

The Gut Check's WR Checklist Analysis

Name: Jason Hill **School:** Washington State **Opponent:** California **Surface:** Astro Turf
Height: 6-2 **Year:** Junior **Score:** 38-42 **Climate:** Sunshine
Weight: 208 **Date:** 10/24/2005 **Location:** California **Temperature:** Temperate

Overall Score: **86**

- Can physically break jam [2pts]: Yes
- Can use elusiveness to break jam [2pts]: Yes
- Uses body to shield defender from the ball [3pts]: Yes
- Creates separation with burst out of breaks [5pts]: Yes
- Gains noticeable separation on intermediate/deep routes [2pts]: Yes
- Runs precise routes [5pts]: Yes
- Finds opening in zone coverage [5pts]: Yes
- Adjusts to QB when play breaks down [3pts]: No
- Awareness of sideline [2pts]: Yes
- Catches ball with hands first [5pts]: Yes
- Adjusts to the ball in the air [2pts]: Yes
- Catches ball well with back to the line of scrimmage [2pts]: Yes
- Catches ball in tight coverage [5pts]: Yes
- Catches ball in high traffic areas [3pts]: Yes
- Consistently holds onto the ball when hit [4pts]: Yes
- Demonstrates ability to make difficult catch [1pt]: Yes
- Makes receptions on catchable balls consistently [5pts]: Yes
- Effective lower body jukes while on the run [2pts]: Yes
- Effective upper body jukes while on the run [2pts]: Yes
- Avoids direct shots [2pts]: Yes
- Effective stop-start movements [2pts]: N/A
- Effective lateral movement [2pts]: Yes
- DemoDemonstrates ability to carry ball with either hand [1pt]: No
- Demonstrates ball security [3pts]: Yes
- Maintains control of ball when hit [5pts]: Yes
- Maintains control of ball in adverse weather conditions [1 pt]: N/A
- High performance in adverse conditions [1 pt]: N/A
- Maintains balance when hit head-on [1 pt]: No
- Maintains balance when hit from an indirect angle [2pts]: No
- Demonstrates effort with assignments [2pts]: No
- Demonstrates willingness to block in the open field and on broken plays [2pts]: No
- Displays patience in traffic (sets up blocks) [1 pt]: No
- Takes good angles away from defenders in the open field [2pts]: Yes
- Leg power and drives through arm tackles [1 pt]: N/A
- Effective stiff arm [1 pt]: N/A
- Good body lean/Finishes runs [1 pts]: N/A
- Gains yards after contact/second-third effort runner [2pts]: No
- Missed fewer than 10% of opportunities [1 pt]: Yes
- Performs at high level while playing with an injury [1 pt]: Yes
- No chronic injuries (Two or more injuries to same body part) [1 pt]: Yes
- No injuries requiring extensive rehabilitation during college career [5pts]: Yes

Game Stats

Target: 11
Missed Target: 6
Drops: 2
Juggles: 0
Dropped After Contact: 0
Rec: 6
Rec After Contact: 0
Difficult Rec: 0
Rec Yards: 240
Yards After Catch: 0
Yards per Catch: 0
Rec Tds: 3
Yards per Td: 0
Rush Att: 0
Rush Yds: 0
Rush Tds: 0
Fumbles: 0

Category Scores

Separation Score: 14
Routes Score: 12
Receiving Score: 27
Elusiveness Score: 10
BHandling Score: 9
Balance Score: 1
Blocking Score: 0
Vision Score: 2
Power Score: 3
Durability Score: 8

The Gut Check's WR Scouting Profile

Name: Jason Hill

Date: 10/24/2005

Opponent: California

Overall Strengths

As a pass catcher and route runner, Hill can do it all. He has elite speed and can eat up a cushion, but is also physical enough to beat press coverage. Runs all the routes in the book--not afraid to go over the middle or take a short pass and gain yardage. Adjusts to the ball and has tremendous concentration and body control. Not on the level of Randy Moss, but certainly within the realm of players like Jimmy Smith or Chad Johnson--two physical players with speed but will go over the middle and run any route. This is a guy I know will be a primary receiver for an NFL one day if he continues to do the right things and stay healthy.

Overall Weaknesses

Blocking isn't something he gives maximum effort. He'll miss good angles to block someone. He occasionally has lapses in concentration with catching the ball. Didn't see him catch a ball and take a big hit. I didn't see him working back to his QB when the plays broke down, but I didn't have the best perspective to see the whole field every time the QB was under pressure.

Separation

Deep threat with size and very physical. Drew an interference call on the first offensive play of the game. Beat his man on a deep sideline route with great separation, but the ball was overthrown. After he went off for 3 long touchdowns within the span of two quarters, Hill was still getting open in bracketed coverage--one man in press and a guy deep. This guy is a monster of a player. He's getting open in the way Jimmy Smith and Isaac Bruce would get free in this type of coverage. Matched up against a physical corner about his height and they did some hand-fighting down the field and it didn't keep Hill from winning the battle. This was after he beat a smaller, faster corner playing deep coverage but couldn't stay with him. After Hill beat the bigger corner a couple of times, they decided to put the smaller guy back on him and bracket him with a safety. That's when

Routes

Runs disciplined routes all over the field and does it with speed and fluidity. Explodes out of routes. Shows the ability to go inside. Almost reached back and caught a TD but was in tight coverage and the DB was able to bat it away.

Receiving

Catches the ball with his hands. Came in motion and released to the opposite sideline in the flat, and the QB overthrew the ball, but Hill leaped up with arms fully extended and snatched the ball out of the air with enough awareness to stay inbounds. Beat his man for an 81-yard play in the first quarter. Never gives up on a ball in the air. Almost tipped a 30-yard pass to himself like Joe Jurevicius did in the MNF game against Philly a few years ago. Got deep on a 6-2 corner (Hughes) and caught a 40-yard TD pass in the corner of the endzone. Nice adjustment to the ball by turning and falling back as he cradled it. His 9th straight game with a TD. Hill's next catch was a 62-yard bomb. He beat his man one on one by 2 yards. He then had a 40-yard td where he had his man beat by a step, but the ball is underthrown and the CB tipped it. Hill caught the tip in stride and took

Elusiveness

Hill's receptions in this game didn't require him to elude a defender once he had the ball in his hands.

Ball Handling

Tucks the ball away when he makes a catch.

Balance

Excellent balance while running at full speed or leaping in the air. He has that knack for keeping a play alive when the ball hasn't hit the ground.

Blocking

Doesn't make enough of an effort in the open field or the run game. Mostly gets on a man for show but doesn't deliver hits and gives minimum effort here.

Vision

Power

Powerful receiver that can break some tackles on occasion.

Durability

Had been dealing with a deep thigh bruise for the last couple of games. He was taped up for a knee strain but proceeded to explode for 3 scores afterwards.

Character

Hill didn't showboat--he talked a little trash with the corners that were giving as much to him as he was giving to them. Nothing out of hand. Seems like a humble kid more concerned about winning. Ignored the camera on the sideline after his scores and just stayed focused on what his coach was telling him.