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# View reaction to former Bison WR Christian Watson being selected near top of NFL Draft 2nd round

Former North Dakota State wide receiver Christian Watson headed to the Green Bay Packers with a second-round selection.



Christian Watson warms up during North Dakota State's annual football pro day at the Dacotah Field Bubble on Thursday, March 24, 2022.

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FARGO — Former North Dakota State wide receiver Christian Watson is keeping the same uniform color scheme in the NFL.

The 6-foot-4, 208-pound [Watson went the the Green Bay Packers at No. 34 overall in the second round](https://www.inforum.com/sports/former-bison-receiver-christian-watson-taken-in-second-round-of-nfl-draft-by-the-green-bay-packers)(<https://www.inforum.com/sports/former-bison-receiver-christian-watson-taken-in-second-round-of-nfl-draft-by-the-green-bay-packers>) . The Minnesota Vikings traded out of the selection, which Green Bay used for Watson. The Vikings traded No. 34 for picks No. 53 and 59 in the second round.

Watson helps fill a void at wide receiver for Green Bay, which traded All-Pro receiver Davante Adams this offseason. Watson impressed during the pre-draft process with his athleticism, running the 40-yard dash in 4.36 seconds at the NFL Combine.

In the past two drafts, the Bison have had three players drafted in the top two rounds. Former NDSU quarterback Trey Lance was the No. 3 overall selection by the San Francisco 49ers in the 2021 NFL Draft. The Tennessee Titans selected former NDSU offensive tackle Dillon Radunz in the second round at No. 53 overall in 2021.

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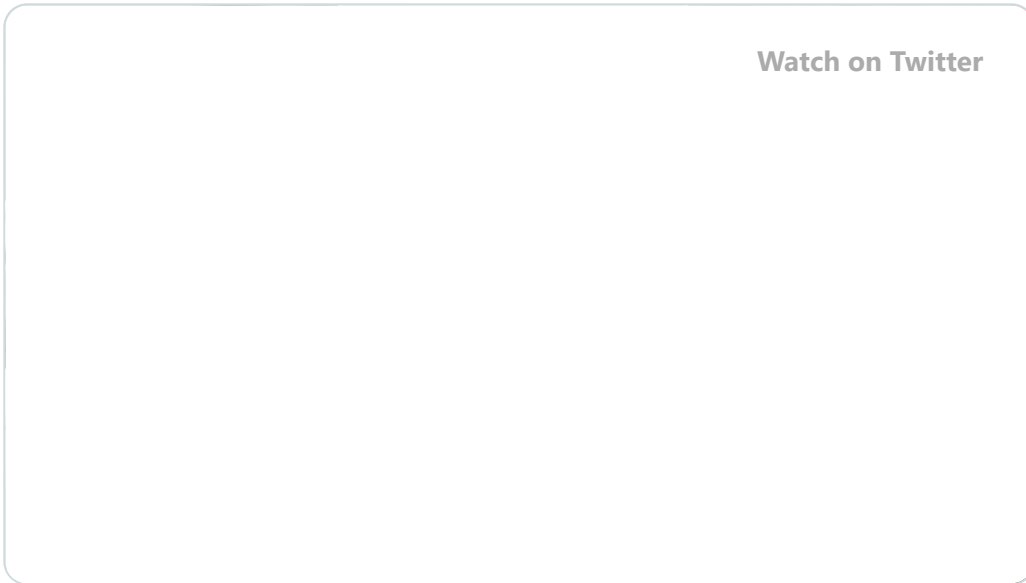
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The #Packers moved up the board to get WR Christian

## Watson on Day 2.

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Thought the Packers got aggressive at the right time to get a WR. Were patient last night and it paid off. Aaron Rodgers gets his guy!

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Milt Hendrickson on Christian Watson: "He's been a guy through the process that collectively – you look at his size, speed. He's played at a phenomenal program. He's used

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Watson's dad tells me that the first person to text Christian after being drafted by Green Bay: Aaron Rodgers.

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I know you don't want to hear this, but the ESPN draft trade value chart ([@pfref](#) Approximate Value) strongly favors the Vikings' position in this trade with GB. More than Thursday's deal.

Vikings points: 5  
Packers points: 3.3

2 second-round picks (even later in the round) > 1

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North Dakota St. WR Christian Watson has all the tools but he's raw. Don't see Valdez-Scantling comps. Watson is far looser athlete w/ higher ceiling. Part of developmental curve is now on Aaron Rodgers. That's why teams pay franchise QBs—to make other players better. [#GoPackGo](#)

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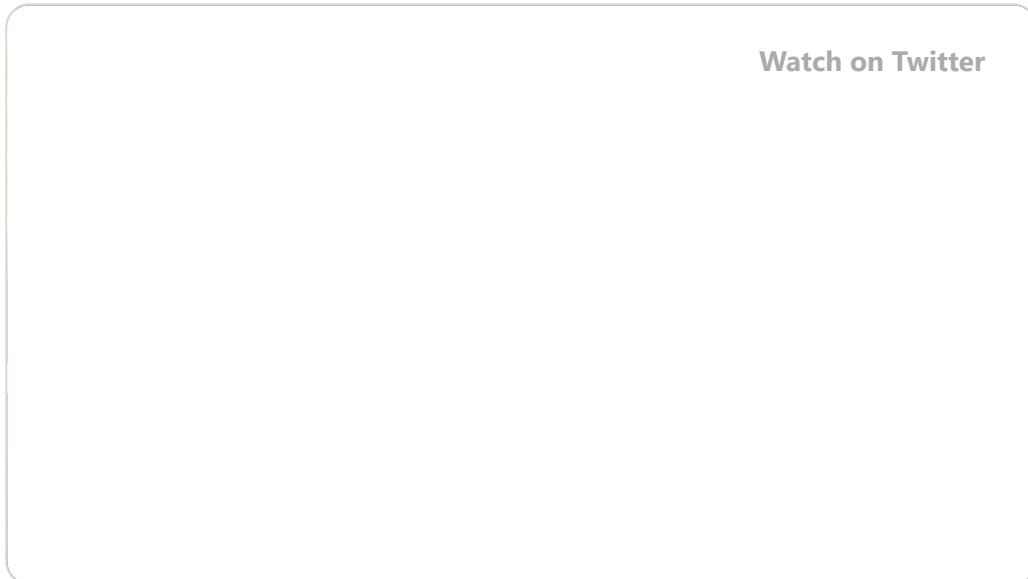
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Aaron Jones welcomes his teammate Christian Watson to the [@Packers](#).

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The #Packers trade all the way up and select ND State WR Christian Watson. A big-time weapon for Aaron Rodgers at No. 34.

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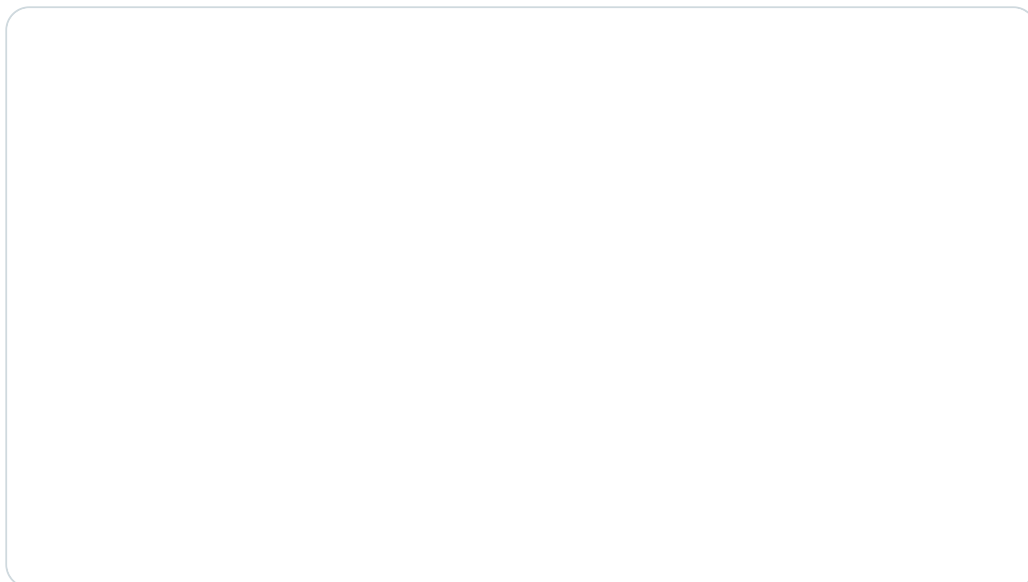
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With the 34th pick in the 2022 #NFLDraft, the #Packers select North Dakota State WR Christian Watson!

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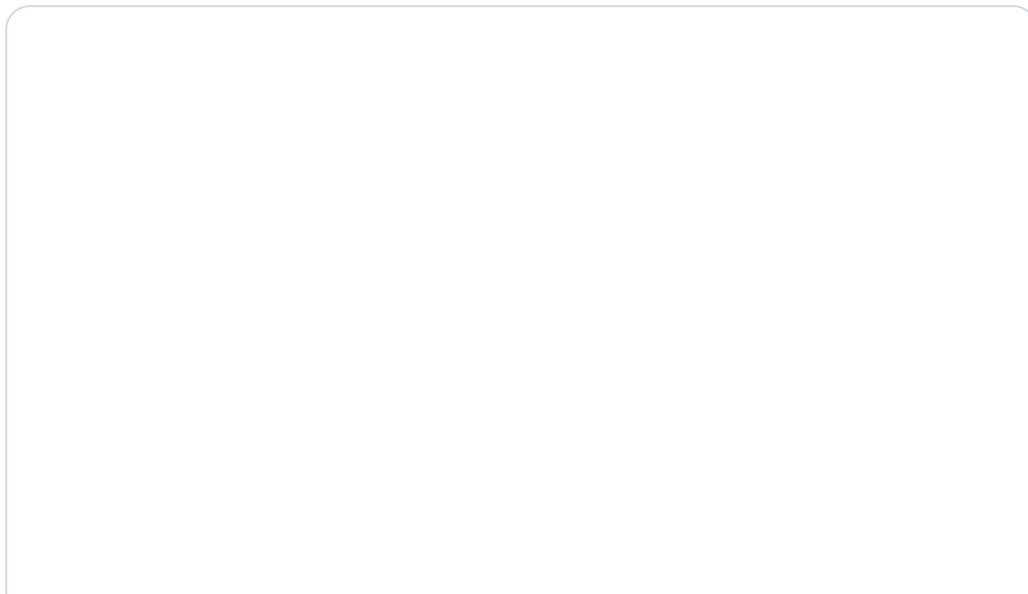
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Christian Watson was drafted with pick 34 of round 2 in the 2022 draft class. He scored a 9.96 RAS out of a possible 10.00. This ranked 12 out of 2785 WR from 1987 to 2022. [ras.football/ras-informatio...](https://ras.football/ras-informatio...) #RAS #Packers





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Yessir! Congrats to @packers for selecting a tremendous young man with your second round selection. Cannot wait to see @ChristianW2017 do his thing!

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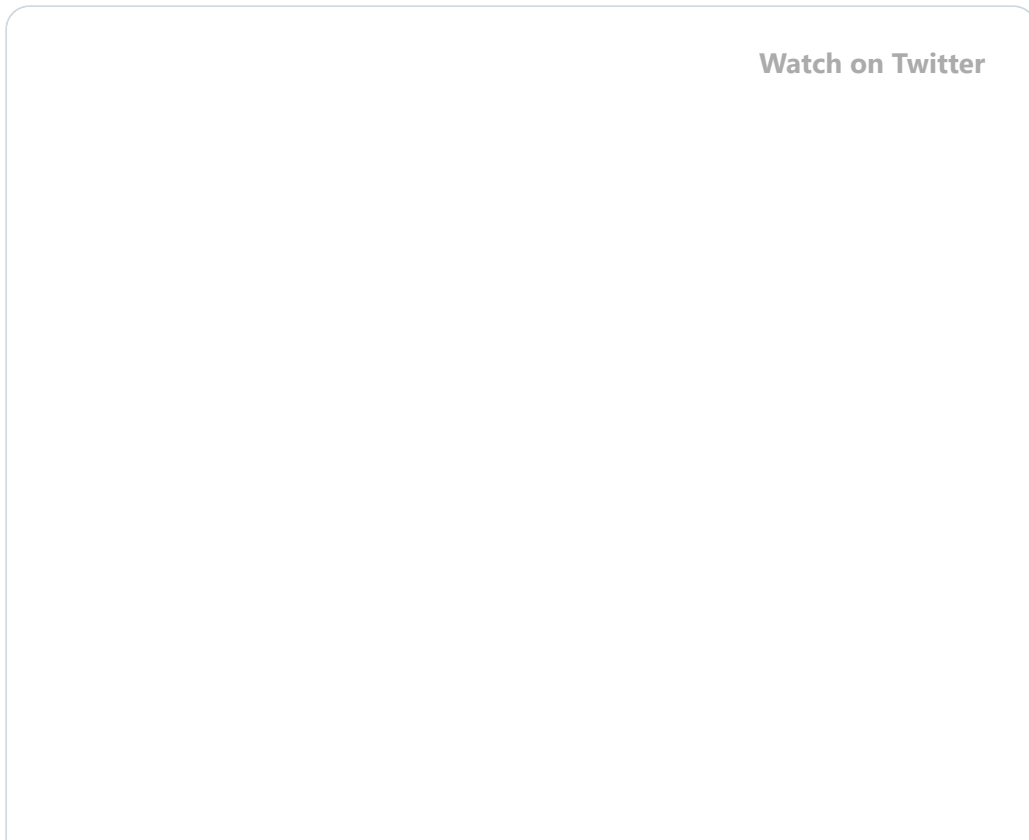
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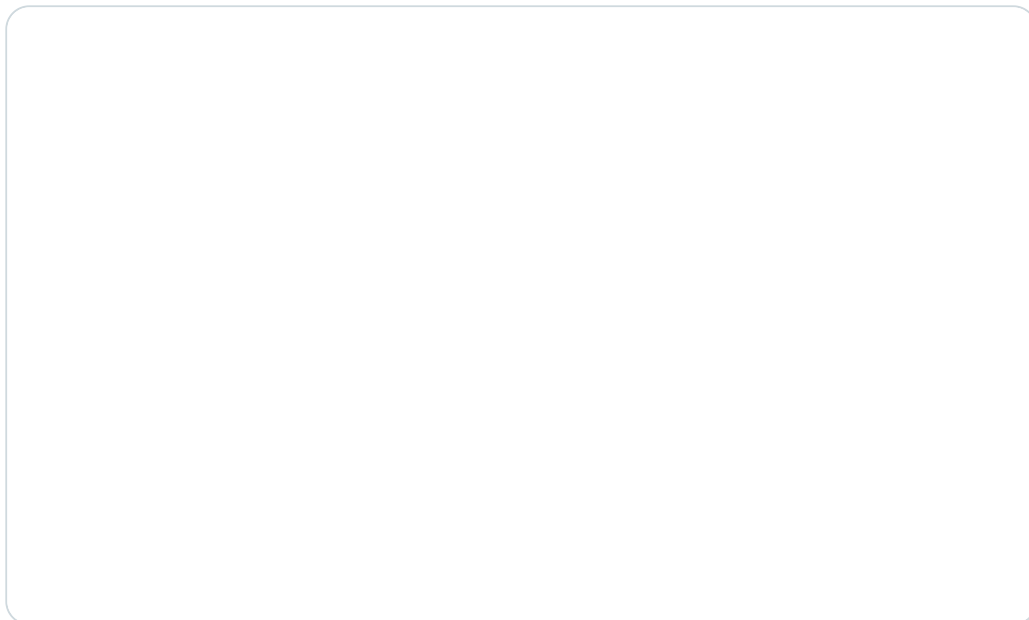
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Welcome to Green Bay, Christian Watson

- 6'4, 208 lb WR with NFL bloodlines
- Dominated at NDSU with Trey Lance
- 4.36 40-yd dash, 11'4 broad jump
- Averaged 20+ yards per catch
- Multiple kickoff return TD's

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Packers moved up 19 spots and gave up both second-round picks for Christian Watson.

Dir. football ops Milt Hendrickson: "If you love a player, you just find a way to get him."

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Packers got a much needed weapon in Christian Watson 

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Oooooohhhhhh baby Rodgers and Christian Watson!!! Wow my second favorite receiver in the draft and I think the second most explosive receiver in the draft behind Williams. The [@packers](#) are three for three with big time players so far in this draft.

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The Green Bay Packers traded up to draft North Dakota St WR Christian Watson with the 34th overall pick.

In [@TheJoeMarino](#)'s words: "Aaron Rodgers said you better go get me a receiver." And that's exactly what they did.

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Yes, he is. [@NDSUfootball](#) produces pros. Also he won't have to adjust to the cold.

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Here's what the Packers are getting in North Dakota State WR Christian Watson.

Aaron Rodgers is gonna like this dude. [bit.ly/3KvPXwl](https://bit.ly/3KvPXwl)

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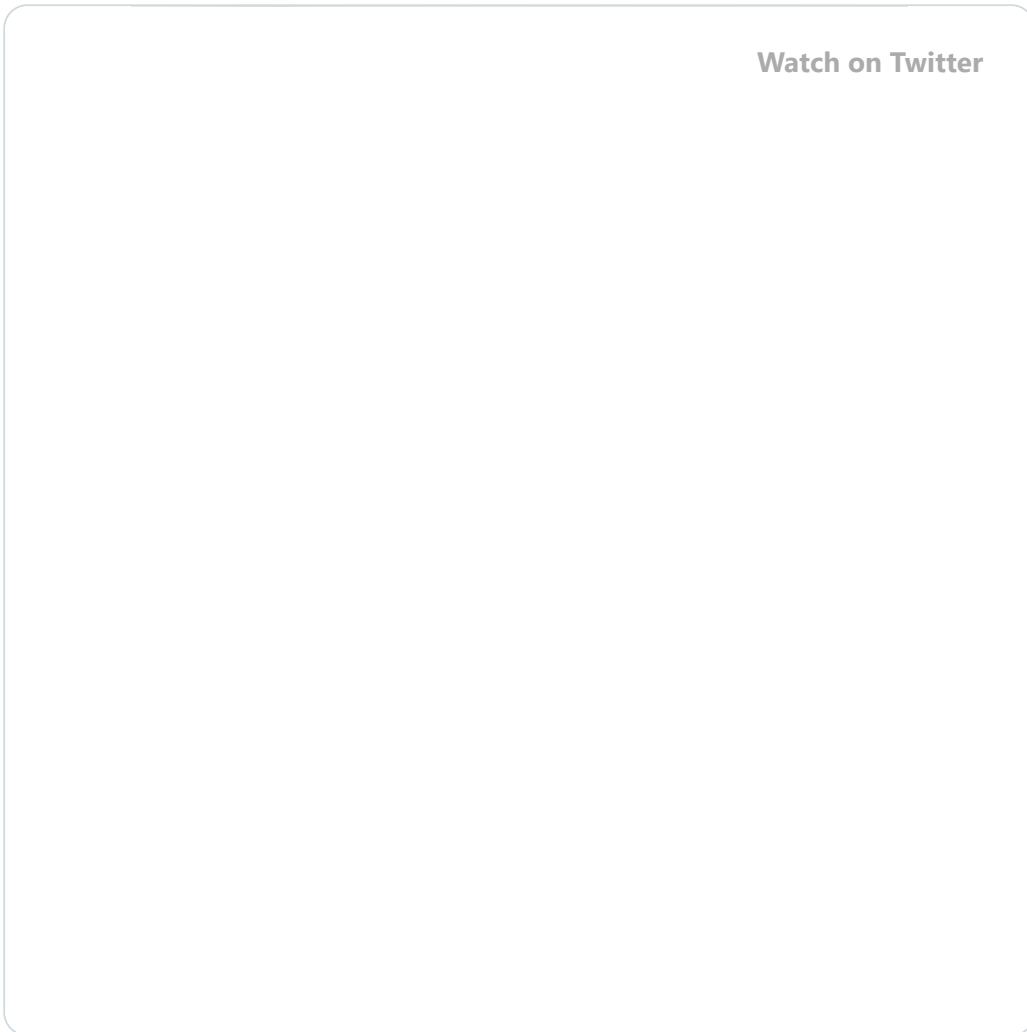
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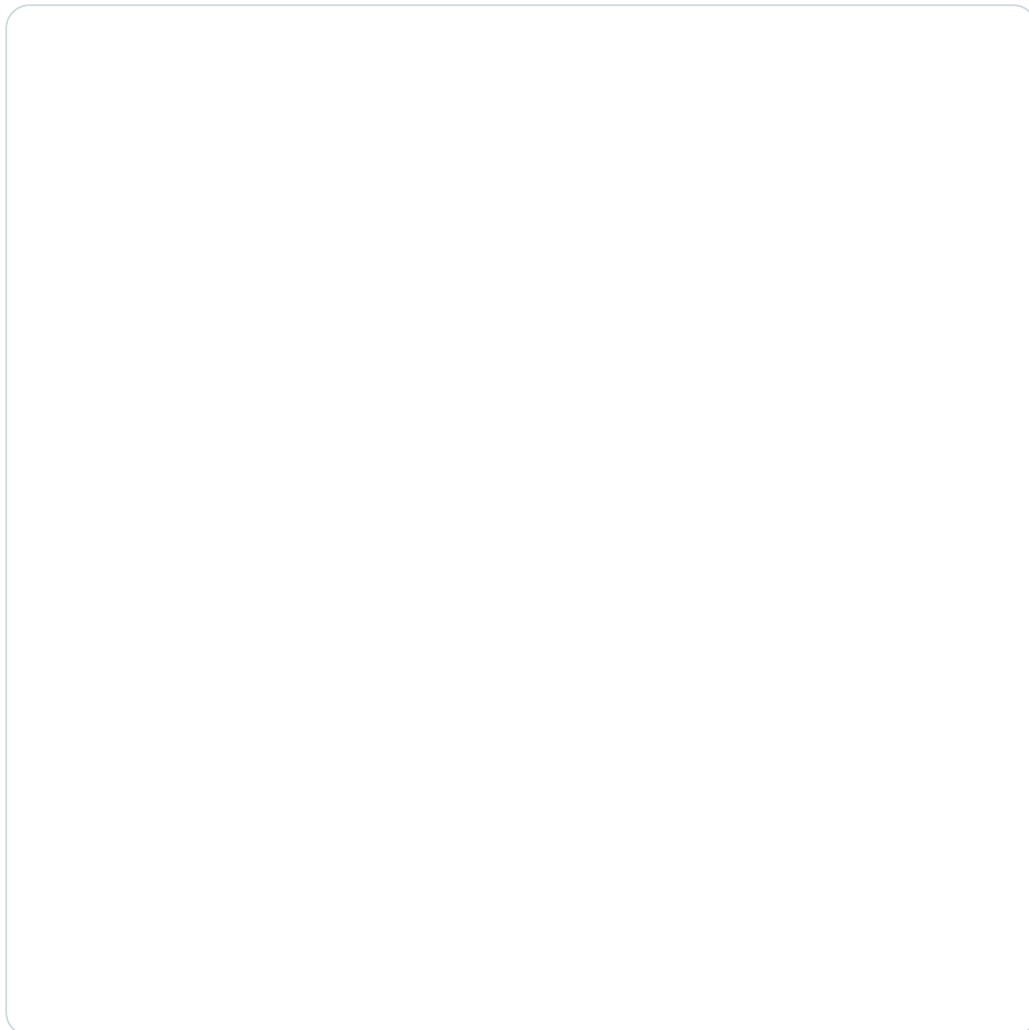
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The [#Vikings](#) have acquired picks #53 and #59.



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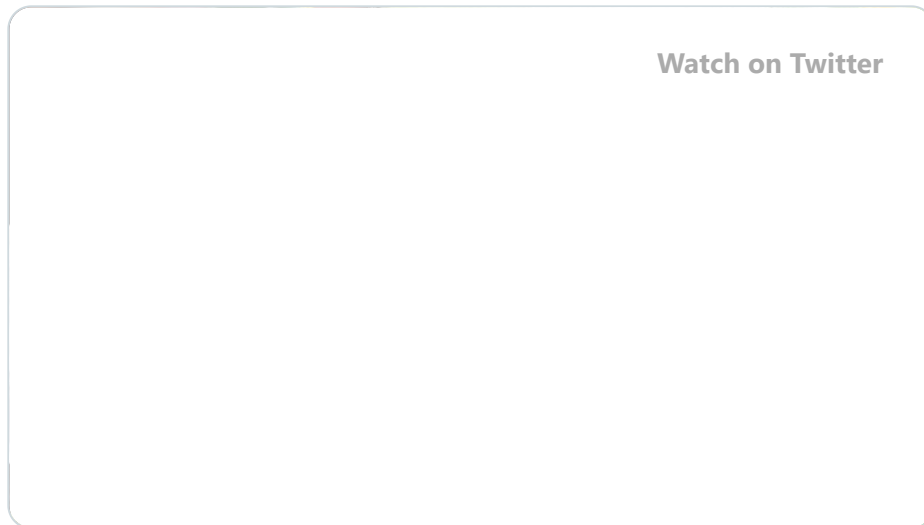
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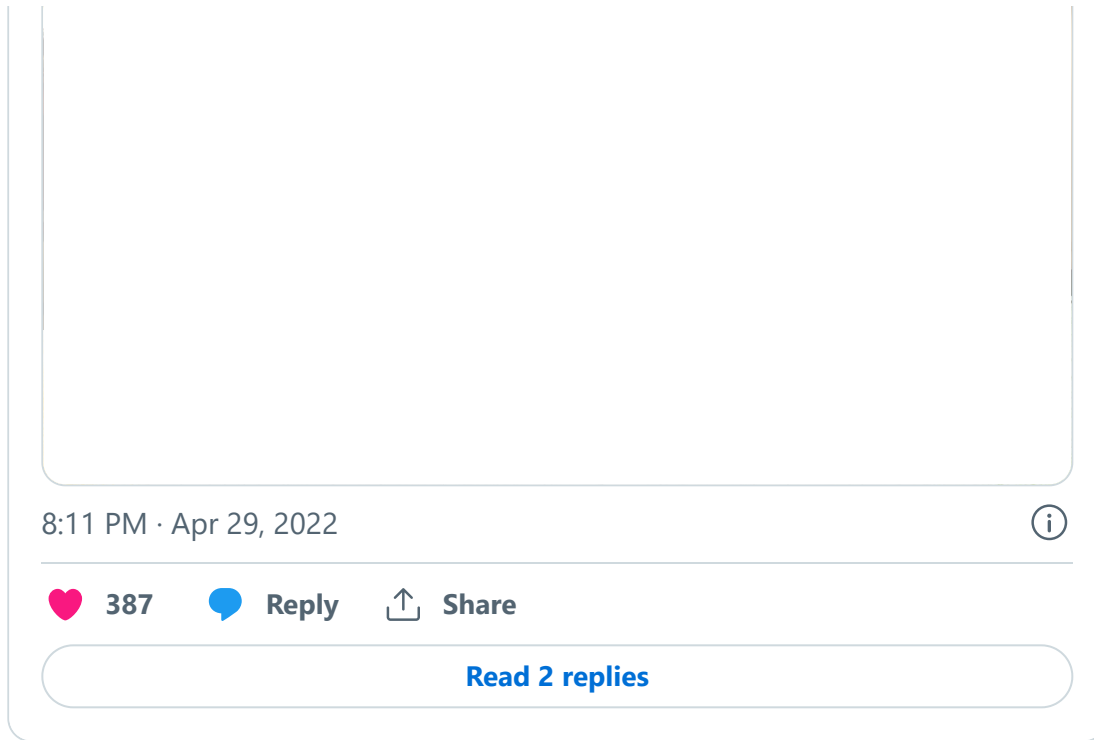


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