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# Postgame Football Notes — San Diego State vs. Fresno State Nov. 25, 2023 | Snapdragon Stadium | San Diego, Calif.

Score: San Diego State 33, Fresno State 18

Records: San Diego State - 4-8, 2-6 Mountain West; Fresno State - 8-4, 4-4 Mountain West

## **Brady Hoke Notes**

- Head Coach Brady Hoke coached the game of his career tonight. He finishes his San Diego State career with a 40-32 (.556) record.
- The 40 victories are the seventh most in Aztec history, while his .556 winning percentage is also seventh (min. 2 seasons).
- Hoke's 40 victories are the fourth most in SDSU's Division I history, trailing Rocky Long (81), Claude Gilbert (61) and Ted Tollner (43).
- For his career, Hoke is now 105-90 (.538) with head coaching stints at Ball State (2003-08), Michigan State (2011-14) and San Diego State (2009-10, 2020-23).

## **Big Notes**

- San Diego State won on Senior Night for the fourth time in five years (4-1) and for the 11th time in 14 seasons (11-3).
- The Aztecs improved to 5-7 against Fresno State in the Battle of the Old Oil Can series (since 2011).
- SDSU improved to 31-27-4 all-time against the Bulldogs.
- The 15-point victory was the Aztecs' largest in the series since a 24-point win (48-24) on Oct. 14, 1995 in San Diego.
- SDSU had the ball for 40 minutes, 51 seconds (40:51), its fourth-most time of possession since at least the 1982 season.
- San Diego State won its 14th consecutive game (15th straight under Brady Hoke) when rushing for at least 200 yards.
- The Aztecs are 56-2 the last 58 times they have rushed for at least 200 yards (2-0 this year) and is 53-1 in their last 54 regular-season games when rushing for 200-plus yards.
- SDSU won its 10th straight game when not committing a turnover (12th straight under Brady Hoke).
- The Aztecs did not have a turnover for the first time since Oct. 8, 2022 against Hawai'i, snapping a streak of 18 straight games with at least one turnover.
- San Diego State improved to 49-23 (.681) in its last 72 regular-season games against Mountain West opponents.
- The Aztecs are now 76-38 (.667) since the start of the 2015 campaign.
- K Jack Browning tied a school record with four field goals. It was the 10th time it has happened in school history (ninth different Aztec) and first since John Baron II at Utah State on Oct. 28, 2016.

#### **Series Notes**

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- SDSU improved to 18-12-2 against FS at home.

#### **Team Notes**

- LB Trey White earned his first career start, which makes it 21 different Aztecs to earn their first career starts this season. Overall 24 players have earned their first San Diego State start.
- This was the first 33-18 score in SDSU's Division I history.
- This was San Diego State's largest margin of victory (15) points since a 34-10 win at New Mexico on Nov. 18, 2022.
- SDSU had its most rushing yards (226) against an FBS school since rushing for 271 at Arizona on Sept. 11, 2021.
- San Diego State allowed is most yards per carry (7.95) in a victory in its Division I history (since 1969).
- The Aztecs had their most third-down conversions (8) since also having eight against Towson on Sept. 25, 2021 and most against an FBS team since having 10 at No. 14/16 Brigham Young on Dec. 12, 2020.
- The Aztecs had gone eight straight first quarters without allowing a touchdown prior to tonight.
- SDSU has gone 15 straight games without allowing more than seven points in the first quarter and has allowed seven or fewer points in 23 of the last 24 first quarters.
- San Diego State scored a field goal off a Fresno State turnover. The Aztecs now have 57 points off 18 opponent turnovers this season, while their opponents have just 24 points off 17 SDSU turnovers.
- SDSU improved to 56-2 the last 58 times it has rushed for at least 200 yards (2-0 this year) and is 53-1 in its last 54 regular-season games when rushing for 200-plus yards.
- San Diego State improved to 65-16 since 2015 when scoring just 20 or more points (4-2 this year and 35-15 under Brady Hoke).
- The Aztecs improved to 50-5 the last 55 times they have scored 30 points (3-1 this season and 24-3 under Brady Hoke).
- SDSU is now 32-8 under Brady Hoke when starting at least its own 30-yard line.
- The Aztecs held their opponent to a starting field position of inside their own 25 for the sixth time this year.
- San Diego State improved to 36-6 under Brady Hoke when allowing 24 or less points (2-3 this year).
- SDSU improved to 31-9 under Brady Hoke when outrushing its opponent.
- San Diego State is now 3-2 this year and 22-4 under Brady Hoke when committing fewer turnovers than its opponent.
- The Aztecs improved to 27-10 under Brady Hoke (3-5 this year) when winning the time of possession battle.
- SDSU are now 22-3 under Brady Hoke (1-1 this season) when having more first downs and more time of possession.
- San Diego State improved to 20-3 under Brady Hoke (3-2 this year) when having an advantage in turnovers and average field
  position.

#### **Trends**

- The Aztecs lost the coin toss for the seventh time this season in 12 games (5-7).
- SDSU started with ball for the 113th time over the last 157 games.
- San Diego State allowed its opponent to score on its opening possession for just the fourth time this year in 12 games, ninth time in 25 games since 2022, 10th time in 38 games since 2021 and 32nd time since 2015 (114 games).
- The Aztecs improved to 4-1 this season and 36-9 under Brady Hoke when leading at the half.
- SDSU scored a touchdown on its second-half opening drive for the first time since Nov. 18, 2022 at New Mexico. San Diego State had just three points (a field goal at Colorado State on Nov. 11, 2023) over its previous 13 second-half opening drives since the New Mexico game.
- The Aztecs improved to 36-2 over their last 38 games when leading after three quarters.
- SDSU is now 3-0 this year and 37-5 under Brady Hoke when leading after three quarters.

## **Player Notes**

## \* Jalen Mayden, Sr., QB (17-for-26, 189 yds., 1 TD, 0 INT | 14 att., 96 yds., 1 TD)

Scored on a career-long 70-yard run in the second quarter ... It was longest by an Aztec quarterback since at least 1996, the longest in Snapdragon Stadium history and the longest by an Aztec since Jordan Byrd had a 73-yarder at Utah State on Oct. 31, 2020 ... It was his rushing touchdown of the season and eighth of his career ... Threw his 10th touchdown pass of the season and 23rd of his career ... Became just the second Aztec quarterback to lead the team in passing AND rushing, joining current Minnesota Vikings head coach Kevin O'Connell in 2007.

## \* Jaylon Armstead, Jr., RB (15 att., 41 yds., 1 TD)

Scored his eighth rushing touchdown of the season and 10th of his career ... Now has 11 overall touchdowns for his career ... It was his third straight game with a touchdown.

## \* Leo Kemp, TR-Fr., FB (1 rec., 5 yds., 1 TD)

Recorded his first career touchdown on his second career reception.

\* Jack Browning, Sr., P/K (4-for-4 FG, 3-for-3 PAT | 3 P, 39.3 avg. (39.3 net avg.), 1 120 | 8 KO, 63.8 avg.)

Tied a school record with four field goals ... It was the 10th time it has happened in school history (ninth different Aztec) and first since John Baron II at Utah State on Oct. 28, 2016 ... Is now 15-for-22 this season and 35-for-47 for this career ... His .745 field goal percentage ranks fourth all-time at San Diego State, while his 35 field goals rank eighth ... He has multiple field goals in four games this season and in 11 of the 23 games he's been the Aztec kicker ... Also punted for times for a 39.3 average (also 39.3 net punt average).

# \* Marcus Ratcliffe, TR-Fr. (6 tackles, 1 INT)

Recorded his first career interception . . . Led the team in tackles for the second time of his career.

### **Other Notes**

- CB Dez Malone started for the 23rd straight game, the longest streak among offensive and defensive players.
- CB Noah Tumblin played in his 46th consecutive game, the longest streak on the team.
- S Cedarious Barfield played in his 50th career game, the most among any current Aztec.
- Tonight's temperature was 55 degrees, tied for the coldest game in Snapdragon Stadium history (Nov. 12, 2022 vs. San Jose State).
- Tonight's attendance was 22,000.
- Tonight's Aztec Honor Warrior was head coach Brady Hoke.