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The USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) office in Imperial increased by two employees this past month.

Aaron Sisson began working Oct. 10, while Jackie Mullanix began working Sept. 19.

Sisson is a Soil Conservation Technician. He enrolls ground in conservation programs such as CRP, EQIP and WRP, and is also involved with shelterbelt renovation, grass plantings, wildlife habitat and some surveying.

Sisson, 27, was a wildlife biologist at the Grant NRCS office for a year before joining the Imperial office. Prior to that he was a wildlife technician on a national bison range near Moise, Mont. for a year.

He received a bachelor of science degree from Brigham Young University in wildlife and wild lands conservation. Currently, he is working toward a masters degree in natural resources management from Utah State University.

Sisson grew up on a 1,000 acre hay, corn and cattle farm in Schoharie County, New York. The fourth generation family farm also produces and sells maple syrup.

Sisson likes to hunt, fish, camp, hike and spend time with his family. That includes wife Jennifer, and children Noah, 3 and Eliza, 11 months.

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Mullanix, 33, is returning to her home area, having grown up near Lamar. Her parents are Dave and Colleen Mullanix.

She is a temporary Data Entry employee, helping with paper work and entering employee's work information.

Mullanix most recently received a masters of business administration from Chadron State College last December. Her bachelor of arts in criminal justice degree is also from Chadron State, in 2001.

She worked at the Work Ethic Camp in McCook as a Corrections Corporal before going back to school.

The 1996 Chase County High School graduate said she returned to Imperial to accept the NRCS job as a career change.