Runway Status Lights
Purpose: Reduce Runway Incursions and Airport Surface Collisions

If RELs are RED, stop. RELs are RED if runway is not safe to enter. Remember: Lights indicate status only, never clearance! Surveillance-driven lights turn on/off to increase situational awareness. RELs at selected intersections as shown.

Surveillance-Driven RELs Provide Direct Indication That Runway is Unsafe

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