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Miss St 134	140	Nebraska 125	129	Oklahoma 145	133	Arizona 125	133	Louisville 126	127	E Carolina 114	120
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Tennessee 120	126	Illinois 116	119	Iowa St 119	108	California 112	117	Virginia Tech 120	119	SMU 113	96
Texas A&M 129	126	Penn St 121	118			Wash St 125	117	Duke 122	119	Connecticut 111	96
S Carolina 139	123	Rutgers 117	117			Colorado 113	116	N Carolina 131	118		
Kentucky 114	116	Indiana 118	113					Syracuse 124	109		
Vanderbilt 121	108	Purdue 109	112					Wake Forest 116	107		

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Start	Current	Start	Current	Start	Current	Start	Current	Start	Current
Boise St 123	130	Marshall 123	125	N Illinois 118	122	Louisiana 109	110	Navy 122	122
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Utah St 119	117	UAB 96	113	C Michigan 113	110	Texas St 96	107	Army 103	103
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Hawaii 107	106	Middle Tenn 108	103	Bowling Green 123	104	Troy 105	96		
Wyoming 102	104	North Texas 113	102	Akron 112	103	Idaho 94	90		
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San Jose St 110	99	FAU 109	101	Miami, OH 96	99	N Mexico St 86	84		
UNLV 106	97	FIU 99	99	UMass 93	97				
		S Miss 100	96	E Michigan 91	85				

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December 20th - January 4th

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NEW ORLEANS BOWL

Saturday, December 20th • 11:00 am ESPN • Superdome • New Orleans, LA

NEVADA (7-5)

	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	SKED
NEVADA	205	190	33	+11	-	#81
LOUISIANA	233	208	33	+3	-	#110

UL finds itself in a familiar place as this will mark their 4th str NO Bowl appearance (3-0 SU/ATS). These 2 tms are evenly matched as PP is forecasting the game to end in a tie. With the early Vegas line at Pick-Em we'll pass on this matchup for now.

NO PLAY: NEVADA 33 LOUISIANA 33

NEW MEXICO BOWL

Saturday, December 20th • 2:20 pm ESPN • University Stadium • Albuquerque, NM

UTEP (7-5)

	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	SKED
UTEP	158	110	16	+8	-	#93
UTAH ST	204	158	27	+10	✓✓	#95

Both tms are familiar w/this venue as Utah St pl'd here LY & UTEP earlier TY. PP is projecting an 11 pt Aggies win and the opening line is 10'. Therefore we'll lean with the UNDER as PP forecasts just 43 total pts (early total line 49) and UTEP gms have gone UNDER the total in 6 str.

4★ UNDER: UTAH ST 27 UTEP 16

LAS VEGAS BOWL

Saturday, December 20th • 3:30 pm ABC • Sam Boyd Stadium • Las Vegas, NV

UTAH (8-4)

	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	SKED
UTAH	179	248	30	+4	✓✓✓✓1/2	#12
COLORADO ST	156	275	29	+3	-	#97

These 2 schls know each other well as they were long time conf rivals, but this is their 1st meeting s/10, a 59-6 UT win. PP forecasts a close gm w/Utah winning by 1, but we disagree as the Utes lead the nation in sacks, have pl'd a much tougher sked & HC Whittingham is 5-2 ATS in bowls.

NO PLAY: UTAH 30 COLORADO ST 29

IDAHO POTATO BOWL

Saturday, December 20th • 5:45 pm ESPN • Albertsons Stadium • Boise, ID

WESTERN MICHIGAN (8-4)

	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	SKED
WESTERN MICHIGAN	94	293	27	+2	-	#114
AIR FORCE	238	164	28	+1	✓✓	#109

This is the 1st ever meeting between these schls and the 1st time WM has ever played on the Blue Turf. PP projects this game to go down to the wire with AF getting the 1 pt win w/the yds nearly even at 402-387. With an early line at WM -1, we'll pass on this match-up for now.

NO PLAY: AIR FORCE 28 WESTERN MICHIGAN 27

CAMELLIA BOWL

Saturday, December 20th • 9:15 pm ESPN • Cramton Stadium • Montgomery, AL

SOUTH ALABAMA (6-6)

	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	SKED
SOUTH ALABAMA	198	240	30	-4	-	#94
BOWLING GREEN	175	179	22	+7	✓✓1/2	#99

This is the 1st ever meeting between these schls, the 1st ever Camellia Bowl & SA's 1st ever bowl appearance. The PP forecast has SA winning by 8 with a sizeable 438-354 yd edge. With an early line at just SA -3, we'll back the in-state Jags here as the Falcons come in reeling.

4★ SOUTH ALABAMA 30 BOWLING GREEN 22

MIAMI BEACH BOWL

Monday, December 22nd • 2:00 pm ESPN • Marlins Park • Miami, FL

BYU (8-4)

	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	SKED
BYU	164	246	27	-2	-	#79
MEMPHIS	164	246	32	+12	✓	#89

This is the 1st ever meeting between these schls & this is the 1st bowl at Marlins Park. The PP projection shows Memphis winning by 5 & in a rare statistical outlook, shows both teams rushing & passing for the exact same amount. With that in mind and an early line at Memphis -1, we'll pass.

NO PLAY: MEMPHIS 32 BYU 27

BOCA RATON BOWL

Tuesday, December 23rd • 6:00 pm ESPN • FAU Stadium • Boca Raton, FL

NORTHERN ILLINOIS (11-2)

	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	SKED
NORTHERN ILLINOIS	266	117	26	+11	-	#115
MARSHALL	237	273	36	-3	✓✓1/2	#124

This is the inaugural Boca Raton Bowl & these prev conf rivals haven't met s/01. PP is forecasting MIU to win by 10 w/a 510-383 yd edge but that's near the opening line. The emotional status of both tms is a factor, as NIU is happy to be here while Marshall was thinking a major bowl.

NO PLAY: MARSHALL 36 NORTHERN ILLINOIS 26

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POINSETTIA BOWL

Tuesday, December 23rd • 9:30 pm ESPN • Qualcomm Stadium • San Diego, CA

NAVY (7-5)

	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	SKED
NAVY	299	13	29	-3	-	#96
SAN DIEGO ST	253	210	32	+3	✓	#101

This gm is being played at SDSU's home stadium but there is a large Naval base in San Diego. SDSU HC Rocky Long knows how to shut down the option and despite a sizeable 463-312 yd edge, PP is projecting SDSU to win by just 3, which is near the opening line. Pass.

NO PLAY: SAN DIEGO ST 32 NAVY 29

BAHAMAS BOWL

Wednesday, December 24th • 12:00 pm ESPN • Thomas A. Robinson National Stadium • Nassau, Bahamas

CENTRAL MICHIGAN (7-5)

	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	SKED
CENTRAL MICHIGAN	182	271	32	-6	-	#111
WKU	112	355	43	+6	-	#87

This is the inaugural Bahamas Bowl & these 2 schls actually pl'd each other 2 yrs ago in the Little Caesars Pizza Bowl, a 24-21 CM win (+6). PP forecasts WKU to win by 11, but to outgain the Chip's by only a slim 467-453 margin. The better play is to take OVER the total (early line 66) as WKU's D is all g 48 ppg away from home TY and CM is facing by far the best offense they've faced all yr.

3★ OVER: WKU 43 CENTRAL MICHIGAN 32

HAWAII BOWL

Wednesday, December 24th • 8:00 pm ESPN • Aloha Stadium • Honolulu, HI

FRESNO ST (6-7)

	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	SKED
FRESNO ST	160	292	28	-5	✓✓	#71
RICE	140	225	25	+6	-	#85

These 2 schls were former conf rivals w/FS winning all 6 meetings (3-3 ATS). Vegas is favoring Rice by 1', but PP projects the Bulldogs to pull off the outright upset by 3 with a sizeable 452-365 yd edge & we fully agree as FS is also familiar with this venue & has the better O, D & ST's.

4★ FRESNO ST 28 RICE 25

HEART OF DALLAS BOWL

Friday, December 26th • 1:00 pm ESPN • Cotton Bowl • Dallas, TX

ILLINOIS (6-6)

	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	SKED
ILLINOIS	97	235	24	-3	✓	#37
LOUISIANA TECH	188	244	35	+15	-	#76

The Illini got here thanks to wins in each of their L/2 gms while LT lost 2 of their L/3. LT was +48 ypg vs our #76 sked while Illinois was -104 ypg vs our #37 sked. Now you see why PP backs the Bulldogs here. However, we disagree and we'll back a Big Ten tm getting a TD vs a non-power 5 tm.

NO PLAY: LOUISIANA TECH 35 ILLINOIS 24

QUICK LANE BOWL

Friday, December 26th • 4:30 pm ESPN • Ford Field • Detroit, MI

RUTGERS (7-5)

	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	SKED
RUTGERS	208	232	33	-4	1/2	#31
NORTH CAROLINA	175	263	35	-1	-	#33

The two tms are evenly matched as NC was -70 ypg TY while Rutgers was -61 ypg playing similar skeds. PP calls for this one to go down to the wire as while it calls for NC to win by 2, it has Rutgers w/a 440-438 yd edge. With a split forecast and the early line (NC -3), we'll pass.

NO PLAY: NORTH CAROLINA 35 RUTGERS 33

ST PETERSBURG BOWL

Friday, December 26th • 8:00 pm ESPN • Tropicana Field • St Petersburg, FL

NC STATE (7-5)

	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	SKED
NC STATE	163	91	21	+5	✓	#68
UCF	135	216	25	0	-	#106

Since starting the ssn 0-2, UCF has won 9 of its L/10 gms and has covered 8 of 10. They are +196 ypg in their L/4 gms and are playing close to home. PP gives the slight lean to UCF here (early line UCF -2) and w/a 351-254 ydg forecast we'll put the slight lean on the Knights.

3★ UCF 25 NC STATE 21

MILITARY BOWL

Saturday, December 27th • 1:00 pm ESPN • Navy-Marine Corps Stadium • Annapolis, MD

VIRGINIA TECH (6-6)

	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	SKED
VIRGINIA TECH	190	230	20	-6	-	#53
CINCINNATI	159	242	25	+4	1/2	#72

VT needs a win here to avoid their 1st losing ssn s/92 while the Bearcats come in red hot winners of 7 str (6-0-1 ATS) and will be looking for their 6th DD win ssn in 8 yrs w/a win. While PP calls for the Bearcats to come away w/a 5 pt win, it does have VT w/a 420-401 yd edge and we'll pass.

NO PLAY: CINCINNATI 25 VIRGINIA TECH 20

SUN BOWL

Saturday, December 27th • 2:00 pm CBS • Sun Bowl Stadium • El Paso, TX

DUKE (9-3)

	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	SKED
DUKE	123	234	26	+8	✓✓1/2	#80
ARIZONA ST	212	279	39	+12	-	#28

Ariz St has played the much tougher sked (#28) and is out-gaining their foes by 28 ypg TY. On the other side, despite playing a weaker sked (#80), the Blue Devils are -2 ypg. PP calls for a dominating 491-357 yd edge for the Sun Devils and a 13 pt win. With an early line at (ASU -7), we'll agree and note that prior to LY, ASU HC Graham was 4-0 ATS in bowls w/a an avg cover of 34 ppg!

4★ ARIZONA ST 39 DUKE 26

INDEPENDENCE BOWL

Saturday, December 27th • 3:30 pm ABC • Independence Stadium • Shreveport, LA

	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	SKED
MIAMI (6-6)	231	223	31	+1	✓	#35
SOUTH CAROLINA (6-6)	174	251	32	-4	✓	#46

For the ssn, the Hurricanes have been the more impressive tm as they are +103 ypg while SC is +17 ypg. However, they do come in losers of 2 str gms by DD's despite being a fav in both which explains why PP has SC winning by 1, but Miami is proj to have a 454-425 yd edge. We'll pass.

NO PLAY: SOUTH CAROLINA 32 MIAMI 31

PINSTRIPED BOWL

Saturday, December 27th • 4:30 pm ESPN • Yankee Stadium • Bronx, NY

	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	SKED
PENN ST (6-6)	85	169	16	-3	-	#52
BOSTON COLLEGE	155	95	17	-1	1/2	#56

The two tms played similar skeds TY as Penn St was +56 ypg while BC was +71 ypg. PP calls for BC by 1 but calls for PSU to have a 254-250 yd edge. We'll go w/the UNDER as the two tms are 9-15 O/U TY and PP projects this one despite the low early total line (40) to go UNDER by a TD.

4★ UNDER: BOSTON COLLEGE 17 PENN ST 16

HOLIDAY BOWL

Saturday, December 27th • 8:00 pm ESPN • Qualcomm Stadium • San Diego, CA

	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	SKED
NEBRASKA (9-3)	157	173	25	-2	✓ 1/2	#61
USC (8-4)	175	279	33	+13	-	#6

Despite being just 120 miles away, this marks USC's first trip to the Holiday bowl. PP calls for their debut to be a success as it has them w/a dominating 454-330 yd edge. They also have the TO edge and have played the tougher sked. While we lean with them, the MOV forecast is near the line.

NO PLAY: USC 33 NEBRASKA 25

LIBERTY BOWL

Monday, December 29th • 2:00 pm ESPN • Liberty Bowl • Memphis, TN

	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	SKED
WEST VIRGINIA (7-5)	256	317	34	-15	-	#8
TEXAS A&M (7-5)	142	231	28	-7	✓ 1/2	#22

Despite playing our #8 sked, WV was +114 ypg TY, which would be typical of a Top 15 tm. A&M after starting the ssn +168 ypg in their 1st 7, was outgained by 234 ypg in their L/5. Now you see why PP projects WV to have a dominating 573-373 yd edge. With the early line at WV -3', we'll agree.

3★ WEST VIRGINIA 34 TEXAS A&M 28

RUSSELL ATHLETIC BOWL

Monday, December 29th • 5:30 pm ESPN • Florida Citrus Bowl • Orlando, FL

	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	SKED
CLEMSON (9-3)	99	232	24	+1	-	#57
OKLAHOMA (8-4)	199	142	26	0	✓ ✓	#15

These two haven't played s/'88 and this is the Sooners 1st trip to this bowl. Clem was +151 ypg TY while OU was +98 ypg playing a tougher sked. PP calls for this one to go down to the wire (OU w/only a 341-331 yd edge) and w/no early line due to OU injuries, we'll pass on this matchup.

NO PLAY: OKLAHOMA 26 CLEMSON 24

TEXAS BOWL

Monday, December 29th • 9:00 pm ESPN • NRG Stadium • Houston, TX

	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	SKED
TEXAS (6-6)	79	216	10	-1	-	#5
ARKANSAS (6-6)	173	123	23	+5	✓	#4

These two former SWC rivals haven't met s/'08. PP calls for this one to be a throw back similar to the 1969 classic as both tms have Top 12 D's. While it calls for the Hogs to come away w/a 13 pt win, it only has them w/a 296-295 yd edge. Therefore we'll refer to the UNDER (early line 45') as the two tms are 8-16 O/U TY incl 3-7 O/U when their total line is in the 40's.

4.5★ UNDER: ARKANSAS 23 TEXAS 10

MUSIC CITY BOWL

Tuesday, December 30th • 3:00 pm ESPN • LP Field • Nashville, TN

	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	SKED
NOTRE DAME (7-5)	94	221	17	-4	-	#19
LSU (8-4)	259	170	34	+3	✓ ✓	#36

These two tms come in on opposite ends of the spectrum as despite playing our #2 sked in their L/4 gms, the Tigers were +40 ypg while ND playing our #23 sked, was outgained by 69 ypg and lost all 4 SU/ATS. PP calls for a dominating 429-315 yd edge for the Tigers and to have a 17 pt victory. With an early line at LSU -7, we'll agree and Geaux Tigers!

4★ LSU 34 NOTRE DAME 17

BELK BOWL

Tuesday, December 30th • 6:30 pm ESPN • Bank of America Stadium • Charlotte, NC

	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	SKED
LOUISVILLE (9-3)	143	223	24	+5	-	#58
GEORGIA (9-3)	199	178	36	+14	✓ 1/2	#47

First meeting. These two tms played similar skeds TY and while L'Ville was +103 ypg, UGA was +121 ypg. While it calls for the Bulldogs to come away w/a 12 pt win, it does have them with only a 377-366 yd edge and we'll pass on this matchup for now.

NO PLAY: GEORGIA 36 LOUISVILLE 24

FOSTER FARMS BOWL

Tuesday, December 30th • 10:00 pm ESPN • Levi's Stadium • Santa Clara, CA

	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	SKED
MARYLAND (7-5)	94	130	12	0	✓	#24
STANFORD (7-5)	200	256	35	-5	✓	#21

First meeting. Despite playing similar skeds and having identical 7-5 records, these two tms couldn't be further apart as Stanford is +99 ypg while MD is -86 ypg. PP takes this into consideration and projects a dominating 23 pt win for the Cardinal incl a 456-224 yd edge. With an early line at Stanford -14 and with them playing close to home, we'll agree and make the Cardinal a rare 4.5★

4.5★ STANFORD 35 MARYLAND 12

PEACH BOWL

Wednesday, December 31st • 12:30 pm ESPN • Georgia Dome • Atlanta, GA

	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	SKED
MISSISSIPPI (9-3)	164	250	23	+7	-	#14
TCU (11-1)	137	311	34	+17	✓	#50

PP likes TCU to finish the ssn on a high note w/a DD win (early line TCU -3'). While TCU statistically is the superior tm (+183 ypg TY), PP can't factor in their emotion as they were #3 in the country on 12/6 but fell 3 spots after a 52 pt win and Ole Miss is much better than their 9-3 record. Pass.

NO PLAY: TCU 34 MISSISSIPPI 23

FIESTA BOWL

Wednesday, December 31st • 4:00 pm ESPN • University of Phoenix Stadium • Glendale, AZ

	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	SKED
BOISE ST (11-2)	196	213	33	+7	-	#74
ARIZONA (10-3)	152	264	35	+9	1/2	#7

The Broncos return to the scene where they became a national name while Zona returns to this in-state bowl for the first time s/'94. While PP calls for this one to go down to the wire, it is notable that Boise is 0-5 SU/1-4 ATS as a dog the L/2 yrs losing those gms by an avg of 17 ppg. Pass.

NO PLAY: ARIZONA 35 BOISE ST 33

ORANGE BOWL

Wednesday, December 31st • 8:00 pm ESPN • Sun Life Stadium • Miami Gardens, FL

	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	SKED
GEORGIA TECH (10-3)	318	172	30	+10	-	#38
MISSISSIPPI ST (10-2)	214	271	31	+1	-	#44

GT comes in red hot w/6 str covers (5-1 SU), and has played like a Top 10 tm in the 2H of the ssn. On the other side, Miss St after a 9-0 start, has lost 2 of its L/3 gms. Now you understand why PP backs the TD underdog Jackets here, but what PP can't take into consideration is the extra time Miss St will have to prep for the option and GT is 1-5 ATS in bowls under Johnson. Pass.

NO PLAY: MISSISSIPPI ST 31 GEORGIA TECH 30

OUTBACK BOWL

Thursday, January 1st • 12:00 pm ESPN2 • Raymond James Stadium • Tampa, FL

	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	SKED
WISCONSIN (10-3)	276	158	32	-6	-	#63
AUBURN (8-4)	205	230	31	+4	-	#2

Despite their 59-0 loss to Ohio St in the Big Ten Champ gm, PP loves the Badgers here who were playing like a legit Top 10 tm down the stretch. However, PP can't factor in their coaching situation as HC Andersen left for Oreg St and the HOF'er Alvarez will once again be the interim. Pass.

NO PLAY: WISCONSIN 32 AUBURN 31

COTTON BOWL

Thursday, January 1st • 12:30 pm ESPN • AT&T Stadium • Arlington, TX

	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	SKED
MICHIGAN ST (10-2)	191	295	40	+20	-	#59
BAYLOR (11-1)	148	353	38	+12	-	#54

Both tms are outgaining their foes by more than 200 ypg this ssn. The diff here is BU is not nearly as good on the road (+86 ypg) as they are at home (+358 ypg) while Mich St ranks #1 in the country at +180 ypg on the road TY. PP calls for the outright upset here (early line BU -3) and we'll agree as BU's emotional state of missing the playoffs is another bonus PP can't factor in.

4★ MICHIGAN ST 40 BAYLOR 38

CITRUS BOWL

Thursday, January 1st • 1:00 pm ABC • Florida Citrus Bowl • Orlando, FL

	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	SKED
MINNESOTA (8-4)	196	131	24	+11	✓	#40
MISSOURI (10-3)	144	188	19	+8	✓	#26

Minnny has been a cash cow as a dog the L/2 yrs as they are on a 9-1 ATS run in that role w/5 outright upsets and have an avg cover of 12 ppg in those 9 ATS wins. PP calls for them to get the outright upset yet again here and has them covering by 11 ppg making this a 4.5★!

4.5★ MINNESOTA 24 MISSOURI 19

ROSE BOWL

Thursday, January 1st • 5:00 pm ESPN • Rose Bowl • Pasadena, CA

	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	SKED
FLORIDA ST (13-0)	156	238	26	-3	✓ 1/2	#51
OREGON (12-1)	239	322	44	+17	-	#39

Oreg comes in red-hot w/8 str covers (see streakers) while FSU is just 3-10 ATS TY. The Noles are also only +56 ypg TY while Oreg is +132 ypg. While PP calls for an easy Ducks win incl a 561-394 yd edge, it doesn't take into account this is the first time FSU has been a dog in 49 gms and we'll back the tm that's won 29 str gms SU getting nearly DD's (early line Oreg -9')

NO PLAY: OREGON 44 FLORIDA ST 26

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SUGAR BOWL

Thursday, January 1st • 8:30 pm ESPN • Superdome • New Orleans, LA

OHIO ST (12-1)

	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	SKED
OHIO ST	185	272	35	+9	✓	#42
ALABAMA	149	277	36	-1	✓	#25

This national semi-final matches up two of the most storied programs in CFB history w/arguably the top 2 coaches of this generation. PP backs the nearly DD dog Bucks here (Meyer is 4-0 SU/ATS at OSU as a dog) and it calls for them to have a 457-426 yd edge. While we also lean with the Buckeyes, we downgraded our rating as Saban and Co will have a month to prep for OSU QB Jones.

3★ OHIO ST 35 (+) ALABAMA 36

ARMED FORCES BOWL

Friday, January 2nd • 12:00 pm ESPN • Amon G. Carter Stadium • Fort Worth, TX

PITTSBURGH (6-6)

	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	SKED
PITTSBURGH	228	193	30	-5	1/2	#69
HOUSTON	164	256	28	+10	✓	#123

Pitt sports an impressive +86 ypg TY vs our #69 sked while UH was +74 ypg albeit vs a much weaker sked. PP, however calls for this one to go down to the wire. This gm features one interim HC (UH's Gibbs) and could feature another if Chryst bolts for Wisky and we'll pass on this for now.

NO PLAY: PITTSBURGH 30 HOUSTON 28

TAXSLAYER BOWL

Friday, January 2nd • 3:20 pm ESPN • Everbank Stadium • Jacksonville, FL

IOWA (7-5)

	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	SKED
IOWA	154	240	25	-5	✓	#70
TENNESSEE	142	202	27	+1	✓	#16

The Vols are back in a bowl for the 1st time s/10 and remarkably haven't won one s/07. They finished 3-1 SU down the stretch and PP calls for them to get that elusive 7th win. However, it does have Iowa w/a 394-344 yd edge and Hawkeye HC Ferentz is 7-2 ATS as a dog in bowls. Pass.

NO PLAY: TENNESSEE 27 IOWA 25

ALAMO BOWL

Friday, January 2nd • 6:45 pm ESPN • Alamodome • San Antonio, TX

UCLA (9-3)

	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	SKED
UCLA	168	240	23	+4	✓	#1
KANSAS ST	103	282	30	+8	✓✓ 1/2	#32

While PP backs the Cats in this gm w/a 7 pt MOV forecast, it does have the Bruins w/a 408-385 yd edge. With a split forecast, we'll lean with the UNDER as both tms sport Top 30 D's and KSt's L/3 bowl games have all gone UNDER the total by an avg of 16.5 ppg.

3★ UNDER: KANSAS ST 30 UCLA 23

CACTUS BOWL

Friday, January 2nd • 10:15 pm ESPN • Sun Devil Stadium • Tempe, AZ

OKLAHOMA ST (6-6)

	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	SKED
OKLAHOMA ST	101	234	20	-8	✓	#20
WASHINGTON	211	194	30	+12	✓	#55

While PP calls for Wash to come away w/a 10 pt win (early line UW -5'), we think the better play is the total (early line 56') as the Huskies are 1-8 O/U in gms where AA LB Thompson plays strictly D and Ok St did lose their electrifying RM in Hill to off-field issues.

3★ UNDER: WASHINGTON 30 OKLAHOMA ST 20

BIRMINGHAM BOWL

Saturday, January 3rd • 1:00 pm ESPN • Legion Field • Birmingham, AL

EAST CAROLINA (8-4)

	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	SKED
EAST CAROLINA	57	305	22	-4	✓✓✓	#102
FLORIDA	167	214	33	+6	✓✓✓	#41

While UF is clearly the superior tm, PP can't factor in emotion as they will be playing w/an interim HC. PP does call for the yds to be close (UF 381-362) and EC thrives when playing their big brothers from the ACC/SEC going 5-1 SU/6-0 ATS the L/2 yrs. Pass.

NO PLAY: FLORIDA 33 EAST CAROLINA 22

GODADDY BOWL

Sunday, January 4th • 9:00 pm ESPN • Ladd-Peebles Stadium • Mobile, AL

TOLEDO (8-4)

	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	SKED
TOLEDO	283	203	38	-4	✓	#113
ARKANSAS ST	196	263	37	+7	✓	#122

PP likes the Rockets to win a shoot-out incl having a 486-459 yd edge. While PP calls for this one to go over the total (early line 67), we fade later date bowl gms as the extra time off usually has a negative effect on the offenses and we'll pass on this matchup for now.

NO PLAY: TOLEDO 38 ARKANSAS ST 37

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