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NFL WEEK 2 (all games on Sept. 18, 2022)

Washington Commanders at Detroit Lions (1 p.m. Eastern)

1 unit - Carson Wentz Over 238.5 Passing Yards (-115)



Brad Mills - USA
TODAY Sports

Believe me, when I started the Slim Pickins product earlier this year, I had no inkling that the Week 2 Sunday picks and debut of “The Guide” would feature the redhead wonder Carson Wentz as the first pick. That’s why Week 1 is crazy and you shouldn’t overreact to early season trends, but sometimes you can also take advantage of them. Wentz and the Commanders offense was pass-heavy in Week 1 with 41 attempts for Wentz passing on 59% of their plays. Wentz turned that into 313 yards against a rebuilding Jacksonville Jaguars defense. Wentz should do more of the same in the dome in Detroit. The Lions showed little resistance to

the Philadelphia Eagles in Week 1 at home allowing 243 yards passing and 181 yards rushing. Washington doesn’t have as good as an offense as Philly, but the Commanders will be less reliant on the run, especially with rookie running back Brian Robinson still on IR. Check-downs to running backs Antonio Gibson & J.D. McKissic should pad Wentz’ yardage totals. Look for Terry McLaurin to have a bounce-back game, as Detroit has been atrocious against #1 wideouts, including last week’s against A.J. Brown. Rookie sensation Johan Dotson, comebacker Curtis Samuel and tight end Logan Thomas give Wentz the weapons to go over.

Seattle Seahawks vs. San Francisco 49ers (4:05 p.m. Eastern)

2 units - Deebo Samuel Over 35.5 Rushing Yards (-115)



Mike Dinovo - USA TODAY Sports

One of the big injuries in Week 1 was Elijah Mitchell hurting his knee that will keep him out for 8 weeks. Everyone ran to their fantasy football waiver wire to pick up Jeff Wilson as the top pick-up of the week. But coach Kyle Shanahan said, "We'll go with the hot hand in the game." If that hand includes Deebo Samuel, then my bet is on Deebo to be dealing. Seattle gave up 101 yards on 19 carries last week to Denver and both Javonte Williams and Melvin Gordon had some nice runs on them. Seattle was middle of the pack last year in rushing defense, but I don't think they can match Deebo's speed. Deebo has had some big games in the past versus this divisional rival catching the ball. He had 8 for 156 and 2 TDs in the only time he met Seattle last year. I like Deebo a lot this week especially without tight end George Kittle, who is likely to miss this one. The Niners are going to be relying on Deebo's legs to run the ball to have a shot to win this one and not go 0-2 on the season. Deebo had 53 yards rushing in a monsoon in Week 1 at Chicago, so even with storms in the forecast in San Fran on Sunday, Deebo should still get it done on the ground.

Atlanta Falcons at Los Angeles Rams (4:05 p.m. Eastern)

1 unit - Darrel Henderson Over 59.5 Rushing Yards (-115)



Gary A. Vasquez - USA TODAY Sports

As they say in horse racing, "Pace makes the race" and in football player props that equates to game script. I expect the Los Angeles Rams to be playing from ahead on Sunday versus the Atlanta Falcons. The Rams should run the ball effectively early and grind in the second half with Daryl Henderson making over 59.5 yards an attainable goal. The Rams are pissed off about losing on National Television pretty badly to the Bills last Thursday night and they are going to take it out on the Atlanta Falcons coming into Hollywood. Atlanta just blew a 16 point lead to the Saints in the last 12 minutes of the game last Sunday & now have to travel cross country? It may get bad quickly for a Falcons team who

gave up 151 yards on only 19 carries to the Saints for a league high 8 yards per carry, including a 57 yard run for Taysom Hill. Atlanta gave up the 6th most rushing yards last year, so Henderson is going up against one of the worst run defenses. He had 13 carries for 47 yards against a tough Bills defense in Week 1, where game script wasn't helping him. Cam Akers only got 3 carries in Week 1. With Akers in the doghouse, Henderson gets the first shot to do damage and I think he'll capitalize.