

## Preference File (XIN)

When you open InRoads -it loads a preference file named Civil.xin from your F:\ODOT\_DATA\USERCFG

# Preference File (.xin)

- **Civil.xin in F:\ODOT\_DATA\USERCFG\InRoads is “refreshed” at logon.**



- **Civil.xin contains:**
  - Lock settings – filter lock, station, report
  - Symbologies – how things look
  - Styles – does it display in plan, cross section, or profile
  - Preference sets for dialog box entries – how commands are filled out
  - Feature Selection Filters – do I only want to see certain things
- **“ODOT” preference set is preferred.**

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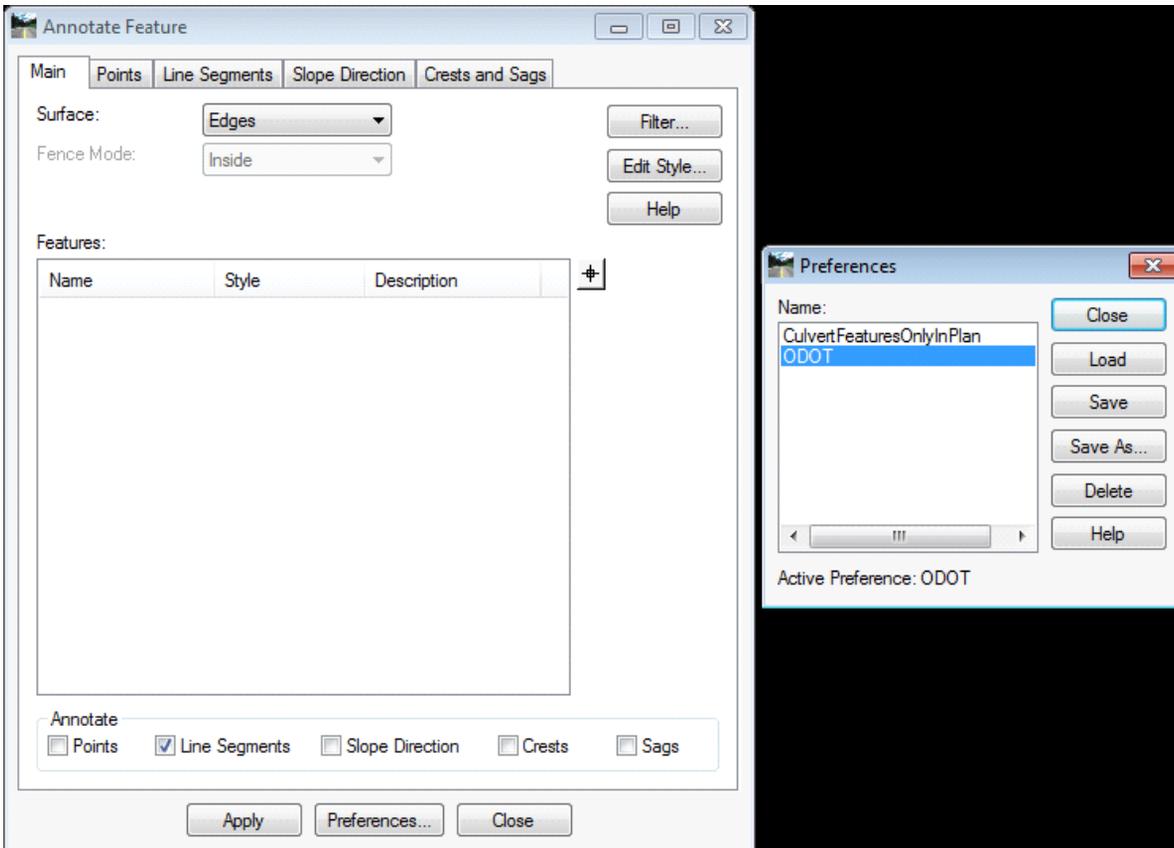
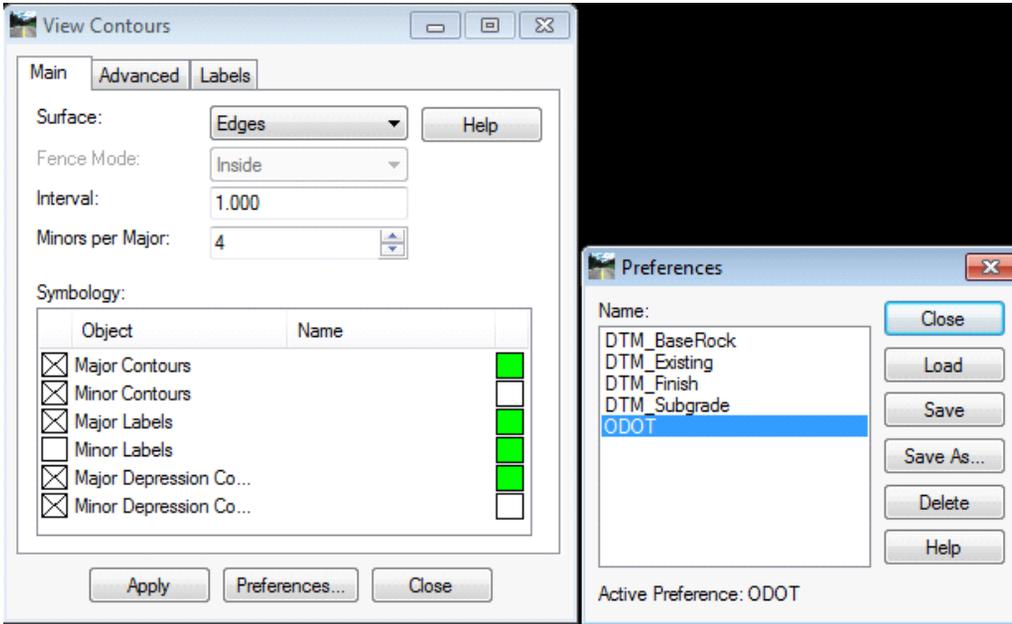
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What "refreshed" means is that anything that you save in Civil.xin in the F:\ODOT\_DATA\USERCFG\InRoads folder will be gone the next time you log on -unless you take steps to SAVE THE FILE WITH A DIFFERENT NAME or in a different location.

# Preference Sets

The XIN stores all of the preference sets for almost every command. The interface only allows you to see the preference set names for the particular command you have chosen. FYI -You can only see preference sets for the loaded applications -so if you are looking for a preference for an InRoads Survey command -you need to load InRoads Survey!

Note that the View Contours command has different preference set names than the Annotate Features command.



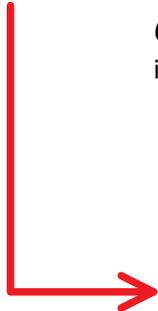
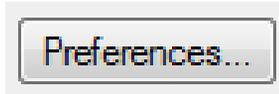
# Hierarchy

**XIN** - *civil.xin* or *civil\_featureannotation.xin* (name the file with what is different)

You will load an XIN based upon what info in it is different than the standard -so put the command that you are creating custom preferences for in the name.

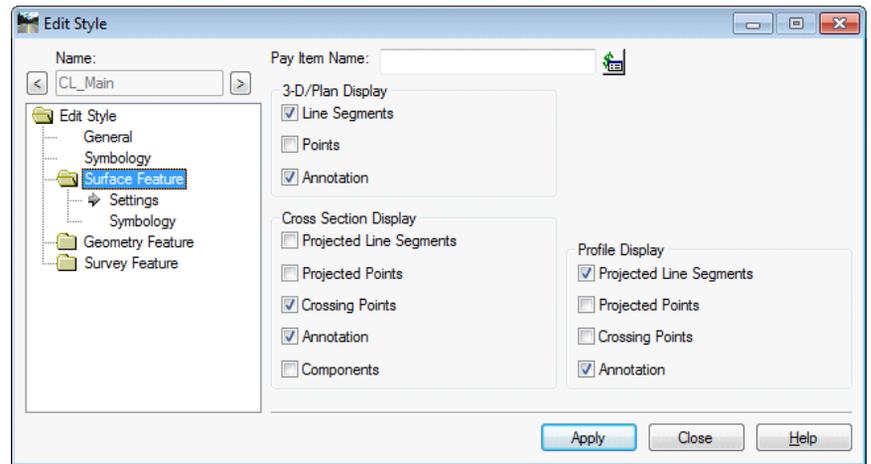


**Preference Set**

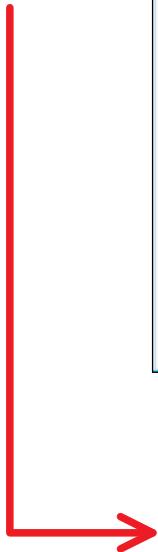


*ODOT or YourName* (using your own name or initials on custom preference names; it makes these easier to find ) I do not recommend that you edit the ODOT preference.

**Style**

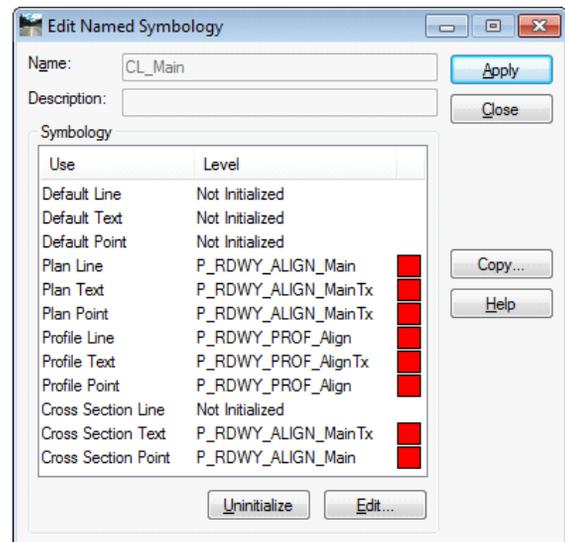


*CL\_main* or *ljt\_Edge*  
(name the style for what the feature is)



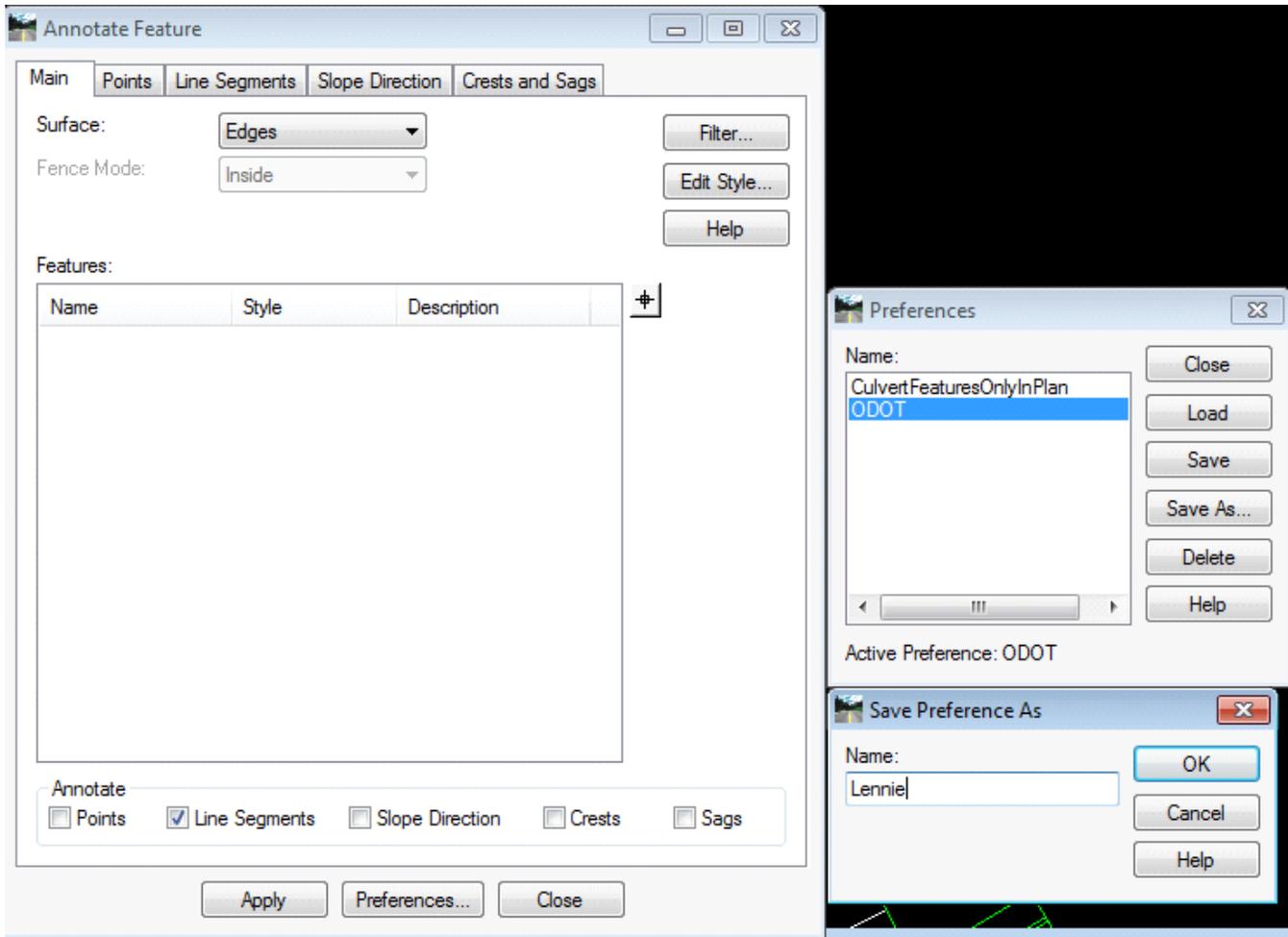
**Symbology**

*CL\_main* or *ljt\_Edge*  
(name the symbology the same as the style)



USAGE NOTES: After saving a custom XIN file - begin at the bottom of the hierarchy by copying a known named symbology and name it with your initials and intended use. Then work your way back up the hierarchy: copy a style; assign your symbology; set up a preference and save it.

## Saving a Preference Set



I do not recommend that you edit the ODOT preference set -but save custom preference sets using a name that you can easily find, like your own name.

Remember that preference sets record how commands are filled out - boxes checked, what settings are made on all tabs.