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Rams Pass Game Coordinator Shane Waldron – Media Availability – October 17, 2018

(On his thoughts since reviewing QB Jared Goff and the passing game after WR Cooper Kupp left the game due to injury)

"I think it was another great week of (WR) Robert Woods stepping in and really stepping up in a role where those receivers have done such a good job of understanding the entire offense. So a guy like (WR) Cooper (Kupp) goes down, a great player for us, Robert is able to slide over and (WR) Josh (Reynolds) steps right up and we're able to continue on with our game-plan the way we thought we could attack those guys throughout the game."

(On what he knew about Woods before working with him and what he's seen from him that's surprised or impressed him)

"Well, everything we had heard about him was positive. A hard-working guy, did a great job in all phases of the game, good route runner, had an excellent college career. Then until you actually get a chance to be around a guy every day, you never know exactly how they're going to be. But, you trust those resources that you use to evaluate him before he gets here and he's exceeded every expectation that we've had for him. He's done a great job as a leader, in the run game – as a runner, as a blocker, as a pass protector at times – and obviously as a great route runner, and really just improved his game every day."

(On TE Gerald Everett being more involved especially on third downs, and where he has seen him take strides to be successful in that role)

"I know ever since — it was unfortunate getting dinged up in training camp and coming back. He's worked himself back nicely and been able to be a little bit more a part of the game every week. With both him and (TE Tyler) Higbee splitting that duty and really producing in the different areas they've been asked to produce in. (TE) Gerald's (Everett) done a good job on third down. He had that nice catch on the first down when he catches it on the keeper and snatches it, shows his good ball security and still shows his explosion. He's just been able to progress every week and getting better and better. With that, the roles keep improving every week."

(On if there's anything in particular he's learned from working with Head Coach Sean McVay)

"Anything in particular? Other than he can remember every play that's ever been called in the history of football (laughs). The biggest thing I've learned working with (Head Coach) Sean (McVay) is just his ability to communicate with everybody in a positive manner. Everyone is excited to come in and work every day – players, coaches, everyone around the building that does such a great job helping and supporting us to be where we want to be. His ability to communicate and stay positive and bring energy every single day has been something special."

(On his familiarity with WR Nick Williams and when he might be able to add him to the passing game)

"I just briefly got a chance to meet him. It's that point in the NFL season, he comes in, get a chance to talk to him. He does have some familiarity in our system as far as the verbiage and what we call certain routes or formations, stuff like that. So, anytime you bring in a guy midseason that's a big help for him so he can jump right in and really fit in where he needs to as the week progresses, and kind of figure out by Sunday where that exactly entails for him."

(On from his vantage point how McVay and Goff have grown together)

"I think they just complement each other in a great way. Sean's always high energy, and like I said about the communication part, where he's just that great communicator. (QB) Jared (Goff) has done a great job

listening, being poised at the quarterback position, and taking in all the new information he gets from Sean every day and from (Quarterbacks Coach) Zac (Taylor) and the coaching staff. And delivering it to his ten other players on the field every snap in that nice calm demeanor and then executing what we ask of him. So I think they just have a good balance in their relationship, in their personalities and it's worked out really well for us."