Ensure Correct Runway Lineup at Lincoln Airport

Events in which in aircraft lands or departs on the wrong runway or a taxiway tend to be the highest-profile and most dangerous events in aviation can be attributed with two fundamentals:

1. **Flight Crew and ATC Procedures:** Loss of Situational Awareness, specifically positional awareness, sometimes but not always aided by complacency, is the most common reason for wrong runway use.

2. **Airport Design:** It is important to recognize that some airports are designed in such a way that the possibility of incorrect use of runways is heightened by identifiable ‘opportunities for error’.

What pilots can do:

1. **Familiarize yourself** with the airport to the maximum extent possible by reviewing pictures, maps, diagrams of the airport design, and listen to ATIS (118.05).
2. Be familiar with the **primary arrival runway**.
3. Make sure that ATC instructions and clearances are clearly heard and understood. Make sure you give a proper read-back, if unsure, ask ATC to repeat instructions or clearance again and don’t hesitate to ask questions about anything you feel requires clarification.
4. **Confirm** that you have correctly identified the destination airport before reporting the airport/runway insight, especially at night or when weather or environmental conditions might make precise identification more difficult.

Remember to **LOOK, LISTEN, and FOCUS** – the actions **YOU** take not only affect your safety, but also the safety of **OTHERS**.