# QGIS Application - Bug report #5357 kml innerBoundaryIs

2012-04-14 06:21 PM - Chris Chaudoir

Status: Closed **Priority:** Normal Assignee: Category: Affected QGIS version:master Regression?: No **Operating System:** Easy fix?: No Resolution: Pull Request or Patch supplied: wontfix Crashes QGIS or corrupts data: Copied to github as #: 15052

#### Description

When importing a kml vector layer, the parser only recognizes the first of multiple linear rings nested within a single set of innerBoundaryIs tags.

For example:

<outerBoundaryIs>

<LinearRing>

<coordinates> {Big poygon}

</coordinates>

</LinearRing>

</outerBoundaryIs>

<innerBoundaryIs>

<LinearRing>

<coordinates> {1st hole in Big polygon}

</coordinates>

</LinearRing>

<LinearRing>

<coordinates> {This second hole is being ignored}

</coordinates>

</LinearRing>

</innerBoundaryIs>

Note, the parser will recognize the 2nd hole, if it is withing a 2nd set of innerBoundaryIs tags, but combining multiple holes within a single set of innerBoundaryIs tags is legal, more efficient, and how Google Earth exports kml layers.

#### History

## #1 - 2012-04-15 12:57 AM - Giovanni Manghi

- Status changed from Open to Feedback

Hi, is this a QGIS issue or an ogr one?

#### #2 - 2012-04-15 04:47 AM - Richard Duivenvoorde

- Resolution set to wontfix
- File fromshp.kml added

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Although the kml you sent is viewable in GoogleEarth, I think your kml is not valid. Where did you get it from?

Even GoogleMaps is showing just one of the innerrings. you can check via this url:

http://maps.google.com/?q=https://issues.qgis.org/attachments/4394/example.kml

Both qgis and ogr2ogr show and or generate a polygon with just one hole.

This online validator is also complaining http://kmlvalidator.com/home.htm if you give it https://issues.ggis.org/attachments/4394/example.kml

BUT if I create a shapefile in qgis with a polygon with several holes, AND i save this polygon as a KML, qgis shows all holes.

I attach my example here fromshp.kml

As you can see it has a different layout for the innnerrings:

```
<Polygon>
 <outerBoundaryIs>
   <LinearRing>
     <coordinates>-...</coordinates>
   </LinearRing>
 </outerBoundaryIs>
 <innerBoundaryIs>
   <LinearRing>
     <coordinates>...</coordinates>
   </LinearRing>
 </innerBoundaryIs>
 <innerBoundaryIs>
   <LinearRing>
     <coordinates>...</coordinates>
   </LinearRing>
 </innerBoundaryIs>
</Polygon>
```

I will close this ticket as I think it is not a QGIS bug

### #3 - 2012-04-15 04:50 AM - Richard Duivenvoorde

- Status changed from Feedback to Closed

#### #4 - 2012-04-15 05:22 AM - Chris Chaudoir

- File 51.kml added

I now think this must be a Google Earth bug. The example file I submitted was exported from (Save As) Google Earth. The initial file (correctly tagged) I generated using text editor, by pasting-in the holes, each inside its own innerBoundaryIs tag.

I could open the initial file correctly in QGIS and Google Earth. But when saved the layer using Google Earth (the example file I submitted), the three sets of tags are replaced by a single tag that encloses all three holes.

Thanks for the help, and sorry this took up your time.

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## **Files**

example.kml	14.9 KB	2012-04-14	Chris Chaudoir
fromshp.kml	1.64 KB	2012-04-15	Richard Duivenvoorde
51.kml	15 KB	2012-04-15	Chris Chaudoir

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