

Extended Hydrologic Outlook

August 6, 2024

- The Climate Prediction Center (CPC) is forecasting above normal rainfall for August through October.
- ENSO-neutral conditions are present. ENSO-neutral is expected to continue, with La Niña favored to develop during August-October (70% chance) and persist into winter 2024-25 (79% chance during November-January).
- 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

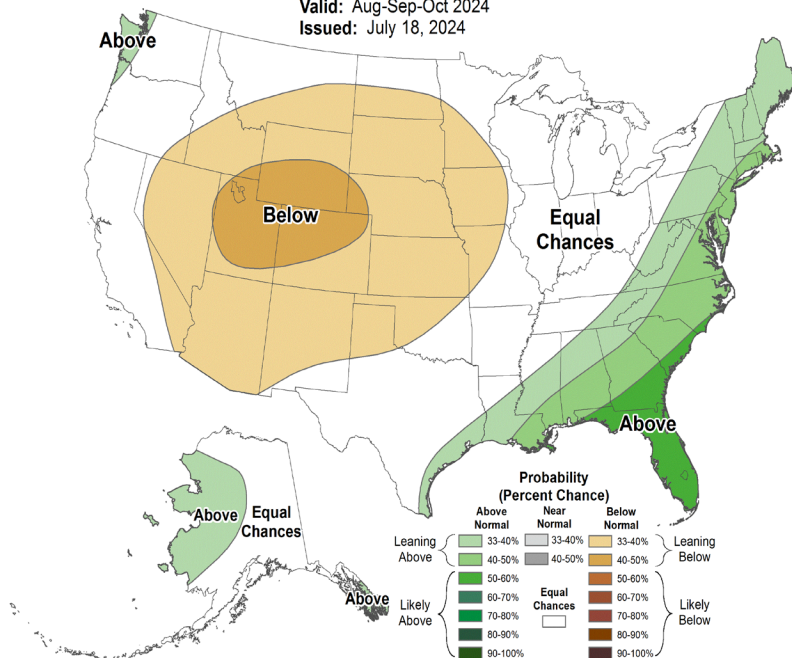
August - October 2024

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

Precipitation

Seasonal Precipitation Outlook

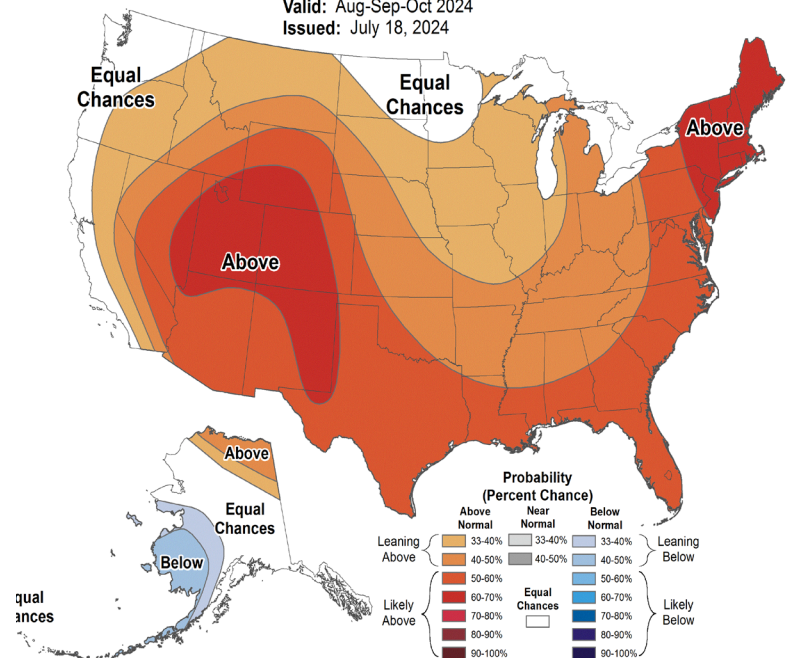
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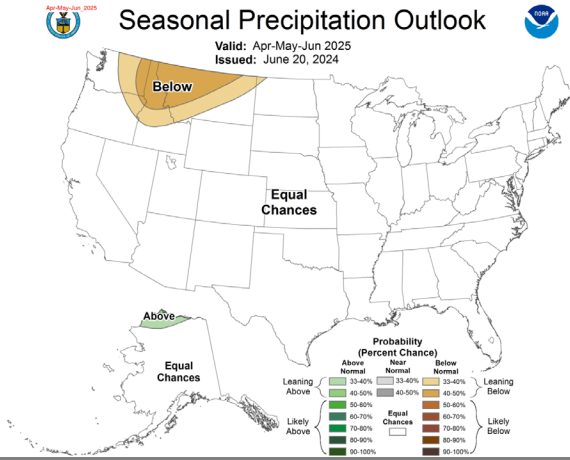
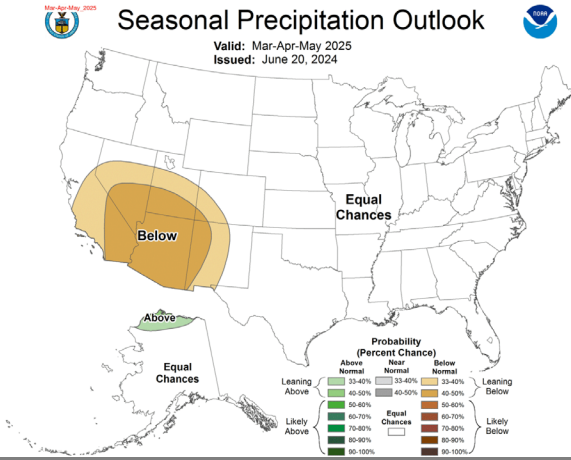
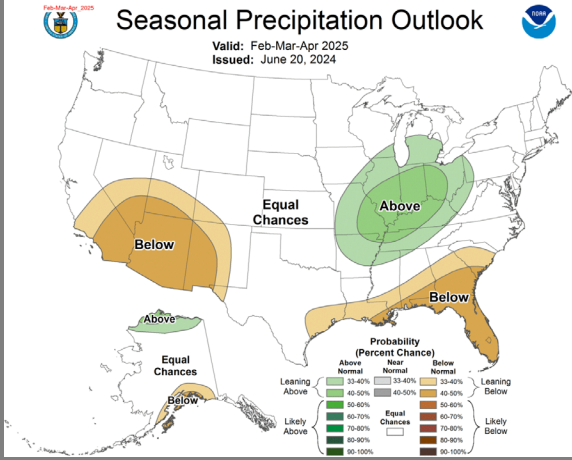
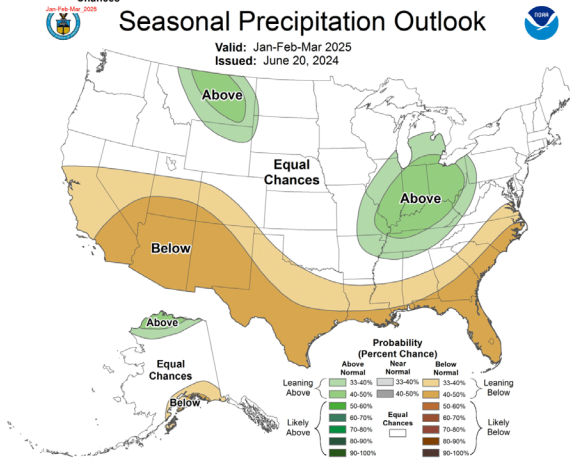
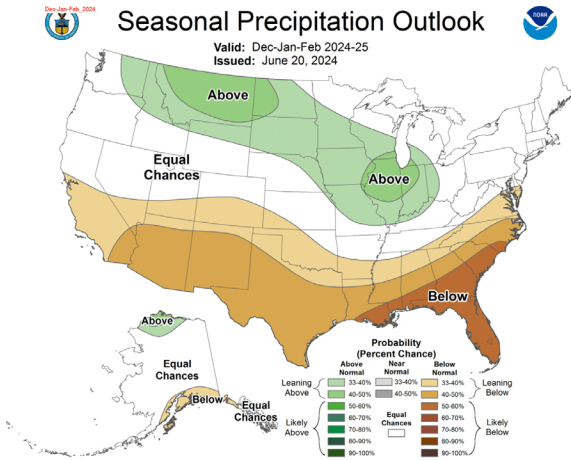
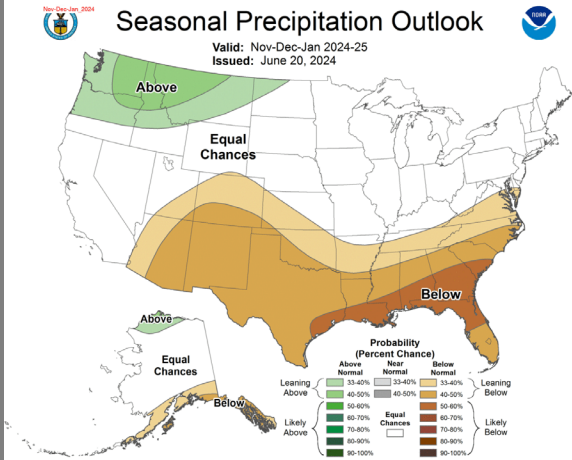
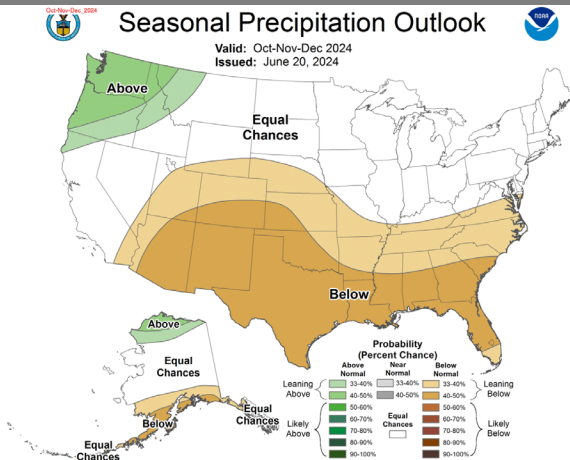
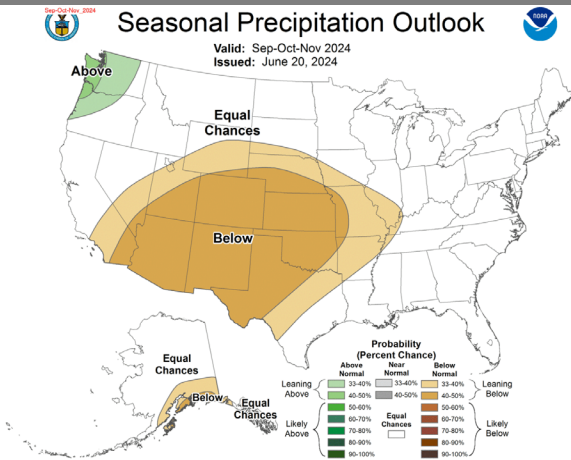
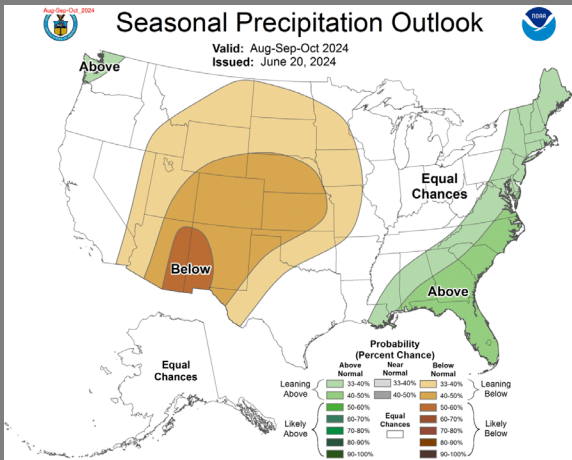


Temperature

Seasonal Temperature Outlook

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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

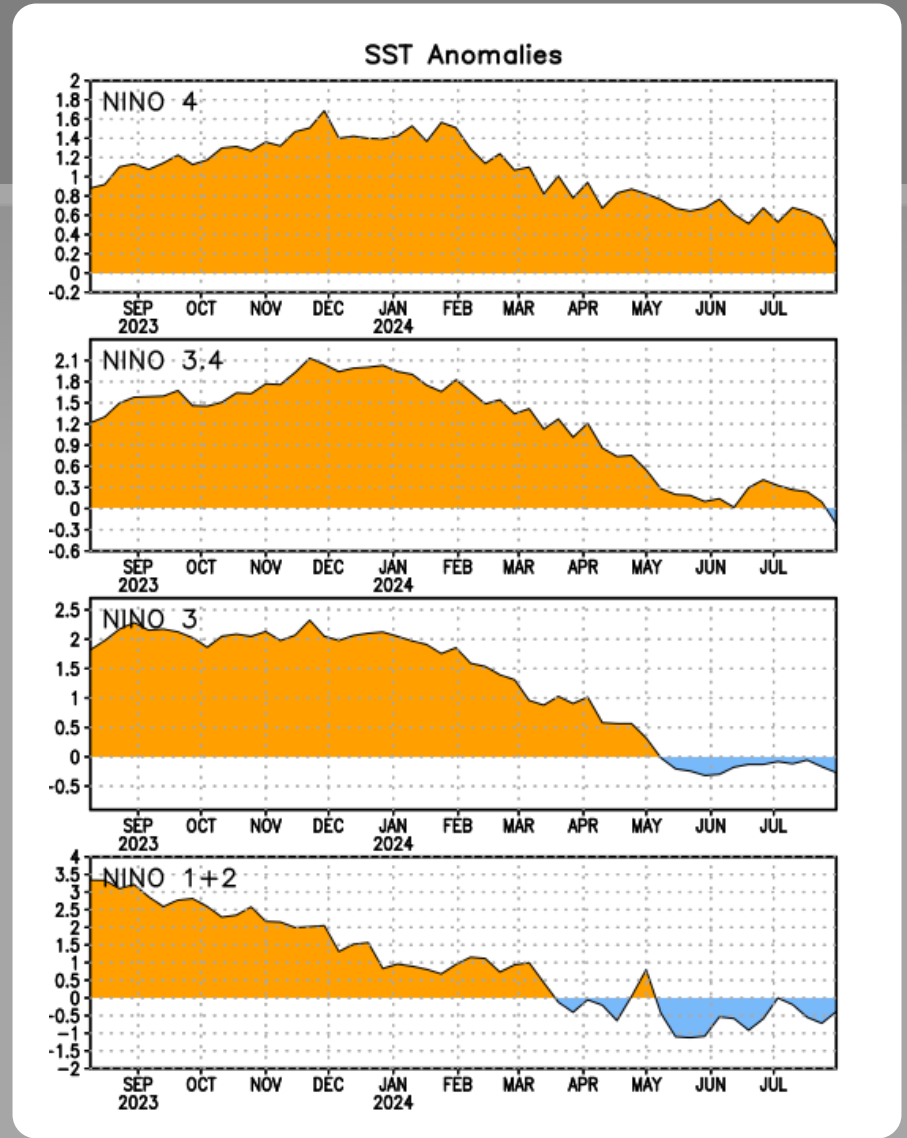
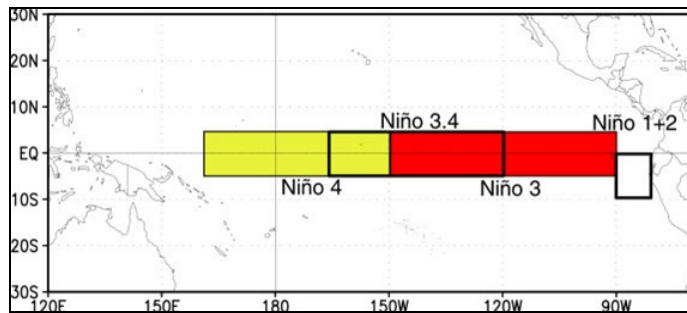
Atlantic Multidecadal Oscillation (AMO)

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 (°C) Recent Evolution

The latest weekly SST departures are:

Niño 4	0.3°C
Niño 3.4	-0.2°C
Niño 3	-0.3°C
Niño 1+2	-0.4°C



This weekly sea surface temperature data is based on OISSTv2.1 (Huang et al., 2021).

IRI Pacific Niño 3.4 SST Model Outlook

The majority of dynamical models indicate a transition to La Niña around August-October 2024, while the average of the statistical models predicts ENSO-neutral.

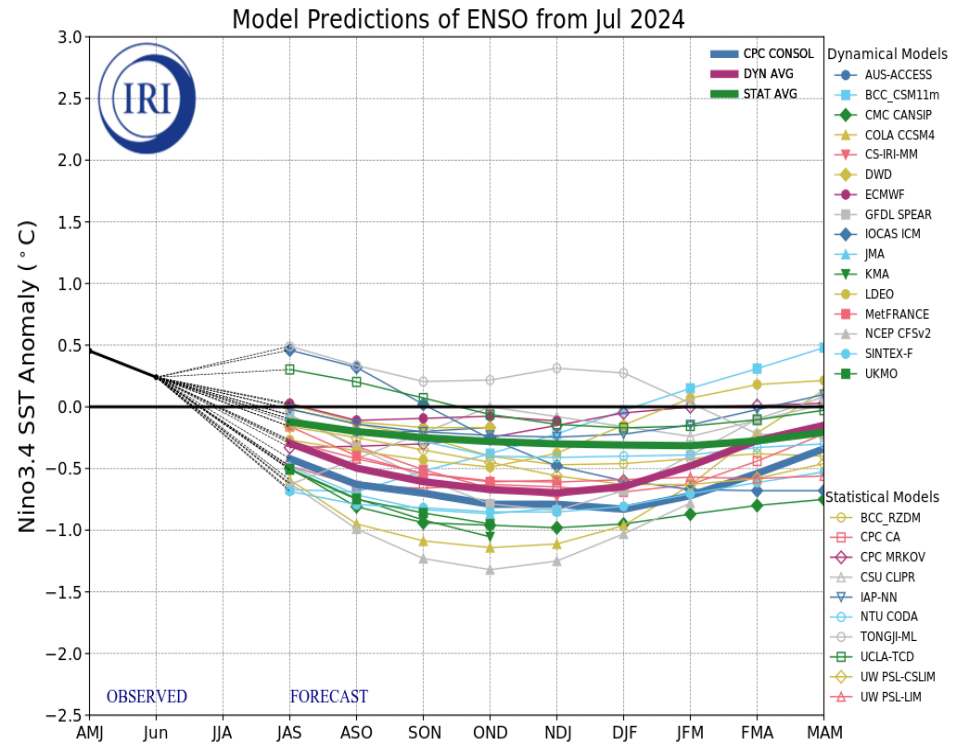
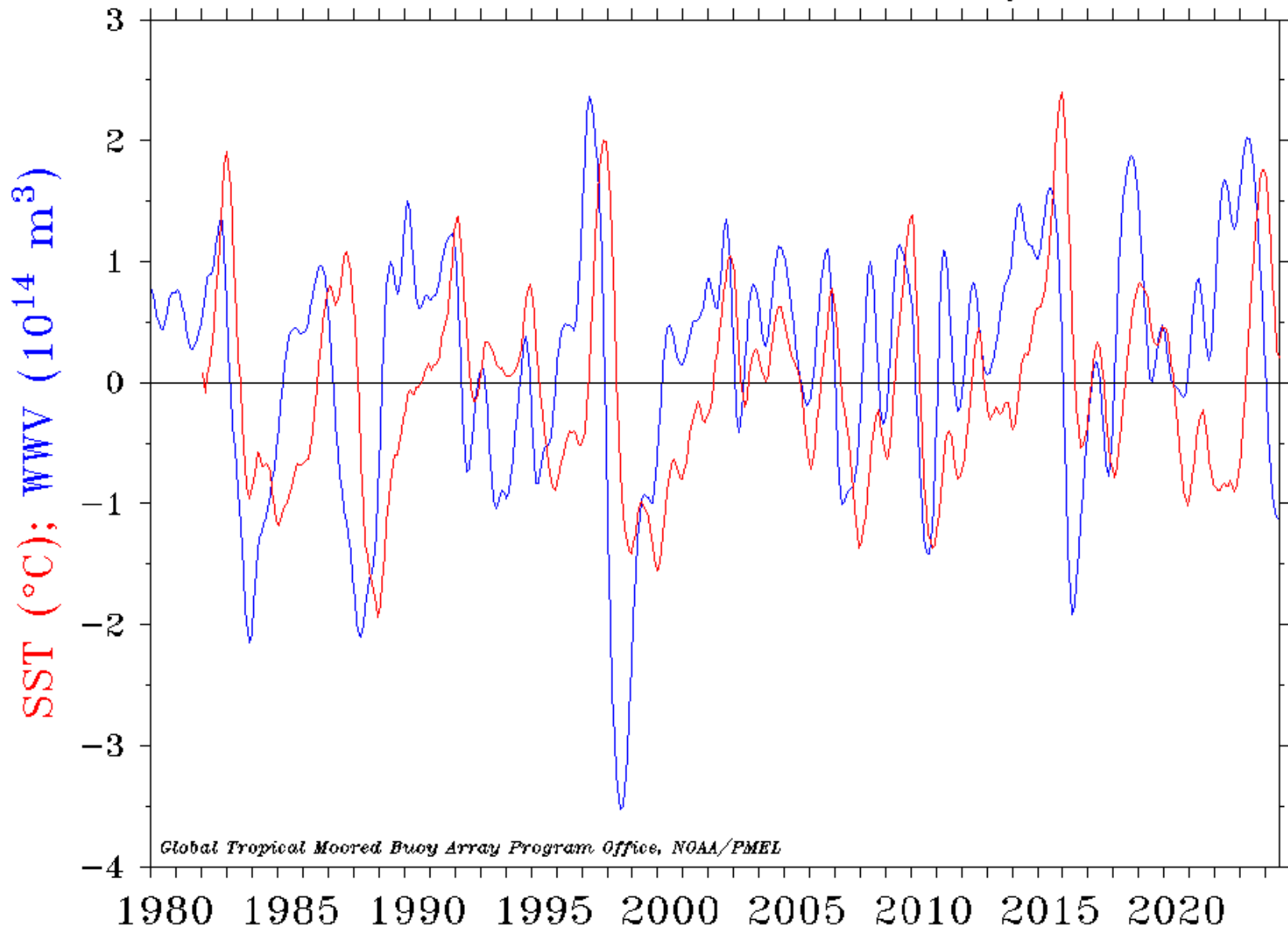


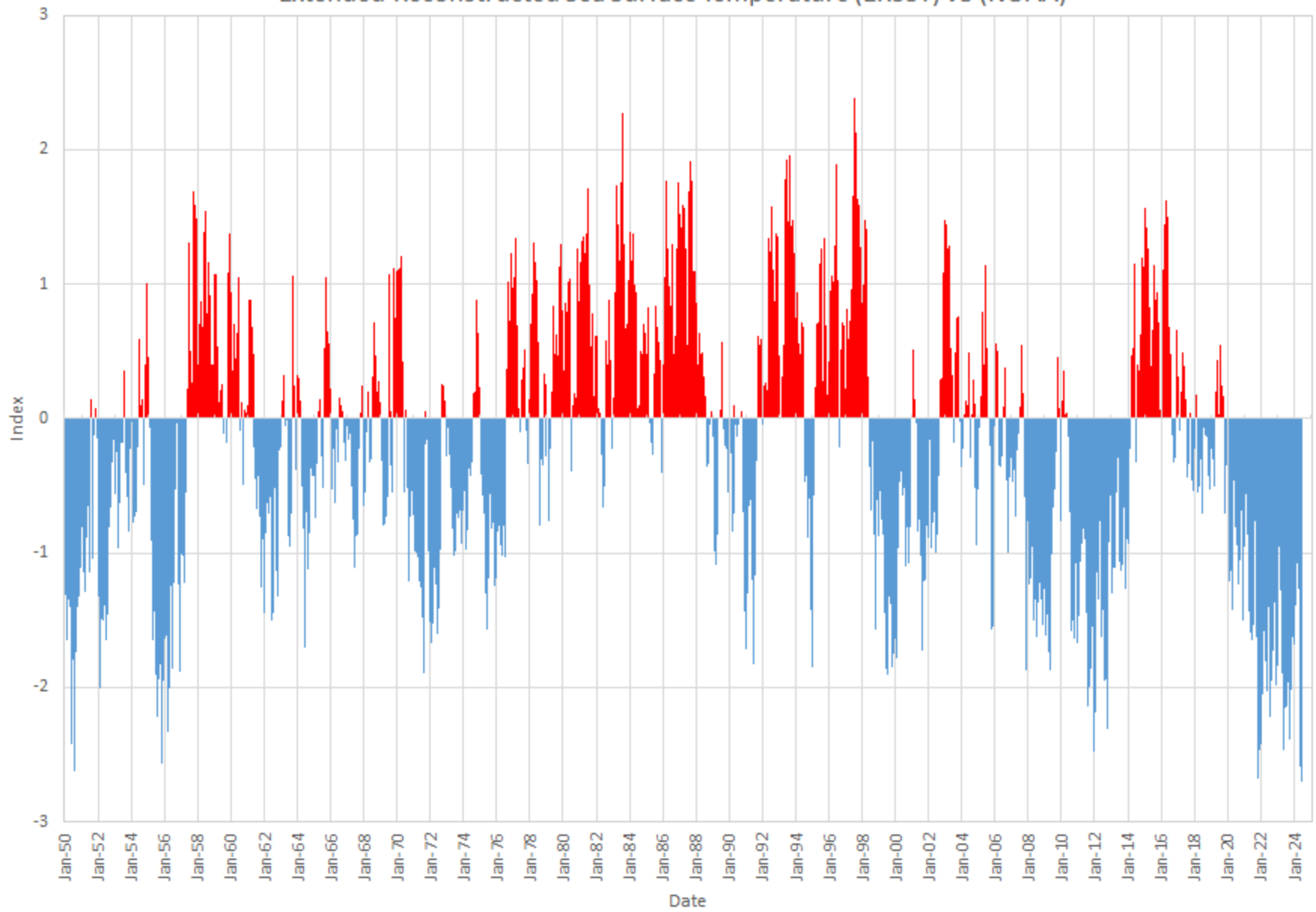
Figure provided by the International Research Institute (IRI) for Climate and Society (updated 19 July 2024).

Warm Water Volume (5°N–5°S, 120°E–80°W) and NINO 3.4 SST Anomaly

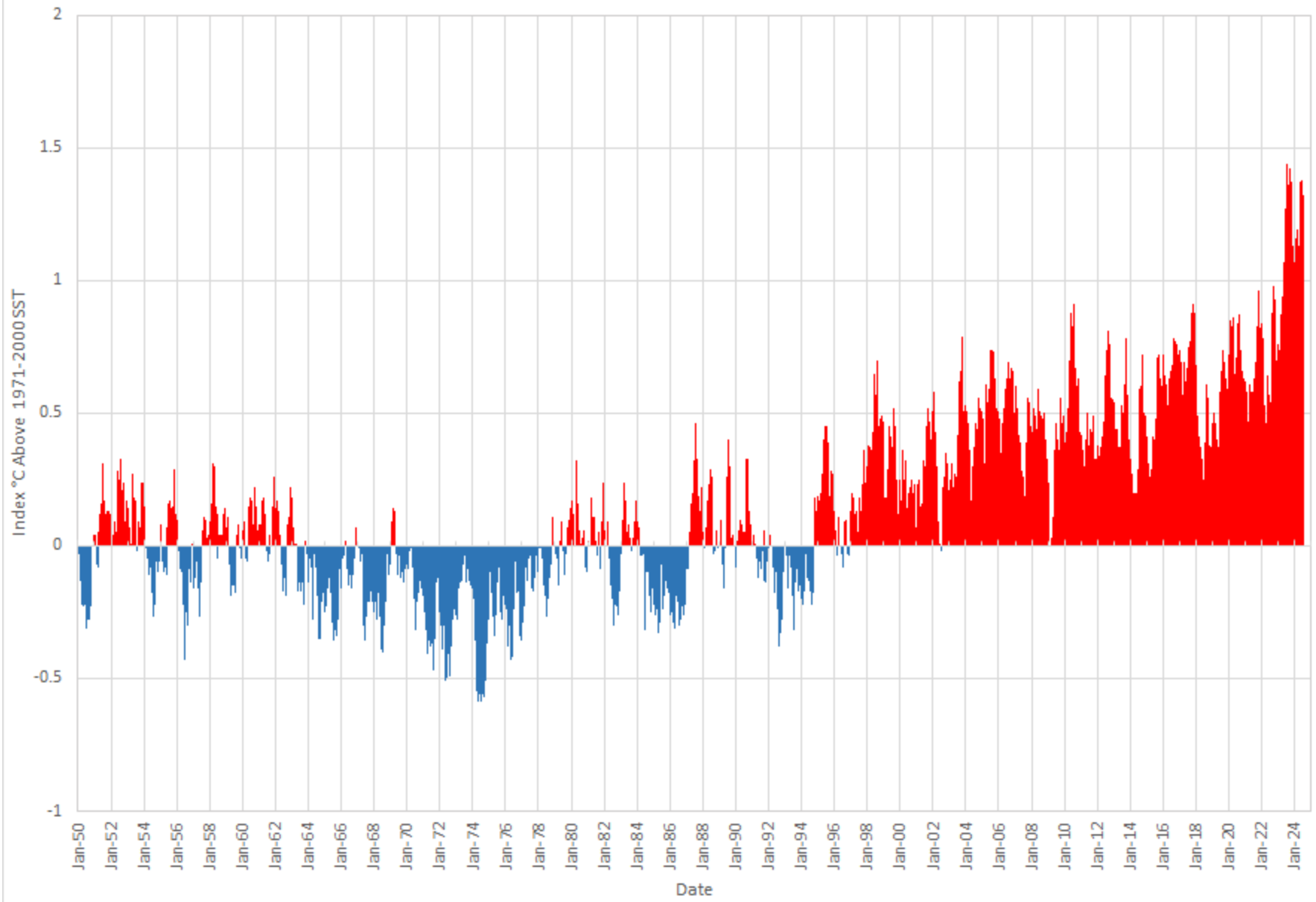


Pacific Decadal Oscillation

Extended Reconstructed Sea Surface Temperature (ERSST) v5 (NOAA)



ERSST AMO (North Atlantic 0-60N SSTA) Index

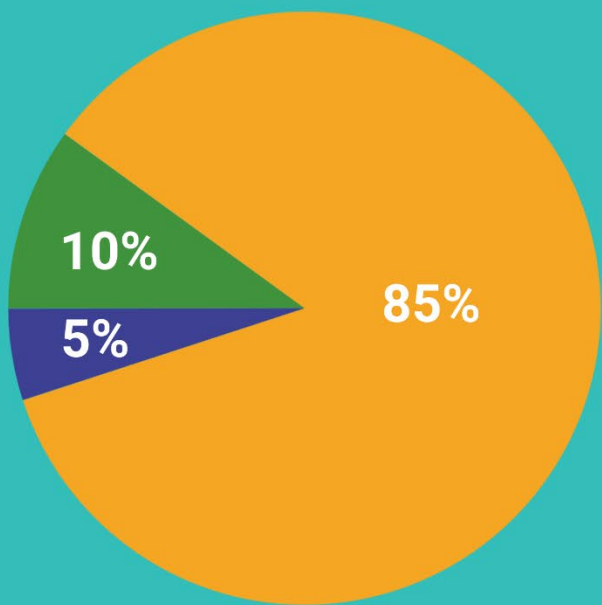


2024 Tropical Outlook





2024 Atlantic Hurricane Season Outlook



■ Above normal ■ Near normal ■ Below normal

Season probability

Named storms

17 - 25

Hurricanes

8 - 13

Major hurricanes

4 - 7

Be prepared: Visit hurricanes.gov and follow @NWS and @NHC_Atlantic on X.

May 2024

Source: National Hurricane Center

ATLANTIC BASIN SEASONAL HURRICANE FORECAST FOR 2024

Forecast Parameter and 1991-2020 Average (in parentheses)	Issue Date 4 April 2024	Issue Date 11 June 2024	Issue Date 9 July 2024	Issue Date 6 August 2024	Observed Thru 5 August 2024	Remainder of Season Forecast
Named Storms (NS) (14.4)	23	23	25	23*	4	19
Named Storm Days (NSD) (69.4)	115	115	120	120	14	106
Hurricanes (H) (7.2)	11	11	12	12	2	10
Hurricane Days (HD) (27.0)	45	45	50	50	6.75	43.25
Major Hurricanes (MH) (3.2)	5	5	6	6	1	5
Major Hurricane Days (MHD) (7.4)	13	13	16	16	4.50	11.50
Accumulated Cyclone Energy (ACE) (123)	210	210	230	230	39	191
ACE West of 60°W (73)	125	125	140	140	32	108
Net Tropical Cyclone Activity (NTC) (135%)	220	220	240	240	43	197

*Total forecast includes Alberto, Beryl, Chris and Debby.

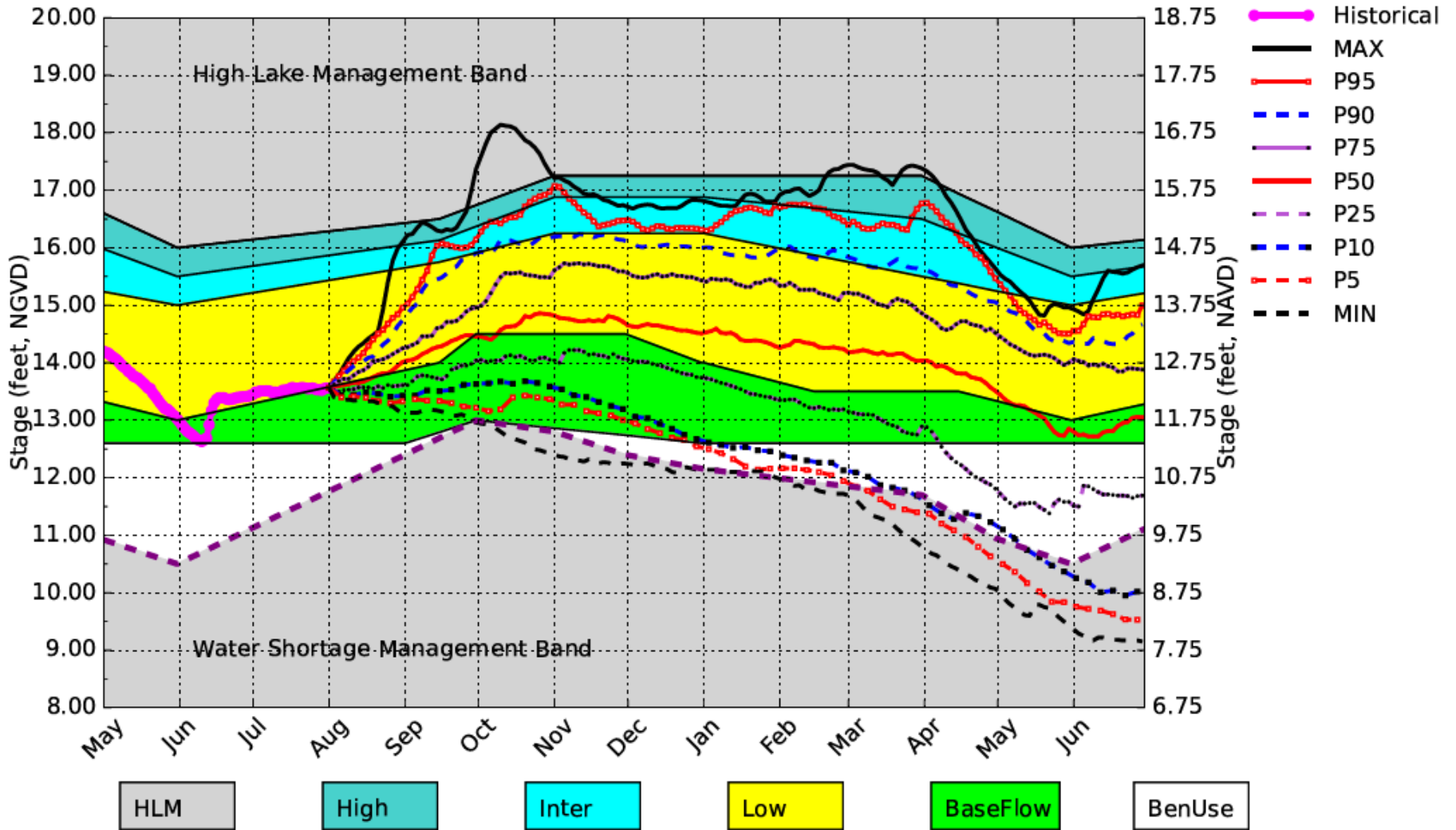
- Extremely active season, slight decrease in named storms
- Anticipation of cool neutral ENSO or La Niña during the peak of the Atlantic hurricane season, resulting in reduced levels of tropical Atlantic vertical wind shear
- Sea surface temperatures averaged across the hurricane Main Development Region of the tropical Atlantic and Caribbean remain near record warm levels
- Forecast is of above-normal confidence

August 2024 DPA Assumptions

- The August 1, 2024 Dynamic Position Analysis (DPA) simulation is based on historical climatic conditions spanning the period 1965-2016. This DPA posting is made with the South Florida Water Management Model (SFWMM) v7.3.3.
- The August 1, 2024 DPA resets the initial stages for Lake Okeechobee (LOK) and the Water Conservation Areas (WCAs) on July 1st of each year of the DPA simulation and conditions the simulation to real time data during July to achieve real time stages on August 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.
- **Full LORS 2008 releases are modeled as specified in the regulation schedule.**

Lake Okeechobee SFWMM August 2024 Position Analysis

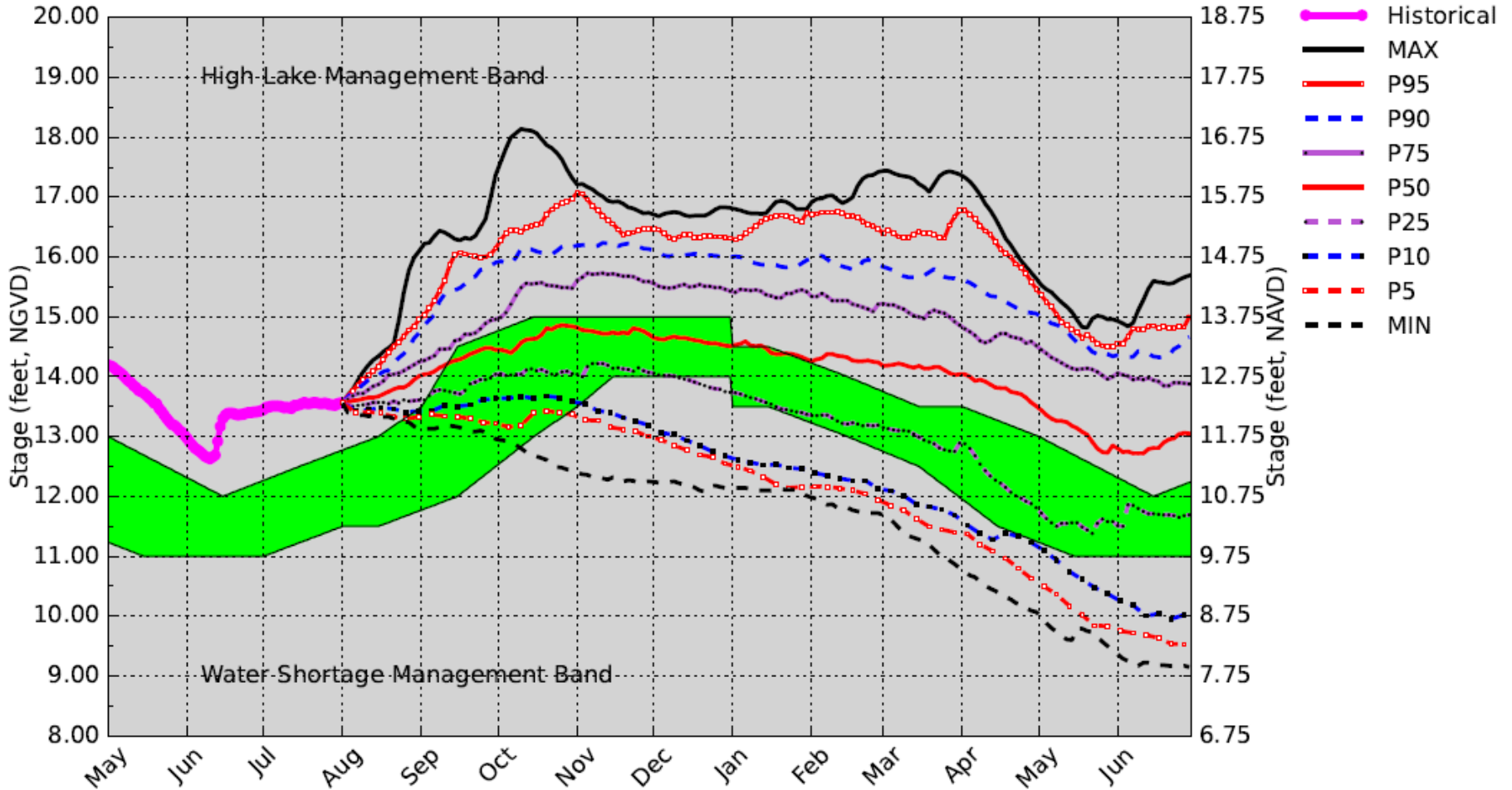
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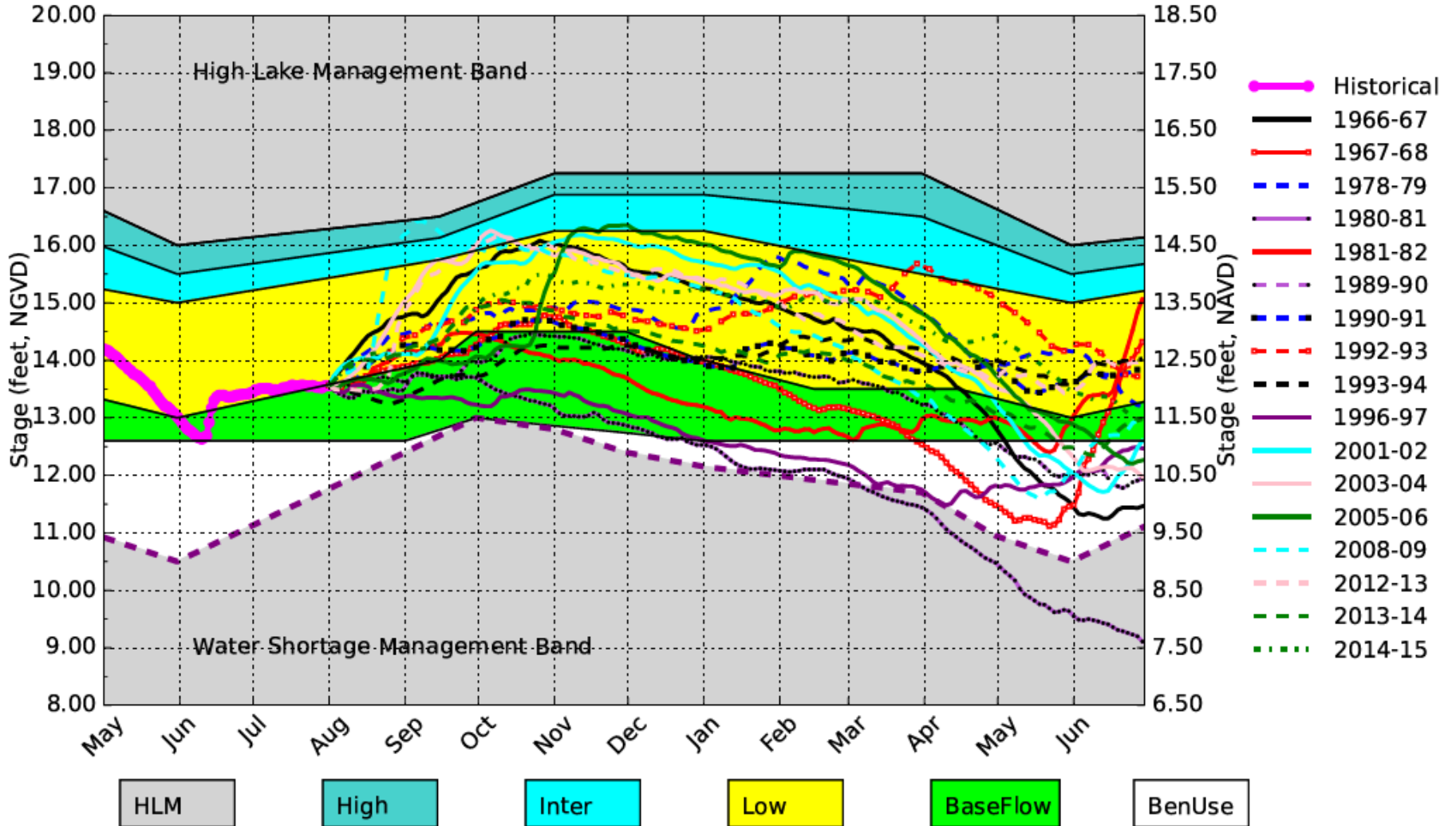
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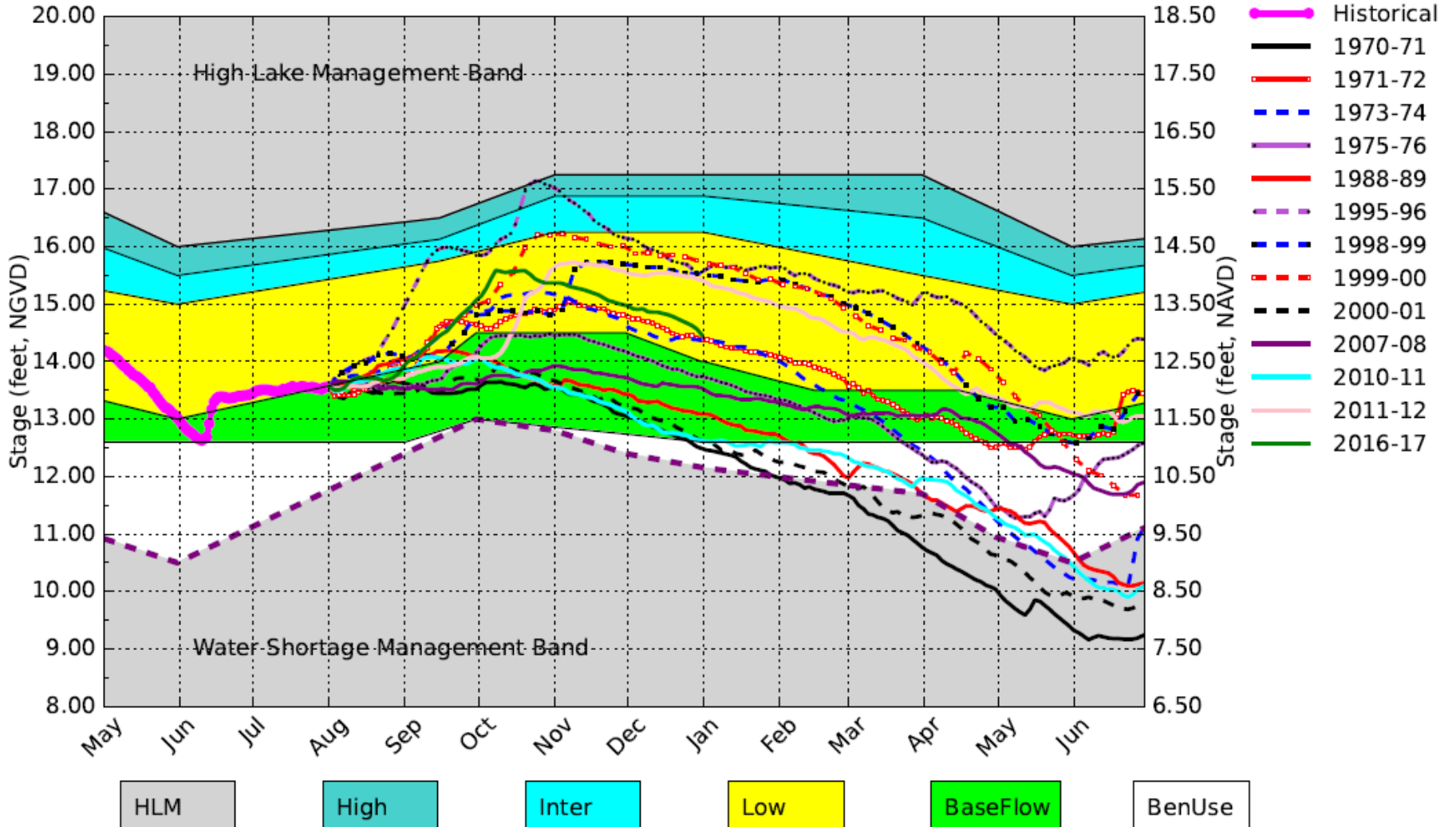
All ENSO Neutral Years Plot PA



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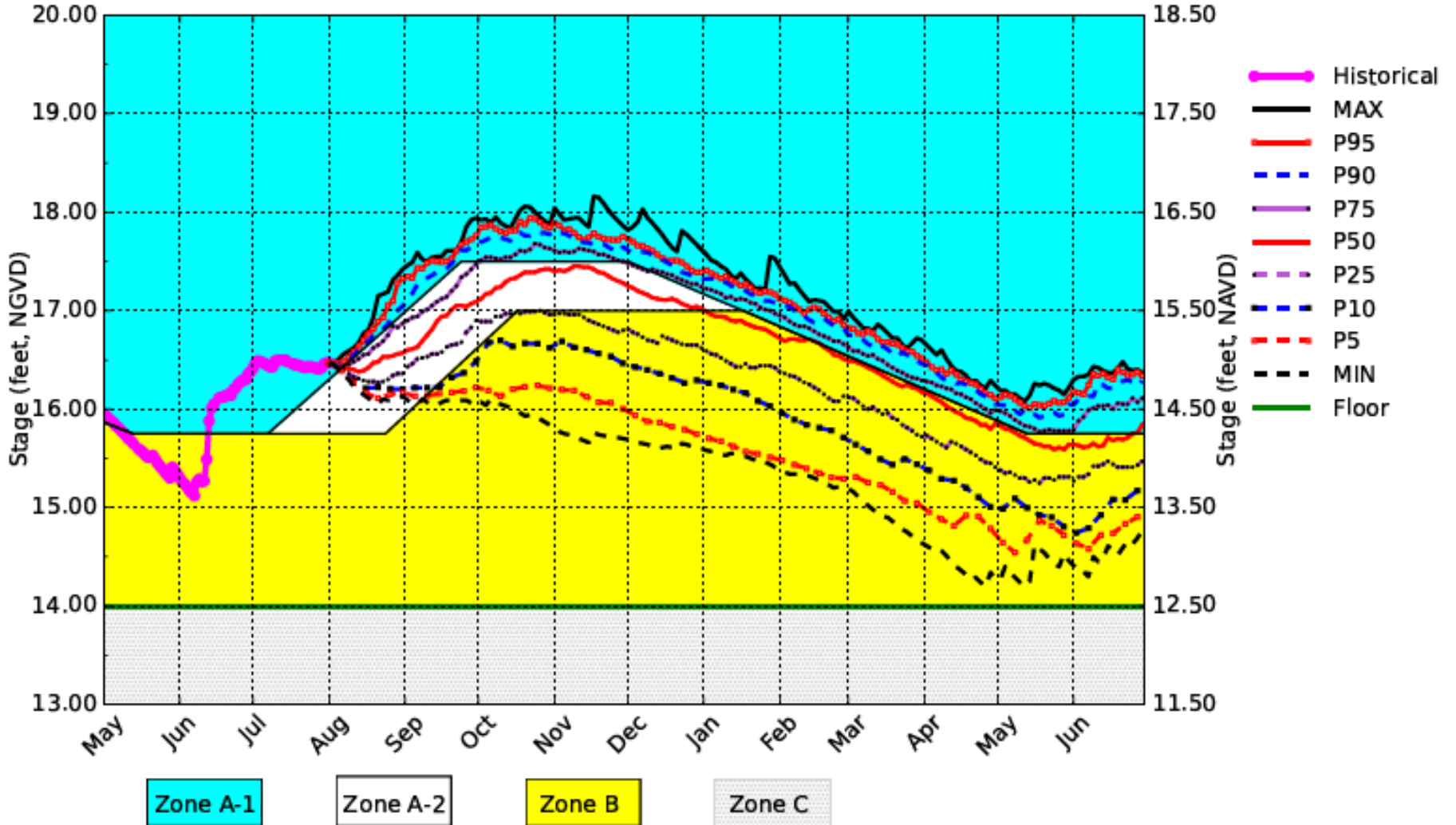
All La Nina Years Plot PA



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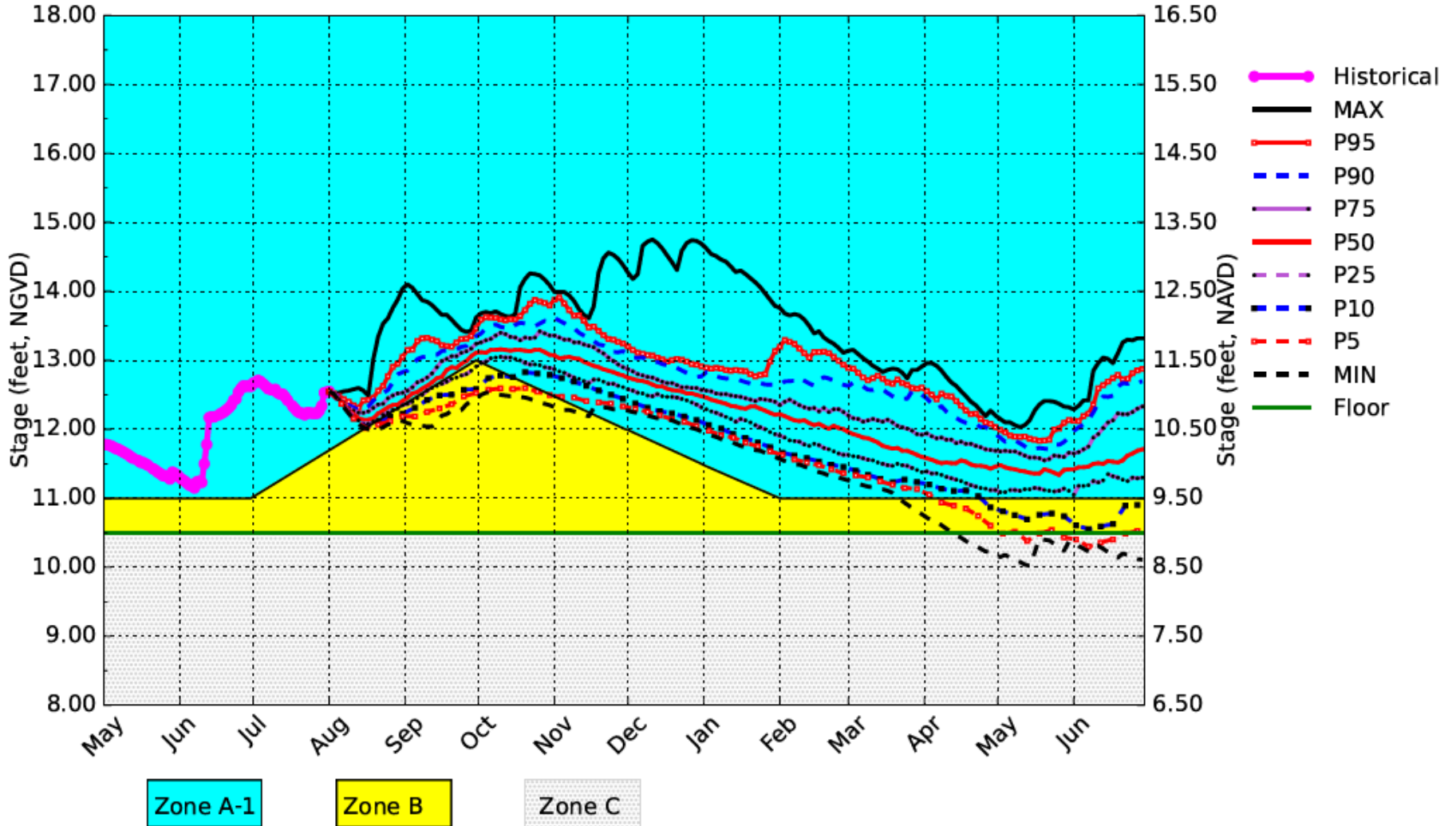
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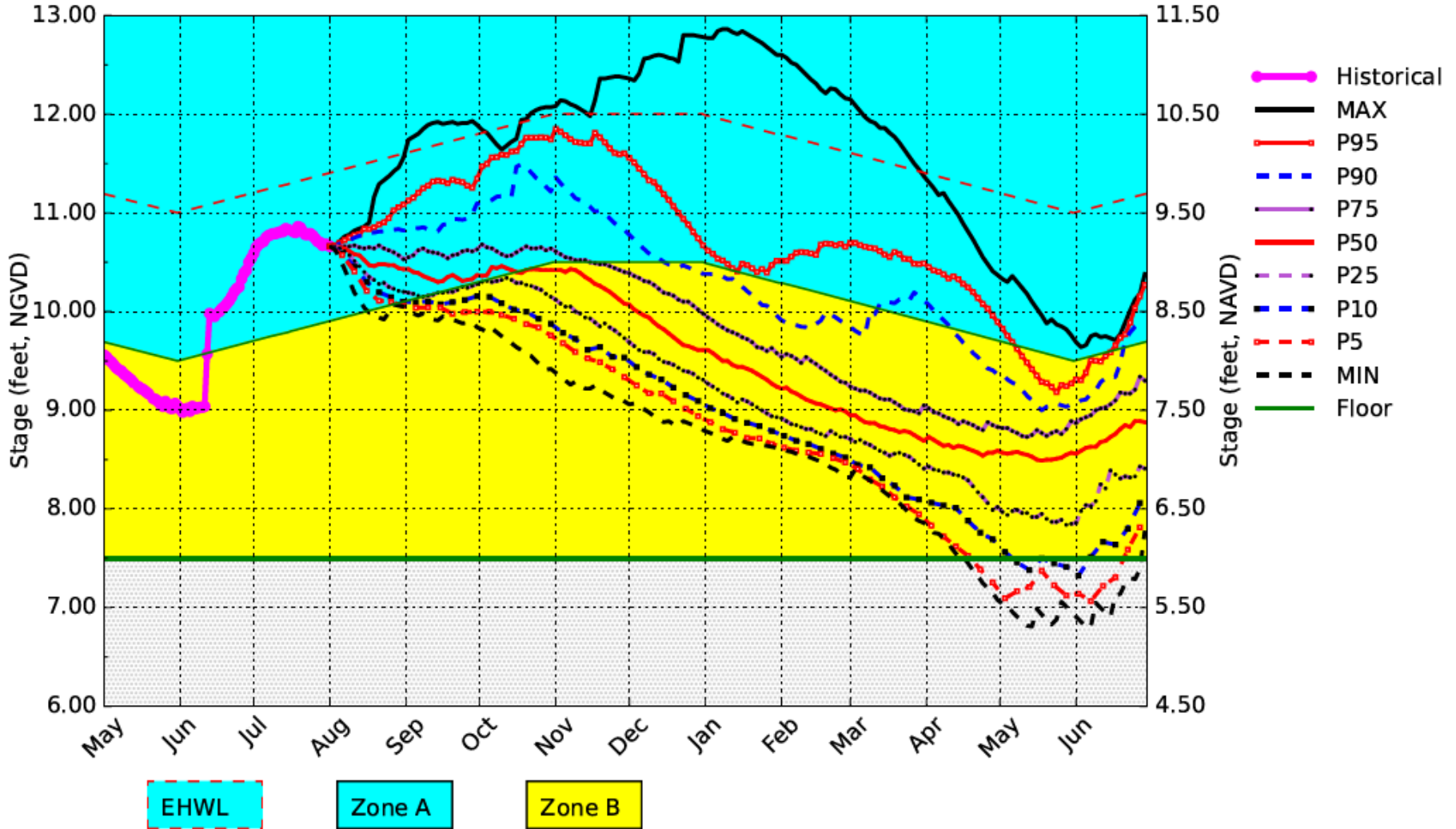
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WCA3A SFWMM August 2024 Position Analysis

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