## The Gut Check's WR Checklist Analysis School: Arizona State **Opponent:** Field Turf Name: Derek Hagan Oregon State Surface: Height: 6-2 Year: Senior Score: 42-24 Climate: Night 208 9/25/2005 Weight: Date: Location: Oregon State Temperature: Temperate **Overall Score:** 85 Yes Can physically break jam [2pts]: **Game Stats** Can use elusiveness to break jam [2pts]: Yes Target: 13 Uses body to shield defender from the ball [3pts] Yes **Misssed Target:** Creates separation with burst out of breaks [5pts]: Yes Drops: Gains noticeable separation on intermediate/deep routes [2pts] Yes Juggles: **Dropped After Contact:** 0 Runs precise routes [5pts]: Yes Rec: Finds opening in zone coverage [5pts]: Yes 11 Adjusts to QB when play breaks down [3pts]: Yes **Rec After Contact:** 0 Awareness of sideline [2pts]: Yes **Difficult Rec:** 0 Rec Yards: 193 Catches ball with hands first [5pts]: Yes Yards After Catch: 0 Adjusts to the ball in the air [2pts]: Yes Yards per Catch: 18 Catches ball well with back to the line of scrimmag [2pts]: Yes Rec Tds: 2 Catches ball in tight coverage [5pts]: Yes Yards per Td: 0 Catches ball in high traffic areas [3pts]: Yes Rush Att: 0 Consistently holds onto the ball when hit [4pts] Yes Rush Yds: 0 Demonstrates ability to make difficult catch [Ipt]: Yes Rush Tds: 0 Makes receptions on catchable balls consistently [5pts]: Yes **Fumbles:** 0 Effective lower body jukes while on the run [2pts]: No Effective upper body jukes while on the run [2pts] No Avoids direct shots [2pts]: Nο **Category Scores Effective stop-start movements [2pts]:** No **Separation Score:** No Effective lateral movement [2pts]: **Routes Score:** DemoDemonstrates ability to carry ball with either hand [Ipt]: Nο **Receiving Score:** Demonstrates ball security [3pts]: Yes **Elusiveness Score:** 0 Maintains control of ball when hit [5pts]: Yes **BHandling Score:** Maintains control of ball in adverse weather conditions [Ipt]: N/A **Balance Score:** High performance in adverse conditions [Ipt]: N/A **Blocking Score:** Maintains balance when hit head-on [Ipt]: Yes **Vision Score:** Maintains balance when hit from an indirect angle [2pts]: No **Power Score: Durability Score:** Demonstrates effort with assignments [2pts]: Yes Yes Demonstrates willingness to block in the open field and on broken plays [2pts] Displays patience in traffic (sets up blocks) [Ipt]: N/A Takes good angles away from defenders in the open field [2pts]: No Leg power and drives through arm tackles [Ipt]: Yes Effective stiff arm [lpt]: N/A Good body lean/Finishes runs [lpts]: Yes Gains yards after contact/second-third effort runner [2pts]: N/A Missed fewer than 10% of opportunitiesr [1pt]: N/A Performs at high level while playing with an injury [Ipt]: N/A No chronic injuries (Two or more injuries to same body part) [lpt]: N/A

N/A

No injuries requiring extensive rehabilitation during college career [5pts]

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**Overall Strengths:** Hagan is the all-time leader in receptions and receiving yards in ASU history passing Sun Devil great, John Jefferson. He has very good concentration with the ball in the air or in tight coverage. This is the kind of receiver that will make plays with a DB on top of him. A physical receiver that does a nice job with hand fighting. He has some power to run the ball after the catch but also gets separation on deep routes. This is a receiver that I believe has a good chance to develop into a premier possession receiver with some downfield/big-play capability.

**Overall Weaknesses:** Hagan isn't blazing fast, but has enough speed to make plays most anywhere on the field. He has occasional lapses with receiving technique and will drop some easier passes, but this has been a minor issue thus far. He is not a dynamic runner after the catch. He has power, but he's not the type of guy that will take a catch and gain lots of yardage afterwards unless the secondary has difficulty tackling. He's not elusive. He needs to improve how he uses his hands. He will catch the ball with his hands first, but sometimes the placement of his hands in certain situations causes Hagan to fight the ball a little bit. This should be easily corrected with time because he's already a good pass catcher.

**Separation:** Hagan got outside his man playing tight coverage on the first throw of the game for ASU. He had his man beat by a step with the safety trailing (but making up ground), but the pass was overthrown by a yard. He got loose again with an inside step and a move to the outside on his first reception of the game--a 50-yard bomb. Hagan knew not to get too far outside, so he had room between the CB and the sideline if necessary. Hagan breaks off his routes well enough to generate separation. He knows how to extend his arms to create separation. In the 2nd QTR with less than 5:00 left Hagan did a nice job on an out route for a first down. He was chest to chest with the DB but as the ball was thrown, he got free and made the grab. Later in the game, Hagan got inside separation on a stutter and go for a 40-yard completion. Hagan ran this route well enough that the DB panicked, and grabbed Hagan around the waist before he could even catch the ball--Hagan still made the reception!

Routes: Hagan got good separation on a short curl on his second opportunity, but Keller underthrew the bal. Hagan had to attempt a finger-tip catch while at a full sprint back to the ball, but was unsuccessful. Another play he ran a crisp, 10-yard out. Hagan's third reception was an inside curl. He did a nice job getting the DB to bite on a long route before breaking it off. Hagan did a nice job sinking his hips and getting inside release to make the DB bite and consistently comes back for the ball. In the 2nd QTR, ASU was backed up deep in their territory and Keller had to break the pocket. Hagan came back to Keller, and caught an underthrown ball to pick up positive yardage. On a rute where a defender pushed him down to the ground, Hagan had enough athleticism to actually rise up and attempt to reach for the ball while still off his feet. Hagan's stutter and go move for the 40-yard completion was perfect--he actually looked back to the QB before resuming downfield. He is a very reliable option in critical situations. He got open on a 3rd down in the redzone when Keller was under pressure. Hagan adjusted well to the QB and made the grab. The following play, he caught a crossing route for a TD. Hagan extended his arms and caught the ball with his hands while keeping his feet in front of the endline.

Receiving: Hagan is very capable of catchign the ball with his hands. Sometimes he'll catch the ball with his hands, but juggled it a little bit against his body before completely stabilizing the ball. He made a great over the shoulder catch in this game while running at full speed. He also caught an 10-yard out route with his hands on 3rd down. Hagan dropped a pass because he was falling down on a route where he started inside and then went to the outside. He did get his hands on the ball as he was falling backwards, but he couldn't hold onto it. A terrific example of Hagan's concentration occurred on his 40-yard stutter and go route with the DBs arms wrapped around this waist before the ball got to him. The DB also tried to dislodge the ball with his hands as Hagan brought the ball into this chest, but Hagan was still in control. He also caught his touchdown with his arms extended and his hands firmly grabbing the ball. Later, Hagan caught a 30+ yard bomb on a corner route where he clearly beat his man by 3-4 steps for a touchdown.

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## **Ball Handling:**

## Balance:

**Blocking:** Hagan showed he can be a pretty good blocker in the run game. He doesn't hit very hard, but he stays in front of his man and persistently attempts to get his hands on him. He will try to make blocks downfield. He actually leaped over a defender on a long pass to Miller in an attempt to get to another DB and make a block.

## Vision:

**Power:** Hagan has the kind of size that makes him difficult to tackle when a defender is face to face with him. He carried a DB for 4 yards and nearly for the score after he beat him on the stutter and go. Hagan had to be gang tackled after his 3rd QTR reception in the redzone where he came back for the ball.

**Durability:** No major issues.

**Character:** Purportedly one of the nicest and more humble players on his team.

**Game Notes:**