

Chargers DL Scott Matlock Draft Availability

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On being selected by the Chargers:

"It was energetic, to say the least [*laughter*]. I threw the phone on the table and just let out kind of a big scream and a big sigh of relief. It was awesome."

On where he is watching the Draft:

"I haven't been watching for the last couple of minutes, but I'm at a little spot that I have set up for the watch party with friends and family here. It's something small, low key."

On if he had 'any idea' that he would be selected by the Chargers:

"Yeah, of course. I went on the Top 30 visit and it went great. I knew that they liked me a lot. I felt very comfortable there in their environment, hanging around with the coaches and all the staff members. I got along great with everybody. I definitely had a feeling, but at the end of the day, I was kind of just waiting for the call. I definitely had a feeling."

On coming from Boise State and joining an organization that features Offensive Coordinator Kellen Moore:

"That's the GOAT right there, as far as Boise State is talking. It's going to be an honor to work with him and just be around him every day, being able to pick his brain on his journey so far and what he's learned and experienced throughout his career. It's going to be exciting."

On his style of play:

"I would describe it as being very violent, very physical at the point of attack. Someone that you definitely have to double, and if you don't, you're going to lose. It's going to be good. I'm excited to get to work with the defense and the D-line and help the guys win some football games."

On joining the Chargers' defensive line group:

"On my top 30 visit, [Defensive Run Game Coordinator/Defensive Line Coach] Jay Rodgers and I talked for a bit, and we talked about some of the guys and, obviously, learned about their play styles and stuff. I know a small, very small, amount, but I'm excited to get to know them and build that relationship and build that chemistry."

On if he will 'push Kellen Moore to get some snaps on offense':

"I have two career touchdown catches. That's something that I'll probably joke about [*laughter*]. We'll see what he has planned. I'll do anything to help the team win, whether it's offense, defense or special teams, it doesn't matter to me. I'll definitely mention it, for sure."

On his leadership characteristics:

"It was crucial. I was very honored and blessed to receive that position and that title, being a team captain my senior year. Having that been voted on by my fellow teammates and peers just made it even more special. I knew that having that role and that responsibility just meant more, and I had more responsibility on my shoulders and I needed to be there for others, be a servant-leader and offer a helping hand and guide others on their road to success. Towards the end of my career, I kind of had things figured out, as far as the process of college and all that kind of stuff. When there's freshmen coming in and they need help with whatever it is, you're supposed to be that guy who steps up and helps them because at the end of the day, it's not just a football team, it's a family. No matter what it was, I was always there to offer help and guidance to whoever it was."