



 **BASKETBALL**

2014 NCAA® DIVISION I WOMEN'S BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

First-Round · #4 Nebraska vs. #13 Fresno State

Pauley Pavilion · Los Angeles, Calif.

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POSTGAME NOTES

#4 Nebraska Notes: NU has now won 13 of its last 14 games (lost at Purdue Mar. 2) and four in a row...NU is making its 12th overall appearance in the NCAA Tournament and its sixth in the last eight seasons...With the win over Fresno State, Nebraska is now 8-11 all-time in the NCAA Tournament ... The win was the 26th of the season for the Cornhuskers, the second-most in NU history (32 wins in 2010) ...The No. 4 seed is the second-highest in school history (No. 1 seed in 2010)...NU had lost all three previous NCAA Tournament games played in Los Angeles (1988 – USC, 1993-USC, 1999-Kentucky in Pauley Pavilion)... NU won the Big Ten Tournament after a third-place finish in the Conference regular season ...Nebraska now owns a perfect 17-0 record against schools from the state of California under coach Connie Yori... Nebraska met Fresno State in basketball for the first time today ... Jordan Hooper's 23 points vs. Fresno State tied for the fourth –highest by an NU player in NCAA Tournament action ... It was Hooper's 50th career (16th of the season) 20-point scoring game ... Hooper also had 11 rebounds for her 40th career double-double which ties the school record held by Kelsey Griffin (2006-10) ... Hooper is now the first player in school history and the second player in Big Ten history to reach at least 2,300 points and 1,100 rebounds for a career ... Emily Cady made her 99th consecutive start in the Fresno State game and enjoyed her 21st career double-double (13th of the season) with 15 points and 11 rebounds ... NU frontline players Hooper, Cady and Hailie Sample made their 99th consecutive starts together in the Fresno State contest ... The Huskers have advanced to the Sweet Sixteen twice in the last four seasons (2010, 2013) ... Rachel Theriot's 12 assists marked her sixth double-digit total of the season (had career-high 18 in Big Ten Tournament vs. Minnesota on Mar. 7).

#13 Fresno State Notes: Fresno State won the Mountain West Tournament to earn its seventh consecutive NCAA tournament appearance (second in the Mountain West Conference regular season standings)... With the loss, Fresno State concludes its 2013-14 season with an overall record of 22-11...The loss snapped the Bulldog's eight-game winning streak that began on February 19...The Bulldogs are now 0-7 in NCAA Tournament action ... Taylor Thompson scored in double-figure points (14) for the 29th game out of 33 this season ... It was her 64th career double-digit effort ... Fresno State averaged 7.7 made three-point shots per game (tied for 33rd in nation) this season and made four of 18 attempts vs. Nebraska ... The Bulldogs converted 21-of-59 shots (35.6%), including 4-for-18 from beyond the arc (22.2%), matching a season-low in three-pointers (three other times)...In the second half, Fresno State improved on its first half shooting clip of 25.9% (7-of-27) to 43.8% (14-of-32) over the final 20 minutes...The Bulldog's bench outscored Nebraska's 20-7... Senior guard Taylor Thompson recorded personal NCAA tournament highs with 14 points (previous: 11, 2013 vs. Cal) and nine rebounds (previous: 5, 2013 vs. Cal) ... Thompson scored in double-digits in 29-of-33 games this season and finished her collegiate career with 1,288 points and 10th on Fresno State's all-time point leaderboard... Thompson's two steals pushed her career steals total to 311 (program record) and she remains second in Fresno State's assists records with a total of 487... Junior forward Alex Sheedy recorded personal NCAA tournaments bests with eight points (previous: 7, 2013 vs. Cal) and seven rebounds (previous: 5, 2013 vs. Cal), breaking her seven-game stretch of ten or more points... In 24 minutes, redshirt sophomore guard Moriah Faulk scored eight points in her first ever NCAA tournament appearance for the Bulldogs, shooting 4-for-14 from the field and pulling down four rebounds ... Senior guard Bree Farley also recorded personal NCAA tournament high with nine rebounds (previous: 4, twice)...This was coach Raegan Pebley's seventh NCAA appearance – four as player at Colorado (1994-97), two as Fresno State head coach (2013 and 2014) and one as an assistant coach at Colorado State (2001)...After being down 31-19 early in the second half, Fresno State went on a 15-7 run over a 4:16 stretch to pull within four points at 38-34 with 12:52 remaining.

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