
Subject: Re: SHAPEFILE changes in IDL7.1?

Posted by [Brian McNoldy](#) on Mon, 30 Nov 2009 18:31:23 GMT

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On Nov 30, 11:14 am, David Fanning <n...@dfanning.com> wrote:

>
> Oh, oh. Sounds like they switched to the algorithm they
> use in ENVI. :-(
>
> I don't have time today to investigate, but I'll look into
> it tonight. Can you give more details? Are you drawing this
> on a map projection, etc.?
>
> Cheers,
> David
>

I figured something changed in the heart of the language, because all other components were unchanged. I am not doing anything fancy with it, just drawing county lines (as an example... I also draw roads from another shapefile) on an existing map projection. The routine does end up doing what it's supposed to, but it takes unreasonably long -- several minutes instead of a blink. Here is what I'm using (and have successfully used for years):

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drawstates,'COUNTIES.SHP',attribute_name='NAME',statenames=' ALL'
```

Thanks in advance for looking into it!

Brian
