• The Climate Prediction Center (CPC) is forecasting above normal rainfall for May through July.
• La Niña is present and is favored to continue through the summer (59% chance during June-August 2022), with a 50-55% chance through the fall.
• 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
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)**

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 (°C) Recent Evolution

The latest weekly SST departures are:

- Niño 4: -1.1°C
- Niño 3.4: -1.2°C
- Niño 3: -1.1°C
- Niño 1+2: -1.5°C

This weekly sea surface temperature data is based on OISSTv2.1 (Huang et al., 2021).
Warm Water Volume (5°N–5°S, 120°E–80°W) and NINO 3.4 SST Anomaly

Global Tropical Moored Buoy Array Program Office, NOAA/PMEL
MEI.v2 Evolution of Current ENSO Event in Historical Context

- MEI.v2
- Year -1
- Year 0
- Year 1
- Year 2

Time:
- DJ
- MA
- JJ
- SO
- DJ
- MA
- JJ
- SO
- DJ

Lines:
- 1989
- 1996
- 1999
- 2008
- 2011

Prepared by: NOAA Physical Sciences Laboratory
Pacific Decadal Oscillation
Extended Reconstructed Sea Surface Temperature (ERSST) v5 (NOAA)
Index of the North Atlantic Temperatures (AMO) from Kaplan Extended SST V2 (NOAA)
2022 Tropical Outlook
### ATLANTIC BASIN SEASONAL HURRICANE FORECAST FOR 2022

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- Anticipate above-average activity
- **No** significant El Niño forecasted
- Caribbean and subtropical Atlantic sea surface temperatures are warmer than normal

Source: Colorado State University (Tropical Meteorology Project)
May DPA Assumptions

• The May 1, 2022 Dynamic Position Analysis (DPA) simulation is based on historical climatic conditions spanning the period 1965-2005. This DPA posting is made with the South Florida Water Management Model (SFWMM) v6.7.4 (Tamiami Trail) which includes the following improvement(s):
  – Improvements to include the Combined Operational Plan (COP)

• The May 1, 2022 DPA resets the initial stages for Lake Okeechobee (LOK) and the Water Conservation Areas (WCAs) on April 1st of each year of the DPA simulation and conditions the simulation to real time data during April to achieve real time stages on May 1st for LOK and WCAs.

• The Lake Okeechobee operations follow the Lake Okeechobee Regulation Schedule (LORS2008). Modeling assumptions are consistent with modeling performed for LORS2008 Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS).

• LOK Temporary Forward Pump operations will be in place, whenever necessary, to improve water supply deliveries from LOK under low LOK stages.

• STA surface area values are modified to reflect current flowways under operation. STA depths are maintained to a minimum of 6 inches using Lake Okeechobee releases.
Lake Okeechobee SFWMM May 2022 Position Analysis

Percentiles PA_SLP3

High Lake Management Band

Water Shortage Management Band

(See assumptions on the Position Analysis Results website)
Lake Okeechobee SFWMM May 2022 Position Analysis

All La Nina Years Plot PA_SLP3

High Lake Management Band

Water Shortage Management Band

Stage (feet, NGVD)

March
April
May
June
July
August
September
October
November
December
January
February
March

HLM
High
Inter
Low
BasFlo
BenUse

(See assumptions on the Position Analysis Results website)
WCA1 SFWMM May 2022 Position Analysis

Percentiles PA_SLP3

(See assumptions on the Position Analysis Results website)
WCA3A SFWMM May 2022 Position Analysis

Percentiles PA_SLP3

(See assumptions on the Position Analysis Results website)