

Re: 64-bit time_t on sparc64, epilogue(?)

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On Sat, 15 Nov 2003, Garance A Drosihn wrote:

> *Recently on the freebsd-sparc64 list, it was mentioned that it
> would be nice to upgrade time_t on that port to be 64-bit. It
> is pretty obvious (to me at least) that we could bite the bullet
> and do it (disruptively) right now. If we don't, then (IMO) we
> pretty much have to wait until the 6.x-branch.*

Considering the scope and potential disruptiveness of such a change, I think waiting till 6.x is a better avenue, when we can pull the switch on all the platforms. This isn't the sort of thing to pull after a .0 release, even if it means more user impact down the road. We already reserve new major branch releases for serious breakage and no compatibility guarantees; lets try to save game-breakers like this for those times.

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