

QGIS Application - Bug report #16619

shape file crashes, losing all data, then can only be found as a packed file with no attribution

2017-05-25 04:18 PM - Kathleen Wood

Status: Closed	
Priority: High	
Assignee:	
Category: Attribute table	
Affected QGIS version: 2.14.0	Regression?: No
Operating System: windows	Easy fix?: No
Pull Request or Patch supplied: No	Resolution: not reproducible
Crashes QGIS or corrupts data: Yes	Copied to github as #: 24519
Description	
<p>I keep encountering a problem when I am attributing a shape file. I add and populate several columns with data, then if I am editing the layer, it crashes. When I attempt to reopen it, I can only find a _packed file. The original disappears, and the packed file has none of the attributes I have assigned.</p>	

History

#1 - 2017-05-25 04:27 PM - Giovanni Manghi

- Priority changed from Normal to High
- Status changed from Open to Feedback

Hi,

a few things:

- 1) update QGIS to the latest 2.14 or 2.18
- 2) backup your .qgis2 folder, then delete it, restart qgis and try again (you will not have any 3rd party plugins, and that is the point)
- 3) send us the data and exact steps to replicate the issue.

#2 - 2017-05-25 05:26 PM - Kathleen Wood

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Here is a Dropbox link to the entire project folder (you will note there is a lot of data in the folder that is extraneous to what is currently being used on the desktop. Don't worry about that information.

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Any advice you can offer is appreciated.

I am attaching a zip file instead, with the implicated files. I am using both aerial imagery and a Google Earth plugin for creating the polygons.

#3 - 2017-05-25 06:05 PM - Giovanni Manghi

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you don't have to delete your project or data
but the

c:\users\yourusername\.qgis2

folder

this allows you to start QGIS from a semi-fresh install and thus try exclude problems caused by (example) 3rd party plugins. Make a backup of that folder, so if it is not the culprit you can restore it.

#4 - 2017-05-25 06:06 PM - Giovanni Manghi

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there is a lot of stuff in this share, possibly a lot you don't want to share at all. Can you make a ZIP file with the project and data only? Thanks.

#5 - 2017-05-25 06:16 PM - Kathleen Wood

- File final_shx.zip added

Here is the zip file. Let me know if there is something missing in this folder that you need. These are the shape files I am using and having trouble with (except the waypoints files which continue to work, but I am now afraid to touch them).

#6 - 2017-05-26 01:08 PM - Giovanni Manghi

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there is something fishy in the data you sent in this zip file.

"attributes" has part of the files that have a "_packed" int the name while others don't, same for "working_file".

I removed "_packed" from that names, in order to get the shapefiles file names correct, added to qgis and can edit them with no issues.

#7 - 2017-09-25 03:38 PM - Giovanni Manghi

- Resolution set to not reproducible

- Status changed from Feedback to Closed

Closed for lack of feedback, please reopen if necessary.

Files

final_shx.zip	3.57 MB	2017-05-25	Kathleen Wood
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