

1) This zone offense starts in a "hi-lo" formation or as some coaches like to call it a "1-3-1" set vs. a 2-3 zone.
2) This play will be effective because of the Don Meyer zone offense principle of "throwing the ball into 3 people" on the backside.
3) The action starts with a shallow loop of the team's best shooter at the top of the key. As this happens, the post player along the baseline will want to change sides.

4) Now with 3 with the ball on the opposite wing, we pull 5 off of the baseline to set this baseline screen x3. This is particularly effective because this is not an action that is typically used on the baseline.
5) What this will do is force $x 5$ to step out to stop penetration on 3 . If you have a player that hit this pull up jumper on the baseline - you could have great success here.
6) Also another option to look at is if 4 dives hard to the mouth of the rim when x 5 steps out - you could gain an easy laypup here.

## ZONE: LOOP BACKSIDE BALL SCREEN



1) Now the ball will reversed to the top of the key. Notice how 4 has positioned himself now on the outside of $\mathbf{x} 1$ as to give the appearance of a ball screen.
2) We want this appearance to happen, because this will only pull $x 3$ further towards the ball - which is what we want. This stretches the zone \& sets up for our second action.
3) The ball will then quickly be swung to 3 on the opposite wing.

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1) If a scoring action is not available after that ball screen there are still options left to look at.
2) The first action would be the "baseline drift" action of the point guard. This would be good if $x 4$ squeezes to take 4 at the rim. 3) Also the diagonal skip to 2 on the backside wing for your best shooter is a nice look. Finally 5 slipping in the high post is good if you have post player that can hit a 12 ' face up jumper.
