

QGIS Application - Bug report #6684

Embedded layers should not allow rename

2012-11-13 12:08 PM - John Tull

<b>Status:</b>	Closed	
<b>Priority:</b>	Normal	
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<b>Category:</b>	Map Legend	
<b>Affected QGIS version:</b>	master	<b>Regression?:</b> No
<b>Operating System:</b>		<b>Easy fix?:</b> No
<b>Pull Request or Patch supplied:</b>	No	<b>Resolution:</b> end of life
<b>Crashes QGIS or corrupts data:</b>	No	<b>Copied to github as #:</b> 15852
<b>Description</b>		
<p>Embedded layers from an external qgis project are linked to the project file from which they were imported, dependent on the properties of that external project. This means that changes to the original project file layer properties and names will be reflected in the new project that has those layers embedded within upon reopening the project with embedded layers. Because of this, the layer's property dialog is not available for embedded layers because the layers are more like a symbolic link than an editable layer within the project.</p> <p>Currently, it is possible to rename layers and groups that have been embedded. This is inconsistent with the treatment of embedded layers as linked files dependent on an outside project. These layers and groups should not be able to be renamed so that this is consistent with the overall philosophy of embedded layers and their behavior.</p>		

History

#1 - 2014-06-28 07:43 AM - Jürgen Fischer

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

#2 - 2016-01-20 03:12 AM - Médéric RIBREUX

- Status changed from Open to Feedback

Hello, bug triage...

well, here I have some use cases where people want to rename embedded layers because the original name is too large or too complex. I think that this is now a "natural" feature of QGIS for users (at least where I work).

Furthermore, if we want to duplicate embedded layers (see #6683), we need to be able to rename embedded layers...

Anybody else that do agree with me ?

#3 - 2016-03-19 08:38 AM - Sebastian Dietrich

I think renaming should be disabled, because the concept of embedding sees the name as a property that is defined in the original project. The new name is lost when the project is saved and loaded again and I therefore doubt it is a "natural" feature for users now. Who wants to rename an embedded layer again and again?

I therefore propose:

- fix this bug by disabling the UI to rename an embedded layer
- open a new feature request to change the concept of embedding layers to allow changing the name (and other properties) of embedded layers

Also, #6683 is not about *embedding* layers but more about *importing* layers from another project.

**#4 - 2016-05-23 09:16 AM - Giovanni Manghi**

- *Status changed from Feedback to Open*

**#5 - 2017-05-01 01:09 AM - Giovanni Manghi**

- *Regression? set to No*

- *Easy fix? set to No*

**#6 - 2019-03-09 04:04 PM - Giovanni Manghi**

- *Resolution set to end of life*

- *Status changed from Open to Closed*

**End of life notice: QGIS 2.18 LTR**

**Source:**

<http://blog.qgis.org/2019/03/09/end-of-life-notice-qgis-2-18-ltr/>