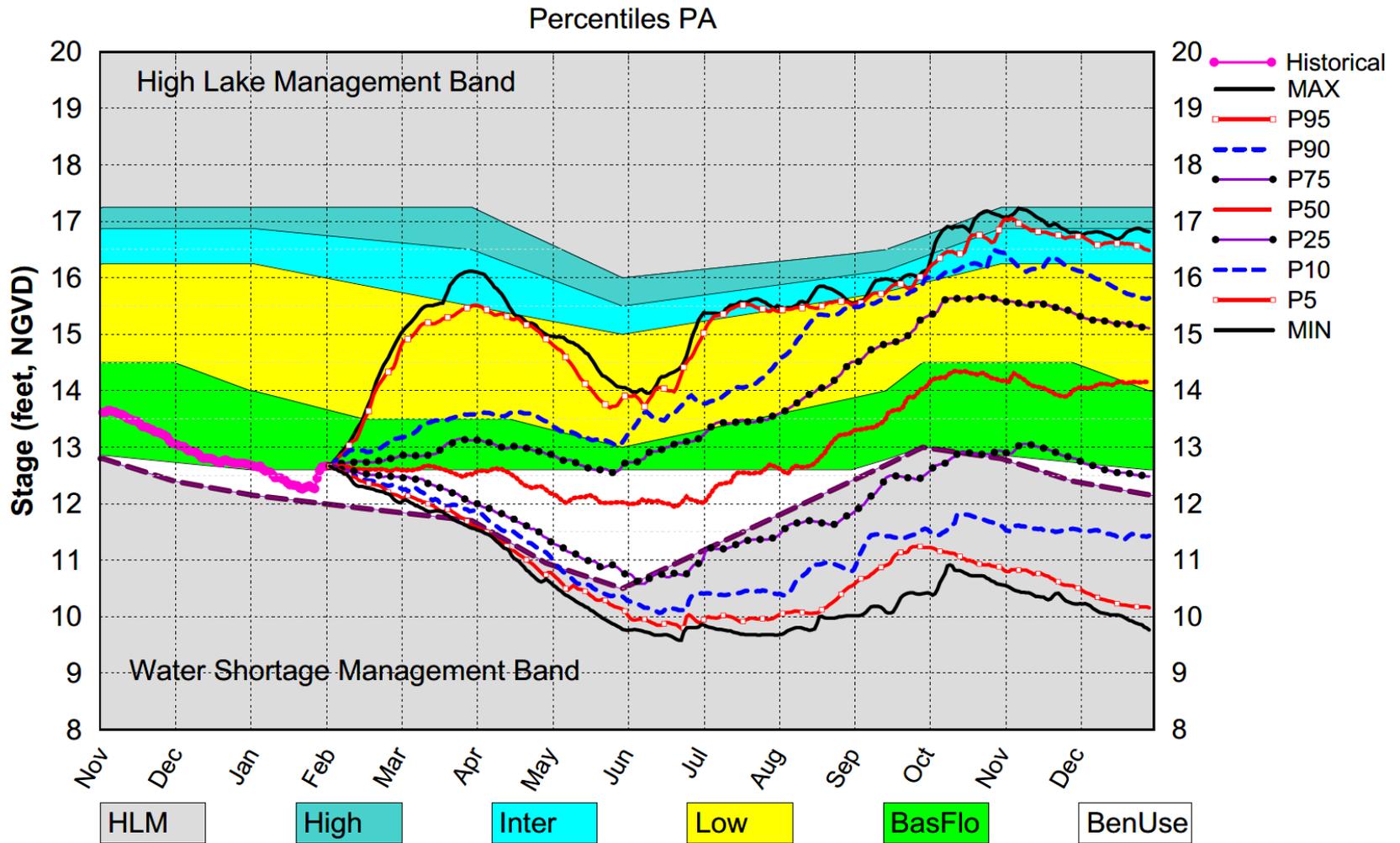
Percentiles PA

High Lake Management Band

Water Shortage Management Band

Legend:
- Historical
- MAX
- P95
- P90
- P75
- P50
- P25
- P10
- P5
- MIN

Stage (feet, NGVD)

| HLM | High | Inter | Low | BasFlo | BenUse |

(See assumptions on the Position Analysis Results website)

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All Simulated Years Plot PA

High Lake Management Band

Water Shortage Management Band

HLM High Inter Low BasFlo BenUse

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Legend:
- Historical
- 1965–66
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All El Nino Years Plot PA_ENSO

Legend:
- Historical
- 1966–67
- 1969–70
- 1983–84
- 1987–88
- 1992–93
- 1998–99

Bands: HLM | High | Inter | Low | BasFlo | BenUse

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