

Decoding Core Contribution

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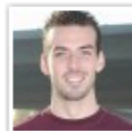
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- [It was pointed out that when using the...](#) February 28, 2013 *Andrew Nacin*

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- [IRC Meetup Time – 2000 UTC](#) March 20,

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- [Do You Write Twitter Plugins?](#) February 7, 2013 *Ipsenu (Mika Epstein)*
- [Plugin/Plugin Team Stats](#) December 28, 2012 *Jen Mylo*
- [Team Rep Results](#) December 24, 2012 *Jen Mylo*

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- [MP6 version 0.4](#) March 22, 2013 *Matt Thomas*
- [Should we tab the Plugins page with Manage...](#) March 22, 2013 *Mark Jaquith*
- [MP6 version 0.3](#) March 15, 2013 *Matt Thomas*

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- [Licensing Note: Apache and GPL](#) March 4, 2013 *Chip Bennett*
- [Things you don't like or would like to improve or change?](#) February 28, 2013 *Emil Uzelac*

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- [It's not very clear what licence the translations...](#) March 20, 2013 *Waclaw*

MAKE/META

than tabs for this interaction, and I'm sorry that I used them even temporarily as they clearly became a distraction, so we are going to keep the dropdown idea, but try putting it where the screen icon is, per suggestion from Jen.

- @melchoyce is making some changes to the icons she's been working on: <http://core.trac.wordpress.org/ticket/19570#comment:78>. The standard post icon will be the pin, the gallery icon will become the image icon (since images are not necessarily photos), and the gallery icon should be something like the image icon with a stack behind it.
- @lessbloat is going to experiment with what can be done to make TinyMCE less intrusive in some formats where it's not as much of a focal point, such as quote, audio, and video. Have warned him about what it means to re-initialize TinyMCE, but teeny mode seems that it would be ideal, and perhaps hide the Add Media button / move it into the TinyMCE toolbar instead, especially for the audio/video formats, so it doesn't confuse the user as to what they should be using for which.
- Title should be somehow de-emphasized for some formats: aside, status, and image come to mind. A toggle to edit comes to mind, maybe like the way permalink slugs are edited. Titles need to be filled in based on content for those formats, a la P2. Might be nice to try to do something smart with image, like detecting an alt or title attribute for the fill-in, but at the very least, something better than (no title) or Auto Draft. This is less important for a second commit, but **needs a body**.
- Audio and video should have inline previews, whether it's of oEmbed response, rendered HTML (sanitized per user cap, of course), or a media library item. We should hook up the media modal if possible, especially with the insert from URL panel. Related: #15490 (see farther below for more details on the ticket). **Needs a body or bodies**.
- Screen option: no longer sure we actually need this with the less obtrusive dropdown for format selection, but if we keep it, it should just hide the switcher.
- No-JS: probably means a select dropdown (which should be the non-visible input that is changing with JS on) with a submit button next to it that saves a draft with that format, which will thereby change the screen once it loads again. Not sure what that means for a published post, though. Ideas about execution in that regard are very welcome. **Needs a body or bodies**.
- Accessibility: need to check on ordering when tabbing through fields and make sure things like labels are done correctly. Also should make sure the switcher is accessible. **Needs a body or bodies**.

Other tickets and tasks:

- #23198 – TinyMCE class. @azaazz said he will take a look and get it polished and committed. Looking for it to be there on init as well as dynamically changing with the format. Hooray for editor styles 😊
- #16047 – list table display/filtering. Once we have icons, we should drop those into place next to the post title, with each icon linking to filter the list table down to that format, and lose the column that was added. "Standard" (the pin) should not show.
- #23539 – previewing. Format should be dealt with the way category is (taxonomy); formats with meta fields are trickier to deal with given that post meta is not stored separately for revisions. **Not sure where this stands**.

Weekly Developer Chats

Wednesdays @ 2100 UTC

irc.freenode.net

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Backup: Scott Taylor

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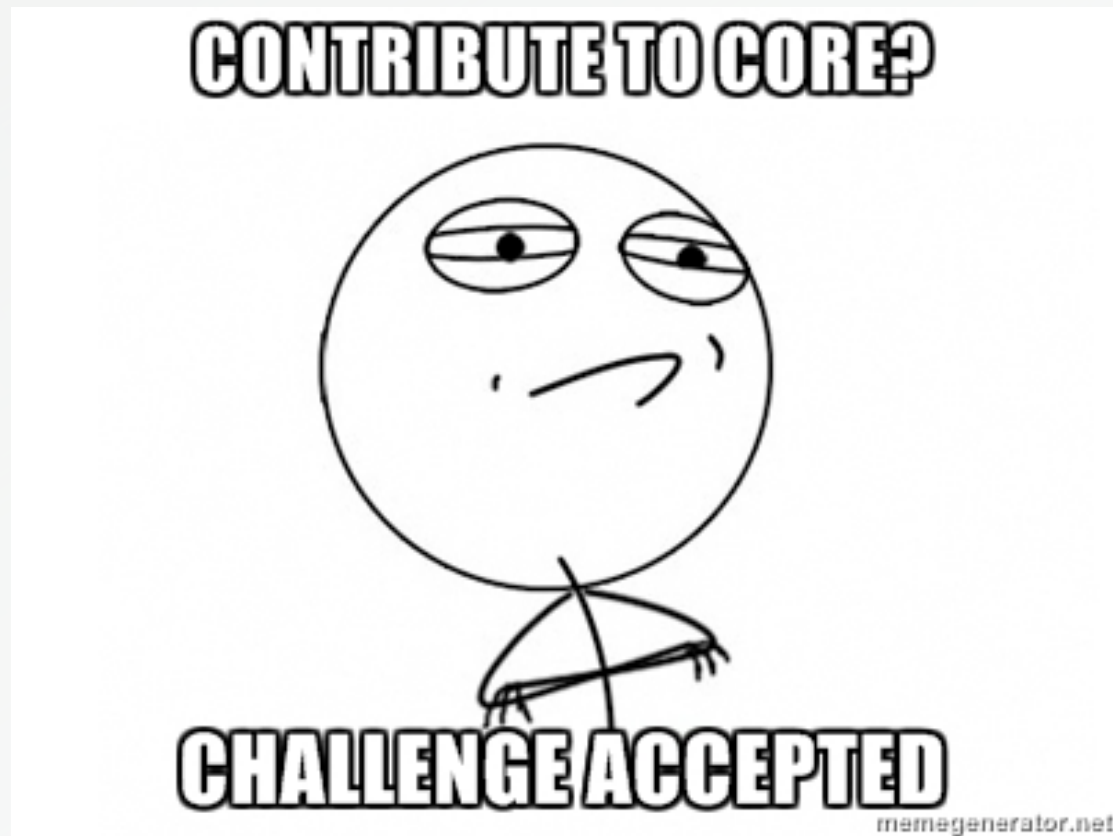
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Not sure where to go?
Try ***#wordpress-contribute***

Let's focus on
Core Code
contribution.

Your First Contribution



If you haven't read ...

- http://codex.wordpress.org/Contributing_to_WordPress
- The official (always in progress) handbook!
 - <http://make.wordpress.org/core/handbook/>

Release Cycle

- <http://make.wordpress.org/core>
- foreach(\$releases as \$release)
 - Planning
 - Feature Development
 - Beta
 - RC

Planning:
Choose the *Scope*.

Feature Development: *Teamwork.*

Beta:
Features are *Finished*.

Release Candidate:
Just the *Regressions*.

Okay. I understand
the release cycle.
What's next?

Start *Small*.

Look for a *Need*.

*“If it’s not on Trac,
it doesn’t exist.”*

-Pretty much the entire Core Team.

<http://core.trac.wordpress.org>

Reports are your friend.

- <http://core.trac.wordpress.org/report>
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- Needs Patch:
<http://core.trac.wordpress.org/report/16>
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Bugs reports are also kept on Trac. If you are looking to submit a bug report, please [head on over](#).

You may [login to this site](#) using your [WordPress.org](#) username and password. If you don't already have one, sign up at [the forums](#).

Okay. I found a need. Now What?

- Get the WordPress.org source from trunk.
- <http://codex.wordpress.org/SVN>
 - `svn co http://core.svn.wordpress.org/trunk/`
- <https://github.com/WordPress/WordPress>
 - `git clone https://github.com/WordPress/WordPress.git`

Apply the Patch, if any.

- Right-click on patch download link, copy URL
- From root of trunk:
 - `wget http://core.trac.wordpress.org/raw-attachment/ticket/20000/20000.diff`
(or `curl -OL http://core ...`)
 - `patch -p0 < 20000.diff`

Now, create a patch.

- Create all patches from the WordPress root within your trunk checkout.
 - `svn diff > bugNumber[.patchNumber].diff`
 - e.g. `svn diff > 20000.2.diff`
 - `git diff --no-prefix master > 20000.2.diff`

Attach a patch.

- Attach it to the ticket.
- Add a *note* to the ticket, so that everyone cc'd is notified.

No one has responded.
What now?





Be *Persistent!*

Learn to love *IRC*.
#wordpress-dev on FreeNode

Ask for *help*.

Ping those who are
handling your ticket!

Don't rely on
wp-hackers.

Twitter is your *friend*.

Be prepared for *rejection*.

Iteration is key.

It's okay if someone else has a
better idea.

Let's work *together* to
make a better **WordPress**.

Any Questions?

- <http://make.wordpress.org/>
- <https://irclogs.wordpress.org/>
- <http://make.wordpress.org/core/handbook>
- <http://core.trac.wordpress.org/>
- <http://lists.automattic.com/>
- http://codex.wordpress.org/Contributing_to_WordPress
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