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Seven Raiders Selected to 2017 Pro Bowl

ALAMEDA, Calif. – Oakland Raiders QB Derek Carr, WR Amari Cooper, C Rodney Hudson, DE Khalil Mack, S Reggie Nelson, G/T Kelechi Osemele and T Donald Penn have been named to the 2017 Pro Bowl, the NFL announced Tuesday.

WR Michael Crabtree, G Gabe Jackson, K Sebastian Janikowski, P Marquette King, RB Latavius Murray, FB/RB Jamize Olawale and RB Jalen Richard (return specialist) were named as alternates for the annual all-star game, scheduled to be played at Camping World Stadium in Orlando, Fla., on Jan. 29, 2017.

The seven Raiders selected to the Pro Bowl are the most since the team had eight players named in 1991.

Carr earns his second selection to the Pro Bowl, having been named in 2015. This year, he has started all 14 games, throwing for 3,705 yards on 336-of-529 passing (63.5 percent) with 25 touchdowns to only six interceptions for a passer rating of 95.2. Carr has led the Raiders to seven fourth-quarter comebacks and game-winning drives this year, and his five game-winning touchdown passes in the fourth quarter or overtime are a single-season NFL record. In Week 8 against Tampa Bay, Carr was named the AFC Offensive Player of the Week for his performance, posting a franchise-record 513 passing yards on 40-of-59 passing with four touchdowns and a 117.4 passer rating.

Cooper, earning a Pro Bowl selection for the second time in his two NFL seasons, has played in 14 games with 13 starts for the Silver and Black in 2016, totaling 74 receptions for 1,038 yards (14.0 avg.) and four touchdowns. Cooper's 1,038 receiving yards rank seventh in the league this year, and his 13 receptions of 25-or-more yards are tied for first. He has four 100-yard receiving games on the year, including a career-high 173 yards in Week 8 against Tampa Bay.

Mack has been named to his second consecutive Pro Bowl after being selected to the squad last year as well. He has started all 14 games at defensive end this year, recording 67 tackles (48 solo), 11 sacks (75 yards), five forced fumbles, three fumble recoveries, one interception, three passes defensed and one touchdown. Mack was named the AFC Defensive Player of the Month for November to go along with two AFC Defensive Player of the Week Awards (Weeks 9 and 12). Mack's 11 sacks are tied for fifth in the NFL this year, and from Week 6-14, he tied an NFL single-season record by collecting a sack in eight consecutive games. In Week 12 vs. Carolina,

Mack became the first player since 2009 to record a sack, interception returned for a touchdown, forced fumble and fumble recovery in the same game.

Nelson's selection is the second of his 10-year career and second consecutive honor. After joining the Raiders this offseason as a free agent, Nelson has started all 14 games, totaling 77 tackles (51 solo), four interceptions, 12 passes defensed and two fumble recoveries. He is currently tied for first in the NFL among safeties with six overall takeaways.

Hudson, Osemele and Penn anchor an offensive line that has paved the way for one of the league's top offenses this year. For Hudson and Osemele, it is their first selection, while Penn earns his second selection after getting the nod in 2010. Oakland's offensive line has helped the offense rank sixth in the NFL in total yards per game (377.8), rushing yards per game (118.2) and net passing yards per game (259.6). The unit has also allowed the fewest sacks in the NFL this season, yielding just 15.