Hawaii Wyoming Game Preview



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Hawaii takes on Colorado State. Photo provided by Hawaii Athletics website.

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Hawaii Wyoming football is a significant matchup in the <u>mountain west</u>. This college football season has been exciting and there have been plenty of surprises. However, the Hawaii Rainbow Warriors haven't had the season they hoped for. Timmy Chang's team is currently 2-6 and recently lost 17-13 to Colorado State. Hawaii looks to avenge its loss against the Wyoming Cowboys. Hawaii is currently ranked fifth in the west division. Wyoming enters the game with a 5-3 record and ranks second in the mountain division.

<u>Wyoming</u> is a 10.5-point favorite and <u>ESPN</u> gives the Cowboys a 67 percent chance to win. These numbers are significant because Hawaii is playing at home. The game will be held at Clarence TC Ching Athletics Complex and kickoff at 6 p.m. Hawaii time.

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Hawaii has struggled as a football team and Hawaii Wyoming football is a good time for them to turn things around. Wyoming leads the series 15-11 according to Winispedia. Last season Hawaii beat Wyoming 38-14 and secured the paniolo trophy. Hawaii Wyoming football is unique because the winner holds the paniolo trophy. The paniolo trophy has been around for years and acts as an incentive for Hawaii Wyoming football games.

Timmy Chang wants to win the game so the trophy can stay with Hawaii. Fans will be happy if Hawaii can emerge victorious.

What Wyoming needs to do to win



Titus Swen carries the ball against Colorado State. Photo provided by University of Wyoming athletics.

Wyoming is scoring 23.9 points per game and averaging 326.3 yards per game. Head coach Craig Bohl has spent nine seasons in Wyoming and posted a 50-53 record. Wyoming has won its last two games and scored over 20 points in both games. Bohl's team has a strong running game. Leading rusher <u>Titus Swen</u> has rushed for 665 yards and scored seven touchdowns. Swen is averaging 4.7 yards per carry. Swen was recently named Mountain West offensive player of the week. Wyoming's quarterback Andrew Peasley has passed for 1,204 yards, thrown nine touchdowns, and three interceptions.

The Cowboys can win the game by sticking to the ground game. Hawaii is allowing 129 rushing yards a game. Wyoming will be able to control the clock by running the ball. The run game will open up play-action passes and creative pass plays. Establishing a run game can help Wyoming silence the crowd and play efficient football.

Wyoming's defense should be able to capitalize off turnovers. Hawaii's quarterback <u>Brayden Schager</u> has passed for 1,201 yards, thrown four touchdowns, and six interceptions.

What Hawaii needs to do to win



Hawaii quarterback Brayden Schager drops back to pass against Colorado State. Photo provided by Hawaii football Twitter.

The football gods haven't been kind to Hawaii. Hawaii has lost close games and has been blown out multiple times. Hawaii has to play a complete game on offense, defense, and special teams. Offensively, Hawaii has to feature Dedrick Parson. Parson is Hawaii's main weapon and Parson's production speaks for itself. Parson has rushed for 543 yards and scored 10 touchdowns. An effective run game can help Hawaii control the game and limit Wyoming's possessions. Brayden Schager has to protect the ball and take what the defense gives him.

Hawaii's defense has played well after a rocky start to the season. Defensive coordinator Jacob Yoro should dial up pressures and multiple coverages to attack Wyoming's offense. Various coverages can confuse Wyoming's quarterback. Hawaii's defense has to get off the field on third down and help Hawaii's offense. Hawaii only has five games left. Playing well on both sides of the ball will help Hawaii win and turn its season around.