On Dec 8, 10:29 am, David Fanning <n...@dfanning.com> wrote:
> Folks,
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> While I wait for someone to help sort out my problems
> with Subversion and Perforce plug-ins for the IDL Workbench
> (see other posts today), I had the opportunity to make
> a change in another file that I have under Perforce
> control.
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> IDL 6.4, if I open this file, and try to make changes
> to it, IDL will refuse to write it, as Perforce has made
> it read-only, and rightly so. I have to get over into
> Perforce and open it for editing before IDL will write
> it. Perfect.
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> In IDL 7.0, the Workbench noticed that this file is
> read-only and just asks me if I want to change it anyway.
> "Sure, what the hell. Save me some time." And it just
> writes it!!! Perforce doesn't know a damn thing about it.
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> I'm not a big version control expert, but this don't seem
> right. :-(

Thats another bad consequence to the way that Perforce handles
checking out files. And yes, I'm sure it will cause Perforce major
problems. I would blame Perforce there, though. The read-only bit
already means something -- the file is "read-only". If you edit the
file, it's only reasonable to ask you if you want to change the bit so
that you can save your changes. But Perforce is using that bit for its
own reasons that Eclipse doesn't know about (presumably this doesn't
happen if the Perforce plugin is installed and knows about the file?).

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