

## Redmine - Feature #14413

### Add custom field statuses (aka, lock fields)

2013-07-08 23:10 - Anonymous

<b>Status:</b>	New	<b>Start date:</b>	
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<b>Category:</b>	Custom fields	<b>Estimated time:</b>	0.00 hour
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#### Description

Custom fields can become a mess after a while, and hard to sort through when creating new projects. It would be interesting to have a value like what's used for user accounts to 'lock' custom fields. Just like users, this would hide the fields from project settings, while allowing them to be unlocked rather than recreated.

For project-specific fields, this would be helpful once a project is archived, but allow reuse if a follow-up or related project kicks off later.

If a project stays active, existing data for that field will stay visible, but it will not be possible to update previous values or apply to new tickets. Old values will be protected if a ticket is updated after the field is locked, of course.

Let me know what you think!

#### History

##### #1 - 2013-07-08 23:11 - Anonymous

Note, this would also affect the custom fields admin panel. By default, an admin will only be shown active fields to move up and down, but can change a filter to see all fields if desired.

##### #2 - 2013-07-10 23:53 - Nathanael Hansen

Would this also be possible with Issue Statuses? They too, can get messy after a while and would be nice to not have every status ever used when setting up queries.

Thanks!

##### #3 - 2013-07-11 01:24 - Anonymous

Nathanael Hansen wrote:

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Thanks!

I don't think statuses need something exactly like this. However, queries shouldn't offer statuses that are impossible to use with the trackers available from the query's location. That's just silly, and worth posting a separate ticket for.