QGIS Application - Bug report #2092 fTools export/add geometry tool should use source dataset CRS as target dataset CRS

2009-11-14 05:26 AM - marisn -

Status:	Closed			
Priority:	Low			
Assignee:	cfarmer -			
Category:	Projection Support			
Affected QGIS version:		Regression ?:	No	
Operating System:	Gentoo	Easy fix?:	No	
Pull Request or Patch supplied:		Resolution:	worksforme	
Crashes QGIS or corrupts data:		Copied to github a	Copied to github as #: 12152	

Description

Start new project (project CRS is set to WGS84);

Add some vector data source with different CRS (e.g. EPSG:25884);

Launch Vector (fTools)-> Geometry-> Export/Add geometry colums;

Select added vector as input, specify output and press OK.

Resulting shapefile has correct coordinate data in database columns, still shapefiles CRS is defined as WGS84 but data (vector point coordinates) still have same values as in input data source (i.e. EPSG:25884). Thus anyone who forgets to enable "CRS change on fly" option gets bogous shapefile as result. Using source CRS for destination when "on the fly" reprojection is not enabled is a safe fail-back mechanism in such cases.

Tested on QGIS 1.4.0 r12103M with fTools 0.5.10.

History

#1 - 2009-11-15 08:48 AM - cfarmer -

Replying to marisn:

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#2 - 2009-11-15 09:17 AM - marisn -

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I have created more generic enhancement ticket #2093 about project CRS handling in QGIS might solve also this issue, still if fTools result generation is not affected by OTFR, there still is a room for bogus results as described per this bug. Thus input CRS as target CRS is the safest option.

#3 - 2009-11-17 03:48 AM - cfarmer -

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In actual fact, fTools does indeed use the input CRS for all outputs, so it is possible that the issue reported here is a more generic CRS issue. Perhaps QGIS is not properly recognizing the input CRS, and is therefore unable to output it correctly? Would it be possible to attach the problem shapefile to this ticket (or a more generic CRS ticket)?

Regards,

Carson

#4 - 2009-11-18 05:52 AM - marisn -

- Resolution set to worksforme

- Status changed from Open to Closed

Hm. I upgraded and recompiled trunk to version r12169M and also can not reproduce problem anymore. Output layers get correct CRS. Seems to be some minor glitch fixed by some commit between 12103 and 12169 (or it's a Heisenbug).