Announcement

THERMAL STRESS CONDITIONS IN THE CARIBBEAN ARE PREDICTED TO BE BELOW BLEACHING LEVELS IN THE COMING WEEKS

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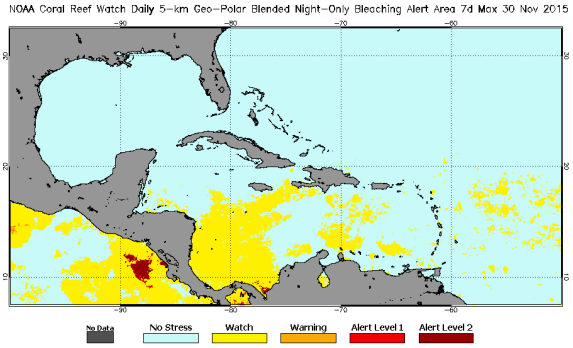
CARIBBEAN CORAL REEF WATCH

Notable Observations

- El Niño conditions are present. Positive equatorial sea surface temperature (SST) anomalies continue across most of the Pacific Ocean. Read more.....
- Bleaching watch issued for the ABC Islands, Barbuda, Jamaica and Southern Hispaniola.
- Reports of bleaching and disease outbreaks in Florida and Cuba. Partial bleaching signs observed in The Bahamas, Barbados, Dominican Republic, Haiti, Mona Island, Puerto Rico, St. Vincent and Turks & Caicos Islands. Read more.....



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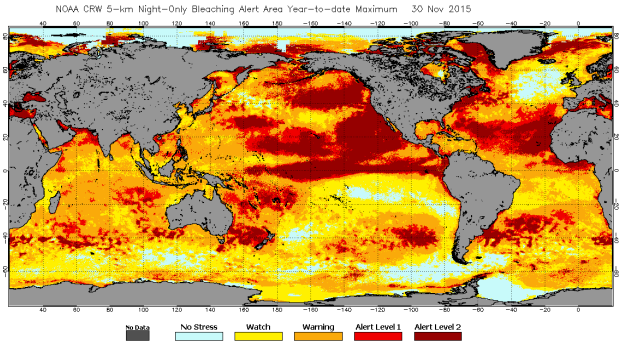
Current Global Conditions

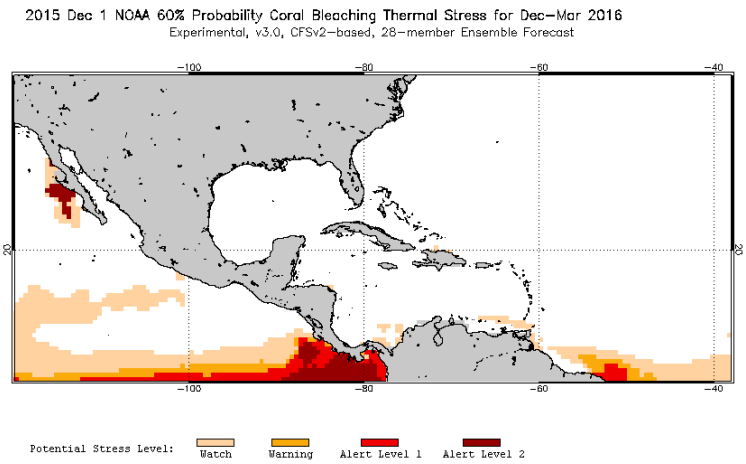
- High thermal stress and bleaching in the central equatorial Pacific, especially in Kiribati. Extensive coral bleaching has been reported in the Pacific, Red Sea and throughout the main Hawaiian Islands.



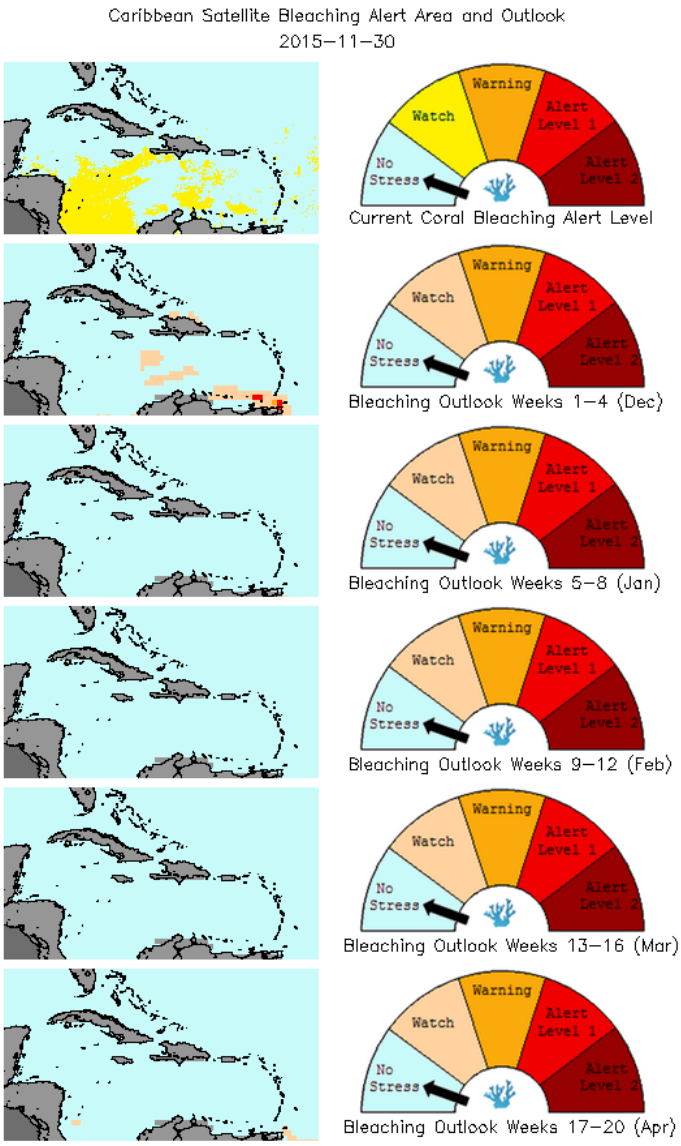
Alert Level Guide

Alert Level	Interpretation
No Stress	No Thermal Stress
Watch	Low-level thermal stress
Warning	Thermal stress is accumulating
Alert level 1	Bleaching expected
Alert level 2	Widespread bleaching and some mortality expected

Current Outlook (Dec-Mar 2016)



Bleaching Alert Area and Outlook

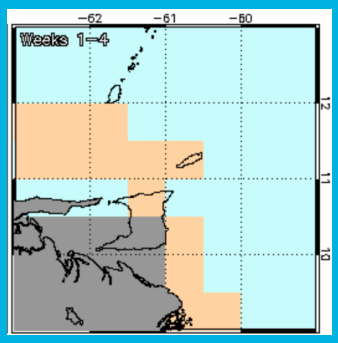


Caribbean Bleaching Outlook

A bleaching watch is issued for Grenada, Trinidad and Tobago in the coming weeks.

Thermal stress conditions are predicted to be non-existent in weeks 5-8 (Jan).

5-km Regional Virtual Stations



Bleaching watch at the Buccoo Reef, Tobago virtual station (Weeks 1-4)

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