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Overview

- Visual Guidance Lighting Systems (VGLS) Team
- Lighting Systems and Ancillary Equipment
- Capital Investment Programs
- Active Procurements
- Next Generation Lighting Systems
- Specification and Standard Installation Drawing Updates
- Procurement Opportunities
- COVID-19 Impact

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Lighting Systems and Ancillary Equipment

- High Intensity Approach
 Lighting System with Sequenced
 Flashing Lights (ALSF-2)
- Medium Intensity Approach Lighting System with Runway Alignment Indicator Lights (MALSR)
- Precision Approach Path Indicator (PAPI)
- Runway Visual Range (RVR)
- Runway End Identifier Lights (REILs)
- Radio Remote Control System (RRCS)

- Visual Approach Slope Indicator (VASI)
- Radio Remote Control Interface Unit (RRCIU)
- Replacement Lamp
 Monitoring System (RLMS)
- Lead-in Lights
- Semiflush Flashers and Steady Burners
- Low Impact Resistant (LIR)
 Structures
- Transformers
- Frangible Bolts



Capital Investment Programs

Runway Visual Range

Replaces older RVR equipment with PC-Based RVR equipment. RVR provides air traffic controllers with a measurement of the visibility at key points along a runway: touchdown, midpoint and rollout.

Approach Lighting System Safety Enhancement

Upgrades the equipment to current standards and reduces the potential severity of take-off and landing accidents by replacing rigid structures, and the entire approach lighting system, with lightweight and low-impact structures that collapse or break apart upon impact.

Capital Investment Programs

Navaids Sustainment

Sustains Approach Lighting Systems (ALS), which includes MALSR for Category I approaches and ALSF-2 for Category II/III approaches. Additionally, Navaids Sustainment supports the REIL and RLMS projects.

Visual Navaids for New Qualifiers (VNNQ)

Supports the procurement, installation, and commissioning of PAPI systems and REIL systems at new qualifying runways.

Capital Investment Programs

Replace VASI with PAPI

Supports the procurement, installation, and commissioning of PAPI systems in order to comply with ICAO's recommendation to replace the VASI lights with PAPI lights.

Instrument Landing Systems

Supports the installation of ILS and/or High Intensity Approach Lighting System. An ILS precision approach system is comprised of a grouping of electronic devices Localizer, Glide Slope, marker beacons and, in some cases, ancillary aids (DME, ALS, RVR, etc.)

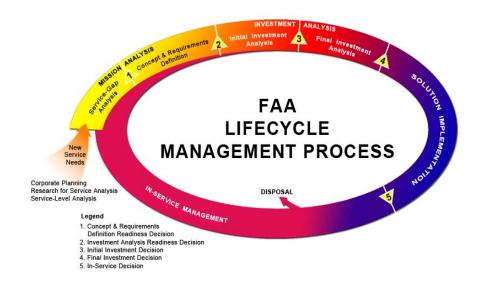
Active Procurements

LED PAPI



LED PAPI Project

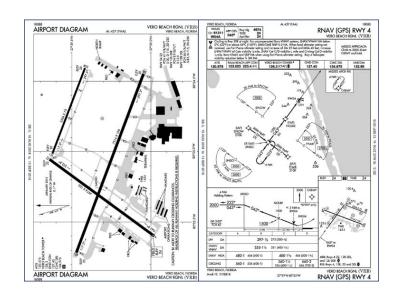
- Objective: The primary objective is to fully deploy LED PAPI by using the System Development, Deployment and Implementation phases of FAA's Acquisition Management Systems (AMS) process
 - Project Activities
 - Preliminary Design Review
 - > Critical Design Review
 - Design Qualification Test
 - Operational Test
 - Configuration Audits
 - Product Baseline
 - > In-Service Management



LED PAPI Implementation

- Installed and Commissioned 51 LED PAPI systems
- LED PAPI's have been shown to reduce energy consumption by over 60%





Next Generation Lighting Systems

LED MALSR



LED MALSR Project



Issue:

 FAA has experienced a shortage of suppliers of the PAR-38 incandescent lamps for the MALSR systems in the NAS

Status:

- In the interim, Alternative Incandescent Lamps (AILs) have been identified and approved to support the MALSR systems in the NAS
- Currently maintaining a pulse on the incandescent market, and procuring incandescent lamps as needed
- A roadmap has been established to transition from current PAR-38 and PAR-56 incandescent lamps, to an energy efficient LED solution

Roadmap to the Future

- Transition from current PAR-38 and PAR-56 incandescent lamps to energy efficient LED technology
 - Developed alternative LED lamps that can use existing lamp fixtures to minimize cost of conversion
 - Established and execute the transition plan to replace incandescent lamps
 - Rely on LED technology to improve reliability and maintainability and reduce ops costs









LED Project Activities

- Incorporated Brightness to Luminous B/L ratio of 1.6 for white LEDs
- Conducted Flight Demonstration at FAA Technical Center to specifically address brightness issue
- Conducted EVFS Demonstration at Juneau, AK to collect images during low visibility condition using EVFS and Natural cameras.
- Installed LED PAR-38s at Savannah/Hilton Head Airport (SAV)
- Conducted Duration Testing at Joint Base Cape Cod (JBCC) in IFR conditions using EVFS and Natural cameras
- Tested LED PAR-56 Prototypes at FAA Technical Center
- Complete testing of LED PAR-56 Prototype at certified laboratory
- Install LED PAR-38s and PAR-56s at four (4) MALSR operational sites
- Complete and approve LED Lamp Specification
- Award LED Lamp production contract

Specifications and Standard Installation Drawings

Specification Updates

- LED REIL; Approved (Mar 2018)
- LED PAR-38 and LED PAR-56 Lamp; Anticipated Approval (July 2021)
- ALSF-2 SLEP; Anticipated Approval (September 2021)
- LED PAPI System; Anticipated Approval (November 2021)
- LED MALSR System; Anticipated Approval (May 2022)

Reasons for Change

- LEDs
- Changes in Standards
- Color Boundaries
- Photometrics
- Changes in Testing Requirements
- Design vs. Performance
- Outdated Specifications

Standard Installation Drawings

- Established a Working Group to update Lighting Systems Standard Installation Drawings
 - Working Group members:
 - Civil and Electrical Engineers
 - WSA, CSA, ESA, HQ

Update Summary

- Outdated Drawings
- Changes in FAA Standards (i.e.., FAA-STD-019)
- Improve Drawing Layout
- Outdated Specifications
- Comprehensive Drawing Package

Standard Installation Drawings

 Standard REIL Drawings approved 2018

 Standard PAPI Drawings approved 2019





Standard Installation Drawings

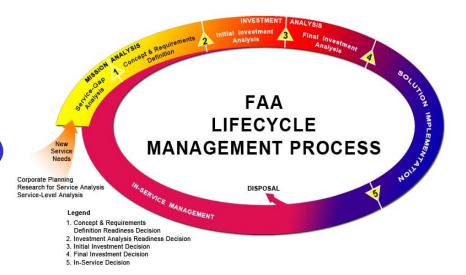
- MALSR Drawings were 75% complete
- Work on hold while FAA transitions from MicroStation to AutoCAD (obtain new software, new templates and complete training)
- Restart task in June 2021
- Rework completed drawings from MicroStation to AutoCAD format (1 month)
- Complete remaining Drawings
- New anticipated Draft completion: October 2021





Procurement Forecast

- ALSF-2 SLEP (FAA-E-2999)
- Incandescent PAR-38
- LED PAPI
- LED PAR-38/PAR-56
- RRCS Tech Refresh (FAA-E-2723)
- RVR
- SFSB



Note: You should monitor the https://beta.sam.gov/ website for procurement opportunities

Disclaimer: This forecast is for informational and marketing purposes only and does not constitute a specific offer or commitment by the FAA to fund in whole or in part any of the procurements referenced herein.

