



LOS ANGELES RAMS

Rams Running Back Todd Gurley II – Media Availability – November 1, 2018

(On how he's feeling physically and mentally going into the second half of the season)

"I'm feeling good. We've been winning, so it definitely makes everything feel better body-wise, mind-wise. Got a good one this weekend, first two-day trip going to New Orleans. For the most part, I'm feeling good."

(On what he remembers from playing in the Mercedes-Benz Superdome last year and what he expects the atmosphere to be like)

"We got our (expletive) whooped, but (QB Jared) Goff had a good game. That was his first game. It was cool. Good atmosphere. Great town. They've got good fans. Obviously, I have a close relationship with a lot of those guys on that team. One great team. Superdome, it's always rocking and it's going to be a fun one."

(On if a two-day trip changes anything for his weekly rhythm)

"Yeah, some guys usually get massages or do something on Friday, so definitely throws off your schedule a little bit more. You lose the extra day, you kind of look forward to that because we get done early on Friday. It's cool. It's whatever. It's our first one of the season, it's Week 9, so nothing too much to complain about."

(On if he knows what the NFL record is for touchdowns in a season)

"Yeah, Deion (Sanders) reminded me the last two times he called me. It's 28 rushing and three receiving, 31 overall."

(On if he thinks the record is in reach to him having 15 in the season)

"Anything is possible. Let's just say that. Yeah, it's possible."

(On former RB Ladainian Tomlinson setting the record and earning MVP and if he thinks he is a legitimate candidate for MVP)

"I just leave it up to whoever the votes go to and the fans. No, it's cool. I don't really play for the MVP. Obviously, when you're doing as good as we're doing and having the success, obviously, Goff, me and (WR Robert) Woods. Even got guys like (DT) Aaron Donald who was Defensive Player of the Year. I just look at it as a team accomplishment. Obviously last year, with me, 'AD' and (Head) Coach (Sean McVay) winning awards it was cool. But, the bigger picture is you just play to get the wins and the rest is going to take care of itself."

(On if he has noticed anything about Goff's confidence off the field as their quarterback and leader)

"I keep saying the same thing, Jared is Jared. I don't really know how to describe him. He's funny. He's a funny person. Cool guy. Like I said, he's not too high, not too low. He's just Jared."

(On if he can describe how he's funny)

"He's just silly. He's funny. He's a funny dude though, always joking. He says little jokes. But, cool, cool guy. Love that guy. Love playing with him. He's just a funny guy."

(On if Goff gives any one-liners once in a while)

"Nah, I just kind of just look at him and just start laughing, honestly."

(On how much the receivers have been a part of the success of the running game this year)

"A lot. Like I said in the past, you can focus on stopping the run or you can focus on stopping the pass, but knock on wood, you can't do both."

(On their performance as blockers in the run game)

"(WR Robert) Woods is my fullback, technically. (WR Brandin) Cooks is out there blocking. I mean it's just a whole team effort and that's what gets those runs – those 10, 15, 20-yard runs is from those receivers and those guys blocking on the second level. They've been fantastic opening up holes. (TE Tyler) Higbee, the whole offense been doing their thing. So, definitely credit all my success to those guys."

(On how much it helps having WR Cooper Kupp back on the field)

"Yeah, definitely big. (WR) Josh (Reynolds) came in and stepped up big, but (WR) Cooper Kupp is – he's great, man. Great guy on the field, can't be guarded one-on-one. Makes guys look silly and he just keeps getting better and just keeps improving. Such a smart player, understands the game. We all know our roles on the team."

(On what he sees as the biggest challenge for himself going against the Saints defense)

"(Saints DE) Cameron Jordan. He's a beast. Obviously, we know that, know what type of player he is and seeing that they have the No. 1 rush defense. They've got good linebackers, (Saints LB) Manti Te'o. They're very sound on the second level. They've got (Saints CB Marshon) Lattimore, (Saints CB) P.J. (Williams), who's just coming off NFC Player of the Week, (Saints DT Sheldon) Rankins. They've got a new rookie. He's hurt, but they've been playing some great ball. They've been playing together. Obviously, they haven't lost since the first game of the year. They're just all out there making plays, but it's definitely going to start with (No.) 94."

(On if the offense takes it as a challenge going up against the team with the number one rush defense)

"Yeah, I mean you definitely want to do good, for sure. If a team hasn't gotten scored on or a rushing touchdown, it's definitely a statement you want to make. But, we don't really think too much about it. Like (Head) Coach (Sean McVay) say, we go out there, do what we need to do and the rest going to take care of itself."

(On if he pays attention to what Saints RB Alvin Kamara has done)

"Yeah, he's a great player. He's only in his second year. Obviously, last year he had an amazing year. He's just always making plays. Doesn't seem like he's out there doing too much or even trying. He's just making it look easy, slippery guy. Then, when you've got a guy in (Saints RB) Mark Ingram who's playing – he's been doing his thing. He's been a two, three-time Pro Bowler in this league. You got two Pro Bowl running backs. I don't know when the last time that's happened. They've got a great combo. Great players over there."