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NASA-TERRA SATELLITE IMAGE SHOWING HURRICANE JULIO NORTH OF THE HAWAIIAN ISLANDS AT 2040 UTC 10 AUGUST 2014.

Julio was a category 3 hurricane (on the Saffir-Simpson Hurricane Wind Scale) that remained over the open eastern and central North Pacific Ocean basins during its lifetime.

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SYNOPTIC HISTORY

Julio formed from a tropical wave that moved off of the west coast of Africa on 20 July. The wave produced only sporadic convection as it traversed quickly westward across the tropical Atlantic before it emerged over the eastern North Pacific Ocean on 28 July. On 31 July, a broad area of low pressure formed along the wave axis several hundred n mi south-southeast of Manzanillo, Mexico, accompanied by the development of deep convection. Over the next five days, associated convection steadily increased and the circulation became better defined while the disturbance moved west-northwestward, remaining well offshore of and paralleling the southwestern coast of Mexico. By 0000 UTC 4 August, deep convection had become sufficiently organized for the system to be designated as a tropical depression when it was located about 680 n mi south-southwest of the southern tip of Baja California Sur, Mexico. The depression turned westward and became a tropical storm 6 h later. The "best track" chart of the tropical cyclone's path is given in Fig. 1, with the wind and pressure histories shown in Figs. 2 and 3, respectively. The best track positions and intensities are listed in Table 1².

Julio moved west-northwestward at about 15 kt for the next four days around the southwestern periphery of an expansive deep-layer subtropical high that extended from Mexico and the southwestern United States westward across the eastern North Pacific to north of the Hawaiian Islands. The cyclone steadily intensified over relatively warm waters and in an environment characterized by light northeasterly vertical wind shear. Julio became a hurricane two days later around 0600 UTC 6 August and reached its peak intensity of 105 kt two days after that near 0600 UTC 8 August, just prior to the cyclone reaching 140° W longitude. Although sea-surface temperatures at the time of peak intensity were only 25°-26° C, the 850-200 mb vertical wind shear was quite low at less than 5 kt. Radar data from an overpass by the NASA Tropical Rainfall Measuring Mission (TRMM) polar-orbiting satellite indicated deep convection with echo tops to near 15 km in the well-developed eyewall (Figs. 4 a, b).

Shortly after Julio crossed 140° W and moved into the Central Pacific basin, the hurricane began to weaken despite the favorable vertical shear conditions. A possible contributor to the rapid weakening between 0600 UTC 8 August and 0600 UTC 9 August was sea-surface temperatures beneath the cyclone decreasing by nearly 3° C as a result of cold upwelling (Figure 5). An Air Force Reserve Unit reconnaissance aircraft, which had been

² A digital record of the complete best track, including wind radii, can be found on line at <u>ftp://ftp.nhc.noaa.gov/atcf</u>. Data for the current year's storms are located in the *btk* directory, while previous years' data are located in the *archive* directory.



deployed to Honolulu to reconnoiter Hurricane Iselle just a few days earlier, conducted investigative missions into Julio on 9 and 10 August, and confirmed the weakening trend that had been indicated by satellite intensity estimates. Southwesterly vertical wind shear began to increase sharply on 10 August as the cyclone turned toward the northwest, causing Julio to weaken to a tropical storm by 0000 UTC 12 August, with the intensity leveling off at 55 kt about 12 h later.

By late on 12 August, the shear abated while Julio was moving back over warmer water, and the cyclone began a 24-h period of re-strengthening. Julio regained hurricane status early on 13 August, reaching a secondary peak intensity of 70 kt about 18 h later when it was located 450 n mi north of the Hawaiian Islands. Almost immediately after reaching this second peak intensity, the cyclone moved into unfavorable environmental conditions characterized by very dry mid-level air and strong upper-level southwesterly winds. As the vertical wind shear increased to more than 25 kt, Julio began to rapidly weaken while it meandered slowly northward, becoming a tropical storm early on 14 August and a tropical depression by 1200 UTC 15 August. Julio degenerated into a remnant low pressure system 6 h later and dissipated by 1200 UTC 18 August when it was located more than 1000 n mi north of the Hawaiian Islands.

METEOROLOGICAL STATISTICS

Observations in Julio (Figs. 2 and 3) include subjective satellite-based Dvorak technique intensity estimates from the Tropical Analysis and Forecast Branch (TAFB), the Satellite Analysis Branch (SAB), the Central Pacific Hurricane Center (CPHC), and the U.S. Joint Typhoon Warning Center (JTWC), plus objective Advanced Dvorak Technique (ADT) estimates from the Cooperative Institute for Meteorological Satellite Studies/University of Wisconsin-Madison (UW-CIMSS). Observations also include flight-level, stepped frequency microwave radiometer (SFMR), and dropwindsonde observations from flights of the 53rd Weather Reconnaissance Squadron (53WRS) of the U.S. Air Force Reserve Command. Data and imagery from NOAA polar-orbiting satellites including the Advanced Microwave Sounding Unit (AMSU), the NASA Tropical Rainfall Measuring Mission (TRMM), the European Space Agency's Advanced Scatterometer (ASCAT), and Defense Meteorological Satellite Program (DMSP) satellites, among others, were also useful in constructing the best track of Julio.

There were no ship or buoy reports of tropical-storm-force winds associated with Julio.

Winds and Pressure

Julio's estimated peak intensity of 105 kt at 0600 UTC 8 August is based on a blend of satellite intensity estimates of T6.0/115 kt from TAFB, T5.7/107 kt from UW-CIMSS ADT, and T5.5/102 kt from SAB. The minimum pressure of 960 mb at 0600 UTC 8 August is based on the Knaff-Zehr-Courtney (KZC) pressure-wind relationship for an intensity of 105 kt.

The 53WRS conducted two reconnaissance missions into Hurricane Julio at the 700 mb level when the cyclone was located to the east and northeast of the Hawaiian Islands on 9 and 10 August, respectively. Those missions resulted in eleven center fixes. Maximum flight-level



winds of 95 kt and 101 kt were observed at 1902 UTC 9 August and 0518 UTC UTC 10 August, respectively. The strongest SFMR surface wind measured during either mission was 81 kt at 2105 UTC 9 August. The strongest surface wind measured by a dropwindsonde in the eyewall was 73 kt at 0630 UTC 9 August.

The lowest pressure measured in the eye of Julio by a dropwindsonde was 977 mb at 0455 UTC 9 August. However, the dropwindsonde also reported a surface wind of 15 kt, so the minimum central pressure at that time is estimated to be 976 mb.

CASUALTY AND DAMAGE STATISTICS

There were no reports of damage or casualties associated with Julio. The cyclone passed about 350 n mi northeast of the main Hawaiian Islands on 10-11 August, keeping the associated moisture and heavy rainfall well northeast and north of the state. High surf advisories and warnings were issued by WFO Honolulu, and large swells generated by Julio affected east-facing shores of the Hawaiian Islands with high surf on 10-11 August.

On 10 August, an Air Force Reserve Unit reconnaissance aircraft and crew from the 53rd Weather Reconnaissance Squadron participated in a search and rescue effort for a disabled 42-foot sailboat caught in the path of Julio to the northeast of the Hawaiian Islands. All three persons on board the sailboat were later rescued by a container ship that diverted to the scene.

FORECAST AND WARNING CRITIQUE

The genesis of Julio was well forecast (Table 2). An area of disturbed weather was introduced into the NHC Tropical Weather Outlook (TWO) with a 20% (low) chance of formation in five days at 1800 UTC 30 July, 102 h prior to genesis. The system was assessed as having a medium chance (30%-50%) of development more than three days before genesis occurred, with a high chance (\geq 60%) of development indicated more than two days in advance. The 48-h genesis probability was increased to the high-chance category 48 h before tropical cyclone formation occurred.

A verification of NHC official track forecasts (OFCL) for Julio is given in Table 3a. Official forecast track errors were lower than the mean official errors for the previous 5-yr period through 48 h, and were greater than the 5-yr average track errors at 72, 96, and 120 h. A homogeneous comparison of the official track errors with selected guidance models is given in Table 3b. Although OFCL track forecasts were better than the majority of the available model guidance at nearly all forecast times, several models such as the EMXI, GFSI, AEMI, FSSE, and TVCE significantly outperformed the NHC official track forecasts.



A verification of NHC official intensity forecasts for Julio is given in Table 4a. In general, official intensity forecast (OFCL) errors were near to slightly above the mean official errors for the previous 5-yr period, except at 120 h where the OFCL errors were almost 30% better than average. A homogeneous comparison of the official intensity errors with selected guidance models is given in Table 4b. In contrast to the track forecasts, the NHC official intensity forecasts outperformed most of the available intensity forecast guidance at all forecast times. The exception was in the 72-120 h periods where the OFCL forecasts were bettered by the HWFI, GFDI, and GHMI regional models, and also the two consensus models ICON and IVCN.

A verification of CPHC official track forecasts for Julio is given in Table 5a. Official forecast track errors were lower than the mean official errors for the previous 5-yr period at all forecast times through 120 h. A homogeneous comparison of the official track errors with selected guidance models is given in Table 5b. The official track forecast errors were lower than all individual model errors through 24 h, but were higher than the GFSI and EMXI errors at 48 h, and were higher than the majority of the model suite (with the notable exception of the EGRI) at 96 h and 120 h. The TVCE consensus outperformed the official track forecast at all forecast times.

A verification of CPHC official intensity forecasts for Julio is given in Table 6a. Official forecast intensity errors were lower than the mean official errors for the previous 5-yr period at all forecast times through 120 h. The official intensity errors were less than 10 kt at all forecast times, and were more than 50% better than the previous 5-yr average for 48 h through 120 h. A homogeneous comparison of the official intensity errors with selected guidance models is given in Table 6b. The official intensity errors were lower than all available model guidance through 36 h, however the HWRF intensity errors were lower than the official forecast beginning at 48 h, and the LGEM and IVCN intensity errors were also lower than the official forecast for 72 h through 120 h.

No tropical cyclone watches or warnings were required with Julio.



| Date/Time (UTC) | Latitude (°N) | Longitude (°W) | Pressure (mb) | Wind Speed (kt) | Stage |
|--------------------|------------------|-------------------|------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| 02 / 0000 | 12.5 | 111.2 | 1008 | 25 | low |
| 02 / 0600 | 12.5 | 111.2 | 1008 | 25 | " |
| 02 / 1200 | 13.2 | 111.9 | 1008 | 25 | " |
| 02 / 1800 | 13.4 | 112.5 | 1008 | 25 | " |
| 03 / 0000 | 13.7 | 113.2 | 1008 | 25 | " |
| 03 / 0600 | 13.8 | 114.0 | 1008 | 25 | " |
| 03 / 1200 | 13.8 | 114.8 | 1008 | 25 | " |
| 03 / 1800 | 13.7 | 115.6 | 1007 | 25 | II |
| 04 / 0000 | 13.5 | 116.6 | 1006 | 30 | tropical depression |
| 04 / 0600 | 13.5 | 117.7 | 1005 | 35 | tropical storm |
| 04 / 1200 | 13.5 | 119.2 | 1004 | 40 | " |
| 04 / 1800 | 13.5 | 120.7 | 1002 | 45 | II |
| 05 / 0000 | 13.5 | 121.9 | 1000 | 50 | II |
| 05 / 0600 | 13.6 | 123.0 | 1000 | 50 | Ш |
| 05 / 1200 | 13.8 | 124.0 | 1000 | 50 | II |
| 05 / 1800 | 14.0 | 125.3 | 997 | 55 | II |
| 06 / 0000 | 14.3 | 126.8 | 993 | 60 | II |
| 06 / 0600 | 14.7 | 128.2 | 989 | 65 | hurricane |
| 06 / 1200 | 15.1 | 129.7 | 985 | 70 | II |
| 06 / 1800 | 15.6 | 131.1 | 981 | 75 | II |
| 07 / 0000 | 16.2 | 132.5 | 979 | 80 | II |
| 07 / 0600 | 16.6 | 134.1 | 975 | 85 | II |
| 07 / 1200 | 16.8 | 135.6 | 971 | 90 | II |
| 07 / 1800 | 17.0 | 137.0 | 966 | 95 | II |
| 08 / 0000 | 17.3 | 138.4 | 963 | 100 | II |
| 08 / 0600 | 17.6 | 139.8 | 960 | 105 | II |
| 08 / 1200 | 17.9 | 141.2 | 964 | 100 | II |
| 08 / 1200 | 17.9 | 141.2 | 964 | 100 | II |
| 08 / 1800 | 18.3 | 142.6 | 968 | 95 | II |
| 09 / 0000 | 18.7 | 144.0 | 972 | 90 | II |
| 09 / 0600 | 19.2 | 145.4 | 976 | 85 | II |
| 09 / 1200 | 19.9 | 146.8 | 978 | 85 | II |
| 09 / 1800 | 20.7 | 148.2 | 980 | 85 | II |
| 10 / 0000 | 21.4 | 149.6 | 981 | 80 | II |
| 10 / 0600 | 22.2 | 150.7 | 982 | 80 | " |
| 10 / 1200 | 23.1 | 151.7 | 983 | 80 | " |
| 10 / 1800 | 24.0 | 152.5 | 982 | 80 | " |
| 11 / 0000 | 24.9 | 153.3 | 984 | 75 | " |
| 11 / 0600 | 25.6 | 154.0 | 986 | 70 | " |
| 11 / 1200 | 26.3 | 154.7 | 988 | 65 | " |
| 11 / 1800 | 26.9 | 155.4 | 988 | 65 | " |
| 12 / 0000 | 27.4 | 156.0 | 990 | 60 | tropical storm |
| 12 / 0600 | 27.9 | 156.6 | 991 | 60 | " |

| 12 / 1200 | 28.2 | 156.9 | 994 | 55 | " |
|-----------|------|-------|------|-----|---------------------|
| 12 / 1800 | 28.6 | 157.3 | 994 | 55 | " |
| 13 / 0000 | 29.2 | 157.9 | 991 | 60 | " |
| 13 / 0600 | 29.7 | 158.4 | 987 | 65 | hurricane |
| 13 / 1200 | 30.1 | 158.9 | 985 | 65 | " |
| 13 / 1800 | 30.5 | 159.2 | 983 | 70 | " |
| 14 / 0000 | 30.8 | 159.2 | 986 | 65 | " |
| 14 / 0600 | 31.1 | 158.9 | 989 | 60 | tropical storm |
| 14 / 1200 | 31.3 | 158.4 | 993 | 55 | " |
| 14 / 1800 | 31.5 | 158.0 | 996 | 50 | " |
| 15 / 0000 | 31.8 | 157.6 | 999 | 45 | " |
| 15 / 0600 | 32.1 | 157.5 | 1002 | 40 | II |
| 15 / 1200 | 32.3 | 157.5 | 1005 | 30 | tropical depression |
| 15 / 1800 | 32.5 | 157.6 | 1007 | 30 | low |
| 16 / 0000 | 32.8 | 157.8 | 1008 | 30 | " |
| 16 / 0600 | 33.1 | 158.2 | 1009 | 30 | " |
| 16 / 1200 | 33.4 | 158.7 | 1010 | 30 | " |
| 16 / 1800 | 33.6 | 159.2 | 1011 | 25 | " |
| 17 / 0000 | 34.1 | 159.4 | 1012 | 25 | " |
| 17 / 0600 | 34.6 | 159.4 | 1013 | 25 | " |
| 17 / 1200 | 35.5 | 159.2 | 1014 | 25 | " |
| 17 / 1800 | 36.5 | 159.2 | 1014 | 20 | " |
| 18 / 0000 | 37.6 | 159.0 | 1014 | 20 | " |
| 18 / 0600 | 38.8 | 158.5 | 1014 | 20 | " |
| 18 / 1200 | | | | | dissipated |
| | | | | | minimum pressure |
| 08 / 0600 | 17.6 | 139.7 | 960 | 105 | and maximum |
| | | | | | intensity |



Table 2. Number of hours in advance of formation associated with the first NHC Tropical Weather Outlook forecast in the indicated likelihood category. Note that the timings for the "Low" category do not include forecasts of a 0% chance of genesis.

| | Hours Befo | ore Genesis |
|------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| | 48-Hour Outlook | 120-Hour Outlook |
| Low (<30%) | 72 | 102 |
| Medium (30%-50%) | 60 | 78 |
| High (>50%) | 48 | 66 |

Table 3a. NHC official (OFCL) and climatology-persistence skill baseline (OCD5) track forecast errors (n mi) for Julio. Mean errors for the previous 5-yr period are shown for comparison. Official errors that are smaller than the 5-yr means are shown in boldface type.

| | | Forecast Period (h) | | | | | | | |
|----------------|------|---------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--|--|
| | 12 | 24 | 36 | 48 | 72 | 96 | 120 | | |
| OFCL | 19.2 | 28.1 | 38.1 | 53.0 | 98.1 | 166.9 | 250.4 | | |
| OCD5 | 33.7 | 58.8 | 91.1 | 135.7 | 239.8 | 344.2 | 434.4 | | |
| Forecasts | 18 | 18 | 18 | 18 | 18 | 18 | 18 | | |
| OFCL (2009-13) | 25.7 | 41.4 | 55.0 | 68.6 | 97.8 | 134.2 | 167.1 | | |
| OCD5 (2009-13) | 37.2 | 74.8 | 118.0 | 162.5 | 249.4 | 332.6 | 413.3 | | |



Table 3b.Homogeneous comparison of selected track forecast guidance models (in n mi)
for Julio. Errors smaller than the NHC official forecast are shown in boldface
type. The number of official forecasts shown here will generally be smaller than
that shown in Table 3a due to the homogeneity requirement.

| MadaLID | | | Fore | ecast Period | d (h) | | |
|-----------|------|------|------|--------------|-------|-------|-------|
| Wodel ID | 12 | 24 | 36 | 48 | 72 | 96 | 120 |
| OFCL | 20.0 | 29.2 | 39.1 | 52.4 | 93.3 | 158.8 | 322.7 |
| OCD5 | 33.6 | 55.5 | 86.6 | 130.5 | 231.2 | 337.0 | 435.4 |
| GFSI | 23.7 | 34.4 | 38.3 | 44.0 | 78.6 | 130.0 | 262.1 |
| AEMI | 26.0 | 34.4 | 37.8 | 41.8 | 66.0 | 114.1 | 214.0 |
| GHMI | 22.2 | 38.7 | 50.7 | 67.5 | 123.1 | 198.1 | 415.6 |
| GFDI | 22.2 | 38.7 | 50.7 | 67.5 | 123.1 | 198.1 | 415.6 |
| HWFI | 24.7 | 33.6 | 49.2 | 65.7 | 100.0 | 150.8 | 311.2 |
| EGRI | 28.4 | 46.5 | 61.6 | 78.3 | 114.4 | 176.7 | 405.3 |
| EMXI | 17.4 | 18.7 | 20.0 | 31.6 | 74.2 | 145.3 | 272.0 |
| CMCI | 26.3 | 32.2 | 37.1 | 39.2 | 57.7 | 119.5 | 446.6 |
| TCON | 22.6 | 33.8 | 44.6 | 58.6 | 98.6 | 158.9 | 334.3 |
| TVCE | 19.8 | 29.6 | 37.9 | 50.8 | 92.4 | 155.9 | 320.1 |
| FSSE | 20.9 | 27.7 | 34.0 | 46.2 | 88.8 | 154.3 | 285.3 |
| BAMS | 32.0 | 53.9 | 79.9 | 104.2 | 161.1 | 238.5 | 375.6 |
| BAMM | 25.5 | 32.9 | 39.4 | 48.9 | 61.5 | 82.8 | 157.6 |
| BAMD | 20.1 | 22.3 | 37.1 | 52.8 | 86.0 | 112.7 | 112.9 |
| LBAR | 27.3 | 37.0 | 47.1 | 60.8 | 67.1 | 116.8 | 249.2 |
| Forecasts | 14 | 14 | 14 | 14 | 14 | 14 | 4 |



Table 4a.NHC official (OFCL) and climatology-persistence skill baseline (OCD5) intensity
forecast errors (kt) for Julio. Mean errors for the previous 5-yr period are shown
for comparison. Official errors that are smaller than the 5-yr means are shown in
boldface type.

| | | Forecast Period (h) | | | | | | | |
|----------------|-----|---------------------|------|------|------|------|------|--|--|
| | 12 | 24 | 36 | 48 | 72 | 96 | 120 | | |
| OFCL | 6.9 | 10.6 | 10.8 | 13.9 | 18.1 | 17.5 | 11.4 | | |
| OCD5 | 9.2 | 14.1 | 16.7 | 20.6 | 27.6 | 27.9 | 21.3 | | |
| Forecasts | 18 | 18 | 18 | 18 | 18 | 18 | 18 | | |
| OFCL (2009-13) | 6.1 | 10.4 | 13.4 | 14.5 | 15.0 | 16.4 | 16.1 | | |
| OCD5 (2009-13) | 7.7 | 12.7 | 16.4 | 18.8 | 20.5 | 20.3 | 20.8 | | |

Table 4b.Homogeneous comparison of selected intensity forecast guidance models (in kt)
for Julio. Errors smaller than the NHC official forecast are shown in boldface
type. The number of official forecasts shown here will generally be smaller than
that shown in Table 4a due to the homogeneity requirement.

| MadaLID | | | Fore | ecast Period | d (h) | | |
|-----------|------|------|------|--------------|-------|------|------|
| Model ID | 12 | 24 | 36 | 48 | 72 | 96 | 120 |
| OFCL | 7.2 | 10.6 | 12.2 | 15.6 | 19.4 | 18.1 | 11.6 |
| OCD5 | 9.7 | 14.8 | 18.6 | 22.2 | 28.4 | 27.5 | 20.6 |
| HWFI | 9.6 | 14.6 | 16.1 | 15.9 | 17.1 | 16.3 | 11.3 |
| GHMI | 13.6 | 17.8 | 20.6 | 22.1 | 21.8 | 15.1 | 10.6 |
| GFDI | 13.6 | 17.8 | 19.0 | 19.8 | 20.6 | 17.6 | 14.9 |
| DSHP | 7.9 | 12.4 | 15.8 | 17.8 | 19.4 | 18.1 | 14.2 |
| LGEM | 9.0 | 14.8 | 18.6 | 20.8 | 26.8 | 27.5 | 21.8 |
| ICON | 9.6 | 14.3 | 16.5 | 17.1 | 20.1 | 17.6 | 10.8 |
| IVCN | 9.6 | 14.3 | 16.5 | 17.1 | 20.1 | 17.6 | 10.8 |
| FSSE | 9.8 | 15.0 | 16.9 | 18.3 | 20.0 | 21.2 | 17.2 |
| GFSI | 9.9 | 14.3 | 16.1 | 17.3 | 19.9 | 21.4 | 16.3 |
| EMXI | 10.3 | 15.9 | 20.0 | 23.8 | 24.7 | 26.3 | 20.1 |
| Forecasts | 16 | 16 | 16 | 16 | 16 | 16 | 16 |



Table 5a. CPHC official (OFCL) and climatology-persistence skill baseline (OCD5) track forecast errors (n mi) for Julio. Mean errors for the previous 5-yr period are shown for comparison. Official errors that are smaller than the 5-yr means are shown in boldface type.

| | | Forecast Period (h) | | | | | | | |
|----------------|------|---------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--|--|
| | 12 | 24 | 36 | 48 | 72 | 96 | 120 | | |
| OFCL (CPHC) | 19.1 | 34.0 | 48.1 | 70.7 | 148.7 | 267.5 | 427.0 | | |
| OCD5 | 30.4 | 65.1 | 107.9 | 142.5 | 251.1 | 386.0 | 516.3 | | |
| Forecasts | 28 | 26 | 24 | 22 | 12 | 8 | 8 | | |
| OFCL (2009-13) | 35.0 | 60.3 | 89.0 | 124.8 | 234.7 | 346.5 | 451.7 | | |

Table 5b.Homogeneous comparison of selected track forecast guidance models (in n mi)
for Julio. Errors smaller than the CPHC official forecast are shown in boldface
type. The number of official forecasts shown here will generally be smaller than
that shown in Table 5a due to the homogeneity requirement.

| MadaLID | | | Fore | ecast Period | d (h) | | |
|-------------|------|------|------|--------------|-------|-------|-------|
| Model ID | 12 | 24 | 36 | 48 | 72 | 96 | 120 |
| OFCL (CPHC) | 17.5 | 31.4 | 43.9 | 67.1 | 144.3 | 283.0 | 449.3 |
| OCD5 | 27.6 | 57.8 | 99.4 | 136.2 | 241.7 | 378.8 | 500.8 |
| GFSI | 17.8 | 33.7 | 43.6 | 57.2 | 137.4 | 157.1 | 285.0 |
| AEMI | 20.7 | 42.3 | 58.4 | 84.1 | 158.8 | 167.8 | 233.2 |
| GHMI | 20.9 | 40.3 | 58.9 | 80.1 | 156.3 | 268.1 | 409.8 |
| HWFI | 19.3 | 34.6 | 46.1 | 59.0 | 123.4 | 147.2 | 226.4 |
| EGRI | 17.5 | 41.4 | 66.6 | 94.1 | 151.9 | 303.6 | 521.7 |
| EMXI | 14.7 | 32.0 | 47.5 | 67.0 | 122.8 | 241.1 | 432.6 |
| TCON | 16.7 | 33.1 | 45.7 | 63.0 | 125.4 | 181.8 | 277.7 |
| TVCE | 14.9 | 30.8 | 42.5 | 59.3 | 116.3 | 190.2 | 301.9 |
| BAMS | 26.0 | 52.8 | 88.3 | 125.6 | 224.3 | 350.9 | 438.4 |
| BAMM | 19.8 | 38.2 | 54.2 | 73.9 | 90.3 | 91.1 | 155.7 |
| BAMD | 37.4 | 69.2 | 92.0 | 110.7 | 100.1 | 145.1 | 250.3 |
| Forecasts | 21 | 19 | 17 | 16 | 9 | 6 | 6 |



Table 6a.CPC official (OFCL) and climatology-persistence skill baseline (OCD5) intensity
forecast errors (kt) for Julio. Mean errors for the previous 5-yr period are shown
for comparison. Official errors that are smaller than the 5-yr means are shown in
boldface type.

| | | Forecast Period (h) | | | | | | | |
|----------------|-----|---------------------|------|------|------|------|------|--|--|
| | 12 | 24 | 36 | 48 | 72 | 96 | 120 | | |
| OFCL (CPHC) | 2.7 | 4.8 | 5.2 | 6.1 | 7.9 | 9.4 | 9.4 | | |
| OCD5 | 8.1 | 12.4 | 19.2 | 16.3 | 36.0 | 37.3 | 30.5 | | |
| Forecasts | 28 | 26 | 24 | 22 | 12 | 8 | 8 | | |
| OFCL (2009-13) | 4.8 | 8.5 | 11.3 | 13.6 | 22.2 | 26.0 | 27.9 | | |

Table 6b.Homogeneous comparison of selected intensity forecast guidance models (in kt)
for Julio. Errors smaller than the CPHC official forecast are shown in boldface
type. The number of official forecasts shown here will generally be smaller than
that shown in Table 6a due to the homogeneity requirement.

| MadaluD | | | For | ecast Period | d (h) | | |
|-------------|-----|------|------|--------------|-------|------|------|
| Wodel ID | 12 | 24 | 36 | 48 | 72 | 96 | 120 |
| OFCL (CPHC) | 2.7 | 4.8 | 5.2 | 6.1 | 7.9 | 9.4 | 9.4 |
| OCD5 | 8.1 | 12.4 | 19.2 | 16.3 | 36.0 | 37.3 | 30.5 |
| HWFI | 4.2 | 5.1 | 5.2 | 5.7 | 4.5 | 7.1 | 8.0 |
| GHMI | 5.7 | 6.2 | 7.5 | 6.9 | 4.7 | 10.3 | 11.1 |
| GFDI | 5.7 | 6.2 | 6.5 | 7.2 | 7.8 | 12.6 | 18.0 |
| DSHP | 4.9 | 7.3 | 9.4 | 10.1 | 12.1 | 18.4 | 24.0 |
| LGEM | 4.4 | 6.4 | 8.0 | 8.2 | 7.3 | 8.8 | 8.1 |
| ICON | 4.3 | 5.5 | 6.7 | 6.8 | 5.5 | 6.9 | 6.4 |
| IVCN | 4.3 | 5.5 | 6.7 | 6.8 | 5.5 | 6.9 | 6.4 |
| GFSI | 4.3 | 6.1 | 7.5 | 8.5 | 15.2 | 15.3 | 15.5 |
| Forecasts | 28 | 26 | 24 | 22 | 12 | 8 | 8 |





Figure 1. Best track positions for Hurricane Julio, 4-15 August 2014. Track east of 140^o W longitude was prepared by the NHC and the track west of 140^o W longitude was prepared by the CPHC.





Figure 2. Selected wind observations and best track maximum sustained surface wind speed curve for Hurricane Julio, 4-15 August 2014. Aircraft observations have been adjusted for elevation using a 90% adjustment factor for observations from 700 mb. Dropwindsonde observations include actual 10 m winds (sfc), as well as surface estimates derived from the mean wind over the lowest 150 m of the wind sounding (LLM). Advanced Dvorak Technique estimates represent the Current Intensity at the nominal observation time. AMSU intensity estimates are from the Cooperative Institute for Meteorological Satellite Studies technique. Dashed vertical lines correspond to 0000 UTC. Best track data after 0600 UTC 8 August were produced by the Central Pacific Hurricane Center.





Figure 3. Selected pressure observations and best track minimum central pressure curve for Hurricane Julio, 4-15 August 2014. Advanced Dvorak Technique estimates represent the Current Intensity at the nominal observation time. AMSU intensity estimates are from the Cooperative Institute for Meteorological Satellite Studies technique. KZC P-W refers to pressure estimates derived using the Knaff-Zehr-Courtney pressure-wind relationship. Dashed vertical lines correspond to 0000 UTC. Best track data after 0600 UTC 8 August were produced by the Central Pacific Hurricane Center.





Figure 4a. NASA-TRMM satellite two-dimensional microwave data depiction of Julio at 0017 UTC 8 August overlaid onto GOES-W satellite imagery when the cyclone was a major hurricane, located just east of 140^o W longitude. (Image courtesy of NASA)



| 8/8/2014 0017Z TRMM Precipitation Radar 15dBZ Isosurface (Over 0030Z GOES-WEST Visible/Infrared) | |
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Figure 4b. NASA-TRMM three-dimensional depiction of Hurricane Julio using Precipitation Radar (PR) radar data that corresponds with Figure 4a. Strong convection (orange colors) was occurring in the northern eyewall of the cyclone. (Image courtesy of NASA)





Figure 5. Sea-surface temperature analyses at 1200 UTC for 01 August (top), 08 August (middle), and 15 August 2014 (bottom) with the track of Hurricane Julio superimposed (dotted line). Images courtesy Remote Sensing Systems, San Jose, CA.