Extended Hydrologic Outlook
March 7, 2023

- The Climate Prediction Center (CPC) is forecasting below normal rainfall for March through May.
- La Niña is present. ENSO-neutral conditions are expected to begin within the next couple of months and persist through spring and early summer.
- Atlantic Multidecadal Oscillation (AMO) is currently in the warm phase:
  - Average annual inflow to Lake Okeechobee is nearly 50% greater during the warm phase compared to the cold phase

U. S. Seasonal Outlooks

March - May 2023

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

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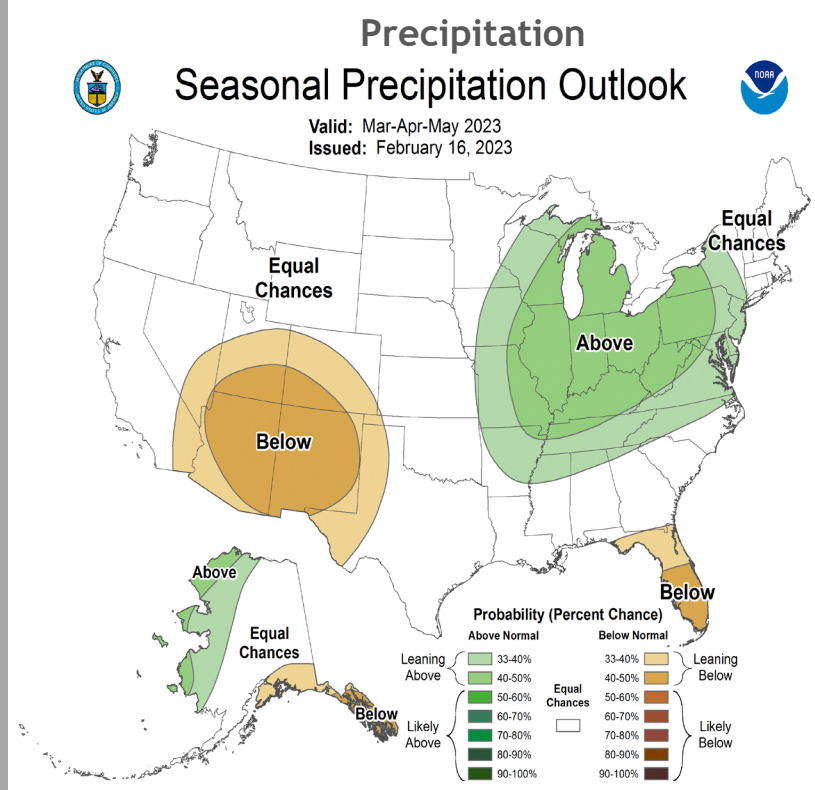

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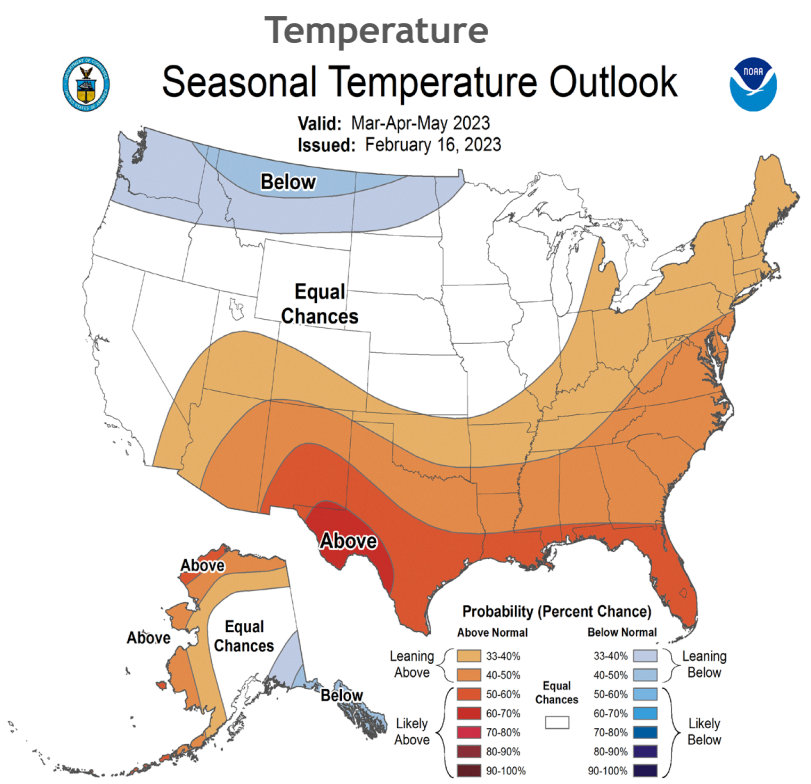

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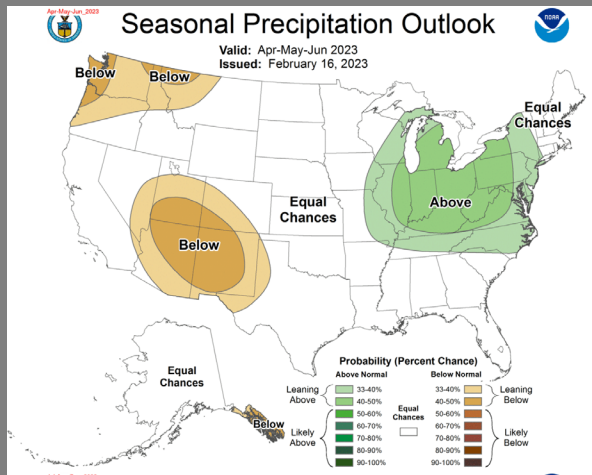

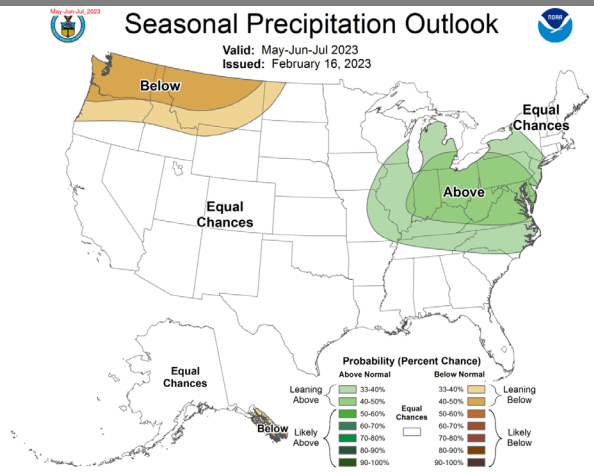

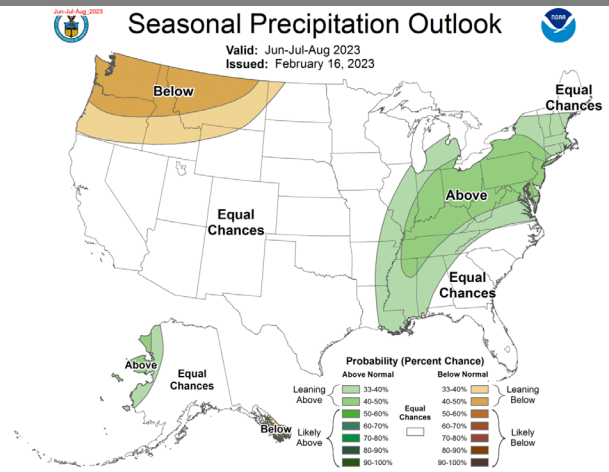

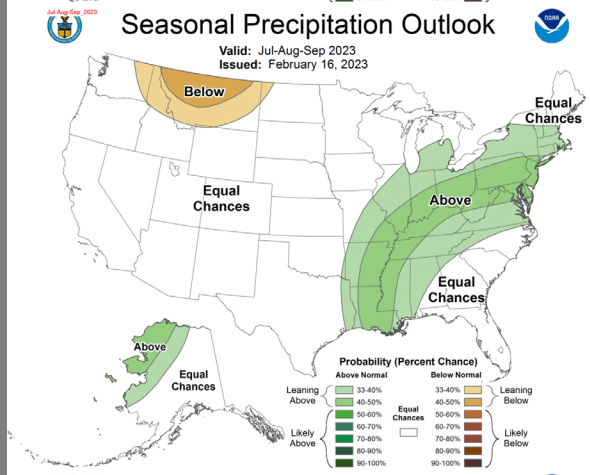

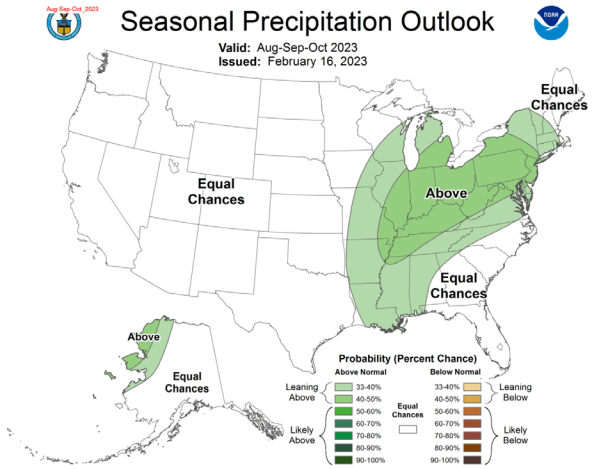

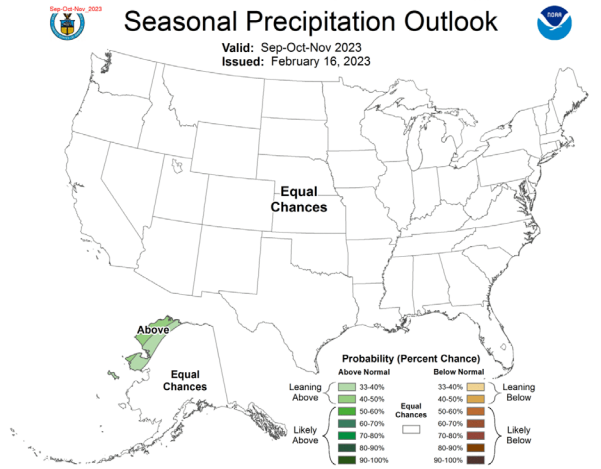

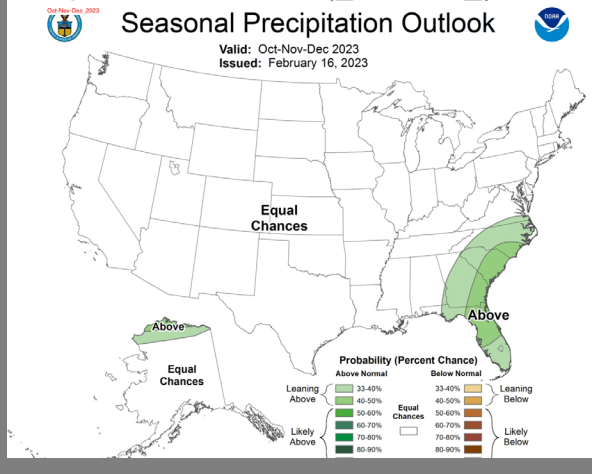

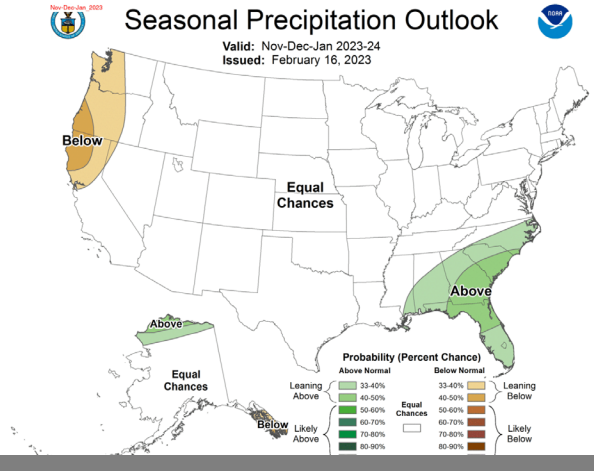

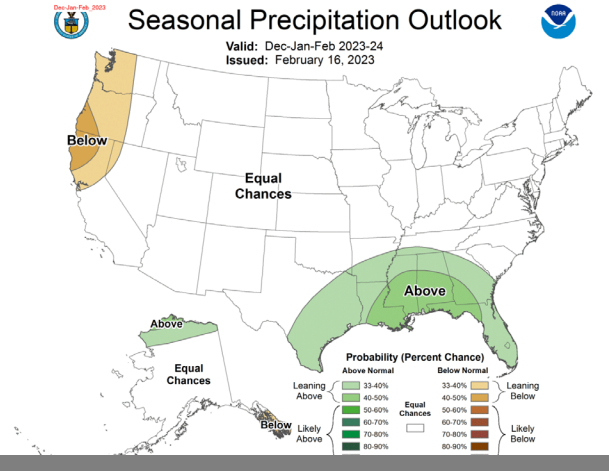

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Teleconnections to South Florida

Climate anomalies being related to each other at large distances:

El Niño Southern Oscillation (ENSO)

- **El Niño increases the chances of a wetter-than-normal dry season and decreased tropical activity, La Niña increases the chances of a drier-than-normal dry season and increased tropical activity (both have most influence in south Florida from November through March)**

Pacific Decadal Oscillation (PDO)

- **Increases variations in south Florida dry season rainfall, positive leads to more El Niño events, negative leads to more La Niña events**

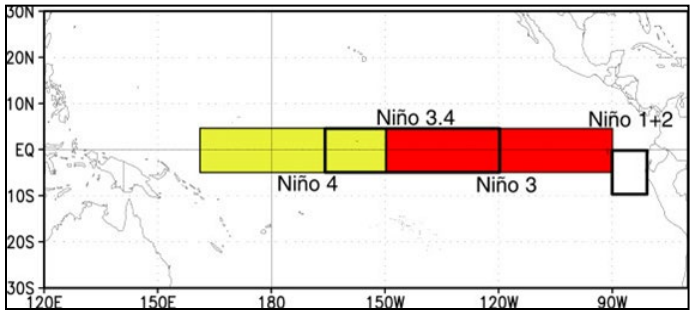
Atlantic Multidecadal Oscillation (AMO)

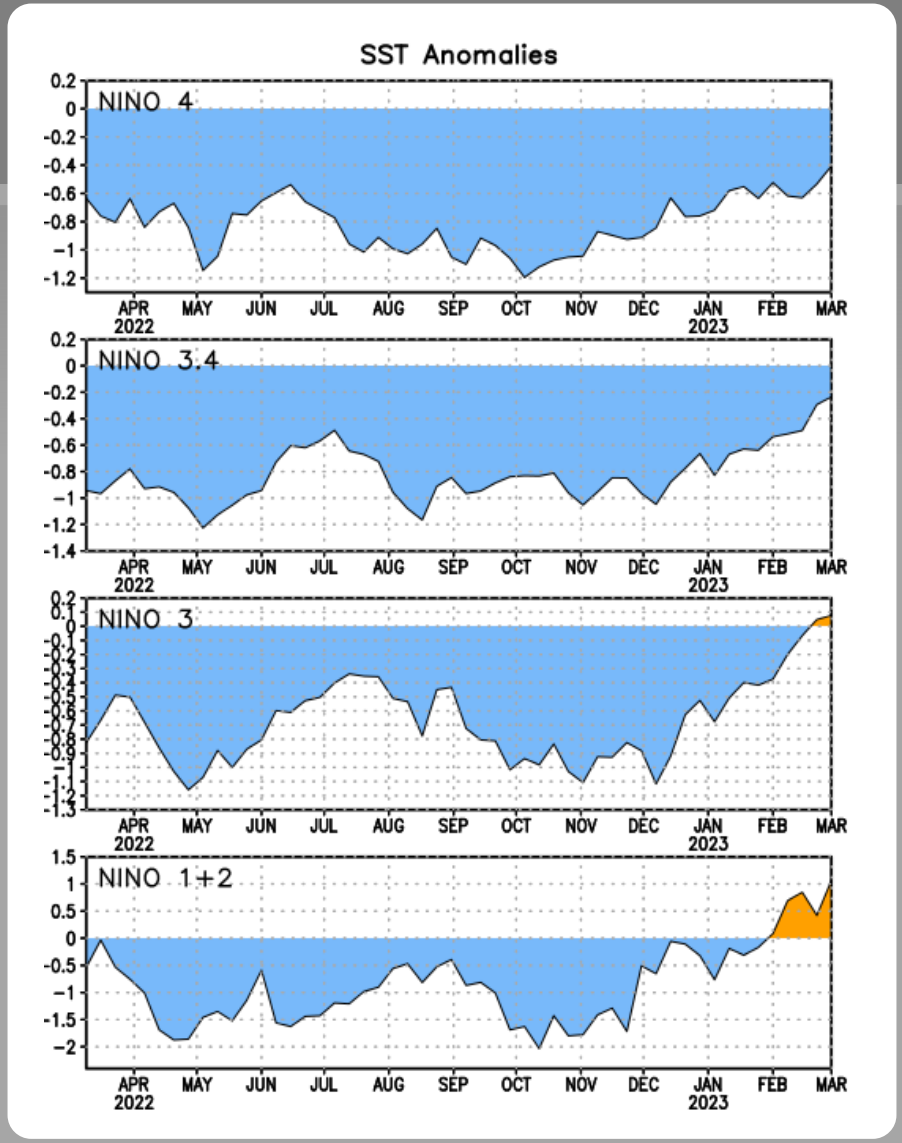
- **Average annual inflow to Lake Okeechobee is nearly 50% greater during the warm phase compared to the cold phase of the AMO, easterly flow toward south Florida affected by phase**

Niño Region SST Departures (ºC) Recent Evolution

The latest weekly SST departures are:

Niño 4	-0.4ºC
Niño 3.4	-0.2ºC
Niño 3	0.1ºC
Niño 1+2	1.1ºC





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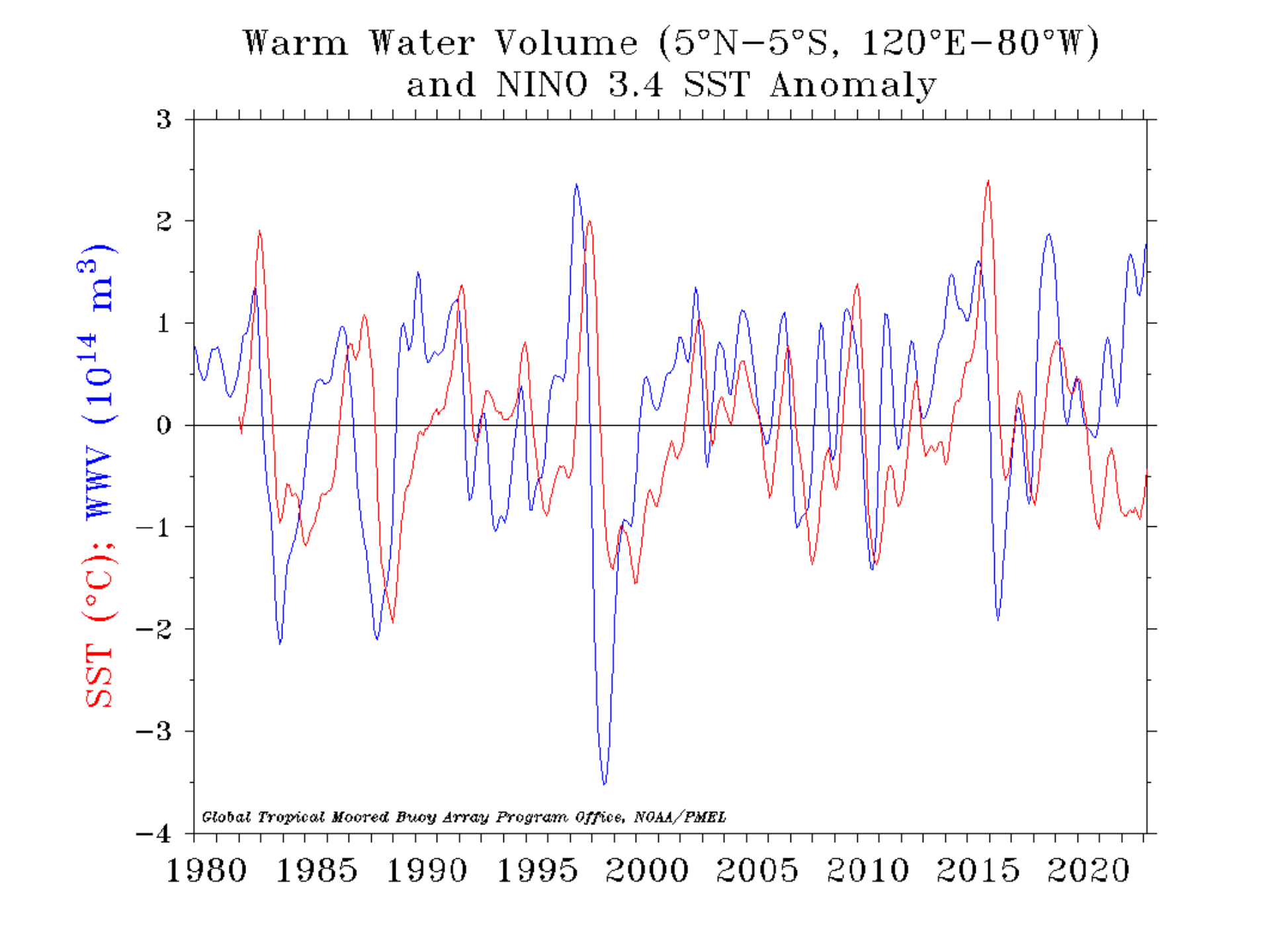
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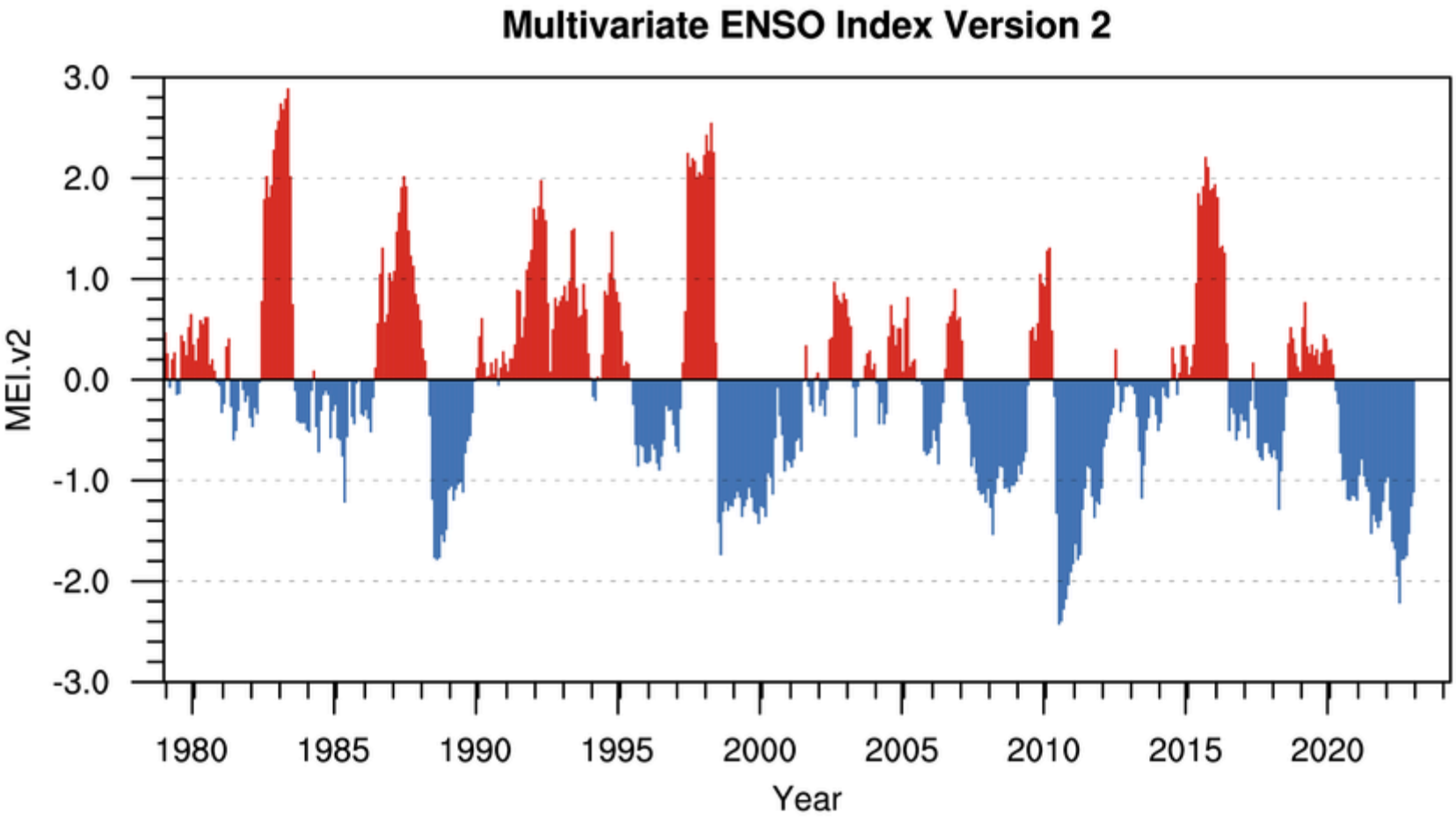

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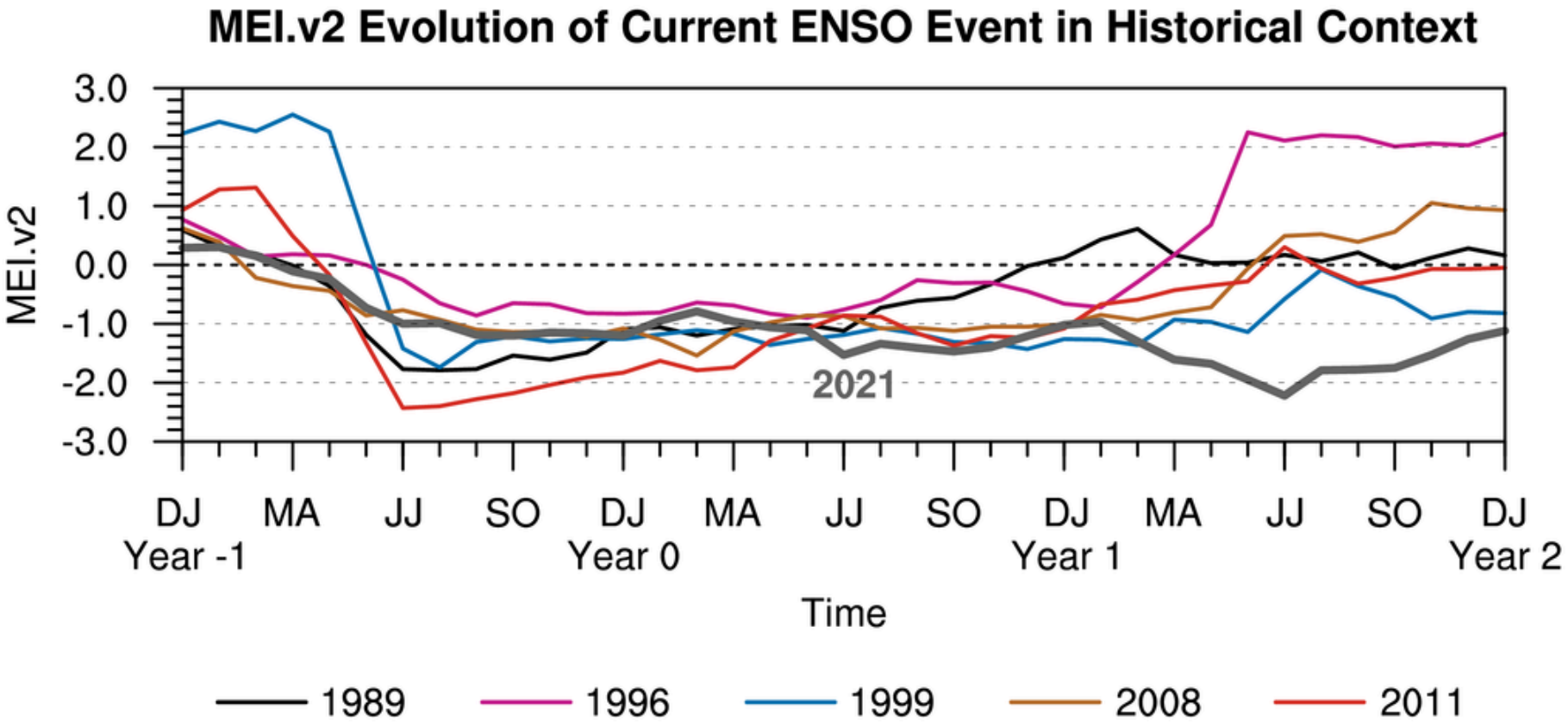

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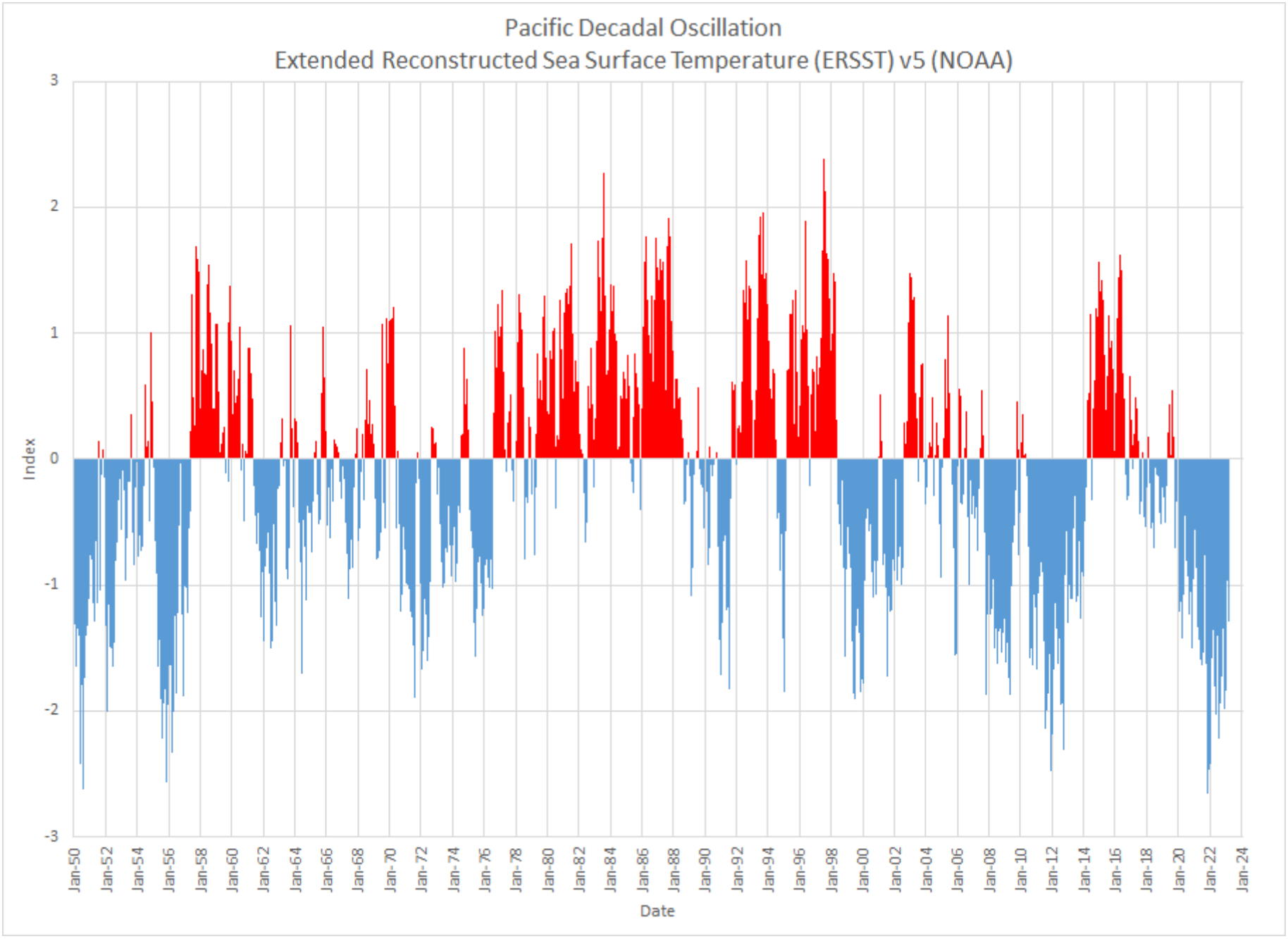
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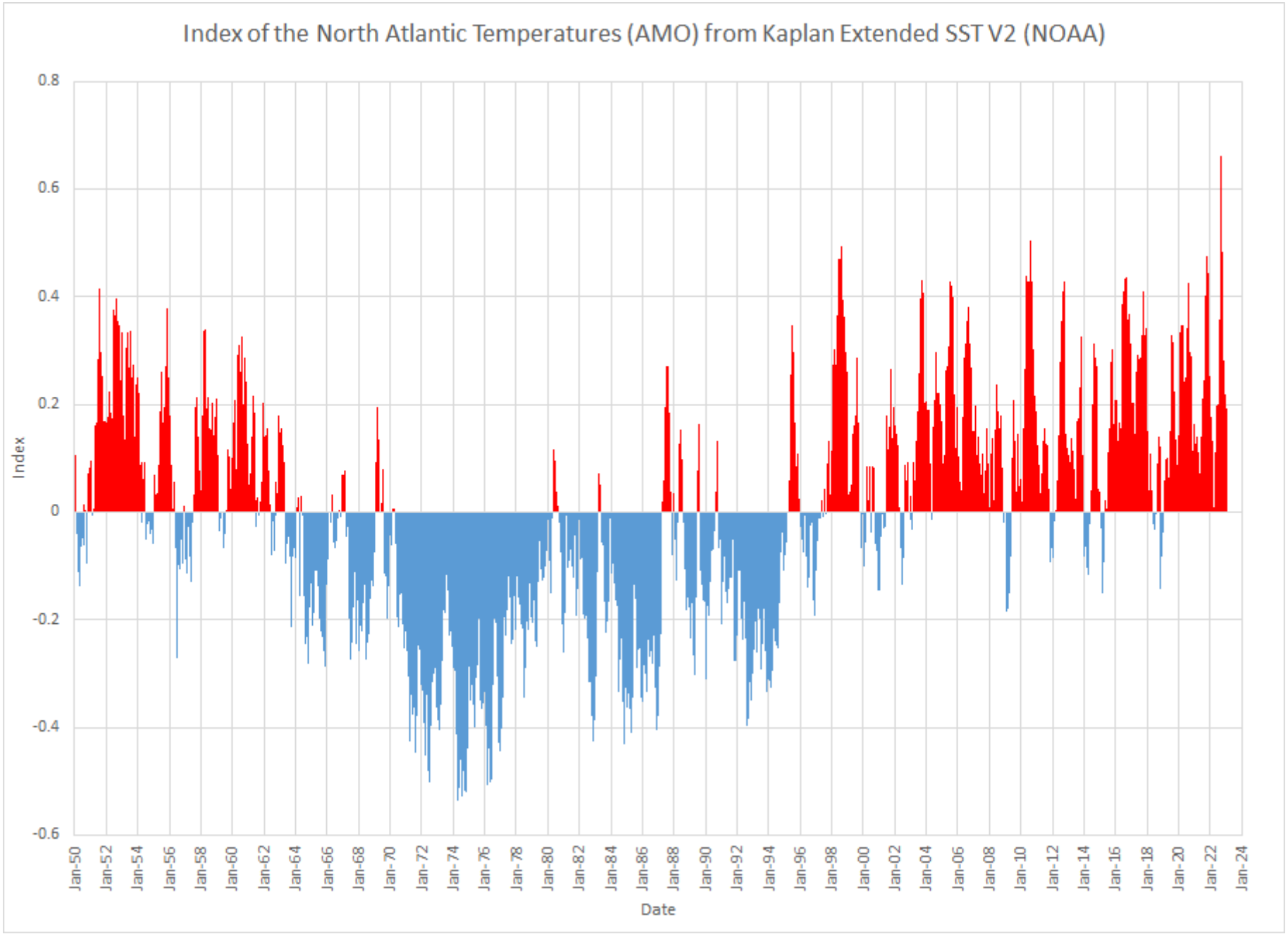
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