

2011 BLUE HILL MUDSLIDES

EMERGENCY INSTRUCTIONS

2011 TEAM STATEMENT:

Last season was the worst in the Mudslides 15 years in the league and that includes the expansion year, so obviously things needed to change. The 2nd overall pick was traded to bring in SS Stephen Drew to replace the aging Jimmy Rollins and SP Phil Hughes to help stabilize the rotation that had grown old. The pitching staff is far better this year both in the rotation and the bullpen. The lineups are pretty consistent with only a platoon at second base and catcher and only half season's worth of availability from Edmonds and Valencia. There will be some options from the bench this year with pinch hitters, pinch runners and SB's threats that weren't available last year.

OFFENSE:

We will score more runs this year because the lineup is more balanced with some on base guys hitting at the top and some power guys in the middle that weren't here a year ago. The bottom won't be very scary but there are pinch hitters available when needed.

Strategy:

Hit and Run: Always H&R when legal and Borbon, Bourgeois, Drew, Headley and Marson are on first. Except never H&R with Barton, Beckham or Marson at the plate.

Stealing: H&R takes precedence; after 6th you can steal second with less than 2 outs and SSN of 28+ with Bourgeois, Borbon, Headley and Marson.

Sacrifice: Only late in one run game with runner on 1st or 2nd with no outs and H&R is not in order and no SBA can be made. Never ever squeeze.

Baserunning: Please send runner with 28+ chances and never with less than 18 chances. Otherwise use your best judgment.

COMPUTER: Always send runner who is "well around."

Substitutions:

These are my suggestions but if the game situation dictates something different please feel free to do what makes the most sense.

Pinch Hit: You will have 3-5 bats to choose from each month. Here are some suggestions on who to use in what situation:

Gordon Beckham - He can be used against lefties or righties when he provides a better option at the plate.

Julio Borbon – He should be used to lead off an inning with the intention to get on and steal.

Mike Fontenot – Can be used anytime against RHP.

Austin Kearns – He will be available most days to hit against lefties or righties. Best used to lead off an inning.

Aaron Miles – He can be used against lefties or righties when needed.

Aramis Ramirez – He should be used when there are runners in scoring position.

Eric Chavez – Should be last option on the bench.

Pinch Run:

When we are in the 7th tied/trailing by 3 or up 1, consider pinch running. Candidates to run for are: Ellis, Matsui and Ramirez. Also any non "F" in the 8th winning or tying run. Please use in this order: Bourgeois, Borbon, Fontenot, Hudson.

Defense: If I lead after the mid 7th start to look at defense. Kearns can replace Matsui in the

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outfield and Miles should come in to play secondbase.

Defensive Strategy:

Infield – Play IN 8th inning or later with 0 or 1 out for lead run with runner on 3rd and firstbase open and IBB doesn't apply. Play IN 9th inning or later with 1 out with tying or lead run on 3rd and firstbase is open. The infield defense should play for the double play in most other situations.

Outfield throws – Throw for lead runner with adjusted advance number of 34 or less unless winning run 9th+ inning. Otherwise hold the trail runner from advancing.

PITCHING:

Overview: The rotation is much improved from a year ago and hopefully that means more wins. Tim Hudson is back and Phil Hughes has been acquired to be a solid #2. Along with Dice-K that gives us 88 starts of grade 10 or better. The rest of the rotation isn't as good but Pavano should be solid. A legit closer in Fuentes has been brought in and he has 2 solid guys to set him up. There are over 300 decent or better innings in the bullpen so if things go bad early, go to the pen and keep us in the game.

The Starters:

Tim Hudson – Blue Hills ace has successfully returned from TJ surgery to restore order to the rotation. He will lead the staff with 34 starts and I hope to get the most out of them. Always pitch him until fatigued.

Phil Hughes – A “hot-stove” addition who is expected to be the #2 guy behind Hudson. Hughes gets 29 starts and I need to get 6 innings or more out of him. If he can go 7 that

would be great but remove in the 7th after 1st baserunner.

Daisuke Matsuzaka – Dice-K still struggles with control but with his grade and fatigue it would be great to get him through 6. Go to the pen to start the 7th unless the game is not close. Remove him sooner if he gets downgraded.

Carl Pavano – With his good control and decent fatigue I hope he can get through 5 most games. Remove him in the 6th if the tying run gets on base, otherwise pitch him until fatigued or pounded out.

Vin Mazzaro – Because of his poor peripherals I will be very happy to get him through 5 innings. If he makes it that far let someone else start the 6th unless the game is not close. If so pitch him until he fatigues.

Wade LeBlanc – The sophomore slump has hit LeBlanc so I don't expect too much from him this year. Same as Mazzaro get him through 5 if possible and then get him out unless the game is lost. If it is let him take his lumps.

The Bullpen:

Tito Fuentes – Another trade has brought in a new closer. Tito will pitch the 9th anytime it is a closing situation and can enter in the 8th if we are in a jam and there is a tough lefty up.

John Axford – he will share the setup job with Oliver and pitch when a RHP makes sense. He has a high fatigue for a reliever so he can pitch both the 7th & 8th if needed. If we are winning it will be his job to get the ball to Fuentes.

Darren Oliver – Blue Hills former closer will be the setup man when a LHP is needed. He can also pitch the 7th & 8th if needed to but I expect that he and Axford will be used as a tandem to get the ball to Fuentes.

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Matt Belisle – He will be used early and often in middle relief in games that are not out of hand to try and keep the score close. With his grade and excellent peripherals I expect to get 2.2 innings out of him whenever he comes in.

Mitchell Boggs – I expect he will see lots of action when the starters can't make it into the 5th inning.

Ronald Belisario – He will be used in early relief when a starter needs to be rescued. I expect he will be used early in games and pitch until fatigued or pounded out.

Randy Flores – He will also be used in early relief when a starter needs to be rescued and a LHP makes more sense. He can also come in to get a lefty with a big shift in spot situations.

Jeff Suppan – Use him when the game is out of hand to pitch mop up innings.

Pitching Strategy:

Intentional Walks – If 7th inning or later versus a big power hitter with 2 out and firstbase open and no real shift advantage.

Pitch from the Stretch: *Computer Game* always with a SB threat on thirdbase and less than 2 outs. *Board Game* only from the 8th inning on, tied or up 1, runner on thirdbase with adjusted SSN of 15 or better.

Hold Runner: *Computer Game* always with +/-5 score with adjusted SSN of 20+ *Board Game* hold SB threat with adjusted SSN of 25+ after the 5th inning when game is +/-3 runs.

Monthly instructions will give you specific usage for each series. Please try to limit relievers to 2.2 innings per outing but in extra innings or long relief stints with lower grades you may exceed that limit.

2011 Blue Hill Mudslides Pitching Rotation:

APRIL

1 - 4 LV 1,2,3,5
 6 - 8 WHT 1,2,3
 10 - 13 COL 1,2,3,5
 14 - 17 at CAY 4,1,2,3
 19 - 23 at DAL 5,1,2,3,4

JUNE

1 - 4 at WHT 1,2,3,5
 6 - 8 at COL 1,2,3
 9 - 11 at LV 5,4,1
 12 - 16 GOH 2,3,5,4,1
 18 - 21 HOU 2,3,5,1

AUGUST

1 - 4 WAK 1,2,4,5
 5 - 8 MLR 6,1,2,4
 10 - 13 DAL 5,1,2,4
 14 - 17 at RIC 6,5,1,2
 18 - 21 at KAN 4,6,1,2

OCTOBER

1 - 4* CAY 1,4,2,6,3
 6 - 9 ZIO 1,4,2,6
 10 - 13 at NBO 5,1,4,2
 15 - 18 at RYE 5,1,4,2
 19 - 23 at NW 3,5,1,4,6

MAY

1 - 5 RYE 1,2,3,4,6
 6 - 9 at MAR 1,2,3,4
 11 - 14 at POR 1,2,3,4
 15 - 18 at KNX 6,1,2,3
 20 - 23 NW 4,6,1,2

JULY

1 - 5 at BRO 2,3,4,5,6
 6 - 9 at GC 2,3,4,5
 11 - 14 HUD 2,3,4,5
 15 - 18 MUN 6,2,3,4
 19 - 22 MID 1,6,2,3

SEPTEMBER

3 - 5 LV 1,3,4
 6 - 9 WHT 5,6,1,3
 10 - 12 COL 4,5,6
 14 - 17 at GOH 1,3,4,5
 18 - 22 at HOU 6,1,3,4,5

NOVEMBER

2 - 6 GC 3,2,6,5,1
 7 - 10 BRO 3,2,6,5
 11 - 13 at WHT 1,3,2
 15 - 18 at COL 5,1,3,2
 19 - 22 at LV 6,5,1,3

PITCHER KEY:

1- Hudson (14)	34 starts
2- Pavano (8)	32 starts
3- Hughes (10)	29 starts
4- Matsuzaka (10)	25 starts
5- LeBlanc (7)	24 starts
6- Mazzaro (9)	18 starts

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Remove Pitcher:

1. Remove any pitcher after a grade reduction unless the lead is greater than 6 runs either way. Never remove a starter with a possible grade increase intact.
2. Hudson will pitch until fatigued or it's time for the closer. For the rest if it's after the 5th and the game is in doubt don't hesitate to call on the bullpen.
3. Fuentes is the closer and should start the 9th anytime the score is tied to +3. Axford and Oliver will share the setup role and can start the 7th if needed to get to Fuentes. The middle innings should belong to Belisle & Flores and Okajima can come in to face a tough lefty. Boggs and Donnelly are the early guys and Bannister & Suppan should pitch in blow outs and any mop up innings.

USE THIS CHART TO DETERMINE RELIEVER USAGE:

INNING	Down 4+	Down3	Down 2	Down1	E	Up 1	Up 2	Up 3	Up 4+
5th prior	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	1
6th inning	1	2	2	3	2	3	3	3	2
7th inning	2	2	3	3	3	4	4	3	3
8th inning	2	3	3	4	4	5	4	4	3
9th inning	2	3	4	4	4	5	5	5	3
x inning	Use the best available arm in descending order								

Use the first available pitcher from the corresponding list number

1. Suppan, Okajima, Belisario
2. Boggs, Flores, Belisario, Okajima
3. Belisle, Boggs, Flores
4. Axford/Oliver
5. Fuentes

Emergency Lineups:

<u>COMP vs RHP</u>	<u>COMP vs LHP</u>	<u>BRDS VS RHP#1</u>	<u>BRDS vs RHP#2</u>	<u>BOARD V LHP#1</u>	<u>BOARD vs LHP#2</u>
1. Barton 1B	1. Barton 1B	1. Barton 1B	1. Barton 1B	1. Barton 1B	1. Borbon LF
2. Drew SS	2. Drew SS	2. Drew SS	2. Drew SS	2. Drew SS	2. Barton 1B
3. Valencia 3B	3. Kearns RF	3. Valencia 3B	3. Headley 3B	3. Kearns RF	3. Drew SS
4. Edmonds CF	4. Edmonds CF	4. Edmonds CF	4. Edmonds CF	4. Edmonds CF	4. Edmonds CF
5. Sanchez DH	5. Sanchez DH	5. Sanchez DH	5. Sanchez DH	5. Sanchez DH	5. Sanchez DH
6. Matsui LF	6. Matsui LF	6. Matsui LF	6. Matsui RF	6. Matsui LF	6. Kearns RF.
7. Headley RF	7. Headley 3B	7. Headley RF	7. Fontenot 2B	7. Headley 3B	7. Headley 3B
8. Ellis C	8. Marson C	8. Ellis C	8. Ellis C	8. Marson C	8. Marson C
9. Fontenot 2B	9. Beckham 2B	9. Fontenot 2B	9. Borbon LF	9. Beckham 2B	9. Beckham 2B

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All home games will be played on the BOARDS in 2011. Roster moves TBA as I will be sending monthly instructions.

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NAME	TEAM	SHIFT	SSN	SPD	SBA	ARM	GMS	PA	PB	TH	ACQUIRED
<i>Allen, B</i>				Uncarded							
Barton, D.	OAK	SA +2/-3	27	10	10	30	159	686			2009 DRAFT
Beckham, G.	CWS	SA -3/-1	16	12	10	34	131	498			2010 DRAFT
Borbon, J.	TEX	SA -3/-1	27	18	22	30	137	468			2010 DRAFT
Bourgeois, J.	HOU	SA -1/-2	29	15	16	31	69	136			2011 DRAFT
Chavez, E.	OAK	SA -8/0	N	6	0	34	33	111			2011 DRAFT
Drew, S.	ARZ	SA -2/-1	26	12	15	34	151	633			2011 TRADE
Edmonds, J.	CIN	SA -7/0	31	7	2	30	86	272			2011 DRAFT
Ellis, A.J.	LAD	SA +2/-2	N	4	0	31	44	128	1	+0	2011 DRAFT
Fontenot, M.	SF	SA -7/-1	9	16	5	30	103	261			2008 DRAFT
Headley, C.	SD	SA -6/+1	30	9	22	31	161	674			2009 DRAFT
Kearns, A.	NYY	SA -1/-1	31	8	5	34	120	461			2010 WAIVER
Marson, L.	CLV	SA +9/-5	34	8	9	31	87	294	2	+3	2010 DRAFT
Matsui, H.	LAA	SA -9/+2	14	6	1	30	145	558			2006 TRADE
Miles, A.	STL	SA -1/-1	14	9	1	30	79	151			2011 DRAFT
<i>Nieves, W.</i>	WAS	SA +2/-2	N	8	0	31	59	172	1	-1	2009 DRAFT
<i>Ramirez, A.</i>	CUBS	SA +2/-2	N	6	0	34	124	507			2006 TRADE
Sanchez, G.	FLA	SA +5/-3	35	7	5	30	151	643			2011 DRAFT
<i>Valencia, D.</i>	MIN	SA +7/-6	31	11	2	31	85	322			2011 DRAFT

ACTIVE ROSTER

MINOR LEAGUES

PITCHER	TEAM	GRD	BB	HR	Arm	Fat	Strts	RIP	WP	BK	HB	MF	11 AQ
Axford, J.	MIL	*16	-33	56	R	7	0	58	3	0		+0	11 DRT
<i>Belisario, R.</i>	LAD	*7	16	-11	R	6	0	55.3	3			+0	11 WV
Belisle, M.	COL	*11	44	21	R	7	0	92	2			+1	11 DRT
Boggs, M.	STL	*11	-11	-16	R	7	0	67.3	3	0		+2	09 WV
<i>Flores, R.</i>	MIN	*11	-33	-33	L	4	0	31	0	0		+3	11 TRD
Fuentes, T.	MIN	*19	-26	0	L	6	0	48.3	3			+1	11 TRD
Hudson, T.	ATL	14	13	14	R	27	34	0.0	1	0		+3	00 DRT
Hughes, P.	NYY	10	0	-21	R	26/5	29	0.3	3		0	+1	11 TRD
LeBlanc, W.	SD	7	12	-25	L	26/16	25	3.0	1	0		+3	10 DRT
<i>Lowe, M.</i>				Uncarded									
Matsuzaka, D.	BOS	10	-42	23	R	29	25	0.0	2	0		+0	08 DRT
<i>Mazzaro, V.</i>	OAK	9	-23	-21	R	27/16	18	17.3	3	0		+0	10 DRT
<i>Okajima, H.</i>	BOS	*4	13	-12	L	6	0	46.0	3	0	0	+2	08 DRT
Oliver, D.	TEX	*14	33	31	L	6	0	61.7	0	0		+1	07 DRT
Pavano, C.	MIN	8	36	-11	R	28	32	0.0	1	0		+0	10 DRT
<i>Suppan, J.</i>	STL	2	-11	-14	R	24/10	15	24.3	3	0		+3	10 WV

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