San Francisco found a foothold against Los Angeles

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The August 20 forecast called for a San Francisco recovery against familiar opponents. Phoenix took three of four in the Warriors’ own park. San Francisco then split two at San Diego. The recovery finally found a place to start in the four with Los Angeles, and the Warriors ended the challenge one game out instead of looking up at both rivals.

San Francisco put 15 runs on Los Angeles in the opener and won the last two. Bernardo Valenzuela homered and drove in three in the 10–4 finale. Miguel Collado hit four home runs over the full challenge. The offense that scored five runs in its last three games before the Los Angeles series scored 34 in the four against the Cobras.

Detroit comes to San Francisco on August 31. A Warriors win and a Phoenix loss would tie the West again. The next Phoenix series waits until September 28, also on the Warriors’ field.