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How will the Chargers revamp the offensive line?



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Dec 24, 2015; Oakland, CA, USA; General view of the line of scrimmage as San Diego Chargers center Trevor Robinson (60) prepares to snap the ball against the Oakland Raiders during an NFL football game at O.co Coliseum. The Raiders defeated the Chargers 23-20 in overtime. Mandatory Credit: Kirby Lee-USA TODAY Sports

The Los Angeles Chargers are looking to start over in the 'City of Angels, a.k.a Los Angeles. With the new city, a new stadium and a new coaching staff, the future is looking bright for the 2017 squad. The only thing they can't seem to beat is the injury bug. Time and time again the Chargers are riddled with core players hitting the IR season after season. This year isn't any different, after what seemed to be a very promising draft.

The Chargers are stuck in the same place with first round pick Mike Williams (Herniated Disk) out for an extended period of time and second round pick Forrest Lamp (Torn ACL) out for the whole season. This isn't a surprise to any Chargers fan that has been following the team for the past few years. Last year the Chargers ended the season with 26 players on injured reserve. This many players hitting the injured reserved is alarming. Nonetheless, the Chargers have to move on because football is a game of depth. The 'next man up' is a commonly used phrase in this game and it applies to the Chargers in every way.

While trying to revamp the O-line this offseason, head coach Anthony Lynn and company turned to the NFL draft to accumulate some young talent. With the Chargers second and third round picks, Lynn decided to take two offensive linemen, Dan Feeney and Forrest Lamp. Feeney and Lamp both had promising college careers. Feeney was a staple on the University of Indiana's offensive line, while Lamp was a Western Kentucky Hilltopper and held his own against top picks like, Jonathan Allen and Dalvin Tomlinson from Alabama. Lynn didn't stop trying to revamp the offensive line there. He also signed offensive tackle, Russell Okung.

With Lamp going down for the 2017 season, who will step up for the Chargers offensive line? A lot of people in LA feel as if Spencer Pulley is going to step up in the wake of the Lamp injury. The 24-year-old center from Vanderbilt will have his work cut out for him in the AFC West facing defensive players like Derek Wolfe, Mario Edwards Jr. and Chris Jones. The pass rushers in the AFC West are vicious and the Chargers need to figure out someway to keep a stable core group of offensive linemen on the field. Last year, the two teams with the most consistent offensive line were the teams to meet in the Super Bowl. If the Chargers can make a real push on the offensive line, then they will be able to make some noise in the AFC West and the NFL.

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