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Rams Wide Receiver Brandin Cooks – Media Availability – January 16, 2019

(On if there's any words of wisdom he can pass onto the younger wide receivers from his experience playing in the Mercedes-Benz Superdome)

"I think the biggest thing I can say is that they have great fans, it gets loud in there, but at the end of the day noise is noise. Just focus on the little things and really just look at the quarterback and let everything else take care of itself."

(On if he likes the one-two punch pairing of running backs Todd Gurley II and C.J. Anderson or if he wants to see the ball thrown a little bit more)

"Oh no, I love what we are doing. Seeing (RB) C.J. (Anderson) and (RB) Todd (Gurley II) doing what they're doing. Anytime you can do that, add that element to your offense, I think special things happen. As long as we get the win, I couldn't care less where the ball goes."

(On what are some similarities and differences he's seen between Week 9 and now with the Saints defense)

"I would have to say they were playing great then, they're playing great football now. They fly around in the back end. Their defensive ends and their D-line play at such a high level and their backers as well. So as far as the differences, I just think they continue to get better over the year as we have as well, so it'll be fun."

(On how he feels having played for the Saints and now going back to play on such a big stage)

"I've been back twice now. So, at the end of the day it happens to be just another game. I don't look at it or make it bigger than what it is. I think when you do that you start to lose focus. I learned my lesson the first time I went back there and a couple weeks ago as well. So just take it one snap at a time as you go out there and have fun."

(On if there's any common thread between Saints QB Drew Brees and Rams QB Jared Goff that he's seen)

"They're both great."

(On one being around longer than the other)

"They're both great."

(On what's the most excited he's seen Goff)

"That's a good question. You talk about a guy who stays even keel. He operates with such a quieted mind no matter what's going on. The ebbs and flows of the game, he seems to stay even keel and when you have that from your quarterback that's special. You love to see that in, I guess, a quote unquote younger guy, but he doesn't play like a younger guy that's for sure."

(On getting to play in the Super Bowl last year and if he anticipated getting a chance to be back so quick when he was traded and what it means to him to get that chance)

"I think it's one of those things that when I got here, I knew we had something special. But not get ahead of myself, take it one game at a time, just build throughout the weeks and if we have the opportunity, then we're blessed but not to think about it too much is what I should say."

(On what he thinks is Head Coach Sean McVay's best attribute as a playcaller)

"You talk about a guy who is so dynamic and what he brings to our offense as far as the way that he calls plays, the way that he sees things out there on the field. When you have a coach like that, he's just special. I can't put one thing to him."

(On the challenges of staying in routine this week and the challenge for the team to stay in routine as well)

"I think it's just one of those things that we talk about it all year. To trust one day at a time, to trust our process and I think we've done such a great job as a team all year, so there's nothing that needs to change coming up this weekend's NFC Championship game. If we really believed in what we've talked about all year then it should be too hard to stay on pace and to stay routine oriented ."