

About the Pittsburgh Steelers 2015 Defensive Secondary.

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(1) Being a Die-hard Pittsburgh Steelers fan, and a former football player myself (Strong Safety), I can certainly see why so many people believe that the Steelers Secondary is "gobbage" (Garbage); If one fails to look at it carefully, one will believe being 30th in pass defense in the N.F.L. means the Secondary Suck. However, upon closer perusal, one will discover that ~~the~~ Steelers have a very good Secondary. There's Antonio Blake, Cockrell, Boykin, Golden, Hard hitting Mike Mitchell, and, then, Will Allen. At first I was wondering why was the Secondary looking for real one week and debilitated the next; But then my answer arrived in week 15 of the N.F.L. regular season. In THAT game against Denver I saw the Steelers secondary come out in the second h

of that football game, and literally shut the Denver Broncos passing attack completely down.

That's when I realised that when I see the Steelers' defensive backs spotting the opposing receivers 10 to 15 yards prior to every snap, that doesn't mean that they can't cover those guys. It is a directive being given to them by the Secondary Coach or Defensive Coordinator. The Pittsburgh Steelers are telling ~~the~~ its secondary to play Carefully. In my opinion, that's the wrong thing to do.

Why? Because an opposing team can play pitch and catch all the way to a first and goal at your one-yard line!

The right thing to do is go out and get a bunch of bump and run corners and play THAT style. Sure every now and then the corner will get beat for a big first down or a game-changing Touch Down,

Just like every now and then the corner will get a pick or even better, a Pick-6.

Nevertheless, the bump and run technique results in a lot of incompletions. For example,

when you go back and take a look at some of the game's great corners (Mel Blount, Rod Woodson, Lester Hayes, and James Williams)

(2) you find that they all played the bump and run technique. The Pittsburgh Steelers ranked 30th in pass defense because of their philosophy. Those young group of defensive backs are GOOD! Will Allen. He replaced Ryan Clark; but he's ~~no~~ where near as good as Ryan Clark. Ryan Clark very rarely miss tackles. On the contrary, Will Allen miss 3 or 4 (key) tackles every single game! And those situations hurt the Pittsburgh Steelers. I feel like if he can't handle that position, they should get him out of there! Now, can my conscious finally rest.

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