# QGIS Application - Bug report #6243 QgsProject.read() should open a project file in "append" mode

2012-08-23 02:32 AM - luca76 -

Status: Closed Priority: Normal

Assignee:

Category: Project Loading/Saving

Affected QGIS version:master

Operating System:

Pull Request or Patch shapplied:

Crashes QGIS or corrupts data:

Regression?:

No

Resolution:

invalid

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#### Description

**QgsProject API Documentation states:** 

bool read (QFileInfo const &file) read project file

bool read ()

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the first read (QFileInfo const &file) sets the project filename and calls the second read (). As you read, it says: "presuming that the caller has already reset the map canvas, map registry, and legend", so I wanted to use it to append my QGIS project file to current.

But it doesn't happen: current maplayers are cleared and substituted to the layers of the project file, althrough I still see the old project title in the window titlebar.

Here's how you can reproduce it:

- 1. write a plugin with this code: QgsProject.instance().read ( new QFileInfo ( "<path of a qgis file>" ) );
- 2. open a different qgis project file
- 3. launch the plugin
- 4. all layers are substituted.

## History

### #1 - 2012-09-04 11:52 AM - Paolo Cavallini

- Target version changed from Version 1.8.0 to Version 2.0.0

## #2 - 2012-09-29 08:10 AM - Sandro Santilli

I'm also looking for a way to "append" layers to an existing project. Ideally all under a group named after the file.

# #3 - 2012-09-29 08:15 AM - Sandro Santilli

The code is intentionally clearing all stuff, surely for project properties but don't know if for anything else too (assets referenced by layers?):

// before we start loading everything, let's clear out the current set of

// properties first so that we don't have the properties from the previous

// project still hanging around

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imp_->clear();
mEmbeddedLayers.clear();
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## #4 - 2012-12-30 09:51 AM - Giovanni Manghi

- Priority changed from High to Normal

## #5 - 2014-01-29 05:06 AM - luca76 -

- Target version changed from Version 2.0.0 to Future Release - Lower Priority

# #6 - 2014-03-26 11:25 AM - Alexander Bruy

- Category changed from C++ Plugins to Project Loading/Saving

## #7 - 2016-07-05 08:15 AM - luca76 -

- Resolution set to invalid
- Status changed from Open to Closed

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