Saturday, March 2, 2024 New Mexico Lobos @ Boise State Broncos

Game Time: 8:00pm ET Selection: Boise State -3

The Boise State Broncos return home to kick off their final home stand of the regular season on a 4 game win streak in which they have won by an average of 26.8 points per game. They are currently 20-8 overall and sit tied atop the Mountain West Conference with Utah State at 11-4. At home they have been an absolute juggernaut, as they are 12-2 this season, 25-2 over their last 27 home games, and are 63-9 at home in the regular season since the start of 2019-2020. The Broncos have held all but one opponent to under 70 points at home this season and are outscoring opponents by an average of 18.6 points per game at home. They have been one of the most successful and consistent teams in this conference since the start of 2020-21 posting a record of 53-18 in Mountain West play.

Against their opponent the New Mexico Lobos they have had success. They have won the last 2 in a row, are 4-1 in their last 5 meetings, 7-3 in the last 10 meetings, and have won 5 straight home games vs the Lobos. In their first meeting of this season Boise State won at New Mexico 86-78 despite their best player Tyson Degenhart only scoring 4 points. The Broncos dominated on the glass, which is an area in which they excel, disrupted the Lobos 2 best players Jamal Mashburn and Jaelan House, forcing a combined 22 missed shots between the two, and limited the Lobos to only 2 points off Boise State turnovers. The Broncos are 15-3 this season when they win the rebounding battle.

The Lobos have been very inconsistent over the last month of play alternating between wins and losses. Most recently they lost to Air Force, the second worst team in the conference, at home 78-77. Giving up 78 points at home to a poor offense does not bode well when you now have to go on the road to face the best offense in the conference. The Lobos are giving up an average of 74.5 points per game in conference play this season. According to KenPom, Boise State in conference play is ranked 1 in Adjusted Offensive Efficiency, 2 in Adjusted Defensive Efficiency, 1 in rebounding, 1 in Free Throw Percentage, and 3 in Effective Field Goal Percentage. All superior to New Mexico.

Trend wise Boise State is 6-4 ATS as a home favorite while New Mexico is 1-3 ATS as a road underdog. Expect the Boise State Broncos to continue their winning ways at home and cover this spread.