Cooperation with the PC-BSD Project

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PC-BSD Perspective

- desktop users tend to find different bugs than system administrators; bugs tend to be with ports and hardware drivers
- desktop users tend to find bugs earlier as they install and use new releases right away, rather than waiting for a branch to stabilize (dot 0 releases)
- would like to increase awareness and streamline processes and feedback loops so users' needs are addressed in a timely fashion

How to Better Coordinate?

Ports management team

- heads up on upcoming major changes (e.g. perl), especially those scheduled near or shortly after a release date
- coordinate requests for software not currently ported

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Window managers porters teams:

- •9.0 will support multiple window managers, meaning users will find *lots* of usability bugs
- template for submitting a useful bug/usability report to freebsd-ports-bugs@?
- porters subscribe to our wm bug testing forums?
 http://forums.pcbsd.org/forumdisplay.php?f=64

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Xorg porters team, general hardware drivers, and Foundation:

- desktop users can't always get the most out of their graphics hardware
- •fund work to address missing kernel graphics support?
- coordinate hardware driver requests?

Conclusion

Some thoughts for discussion:

- how do we efficiently coordinate the submission of and responses to user feedback?
- are both projects currently aware of each projects' current procedures and resources?
- •how can we work more closely together to improve and promote FreeBSD?