

A back-up bridge plan agreed to more than four years ago in La Crosse will finally get put to use this summer. After years of toil, the city council agreed in January of 2009 to build the current Cook street bridge to Isle la Plume as a back-up when the decades-old Niedbalski Bridge would get a long-awaited re-decking. Bids for that project are finally expected back this May with work to begin this summer. Bids are expected to be in the six hundred thousand dollar range. Cook street will be the lone access to the island once the older bridge is under construction.