



# The North American Monsoon: NAME Forecast Forum Products

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- Overview of Website
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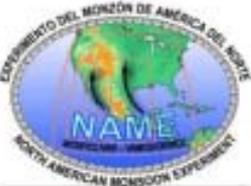
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## The NAME Forecast Forum



The purpose of the NAME Forecast Forum (NFF) is to provide, for the North American Monsoon research and applications communities, an accessible, online forum, for the posting, distribution, monitoring and synthesis of intra-seasonal and seasonal precipitation forecasts of the North American Monsoon. This purpose will be achieved through completion of the following activities:

- Monitoring key indices of monsoon behavior
- Monitoring forecast skill of intra-seasonal to seasonal predictions of the North American Monsoon (NAM)
- Make publicly available, a range of operational and experimental NAM intra-seasonal and seasonal precipitation forecast products
- Linking NAM monitoring activities with other monsoon monitoring activities such as that currently under development by NOAA Climate Prediction Center and the North American Monsoon climate research community
- Linking NAM monitoring and forecasting activities to the societal applications community that is cultivating improved uses and communication of monsoon information

As an initial implementation, spatial maps and regionalized indices (averages) of warm season precipitation over the North American Monsoon region have been created from selected operational seasonal forecast models and real-time monitoring products. The regions used in the NFF were developed synthesized from published climatological analyses (i.e. regionalization studies) of historical precipitation data and are also similar to forecast zones used during 2004 North American Monsoon Experiment (see <http://www.eol.ucar.edu/projects/name/>). Over time additional monitoring products will be added.

For a full description of the rationale and strategy of the NFF please refer to the complete

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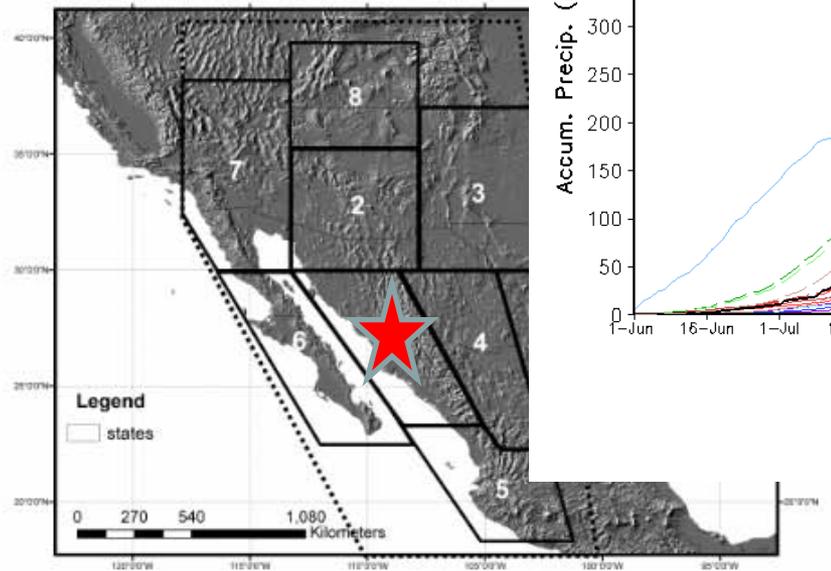
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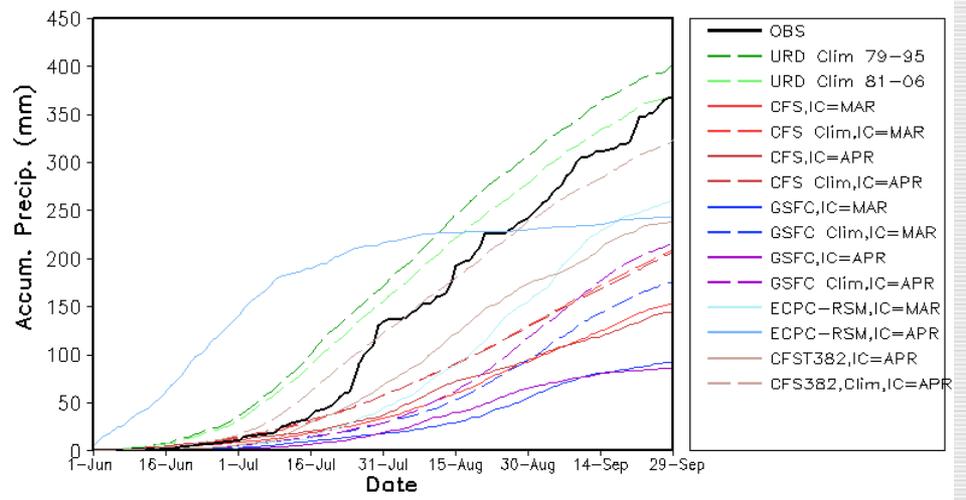
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2010 NAME Forecast Forum Zone 1  
 Accumulated Precipitation



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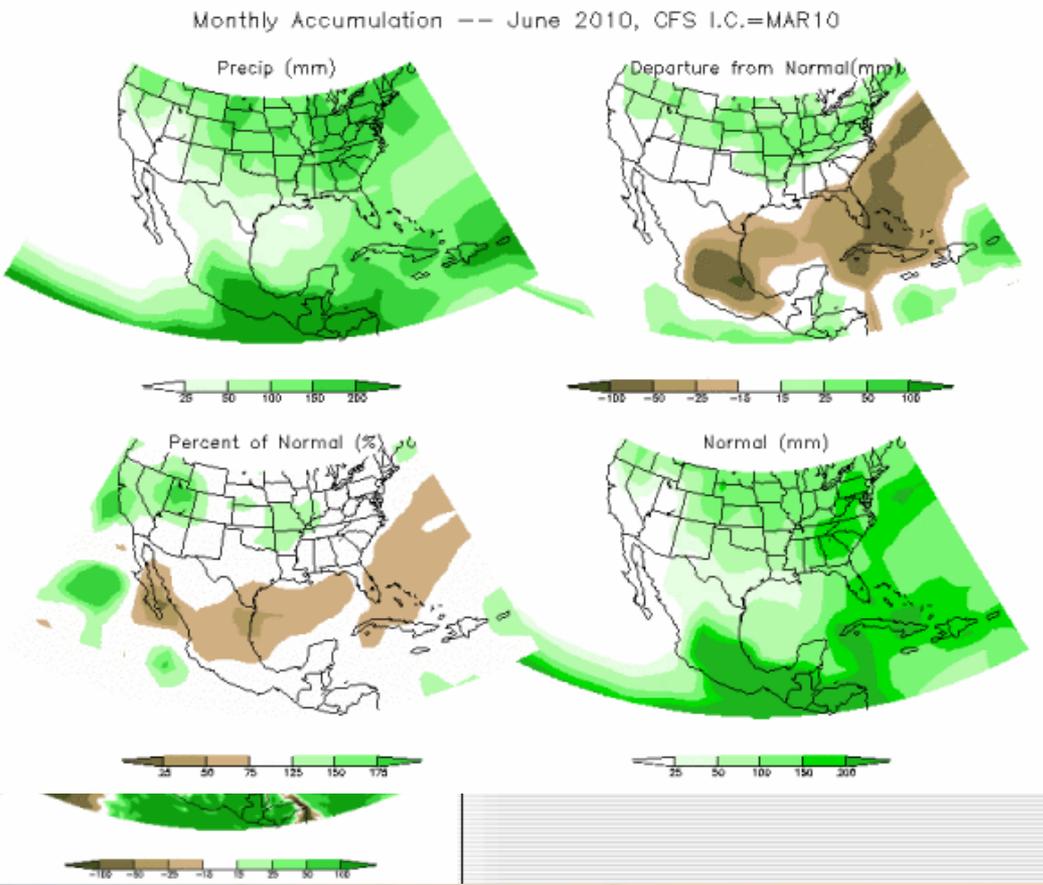
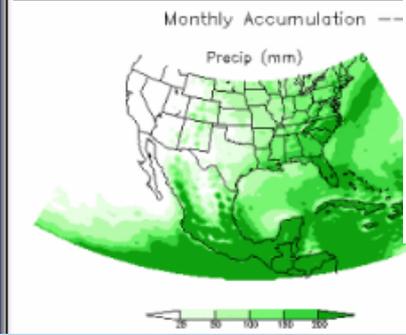


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**Precip**

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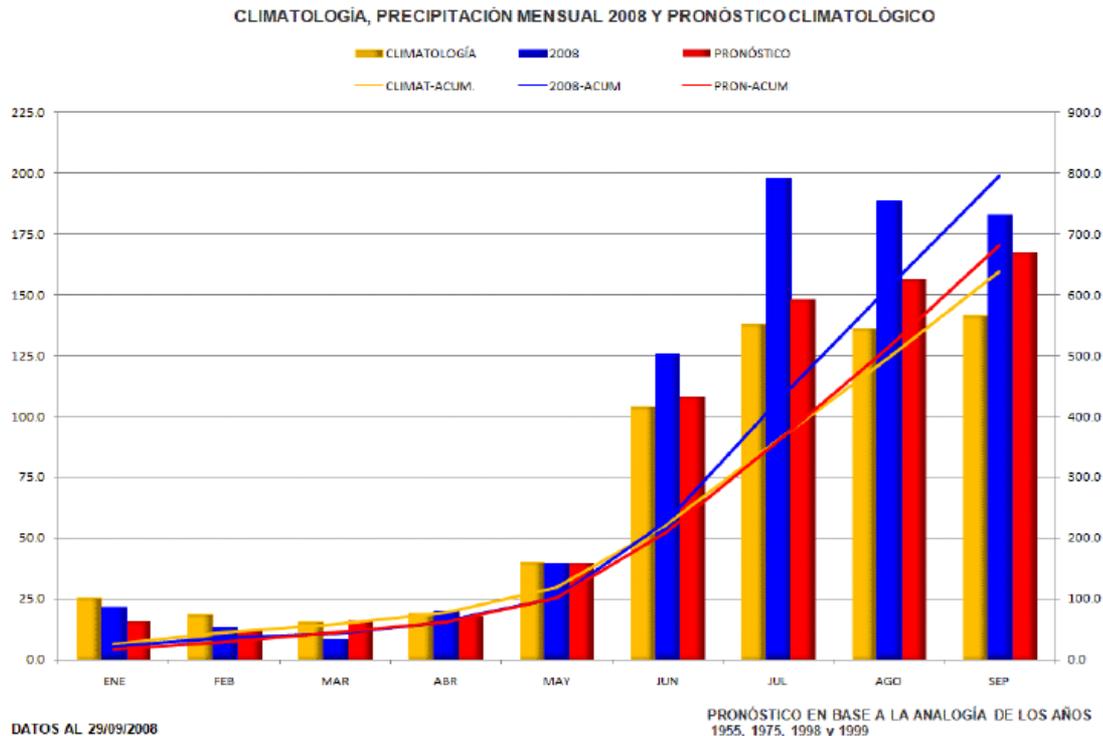


# Forecast Forum Products:



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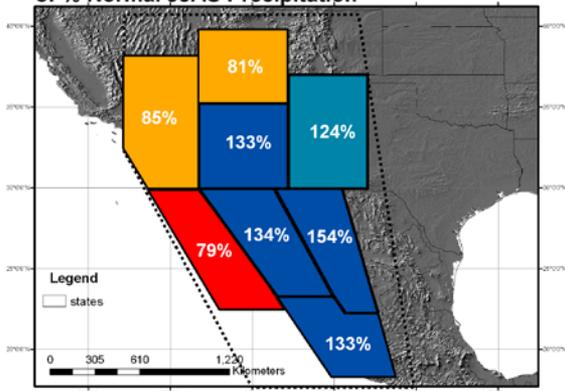


- Monthly forecasts Mexican rainfall from SMN trended towards above normal precip. beginning in Jun and continuing through the summer (red), though not as great as observed (blue)

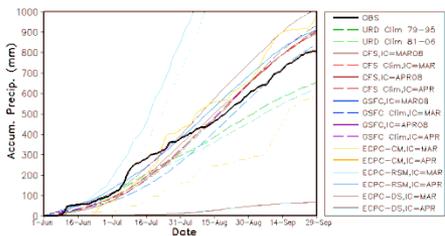


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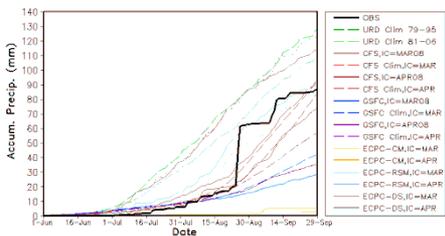
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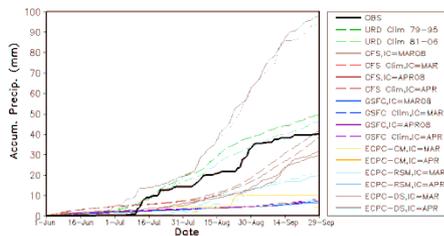
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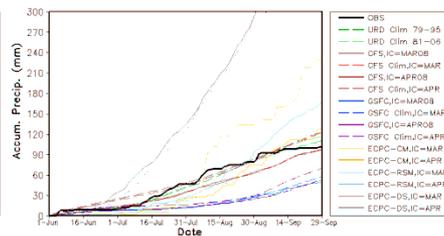
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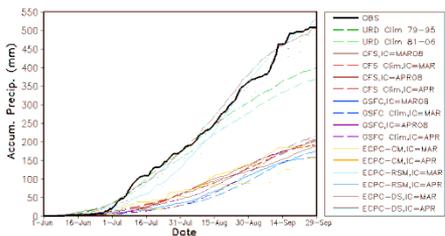
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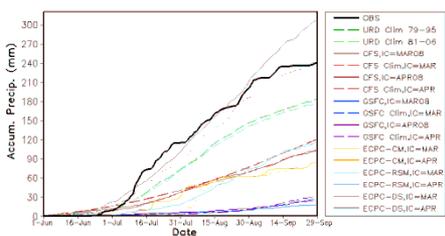
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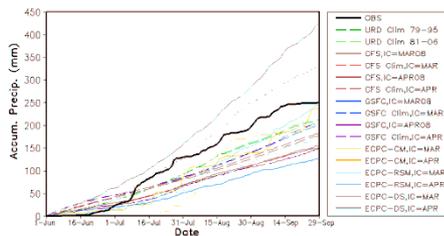
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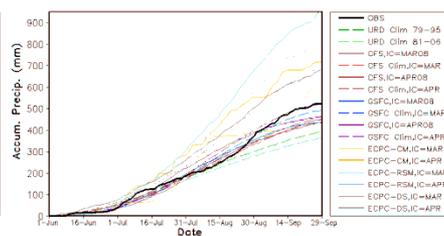
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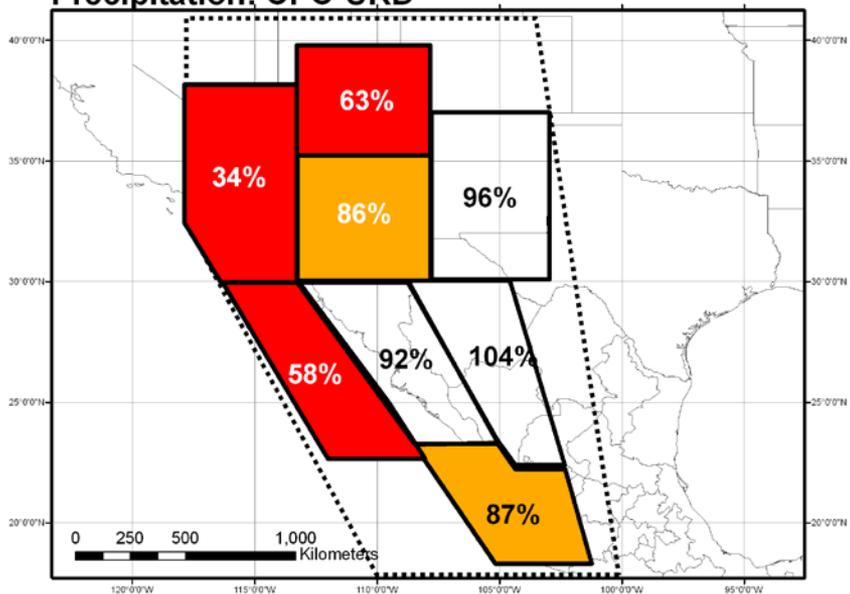
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- Regionally-averaged accumulated rainfall

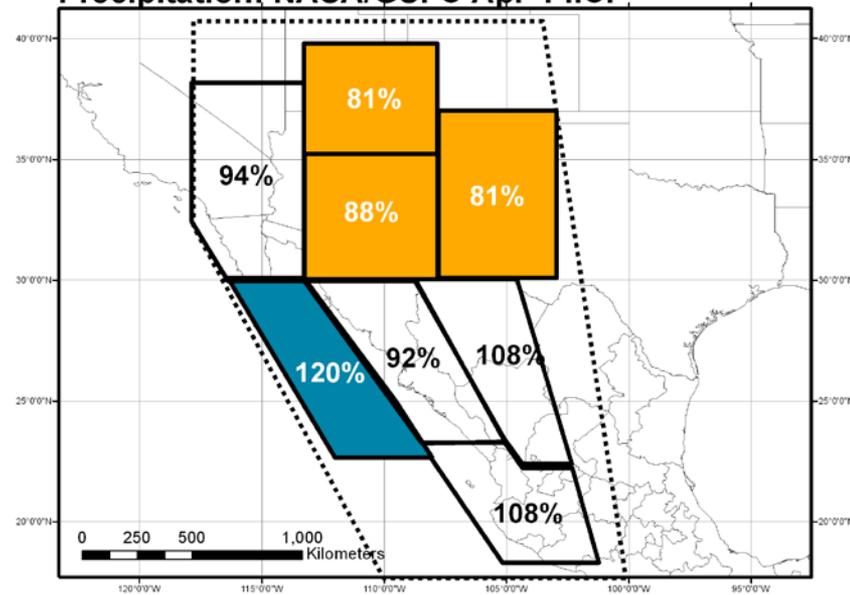
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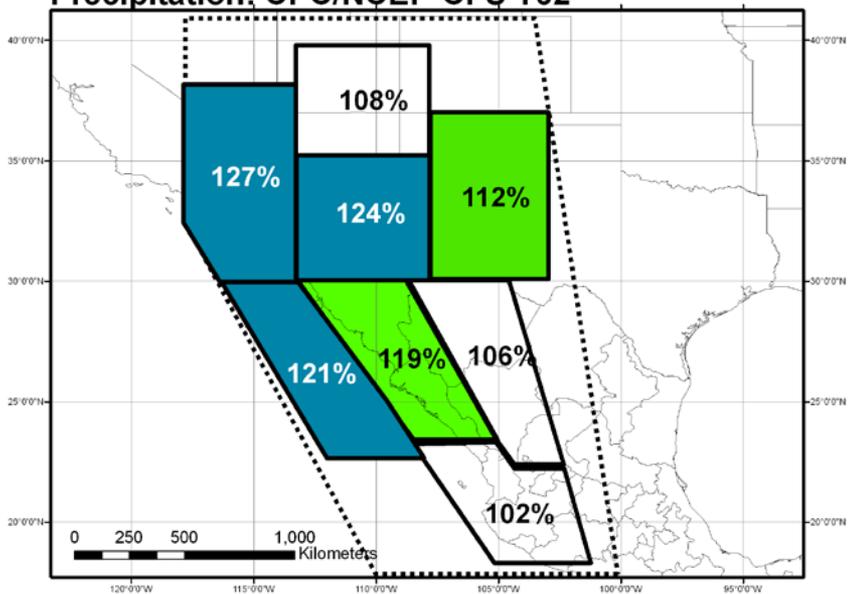
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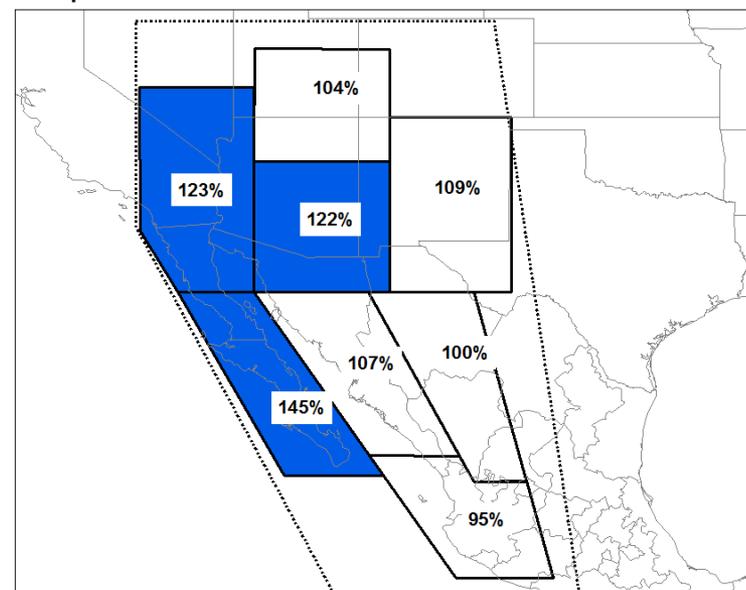
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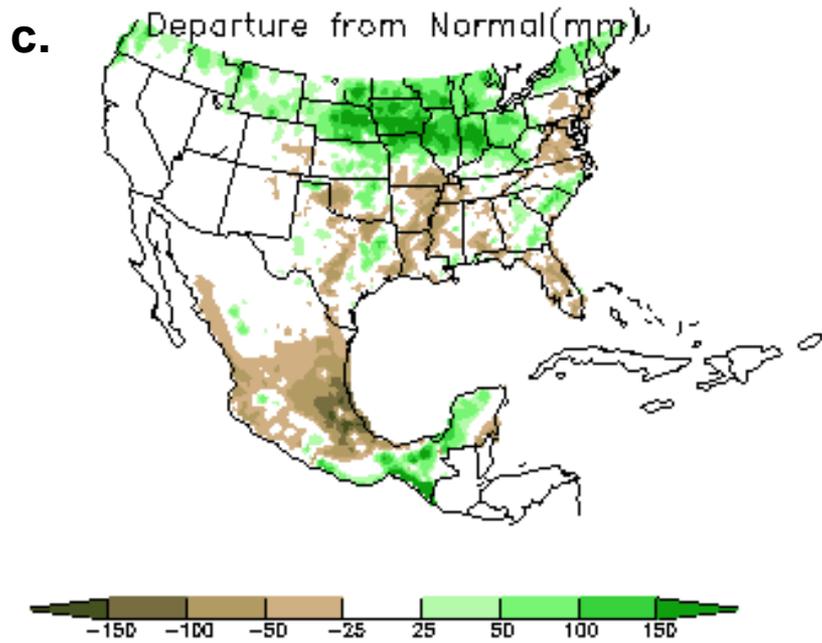
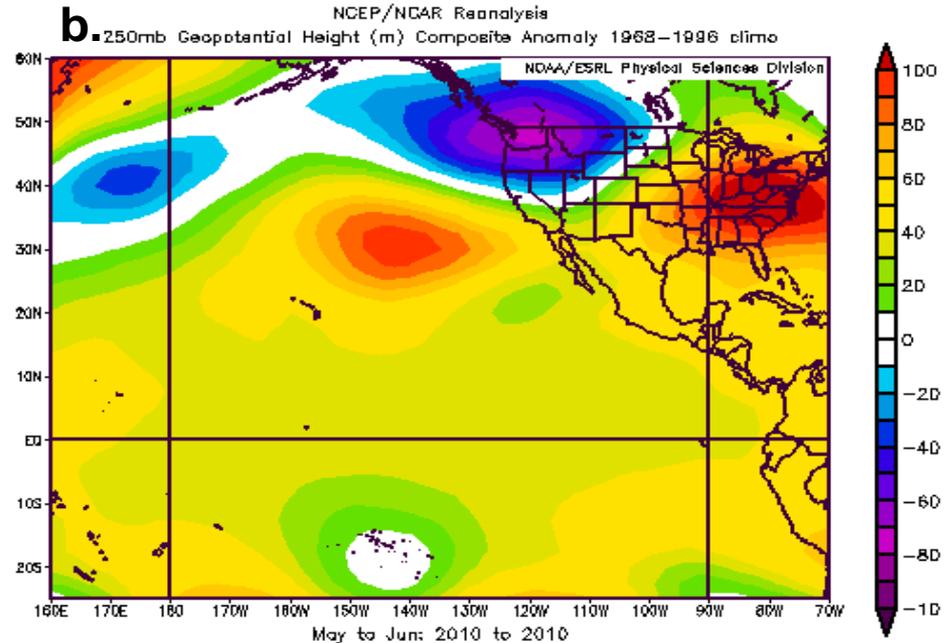
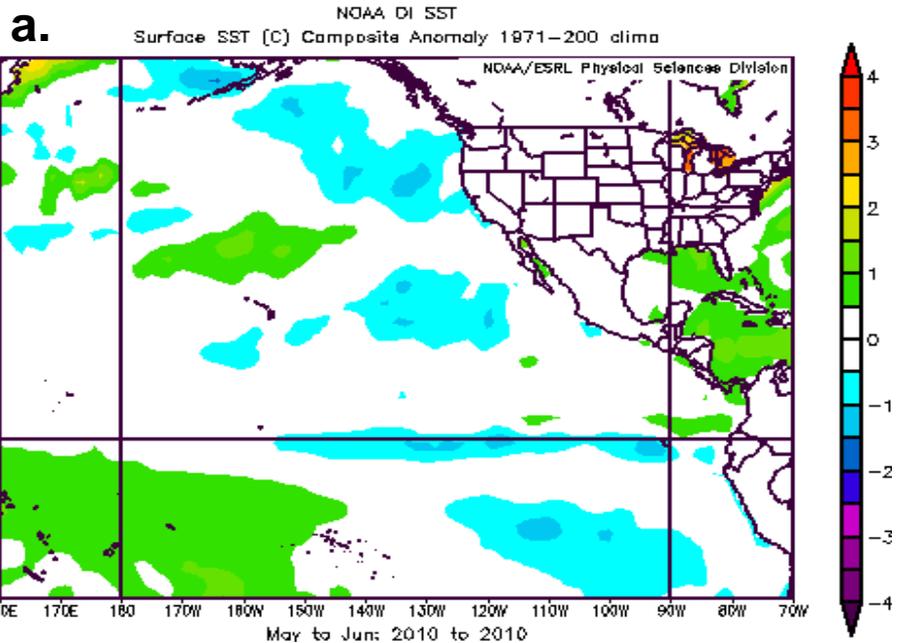
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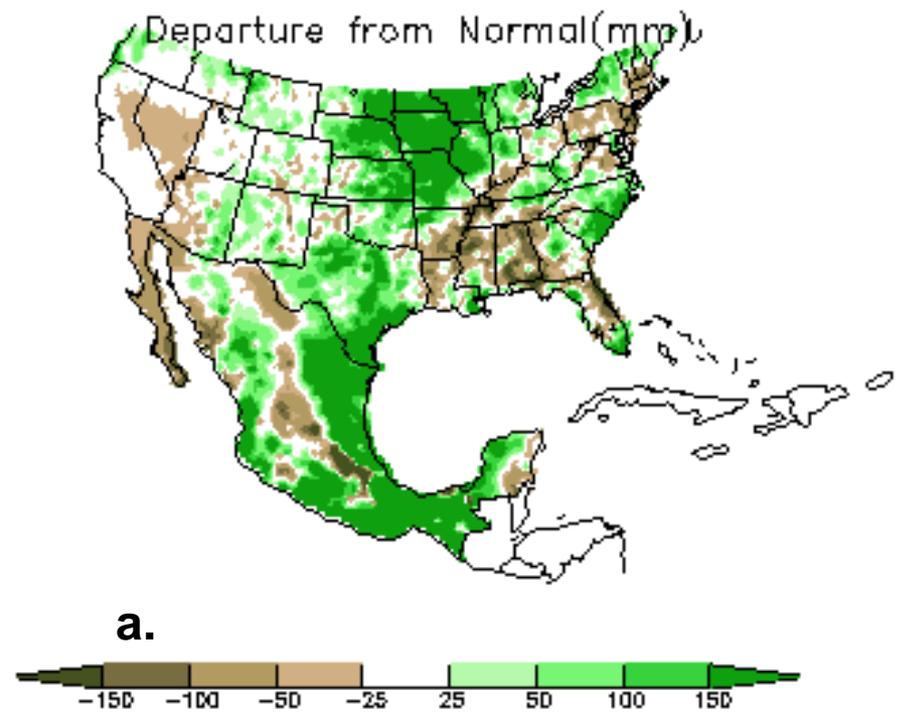
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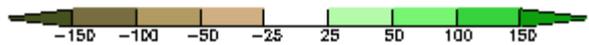
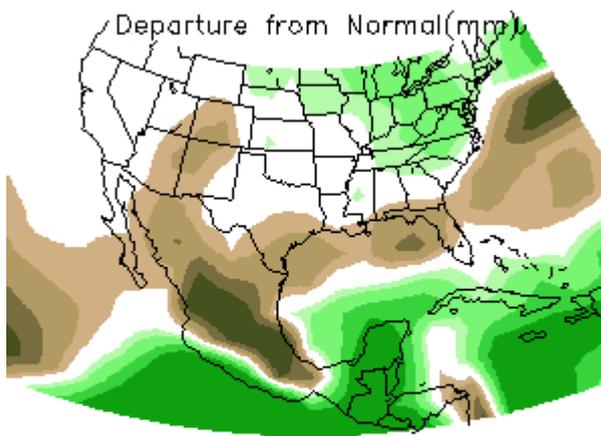




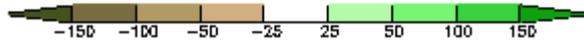
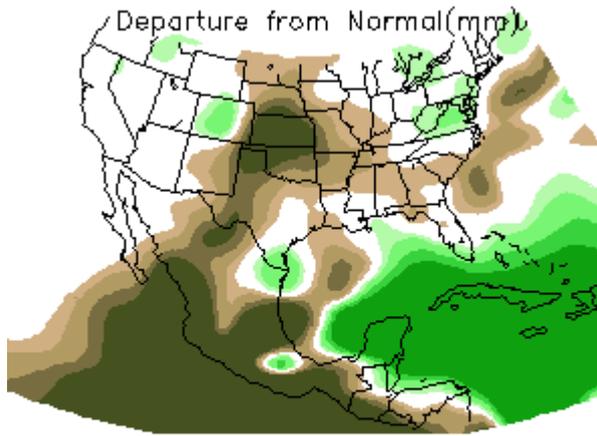
**Figure 1. a) May-June NOAA-OI Sea surface temperature anomalies, b) May-Jun NCEP/NCAR Reanalysis 250mb height anomalies and c) NOAA CPC June precipitation anomalies. Panels a) and b) generated from the NOAA PSD website.**

**Figure 2. a) NOAA CPC June-July-Aug-Sep precipitation anomalies and tracks of 2010 b) Eastern Pacific and c) Atlantic named tropical disturbances. Panels b) and c) were obtained from the Weather Underground website.**

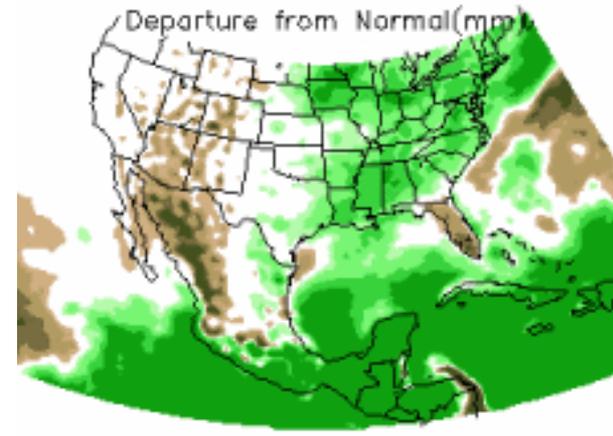




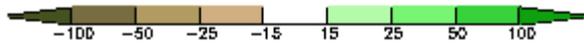
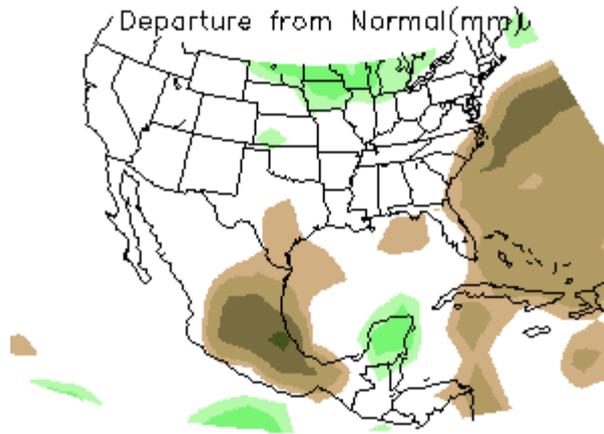
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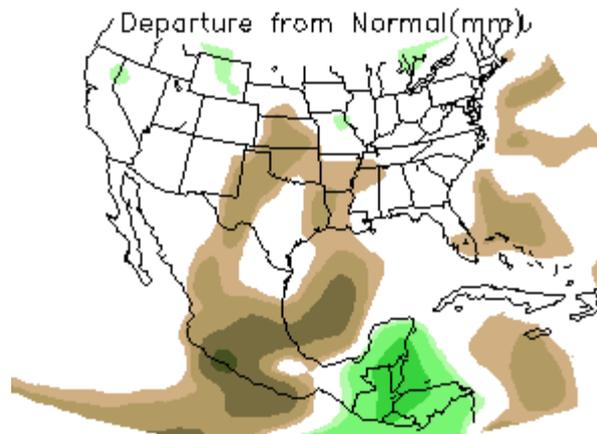
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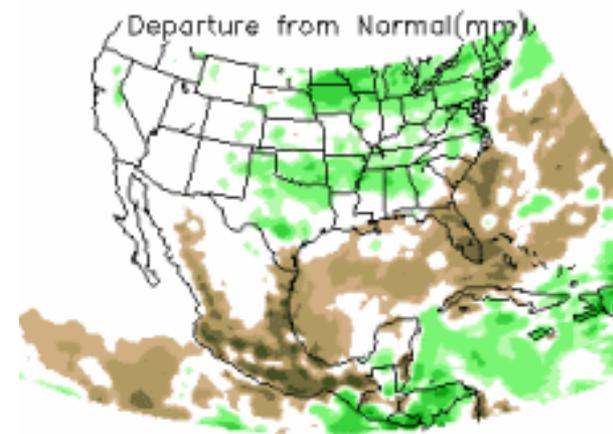
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**NCEP CFS June**



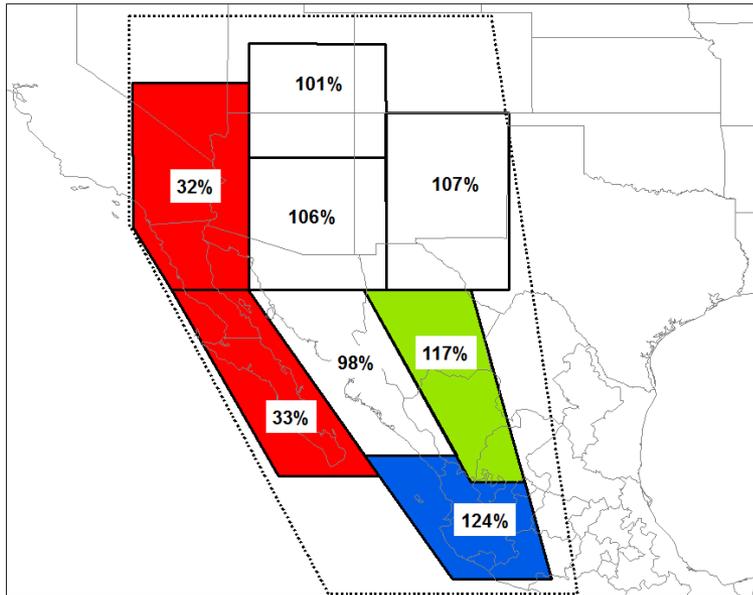
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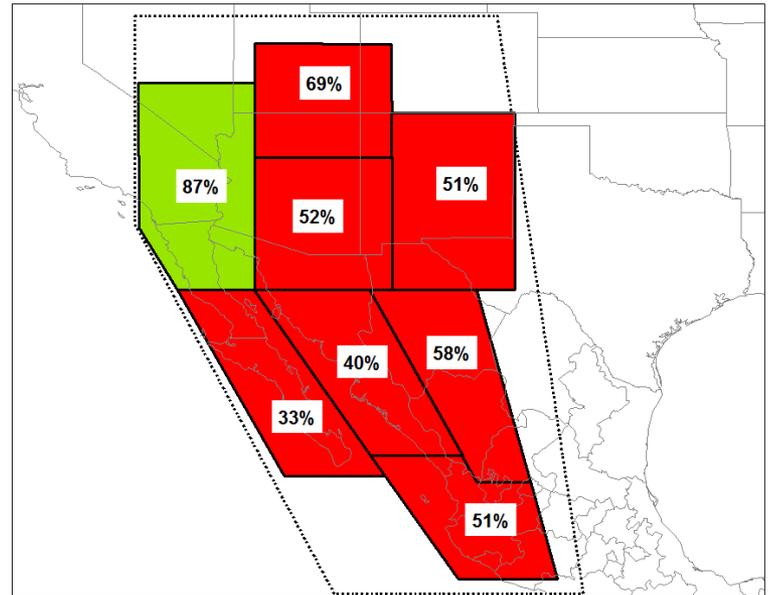
**NCEP CFS-382 June**

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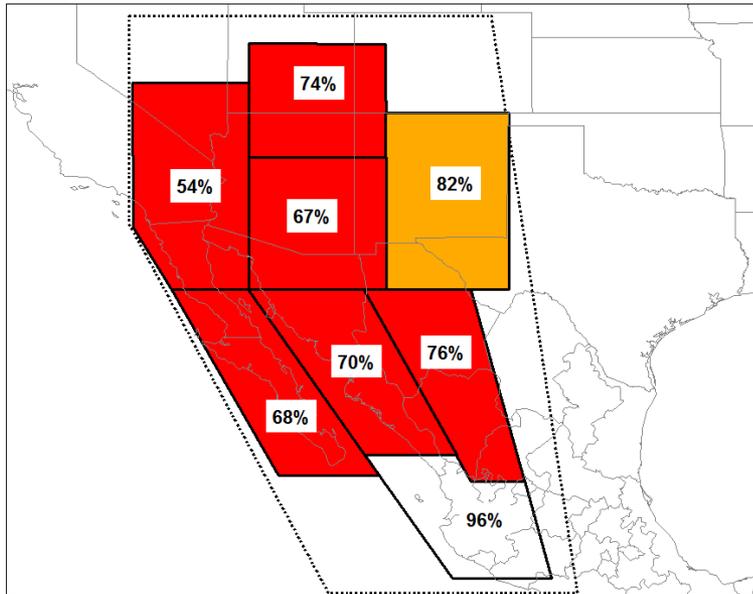
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 Precipitation: CPC/NCEP URD Analysis



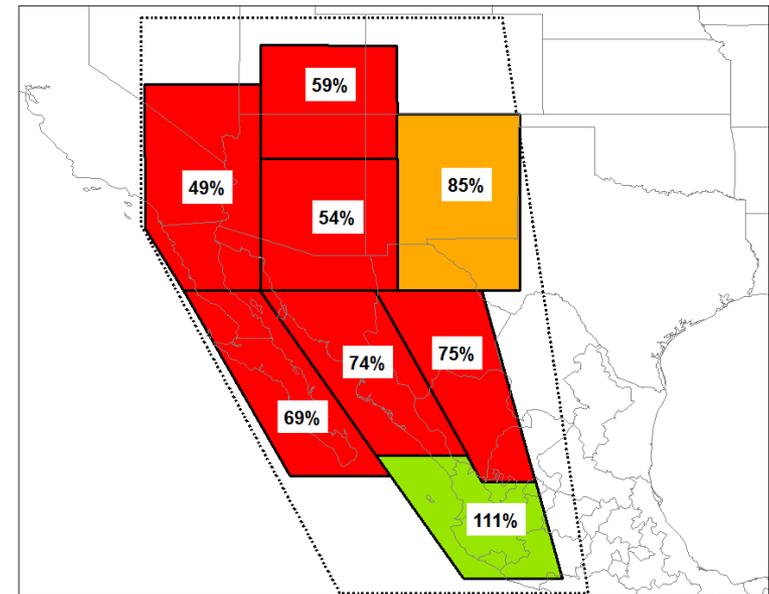
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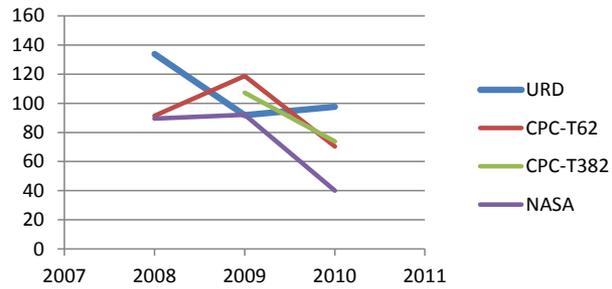
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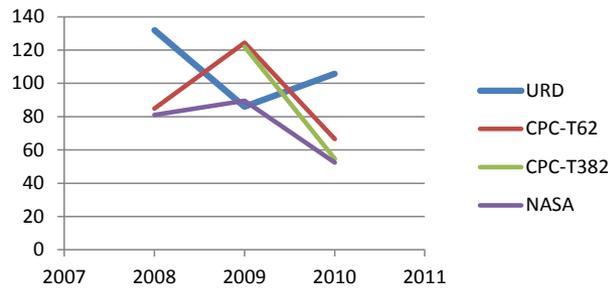


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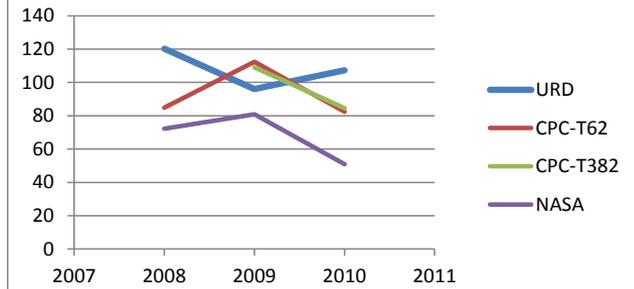
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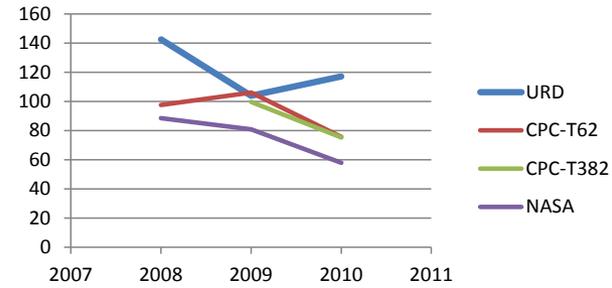
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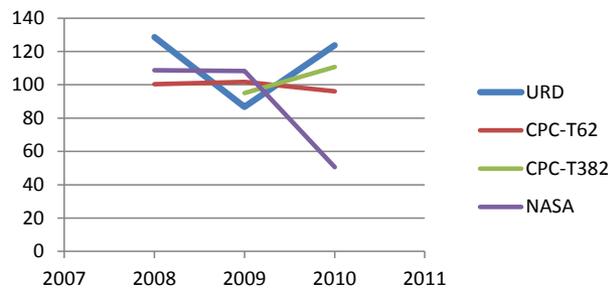
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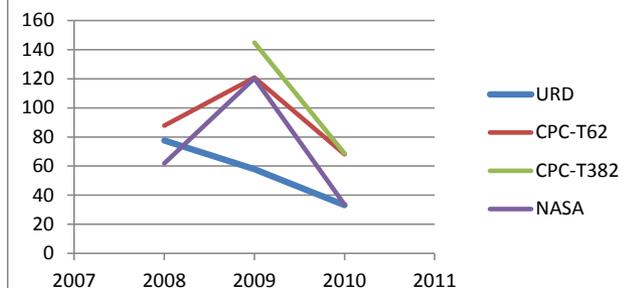
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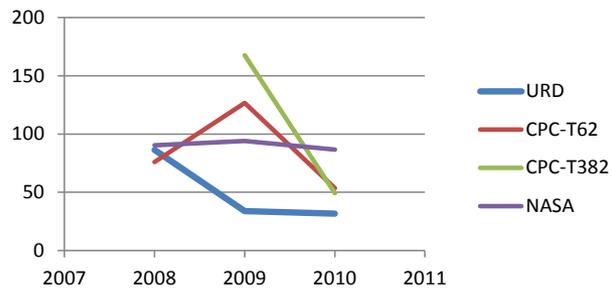
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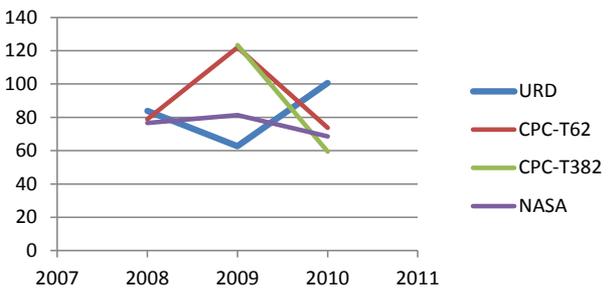
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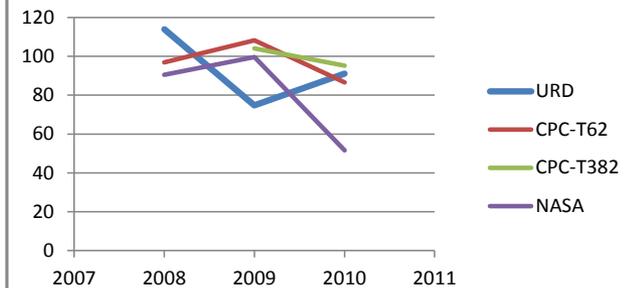
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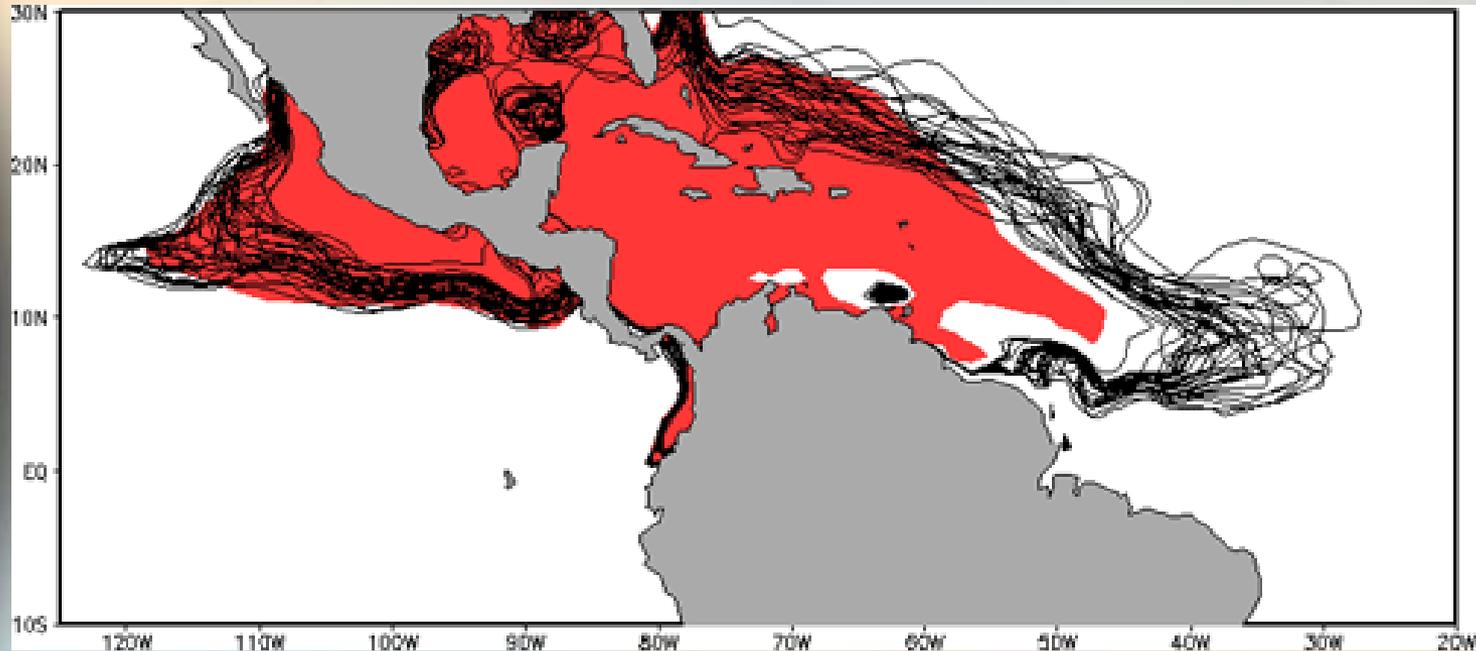
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  - 925 mb Winds
  
- Monthly Means:
  - Precipitation
  - 2m Air Temperature
  - 925, 850 and 200 mb Winds
  
- Participating Groups:
  - NCEP CPC
  - NASA GSFC
  - Scripps ECPC ?
  - Others are welcome!
  
- March, April and May Initial Conditions...
  
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# FSU June Ensemble Forecast The 2010 Warm Water Pool



Climatological area of 28.5 isotherm is shaded in red and the contours show the 28.5 isotherm for all ensemble members. The ensembles include 10 members/day from June 15 to June 24, 2010.