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### No. 5/5 San Diego State Postgame Notes vs. Boise State (MW Semifinal)

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## FINAL EDITION

**Next Game:** Saturday, Mar. 7 | vs. winner of No. 2 Utah State/No. 11 Wyoming, MW Championship Game, 2:30 p.m. PT | Thomas & Mack Center; Las Vegas, Nev. | TV: CBS | Radio: 101.5 KGB & XTRA 1360

### Big Picture

- A record five-time winner of this event, San Diego State advances to its 12<sup>th</sup> Mountain West Conference championship game, including its third straight and its 10<sup>th</sup> in the last 13 seasons.
- San Diego State becomes the first team in the nation to reach 30 wins this season.
- San Diego State improves to 30-1, the best 31-game record in school history, and remains the only team in the nation with only one loss.
- San Diego State wins its 16<sup>th</sup> straight road/neutral game. This is a school record and the longest active win streak.
- San Diego State is 16-0 in road/neutral games this season. The Aztecs are the only team in the nation to win every road/neutral contest in 2019-20 and leads the nation with 16 road/neutral victories.
- San Diego State is 5-0 in neutral court games this season, including wins over Creighton and Iowa.
- This is the third 30-win season in school history. The 2010-11 (34) and 2013-14 (31), both advanced to the NCAA Sweet 16.
- San Diego State is now 29 games above .500. Only once have the Aztecs completed a season more games above the .500 mark (2010-11, +31).
- San Diego State wins its 34<sup>th</sup> game at Thomas & Mack Center since the start of the 2008-09 campaign. That is the most victories in a venue in which a team has not played a home game in the nation.

### Series Notes

- San Diego State leads the all-time series, 15-7.
- The Aztecs have won the last four encounters, including all three this season, with the Broncos.
- San Diego State is 4-0 against Boise State on neutral courts, with all four of those games occurring as part of the Mountain West tournament (2012, 2013, 2017 and 2020).

### Tournament Notes

- San Diego State improves 34-15 in Mountain West tournament history (69.4 percent). Regardless of other outcomes today, the Aztecs own the highest winning percentage and have the most victories of any team – current or past – in league history.
- The Aztecs are now 12-4 in semifinal round Mountain West Conference history and own a 5-6 record in championship games.
- The Aztecs are 24-7 in the Mountain West tourney since 2010.
- The Aztecs have won the tournament championship five times – 2002, 2006, 2010, 2011 and 2018.

- San Diego State's 15 three-pointers are the program's most in a Mountain West Tournament game. (previous high: 11 vs. Air Force – 3-5-20). They also attempted tournament record 36 three-pointers (previous high: 28 vs. Utah State – 3-16-19).

### **Game Notes**

- Boise State scored the first basket of the game. San Diego State is 10-0 this season when its opponent scores the first points.
- San Diego State made four of its first six shots, all three pointers, but then went 1-for-8.
- Eleven of San Diego State's first 13 shots were three pointers.
- San Diego State's 10 three-pointers in the first half were the most in a half for the team this season.
- San Diego State overcame a double-digit deficit (16 points) to win the game. It is the fourth time this season the team has accomplished the feat (previously; 16 points vs. Iowa, 13 points at Nevada & 10-point to Utah State).
- San Diego State outshot Boise State (49%-to-39%) and improves to 26-0 this season and 63-4 in the Dutcher era when shooting better than its opponent.
- San Diego State's 15 three-pointers ties for the most in a game this season (New Mexico, 1-29-20).

### **Game Trends**

- San Diego State trailed by 16 points in the first half, which equals the largest deficit the team has faced this season (vs. Iowa)
- At one point in the first half Boise State was successful on 11-of-13 field goals.
- San Diego State closed the first half on a 21-5 run to erase a (35-19) 16-point deficit.
- San Diego State and Boise State were tied at the half (40-40). It was the first time this season the Aztecs have been tied at the intermission.

### **Player Notes**

#### **Malachi Flynn (Stat line)**

Scored in double figures for the 30<sup>th</sup> time this year and 68<sup>th</sup> time in his career... He reached 20 points in a game for the 10<sup>th</sup> time this season.

#### **KJ Feagin (Stat line)**

Reached double figure scoring for the 11<sup>th</sup> time this season and 68<sup>th</sup> time in his career... He reached 20 points in a game for the 3<sup>rd</sup> time this season.

#### **Matt Mitchell (Stat line)**

Scored in double figures for the 20<sup>th</sup> time this season and 57<sup>th</sup> of his career.

### **Entering Today**

- San Diego State was 4<sup>th</sup> in NET.
- San Diego State was 3<sup>rd</sup> in strength of record.
- San Diego State was 5<sup>th</sup> in KenPom.
- San Diego State was 7<sup>th</sup> in BPI.
- San Diego State was 7<sup>th</sup> in the Sagarin Ratings.
- San Diego State was 8<sup>th</sup> in RPI.