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Ex-Chiefs LB says he's suited for 3-4
Veteran Fujita will play on strong side, wants to rush the passer
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IRVING - Linebacker **Scott Fujita** walked into Kansas City general manager Carl Peterson's office a few weeks ago and asked to be traded. When asked where, **Fujita** started listing the teams that played the 3-4, which is curious considering **Fujita** has never played the 3-4.

"I think I'm more suited as an outside guy with the option to drop back into coverage or rush the passer," said **Fujita**, who was traded to Dallas for a 2006 sixth-round draft choice and a 2007 conditional pick on Saturday. "I think my body type and everything makes me more suitable for this scheme."

Coach Bill Parcells said the club had its eye on **Fujita** "almost all summer." Dallas needs depth at outside linebacker, considering Kalen Thornton needs season-ending surgery to repair his right knee. Parcells said **Fujita** (6-5, 250) will play the strong side with Al Singleton. Kevin Burnett will move to the weak side.

Fujita, a four-year veteran out of Cal, had off-season surgery on his right ankle, which he said he injured in the fourth game last season. He believes Kansas City wasn't certain he would be healthy, which played a part in the Chiefs getting other linebacker options such as first-round pick Derrick Johnson out of Texas and free agent Kendrell Bell.

"I need to learn this defense, but the coverage responsibilities are the same," said **Fujita**, who spent most of Sunday watching film with defensive coordinator Mike Zimmer. "I've been waiting to get after the passer a little more, and I think I can do that in this defense."

Cowboys sign Pile, have three safeties: Dallas signed free agent Willie Pile, who cleared waivers from Kansas City, on Monday, giving the club three safeties on the 53-man roster. "This kid played 260 special teams plays last year with Kansas City and 32 percent of their defensive snaps," said Parcells, who liked the fact that Pile played at Virginia Tech, which stresses special teams. "We thought this might be a viable option here for us."

Parcells admits he doesn't have enough safeties on the roster but said cornerbacks Jacques Reeves and Nate Jones will rotate at safety. Parcells said the club will look at a couple of safeties today but doesn't anticipate signing one. In order to sign Pile, the Cowboys cut defensive end Eric Ogbogu.

Condo gets long snapper job: Bill Parcells said that Jeff Robinson was a slightly better long snapper than Jon Condo. But economics and upside dictated the Cowboys releasing Robinson and keeping Condo. Robinson would have counted \$1.3 million against the cap, but Condo makes \$230,000.

Time's up: When asked why Kurt Vollers was released, Parcells said: "I didn't think I wanted Vollers as a backup anymore. I think he served his time doing that."

Parcells added that Vollers and Tyson Walter would be free agents after this season, and the club wasn't going to offer either big money to stay as backups.

Briefly: Bill Parcells said he will practice Torrin Tucker at left and right tackle, Andre Gurode at center and right guard and Ben Noll and Stephen Peterman at both guards. Parcells said Tucker and Gurode will get playing time. ... Parcells said Terrance Copper and Tyson Thompson or Aaron Glenn will return kickoffs.

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