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# San Diego State (2-3; 1-0 MW) **21**, Fresno State (1-4; 0-2 MW) **7**

Saturday, Oct. 3, 2015 - Qualcomm Stadium – San Diego, Calif.

<u>Final Score</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	--	<u>Final</u>
Fresno State	0	7	0	0	--	7
San Diego State	7	0	7	7	--	21

### Big Notes

- SDSU held an opponent to 100 yards or less of total offense for the first time since it limited North Texas State to 59 yards for the contest on Sept. 19, 1970
- The Aztecs limited Fresno State to just 89 yards of total offense, its fewest in a game since at least 1996
- SDSU limited the Bulldogs to 77 yards passing, their fourth fewest since 1996
- San Diego State limited Fresno State to 12 yards rushing, the Bulldogs' fifth fewest since 1996
- The Aztecs outgained Fresno State by 320 yards, the 19<sup>th</sup>-largest margin in SDSU's Division I history (since 1969)
- SDSU outgained the Bulldogs by 293 yards on the ground, the program's third-largest margin in its DI history (since 1969)
- San Diego State did not allow a third-down conversion. Fresno State was 0-for-12 on third downs, marking the first time the Bulldogs have gone 0-for-the game third down since at least 1996. It was also just the second time since 1996 that SDSU held an opponent to zero third down conversions (vs. San Jose State on Sept. 24, 2005 (0-for-17).)
- SDSU won its 14<sup>th</sup> straight game when rushing for at least 200 yards and is now 22-2 in the Rocky Long era when reaching 200-plus yards
- San Diego State had multiple 100-yard rushers (Donnel Pumphrey and Chase Price) for the 19<sup>th</sup> time in program history and is now 18-1 when it has two, 100-yard rushers
- The Aztecs improved to 13-0 when holding their opponent to 166 or less yards of total offense and 33-3 when holding their foe to 195 or less yards
- San Diego State held an opponent to 50 yards or less rushing for the first time since it limited Fresno State to 43 yards back on Oct. 26, 2013
- San Diego State won its seventh consecutive conference home game
- The Aztecs won their 13<sup>th</sup> consecutive home game against an unranked conference opponent
- SDSU has won 13 consecutive games against opponents that entered the contest on a losing streak of at least three games. Since becoming head coach, Rocky Long is 10-0 in those games.

### Team Notes

- San Diego State scored in the first quarter for the 12<sup>th</sup> time in 13 games.
- The Aztecs didn't attempt a pass until their 18<sup>th</sup> play of the game, which was a 6-yard completion.

- SDSU held its opponent without a point in the first quarter for the third time in five games this season and for the sixth time over its last nine games.

## **Trends**

- SDSU started with the ball of the 43<sup>rd</sup> time over the last 46 games.
- San Diego State lost the coin toss for just the third time over the last 15 games.
- The Aztecs have now gone 108 games without suffering a shutout (Nov. 18, 2006 at TCU), which is the third-longest streak among current Mountain West schools (Air Force at 275 and Boise State at 230. That is the only time SDSU has been shut out in their last 202 games.
- SDSU improved to 2-1 this year and 23-11 in the Rocky Long era when scoring first.
- San Diego State improved to 2-1 on the season and 22-7 in the Rocky Long era when leading after the first quarter.
- The Aztecs improved to 2-1 this year and 27-8 in the Rocky Long era when leading after three quarters.

## **The Series**

- San Diego State leads the all-time series with Fresno State, 28-23-4.
- The 55 meetings are the most games played against any one opponent and the 28 victories are the most for the Aztecs against one school.
- SDSU is 15-12-2 against the Bulldogs in San Diego.
- San Diego State is 9-3 lifetime against Fresno State in San Diego/Jack Murphy/Qualcomm Stadium.
- The Aztecs won The Oil Can for the first time since 2011. Fresno State captured the middle three games since the trophy was first introduced in 2011 and leads all-time Oil Can series, 3-2.

## **Player Notes**

### **\* Donnel Pumphrey, Jr., RB (23 att., 124 yds., 1 TD)**

- Rushed 23 times for 124 yards (5.4 avg.), including a 33-yard touchdown, before exiting midway through the third quarter.
- Broke 100 yards rushing for the second time this season and 15<sup>th</sup> time of his career.
- The 15 career 100-yard rushing games are tied with Ronnie Hillman (2010-11) for second all-time at SDSU and tied for fourth all-time in Mountain West era.
- The touchdown was his fourth rushing score of the year and 32<sup>nd</sup> of his career.
- It was also his 34<sup>th</sup> overall touchdown, which ties Paul Hewitt (1987-88) and George Jones (1995-96) for the fourth most in program history.
- Became the fourth Aztec in school history to rush for at least 3,000 yards over his career.
- The 33-yard rush was his longest of the season.
- SDSU is now 11-4 when he reaches 100 yards rushing and 14-7 when he rushes for at least one touchdown.

### **\* Chase Price, Sr., RB (27 att., 151 yds.)**

- Rushed a career-high 27 times for a career-high 151 yards.
- His previous career high for rushing attempts was 22 vs. San Jose State (11-19-14), while his previous personal best for rushing yards was 141 at New Mexico (10-10-14).
- Had a season-long rush of 42 yards. Previous season high: 35 vs. South Alabama.
- Did not lose a yard on any of his 27 rushing attempts.

### **\* Rashaad Penny, So., RB/KR (1 KR, 18 yds., 18 Long | 1 att., 17 yds. | 2 rec., 48 yds., 1 TD)**

- Finished with 18 kick return yards (18.0 avg.), two catches for 48 yards (24.0 avg.), including a career-long 33-yard touchdown catch, and 17 rushing yards on one attempts (17.0 avg.)

- The touchdown catch was the first of his career and his third overall touchdown (also two kick return touchdowns earlier this year).
- Ended up setting career highs in receptions (2, tied) and receiving yards (48).

**\* Eric Judge, Jr., WR (1 rec., 44 yds., 1 TD)**

- Had one catch for 44 yards and one touchdown.
- The touchdown was his first of the season and sixth of his career

**\* Maxwell Smith, Sr., QB (5-for-12, 104 yds., 2 TD, 0 INT)**

- Was 5-for-12 for 104 yards with two touchdowns and zero interceptions.
- Threw his fourth and fifth touchdown passes as an Aztec and now has 26 for his career,
- Had his first multiple-passing touchdown game since Nov. 30, 2013 vs. Tennessee (while he was at Kentucky) and now has seven for his career.
- It was his third straight game without throwing an interception
- Has made 71 straight passes without an interception.

**Other Notes**

- Jon Sanchez had a season-high five tackles and equaled a career high with 1.0 sacks and 2.0 tackles for loss.
- J.J. Whittaker started for the 31<sup>st</sup> consecutive game, which leads all Aztecs (doesn't include specialists)
- Jeff Overbaugh, Pierre Romain and Jon Sanchez each played in their 44<sup>th</sup> straight game, the most of any current SDSU player.
- Tonight's Aztec Honor Warrior was Todd Santos (1984-87).
- Tonight's game temperature was 69 degrees.
- Tonight's attendance was 29,996.

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