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Utah National Guard Announces Camp Williams Changes of Command

DRAPER, Utah — Two changes of command for Utah National Guard units will take place on Friday, Sept. 17, and Saturday, Sept. 18, respectively:

- Colonel Richard G. Miller, commander of the 65th Fires Brigade, will yield command to Colonel Loren S. Fuller in a ceremony Friday, Sept. 17, at 2 p.m., at Camp Williams parade field.
- Colonel Edward B. Gundersen, commander of 97th Troop Command, will turn the reins over to Colonel Milada A. Copeland in a ceremony Saturday, Sept. 18, at 8 a.m., at Rice-Eccles Stadium.

Miller, of Highland, has served as commander of the 65th Fires Brigade since 2008. Miller deployed as commander of the 2-222nd Field Artillery in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom in 2005-2006.

Fuller, a resident of St. George, is a former commander of the 2-222nd. His civilian employment is as deputy fire chief for the City of Las Vegas Fire and Rescue.

Gundersen, of West Jordan, recently assumed command of the 640th Regional Training Institute at Camp Williams. In 2003-04, he served as commander of the 142nd Military Intelligence Battalion during their deployment to Iraq.

Copeland, of Sandy, recently returned from service in Kuwait in support of Operations Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom as a member of the Army Central Command staff. Her current assignment is as full-time comptroller for the United States Property and Fiscal Office at the Utah Guard's Draper headquarters.

Media Notes: Camp Williams is located at 17800 S. Camp Williams (Redwood) Road at the Salt Lake-Utah County line. Rice-Eccles Stadium is on the campus of the University of Utah. For questions about the 65th Fires Brigade change of command, please contact LTC Brent Anderson at (801) 716-9211. For questions about the 97th Troop Command change of command, please contact LTC Brent Baxter at (801) 716-9204.