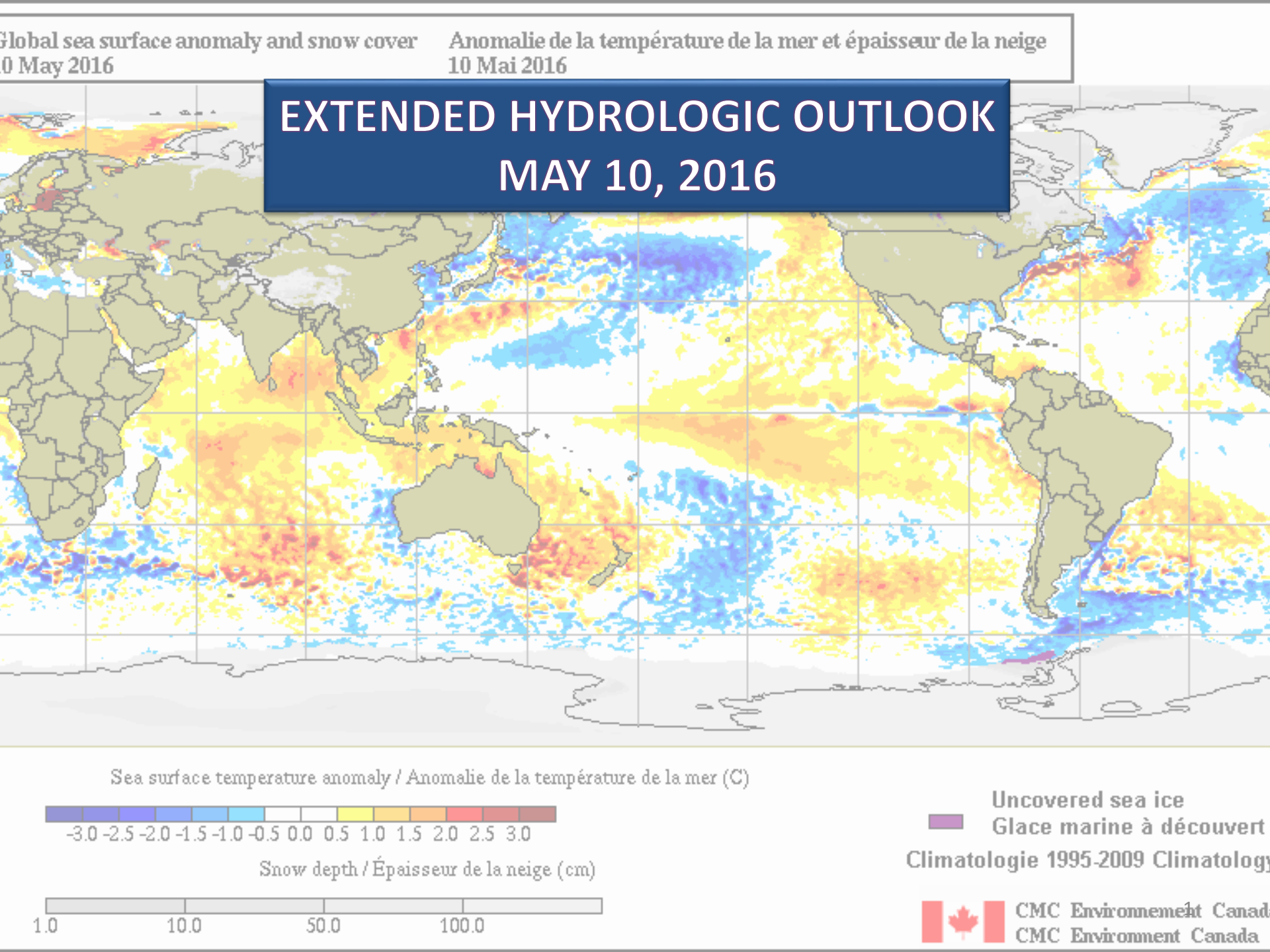
Global sea surface anomaly and snow cover
10 May 2016
Anomalie de la température de la mer et épaisseur de la neige
10 Mai 2016
EXTENDED HYDROLOGIC OUTLOOK
MAY 10, 2016
Sea surface temperature anomaly / Anomalie de la température de la mer (C)
-3.0 -2.5 -2.0 -1.5 -1.0 -0.5 0.0 0.5 1.0 1.5 2.0 2.5 3.0
Snow depth / Épaisseur de la neige (cm)
1.0
10.0
50.0
100.0
Uncovered sea ice
Glace marine à découvert
Climatologie 1995-2009 Climatology
CMC Environnement Canada
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Summary

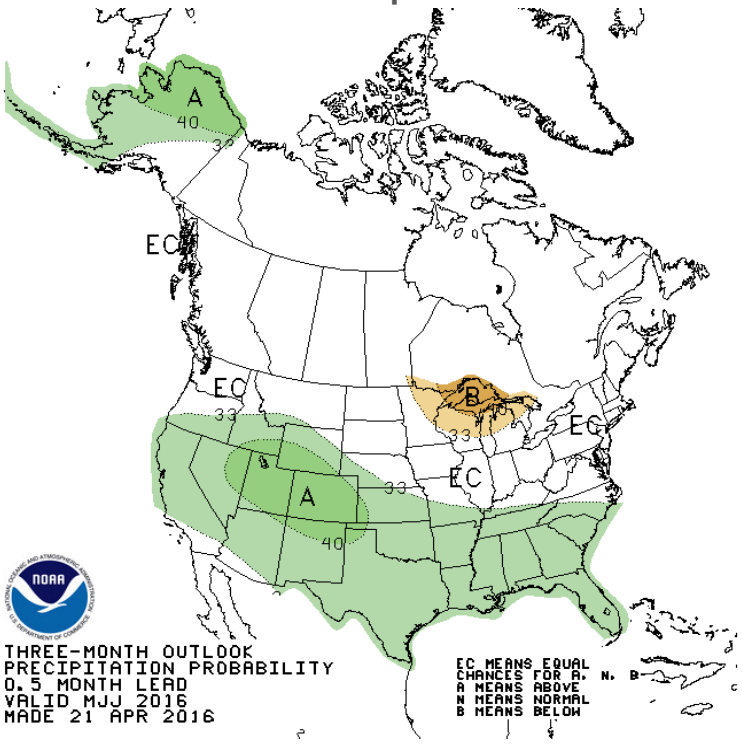
- **The Climate Prediction Center (CPC) is forecasting above normal (<40% chance) rainfall for May through July.**
- **El Niño conditions are present and weakening. A transition to ENSO-neutral is likely during late spring or early summer 2016, with an increasing chance of La Niña during the second half of the year.**
- **The strong positive phase of the Pacific Decadal Oscillation increases the potential for a greater number of El Niño events for multi-year periods.**
- **Watching Atlantic Multidecadal Oscillation (AMO) index for switch to negative (cold) phase, this has the potential to contribute to a drier-than-normal 2016 wet season.**

U. S. Seasonal Outlooks

May - July 2016

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

Precipitation



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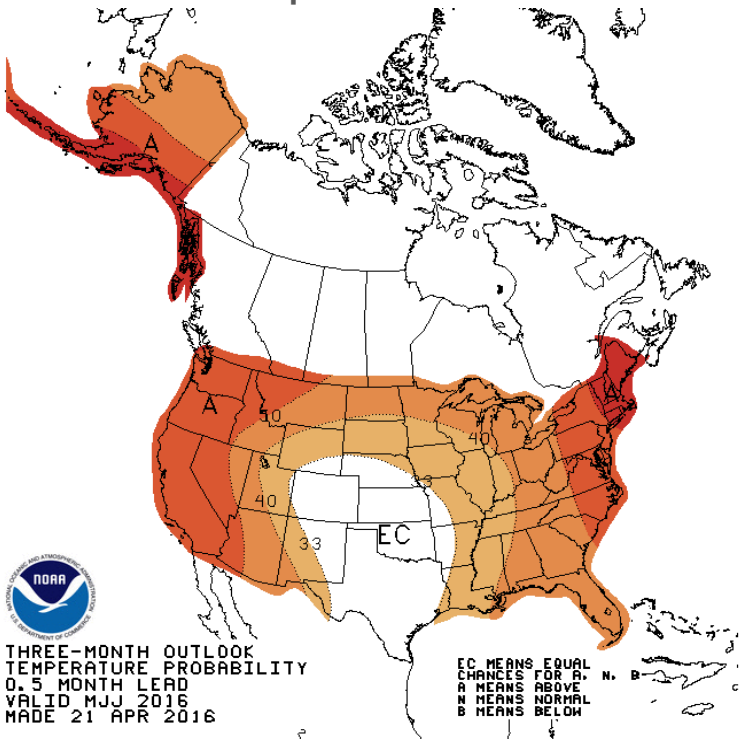

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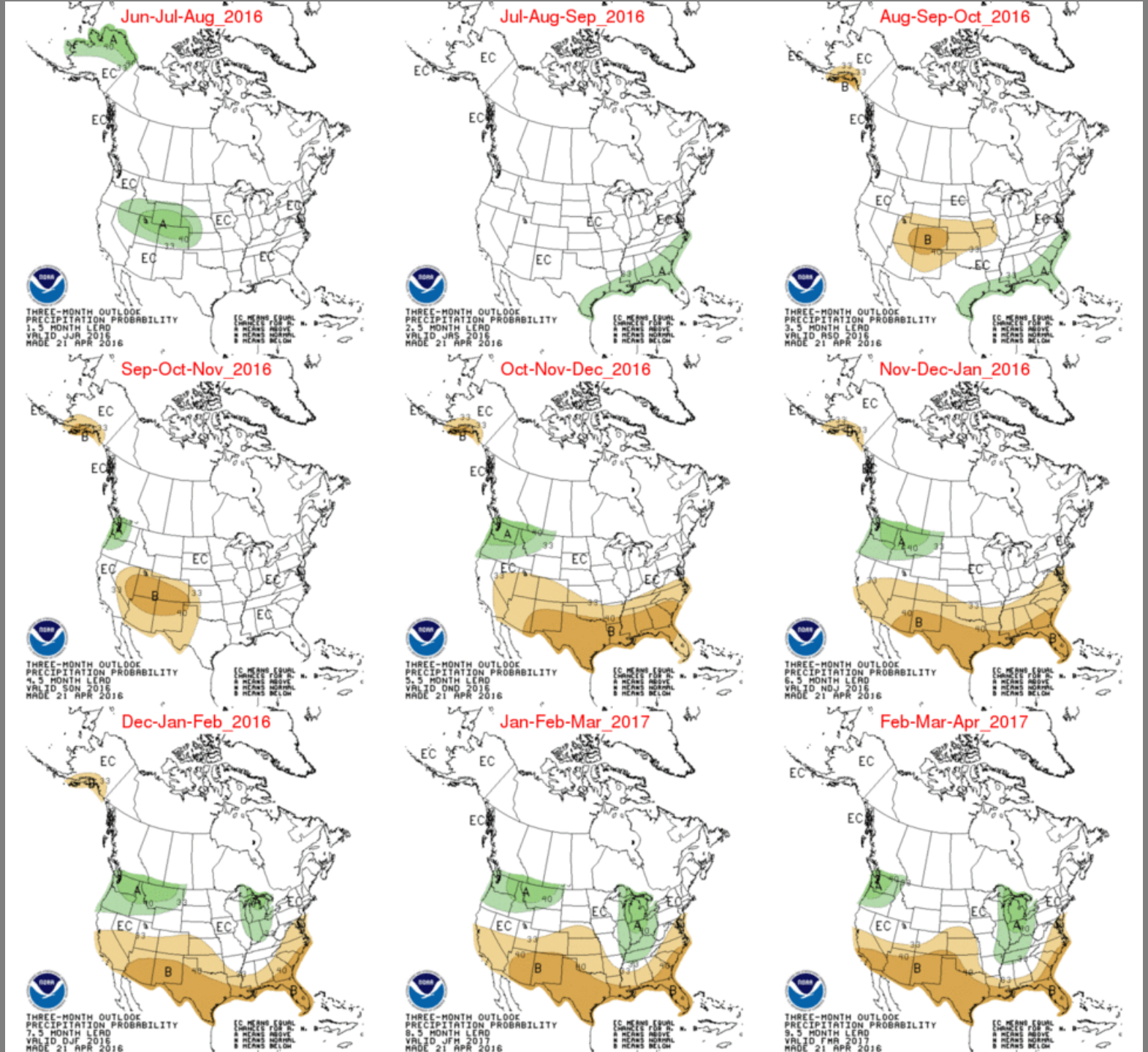

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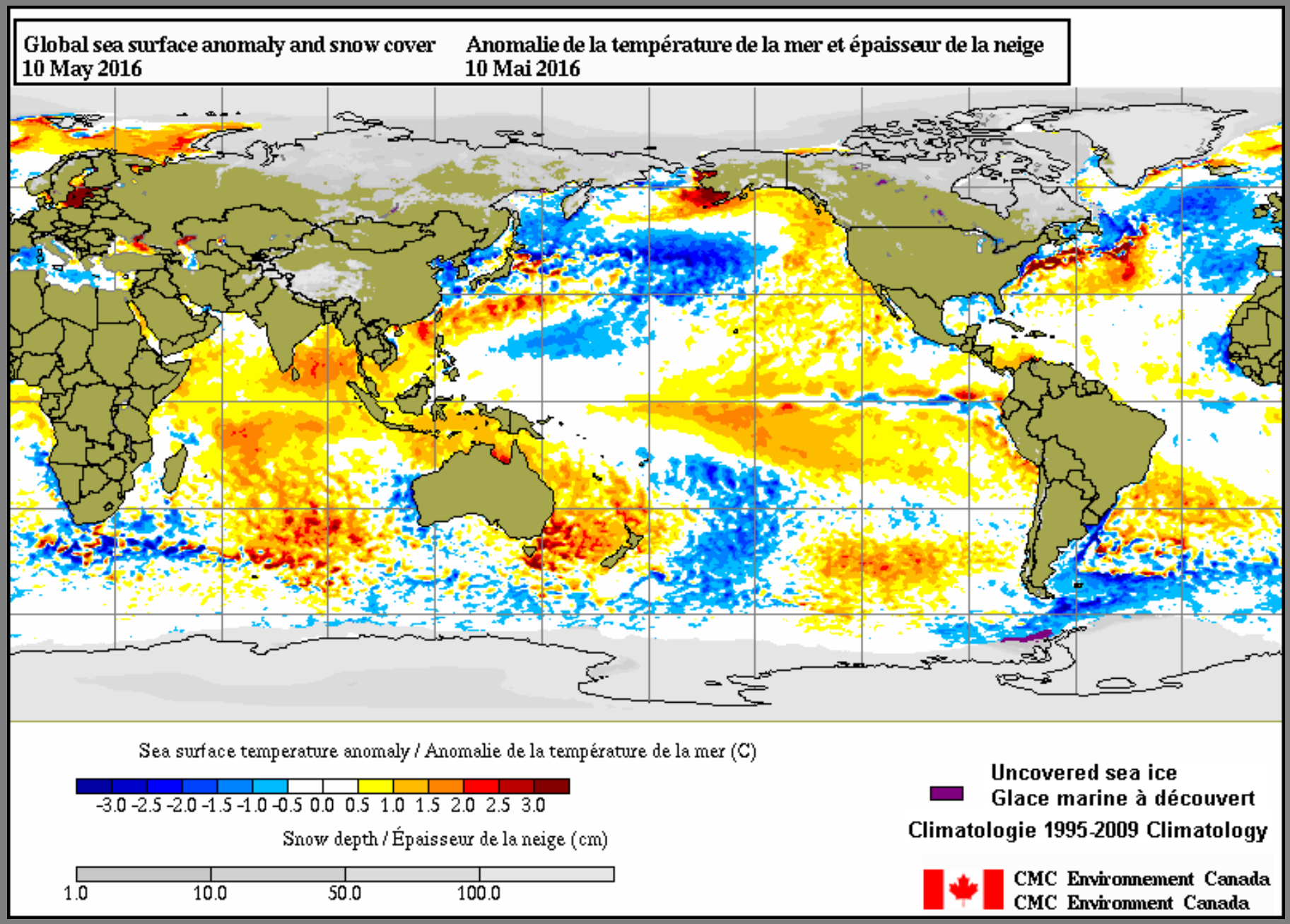
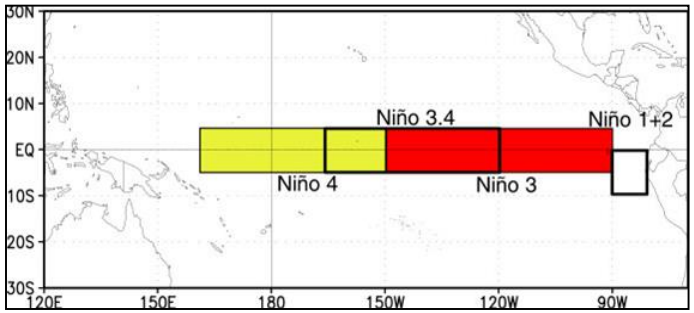
Current Global Sea Surface Temperature Anomalies

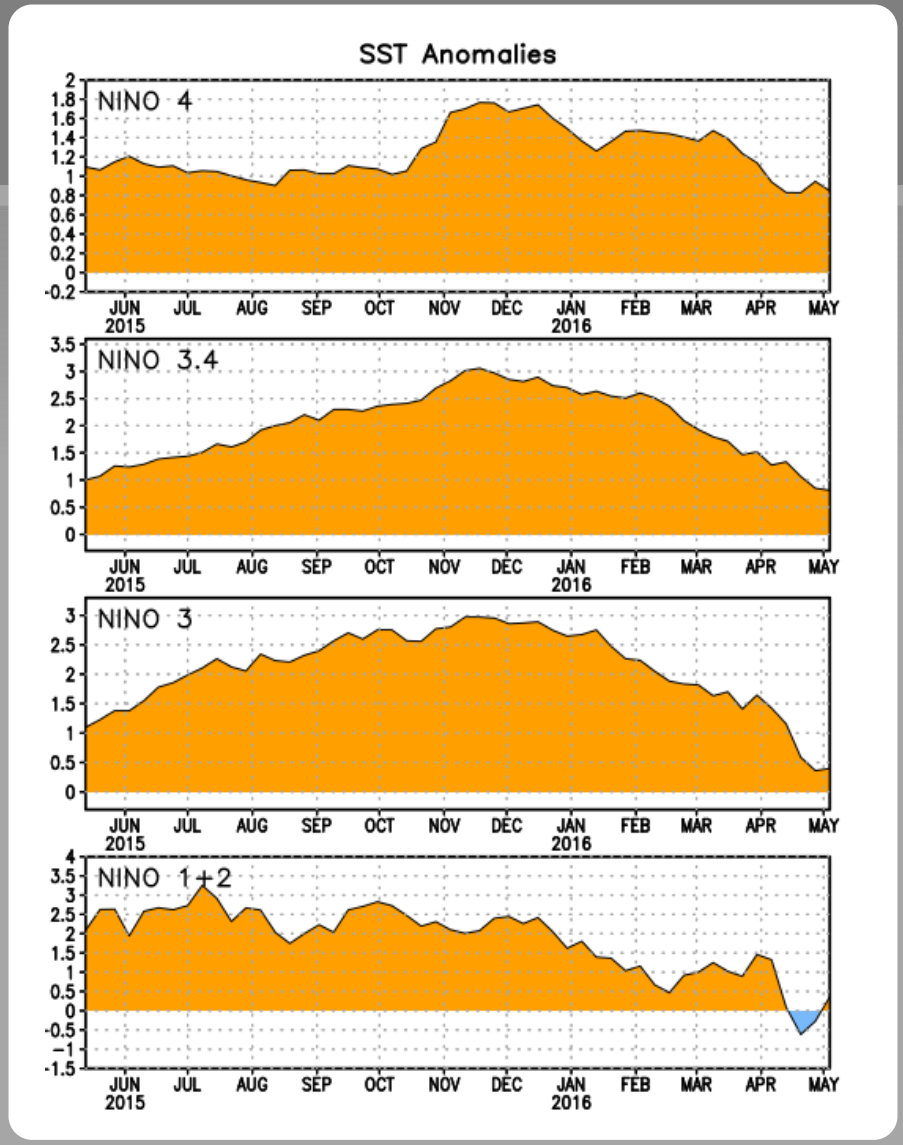


Niño Region SST Departures (ºC) Recent Evolution

The latest weekly SST departures are:

Niño 4	0.8ºC
Niño 3.4	0.8ºC
Niño 3	0.4ºC
Niño 1+2	0.4ºC





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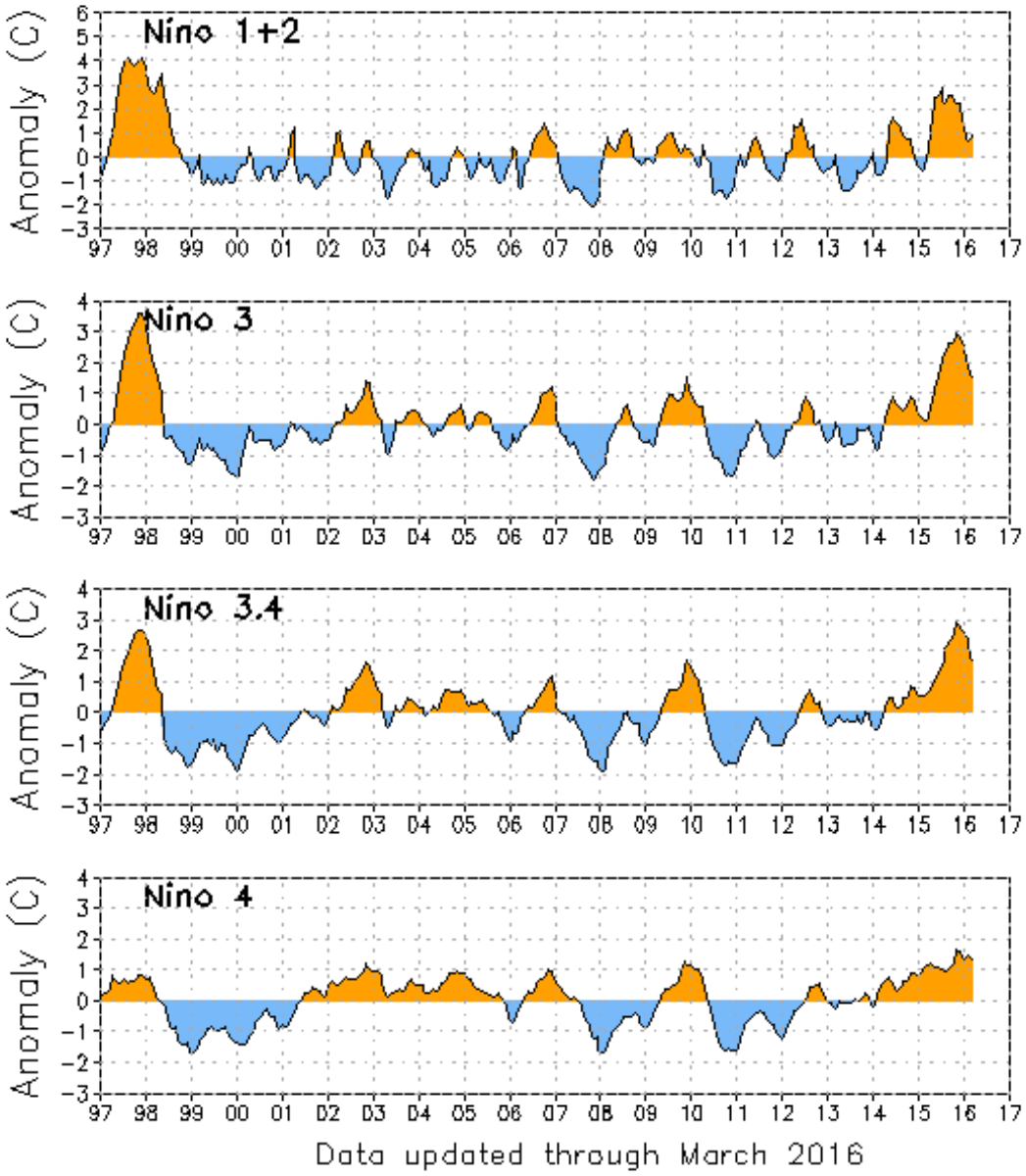
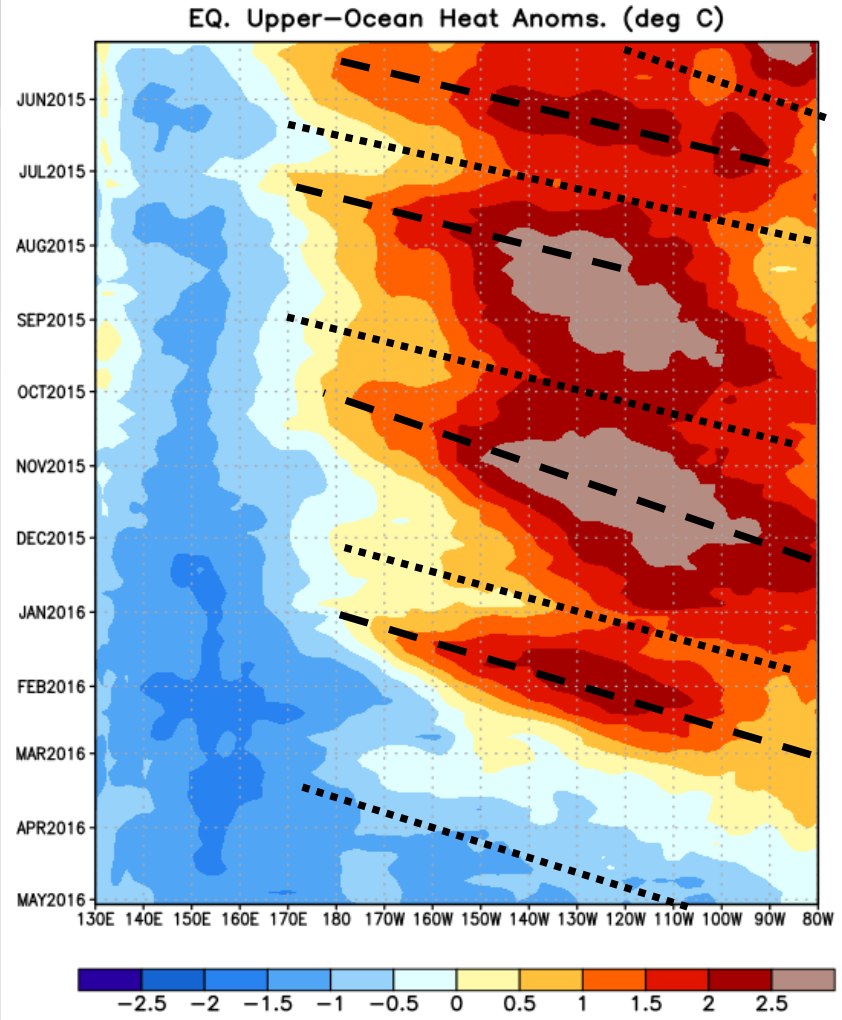

Nino 1+2
Nino 3
Nino 3.4
Nino 4
Anomaly (C)
97 98 99 00 01 02 03 04 05 06 07 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17
Data updated through March 2016

Weekly Heat Content Evolution in the Equatorial Pacific

Downwelling phases of a Kelvin wave were observed in mid-May to late June, July-August, and October to November, and January-February 2016.

Since February 2016, below-average subsurface temperatures have persisted across much of the equatorial Pacific after the passage of an upwelling phase of a Kelvin wave.



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.

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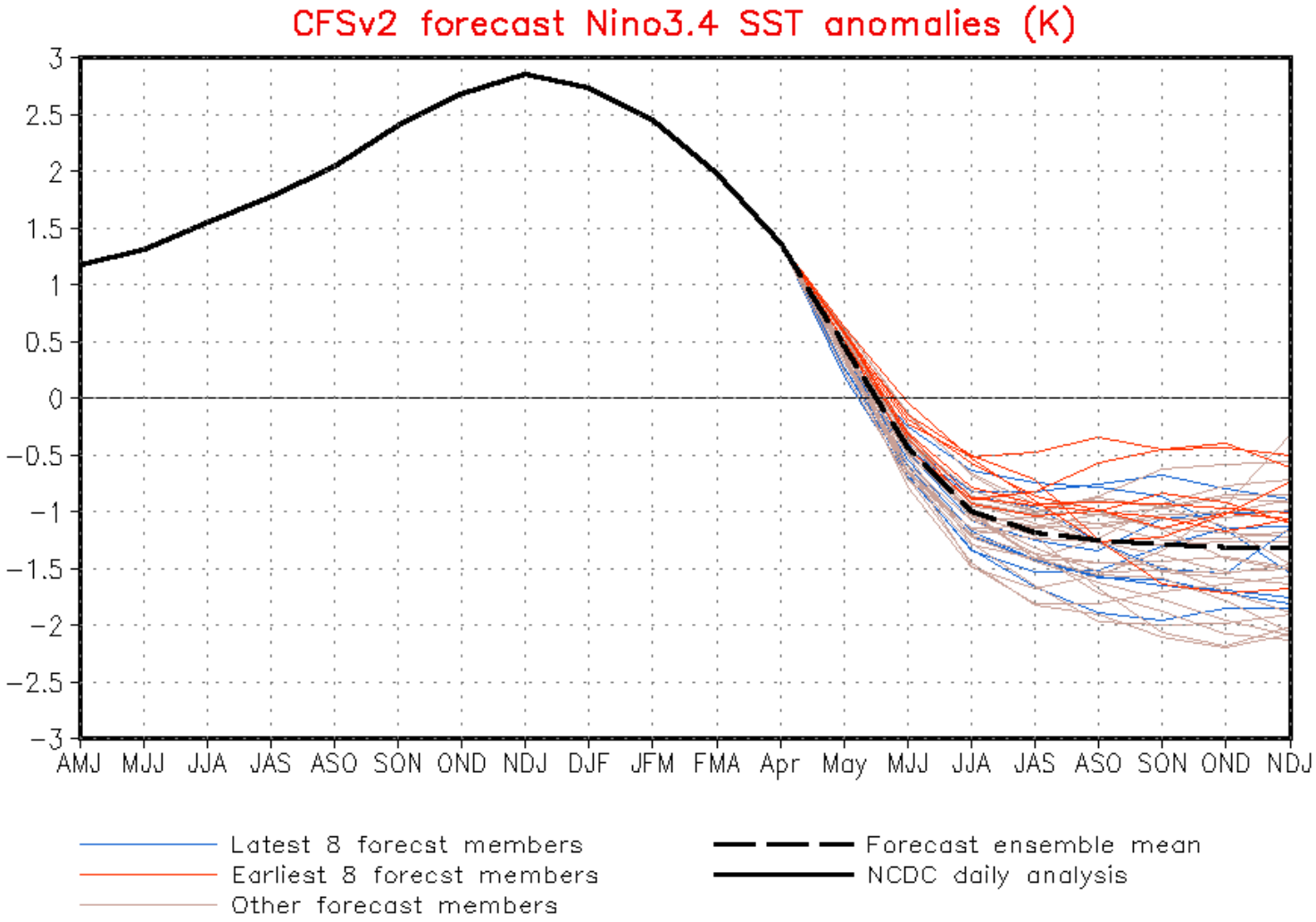
Last update: Tue May 10 2016
Initial conditions: 29Apr2016–8May2016



IRI/CPC Pacific Niño 3.4 SST Model Outlook

Positive Niño 3.4 SST anomalies are predicted to weaken through 2016.

Most models suggest a transition to ENSO-neutral by May-June-July (MJJ) 2016 with the possibility of La Niña conditions during the Northern Hemisphere fall and winter.

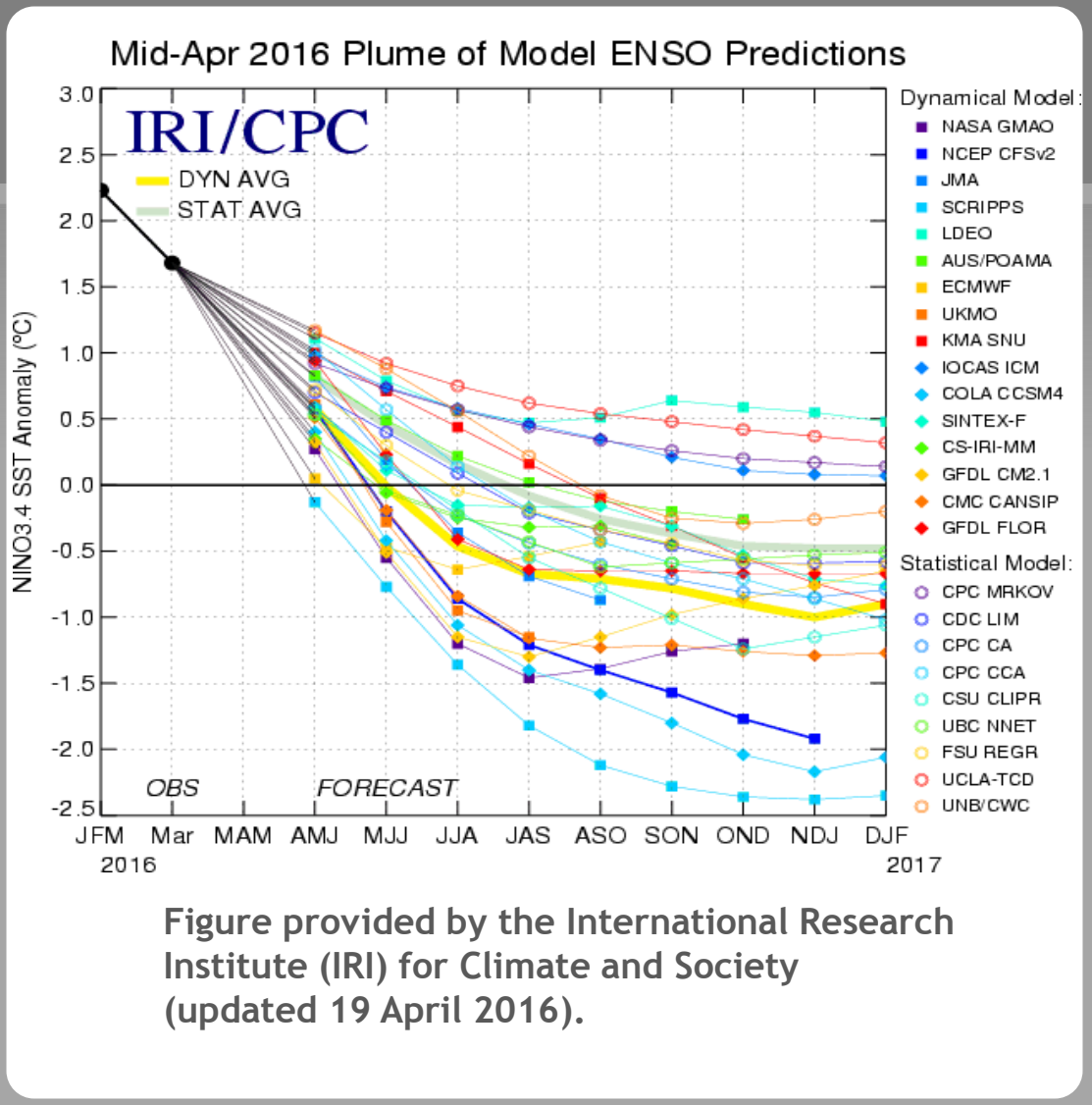


Figure provided by the International Research Institute (IRI) for Climate and Society (updated 19 April 2016).

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Historical El Niño and La Niña Episodes Based on the ONI computed using ERSST.v4

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.v4 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.

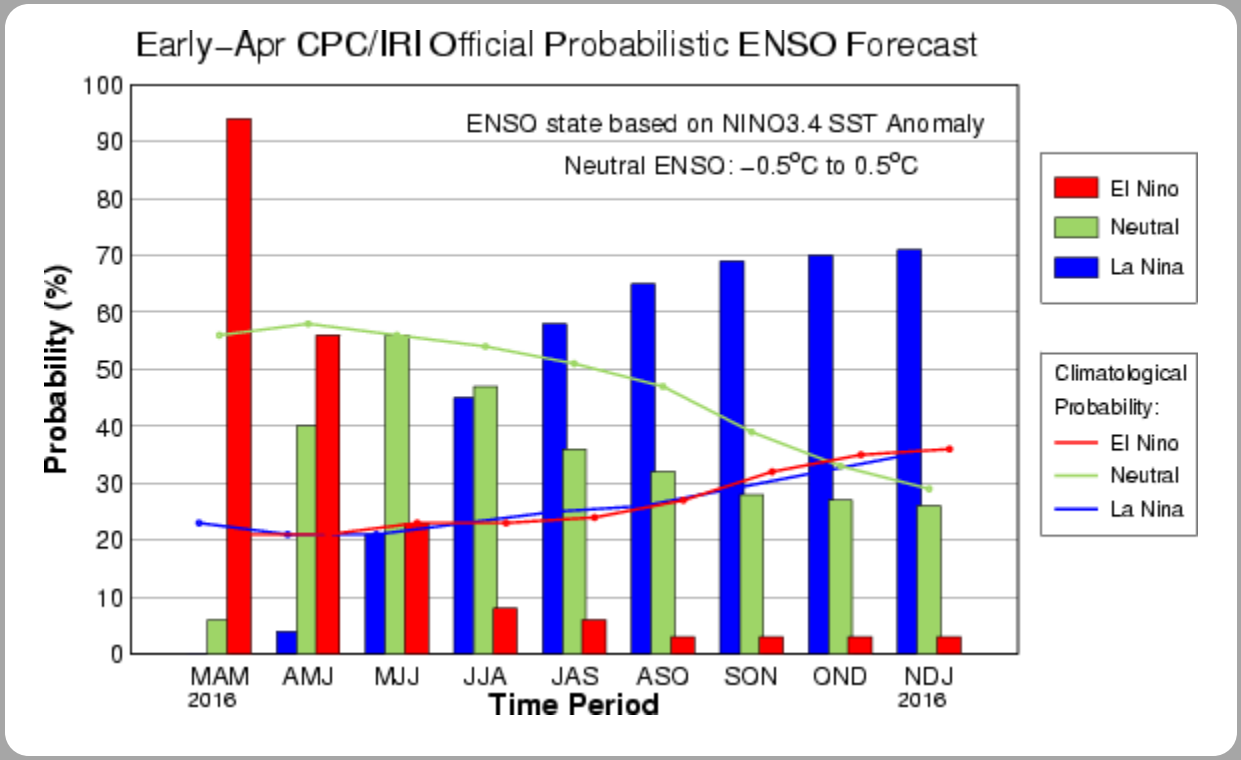
The ONI is one measure of the El Niño-Southern Oscillation, and other indices can confirm whether features consistent with a coupled ocean-atmosphere phenomenon accompanied these periods. The complete table going back to DJF 1950 can be found here.

Year	DJF	JFM	FMA	MAM	AMJ	MJJ	JJA	JAS	ASO	SON	OND	NDJ
2004	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.5	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7
2005	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.0	-0.1	-0.4	-0.7
2006	-0.7	-0.6	-0.4	-0.2	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.5	0.8	0.9	1.0
2007	0.7	0.3	0.0	-0.1	-0.2	-0.2	-0.3	-0.6	-0.8	-1.1	-1.2	-1.3
2008	-1.4	-1.3	-1.1	-0.9	-0.7	-0.5	-0.3	-0.2	-0.2	-0.3	-0.5	-0.7
2009	-0.8	-0.7	-0.4	-0.1	0.2	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.7	1.0	1.2	1.3
2010	1.3	1.1	0.8	0.5	0.0	-0.4	-0.8	-1.1	-1.3	-1.4	-1.3	-1.4
2011	-1.3	-1.1	-0.8	-0.6	-0.3	-0.2	-0.3	-0.5	-0.7	-0.9	-0.9	-0.8
2012	-0.7	-0.6	-0.5	-0.4	-0.3	-0.1	0.1	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.2	-0.2
2013	-0.4	-0.5	-0.3	-0.2	-0.2	-0.2	-0.2	-0.2	-0.2	-0.2	-0.2	-0.3
2014	-0.5	-0.6	-0.4	-0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.4	0.6	0.6
2015	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.7	0.9	1.0	1.2	1.5	1.8	2.1	2.2	2.3
2016	2.2	1.9	1.6									

CPC/IRI Probabilistic ENSO Outlook

Updated: 14 April 2016

The chance of El Niño gradually decreases during the spring and ENSO-neutral is favored during May-June-July (MJJ) 2016. The chance of La Niña and ENSO-neutral are about equal by June-July-August (JJA) 2016, with La Niña favored afterwards.



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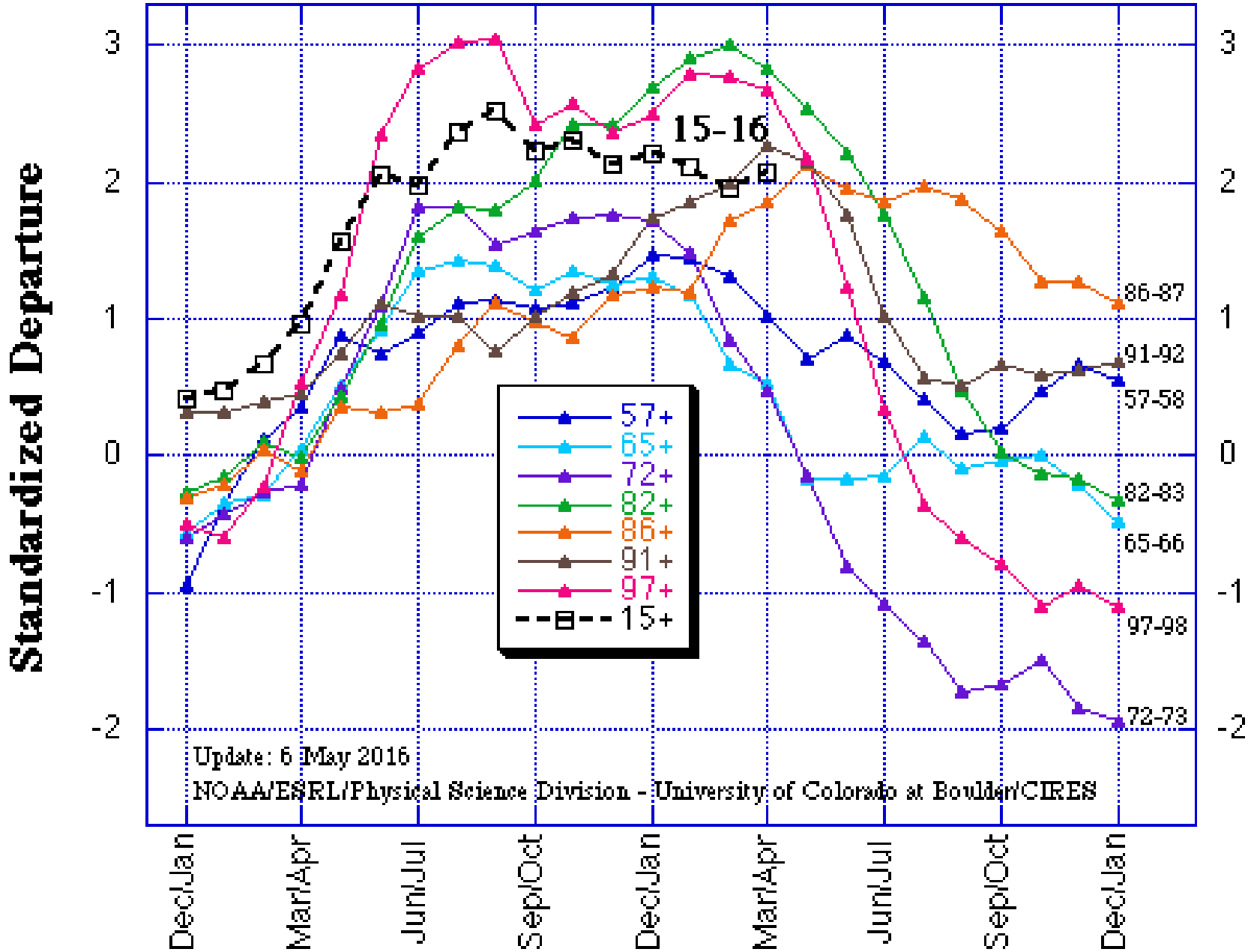
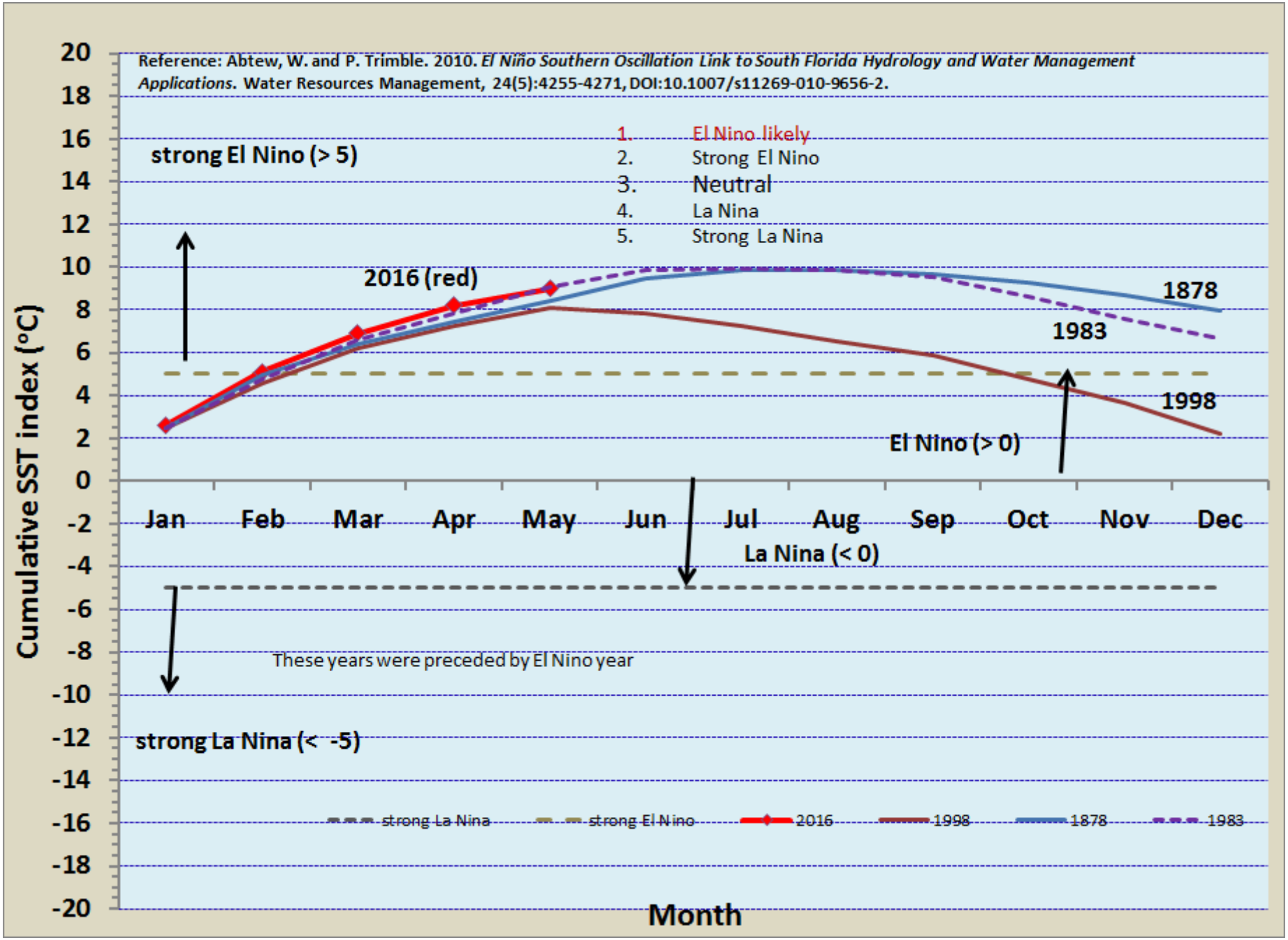
Multivariate ENSO Index (MEI) for the seven strongest El Niño events since 1950 vs. 2015-16





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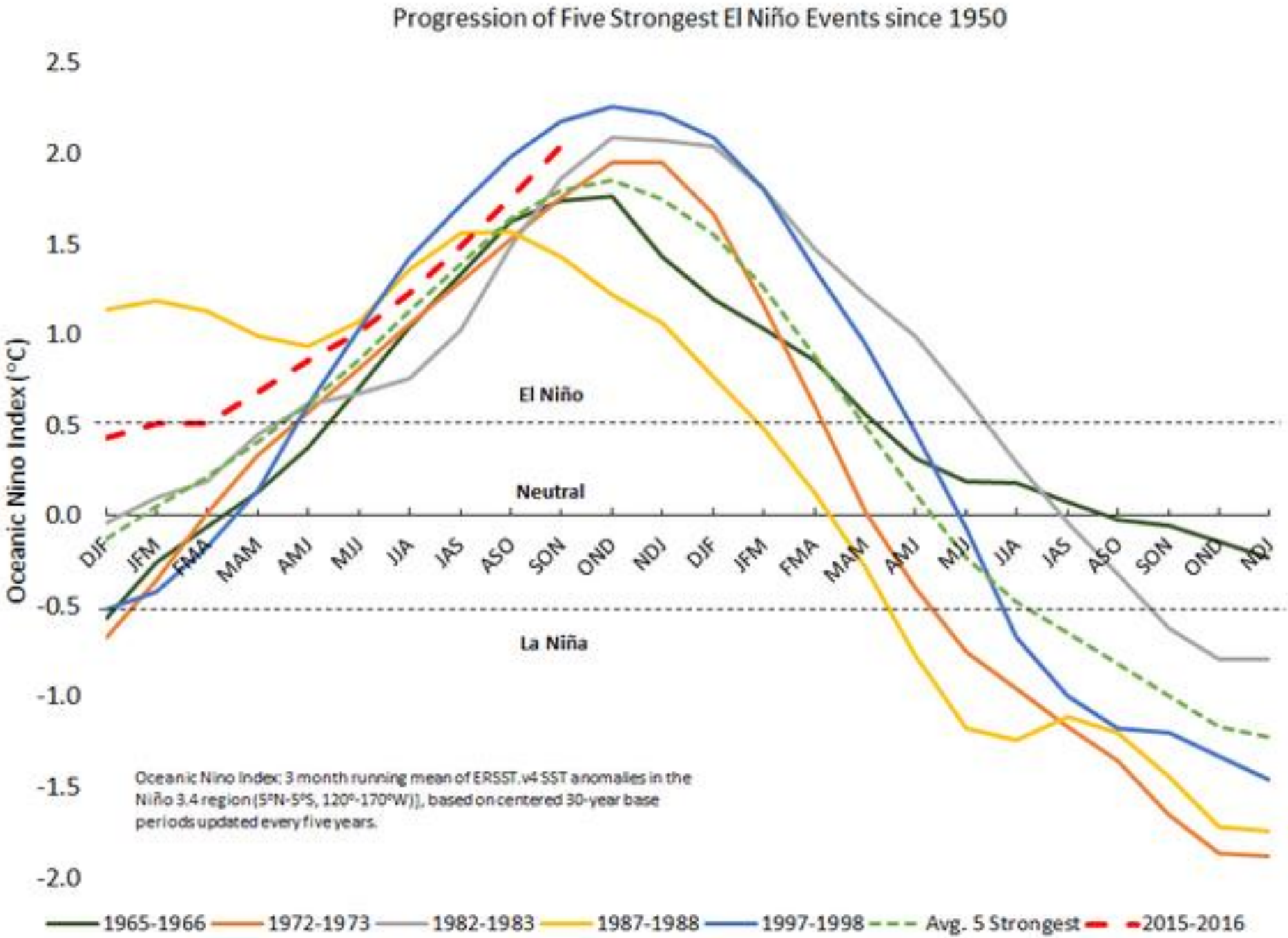

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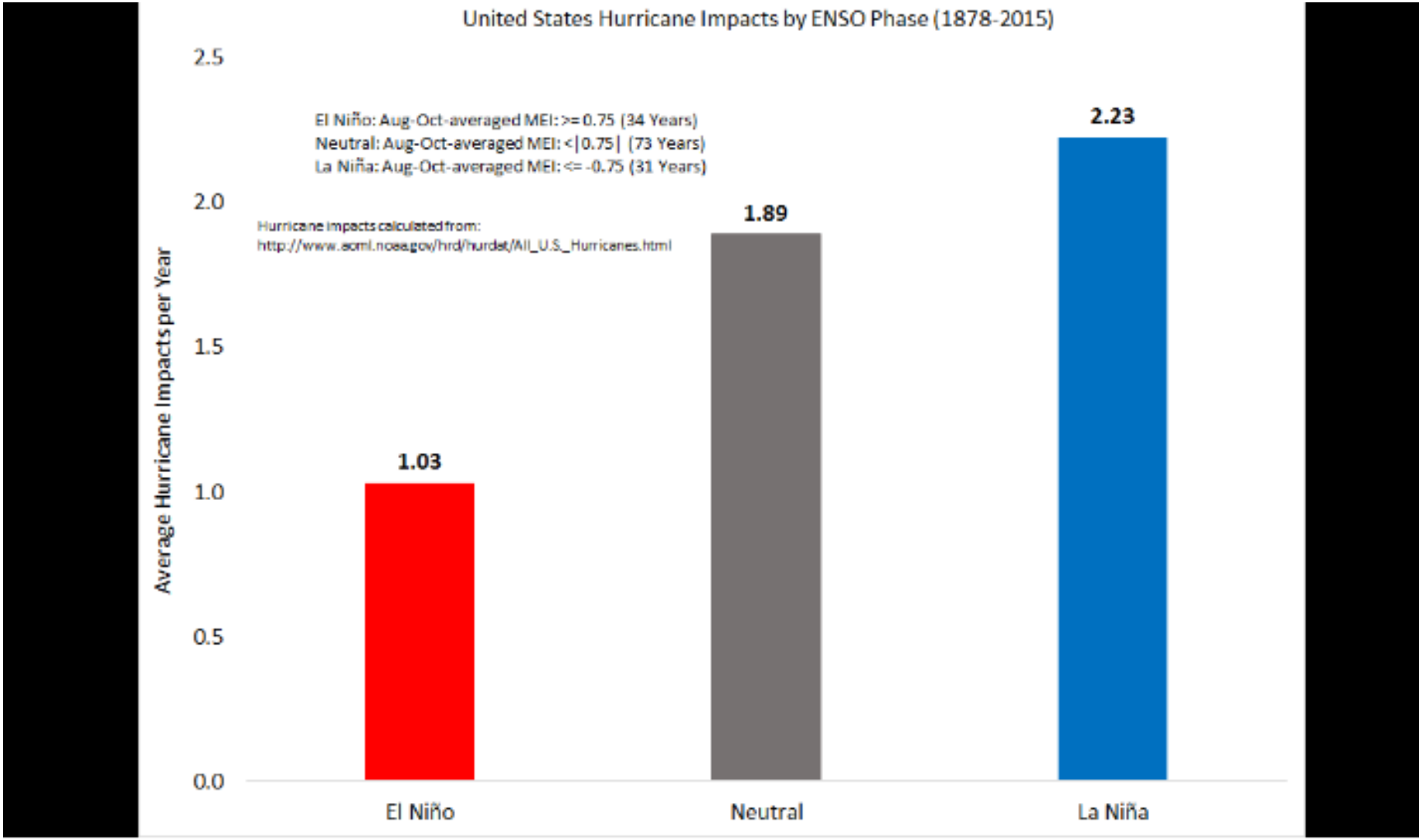

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Over twice as many hurricanes impact the United States in La Nina years vs. El Nino years. #ElNino

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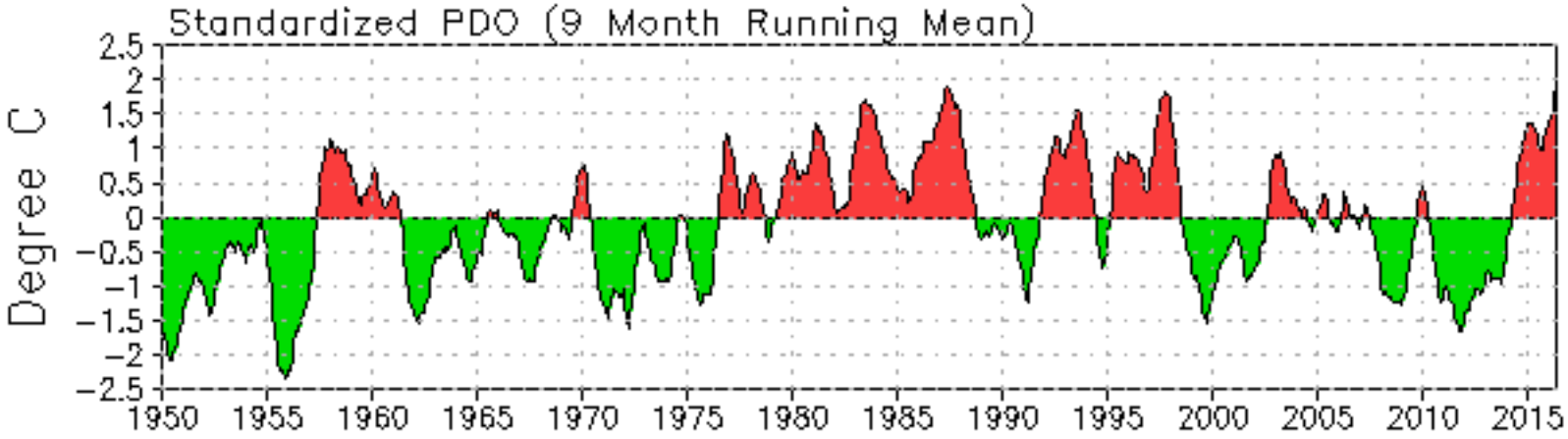
Standardized PDO (9 Month Running Mean)
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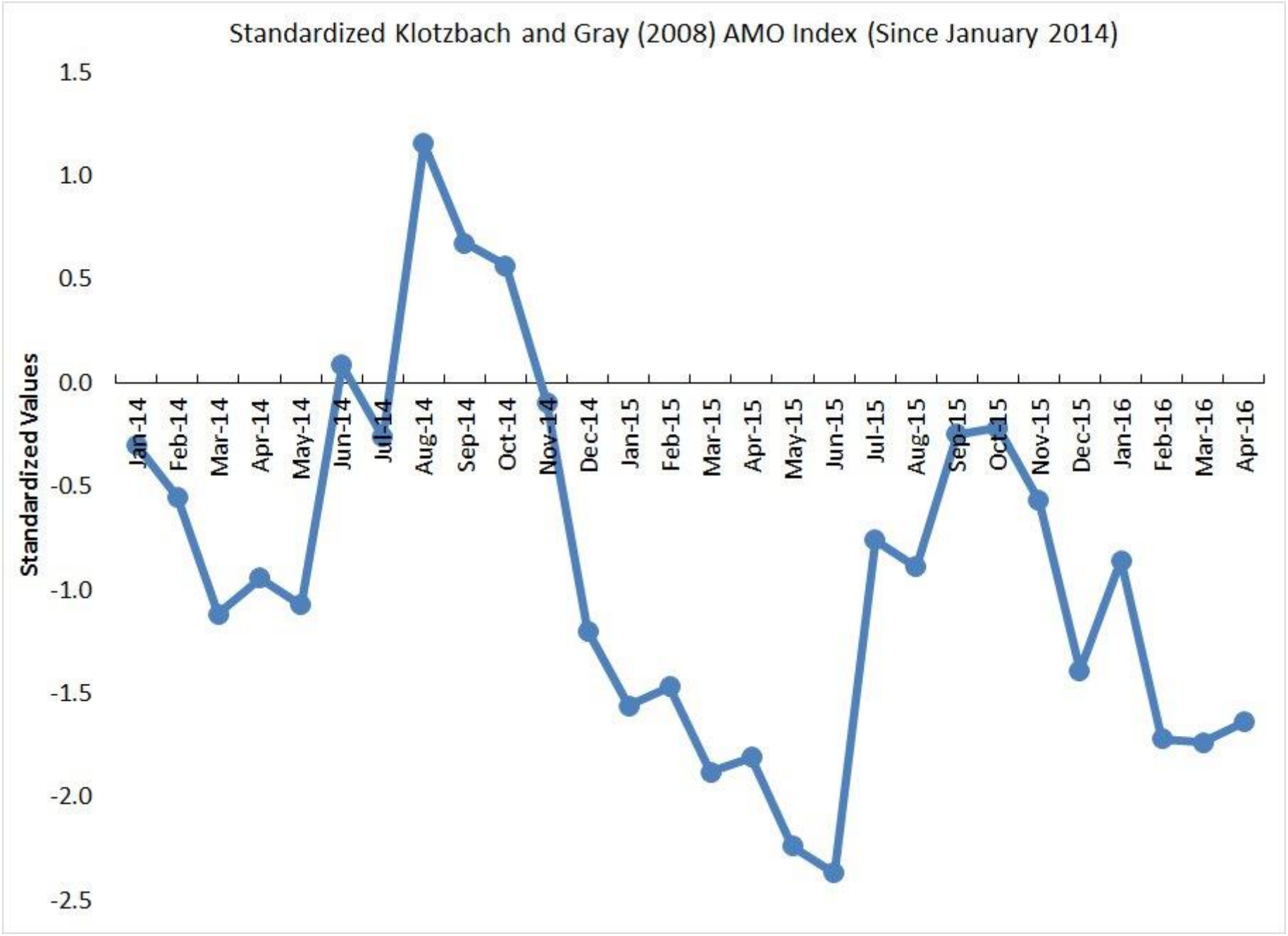
Standardized Klotzbach and Gray (2008) AMO Index (Since January 2014)
Standardized Values
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Jan-14
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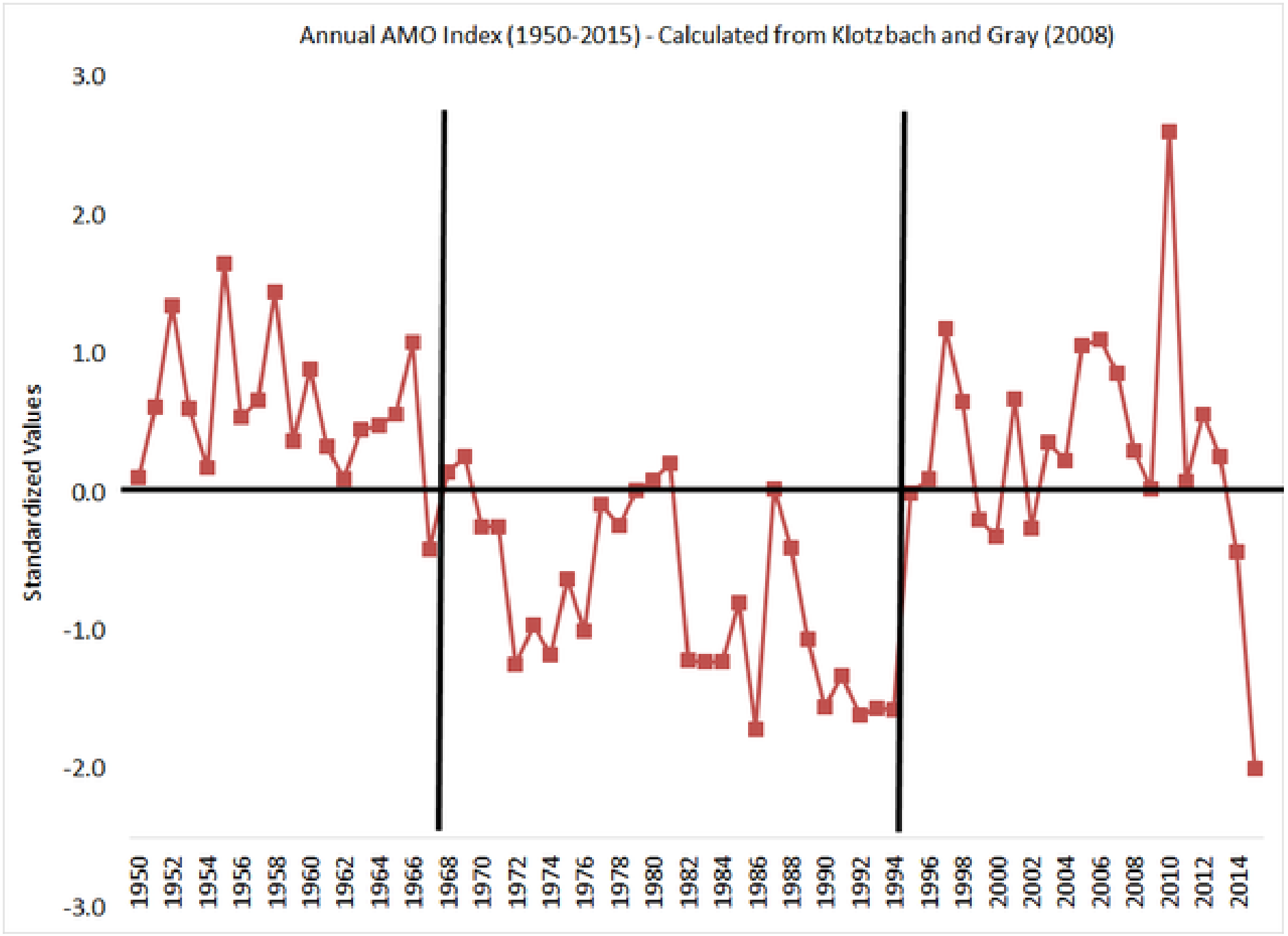
Annual AMO Index (1950-2015) - Calculated from Klotzbach and Gray (2008)
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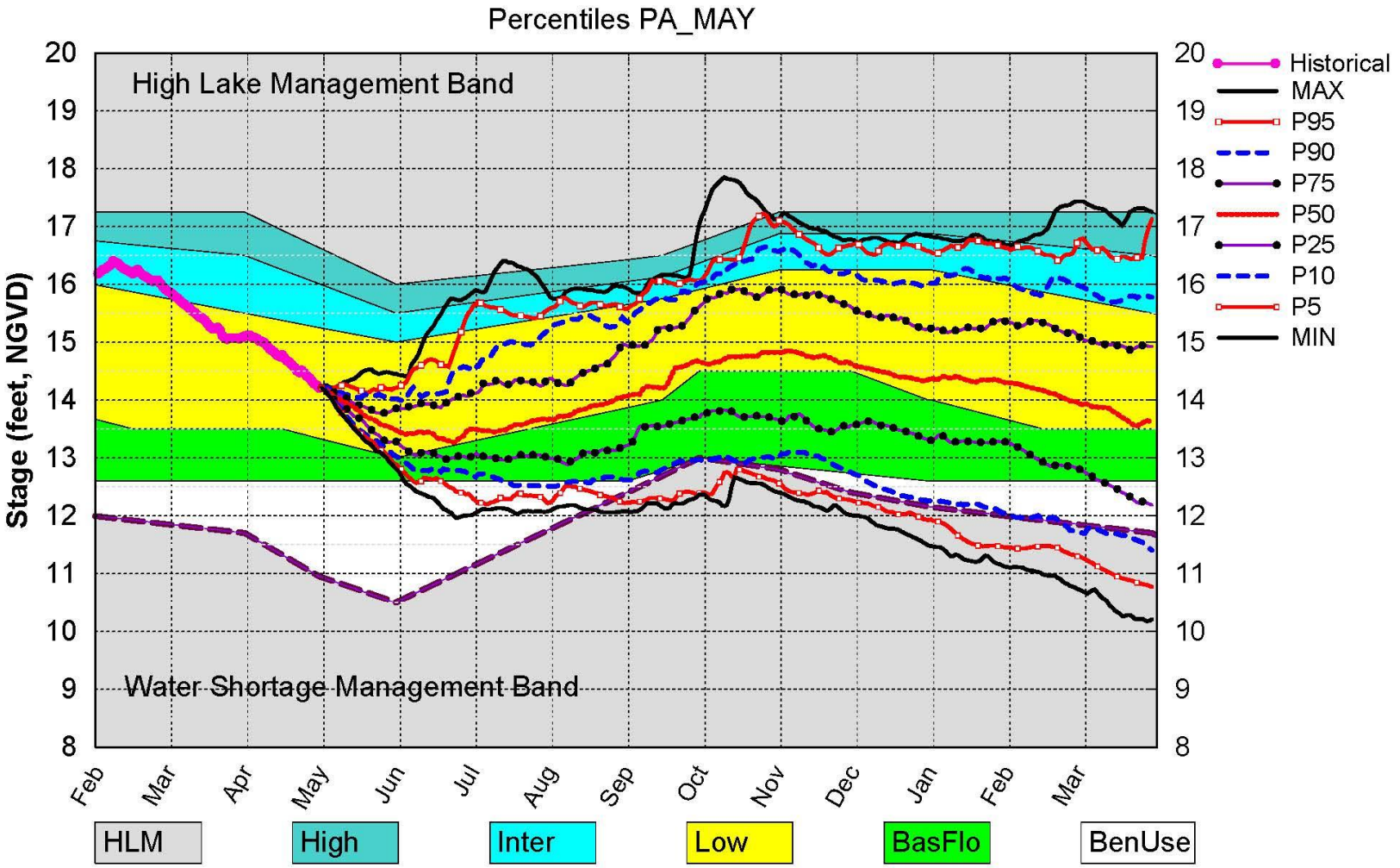

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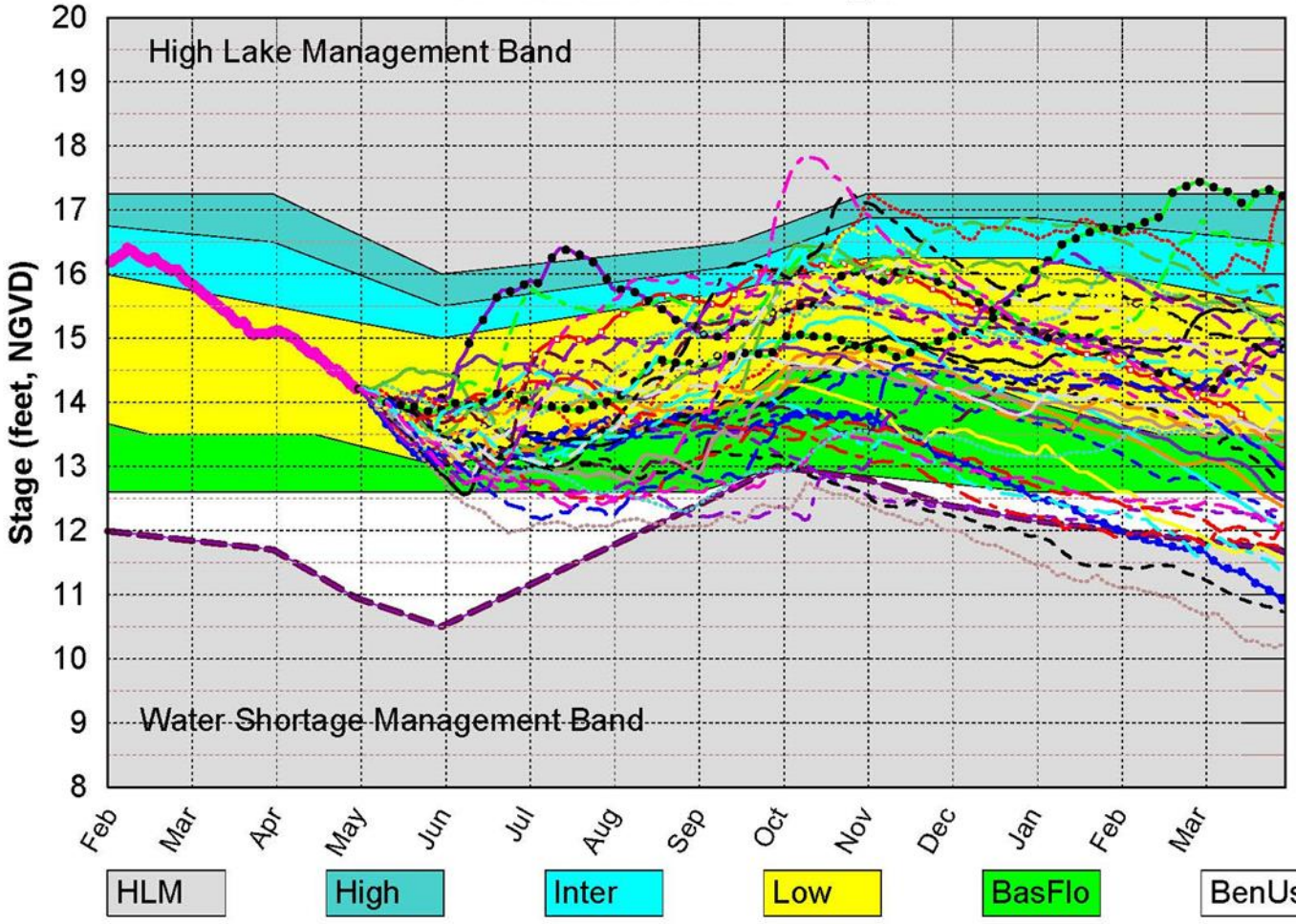
All Simulated Years Plot PA_MAY



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Historical
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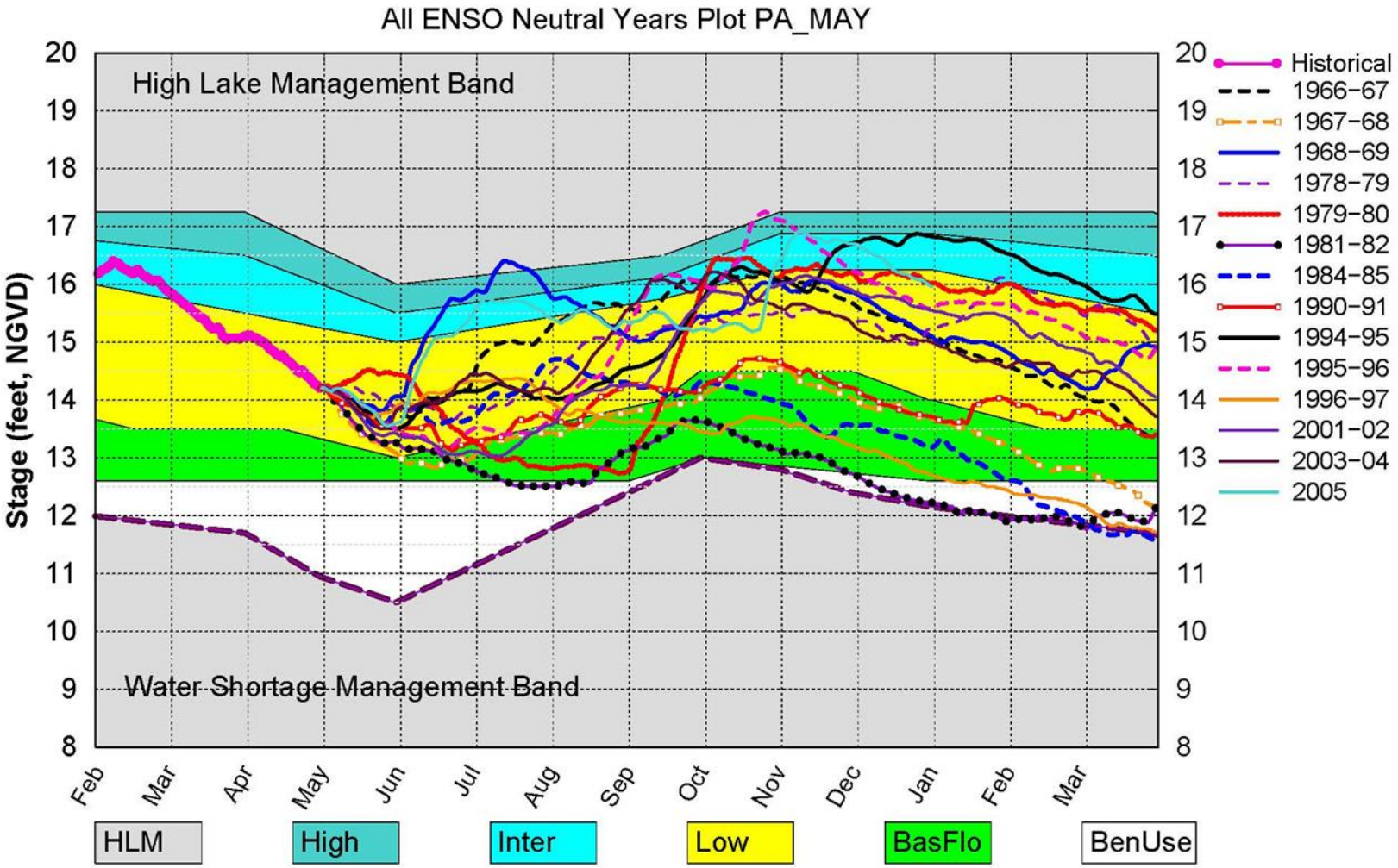

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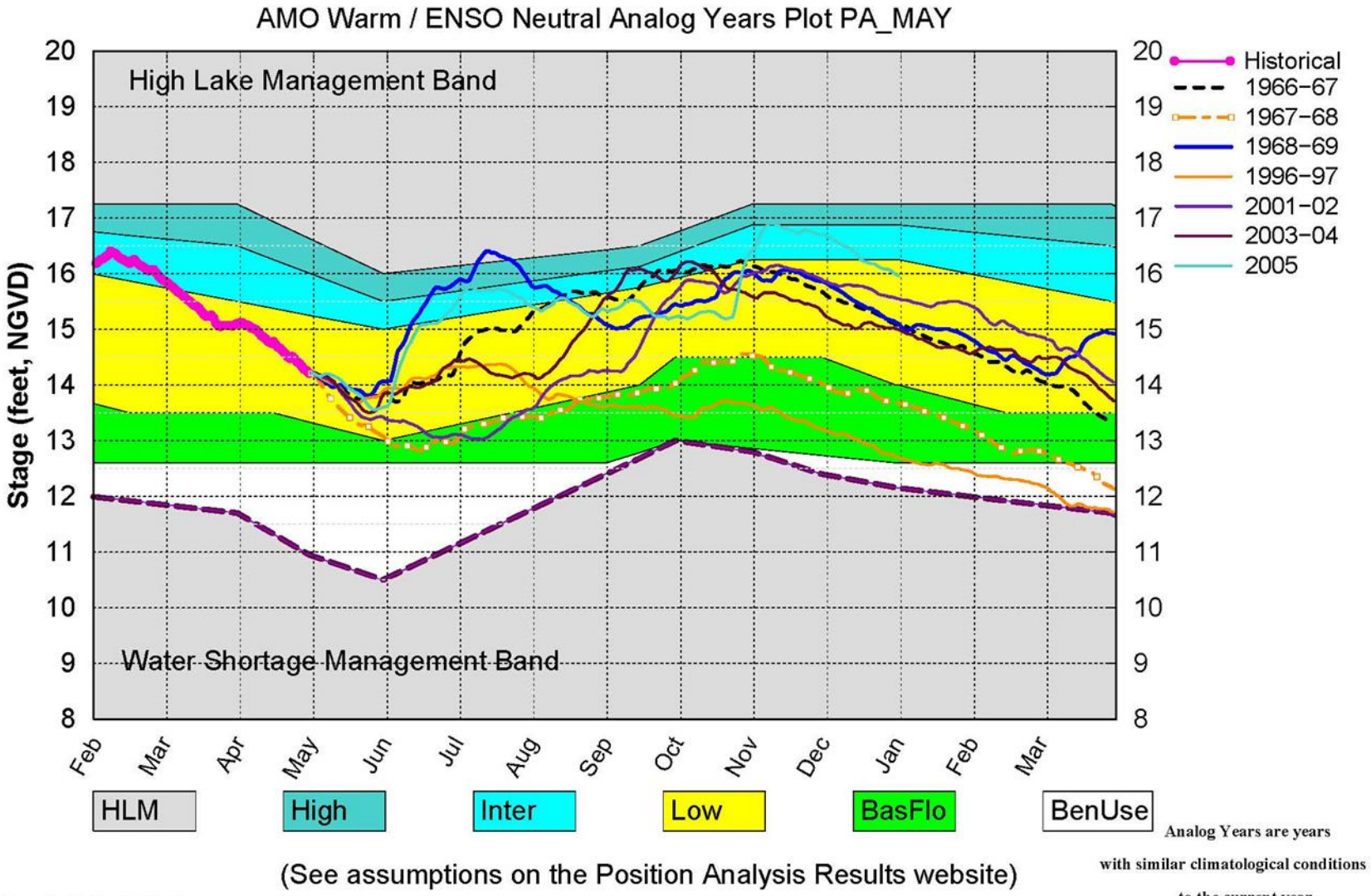

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Analog Years are years with similar climatological conditions to the current year.

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