



# ***NAF Atsugi***

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**Change of Command for NAF Atsugi**

Naval Air Facility Atsugi (NAF), Japan, will host a change of command ceremony Dec. 9 at 1 p.m. at NAF Atsugi's hanger 183.

Capt. Eric W. Gardner will be relieved by Capt. Steven J. Wieman as the commanding officer of the base.

Gardner graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy in 1985. Prior to being assigned as NAF Atsugi's commanding officer in 2009, he was stationed at the North Atlantic Treaty Organization's Allied Command Transformation within the Strategic Engagement and Vision Branch, and at the Potomac Institute for Policy Studies, in Arlington, Va., as part of the Federal Executive Fellowship program.

Wieman, a Baltimore, Maryland native and a 1988 graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Economics, was previously stationed at Commander, Naval Air Forces Atlantic located in Norfolk, Va., as the N45 Force Safety Officer.

NAF Atsugi is home to the only permanently forward-deployed co-located air wing, Carrier Air Wing FIVE.

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