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Creating a pull request template for your repository

When you add a pull request template to your repository, project contributors will automatically see the template's contents in the pull request body.

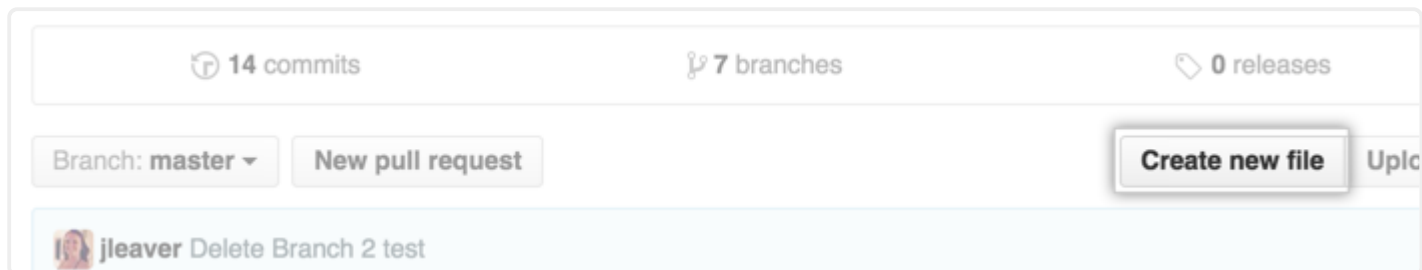
For more information, see "[About issue and pull request templates](#)."

You can create a `PULL_REQUEST_TEMPLATE/` subdirectory in any of the supported folders to contain multiple pull request templates, and use the `template` query parameter to specify the template that will fill the pull request body. For more information, see "[About automation for issues and pull requests with query parameters](#)."

You can create default pull request templates for your organization. For more information, see "[Creating a default community health file for your organization](#)."

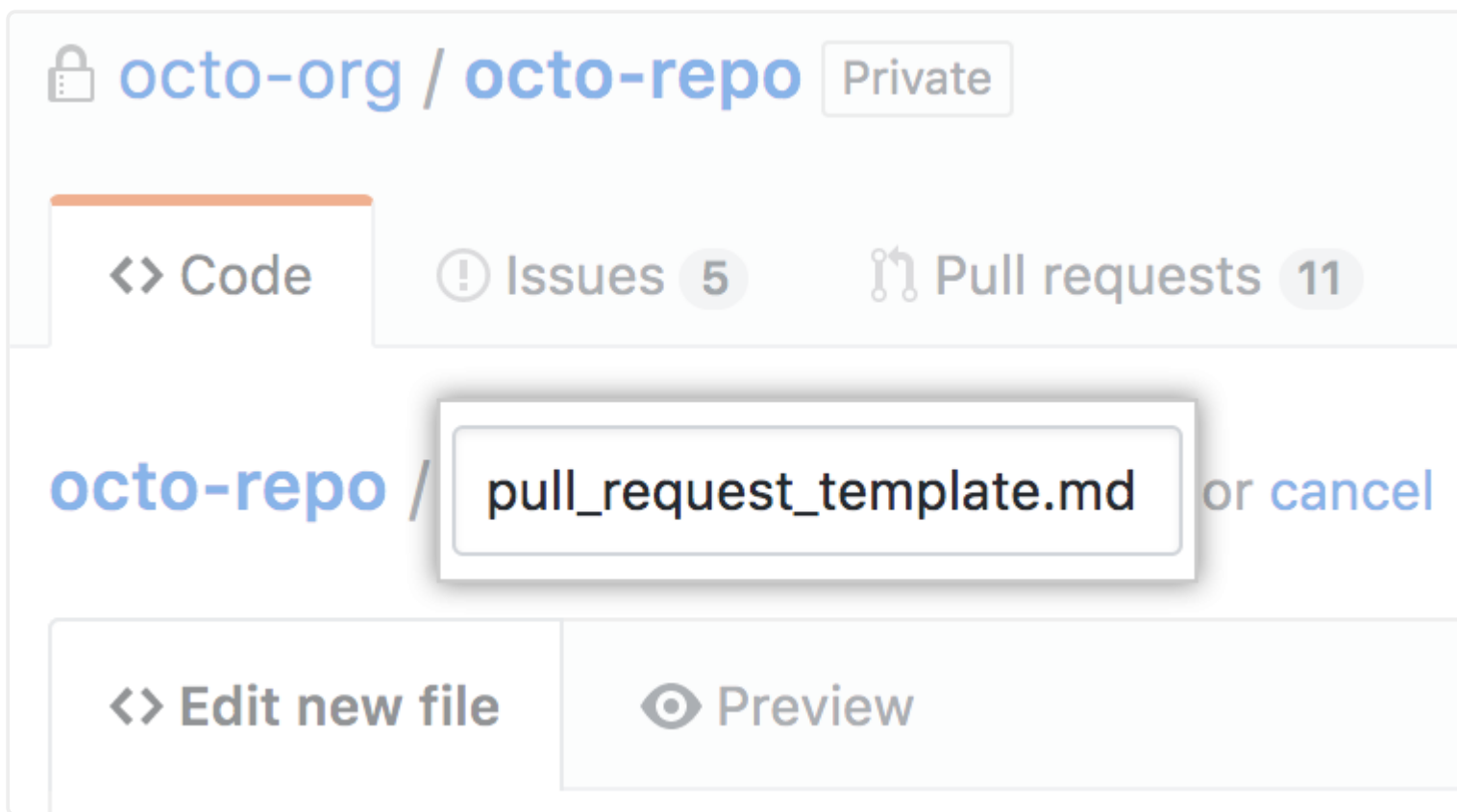
Adding a pull request template

- 1 On GitHub, navigate to the main page of the repository.
- 2 Above the file list, click **Create new file**.

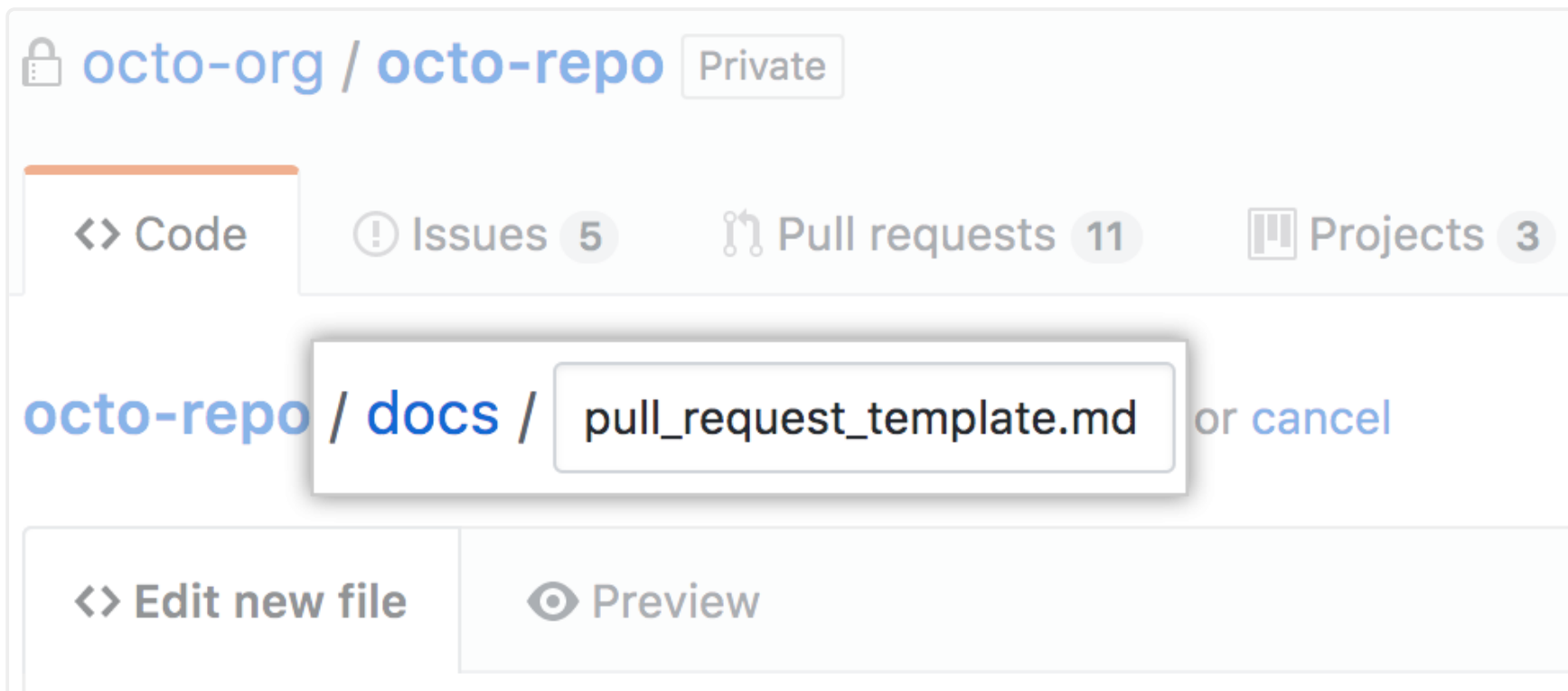


3 In the file name field:

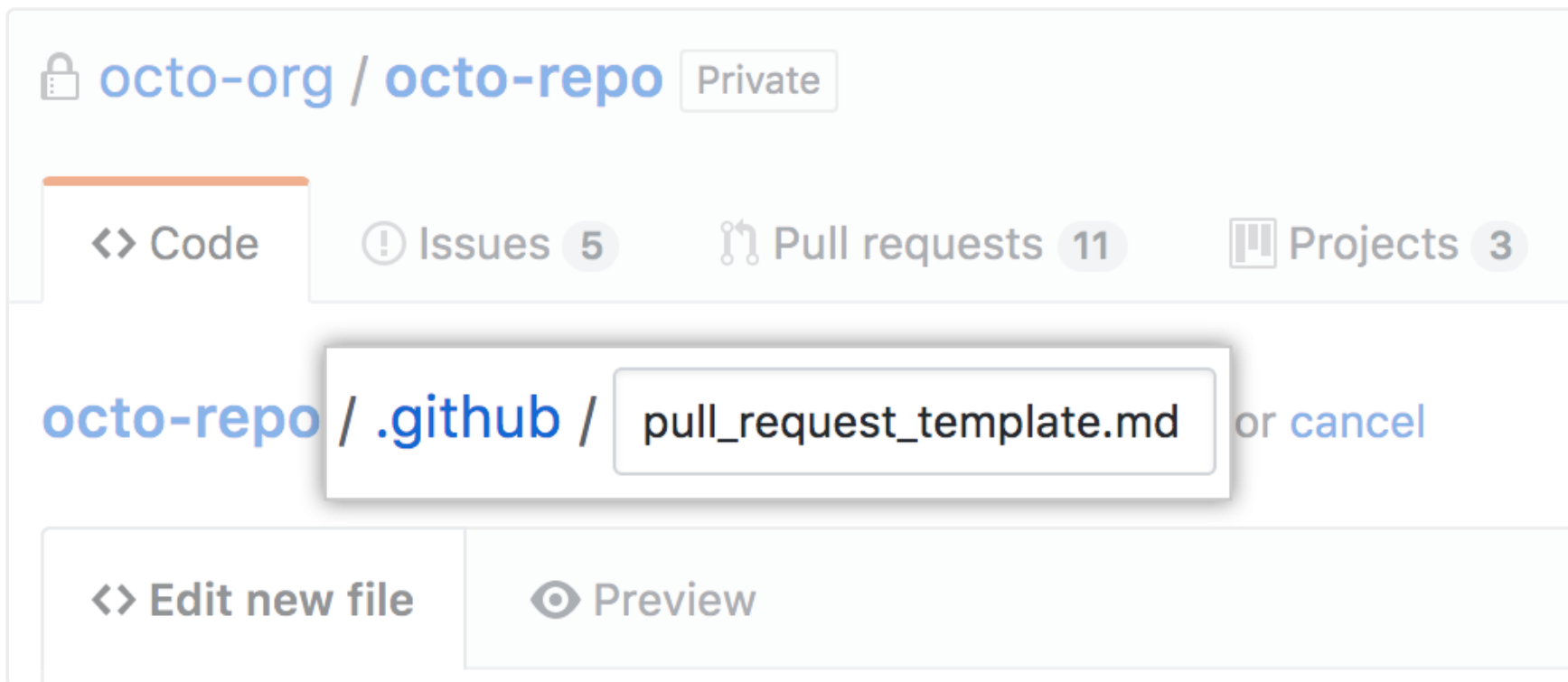
- To make your pull request template visible in the repository's root directory, type the name of your pull request template. For example, `pull_request_template.md`.



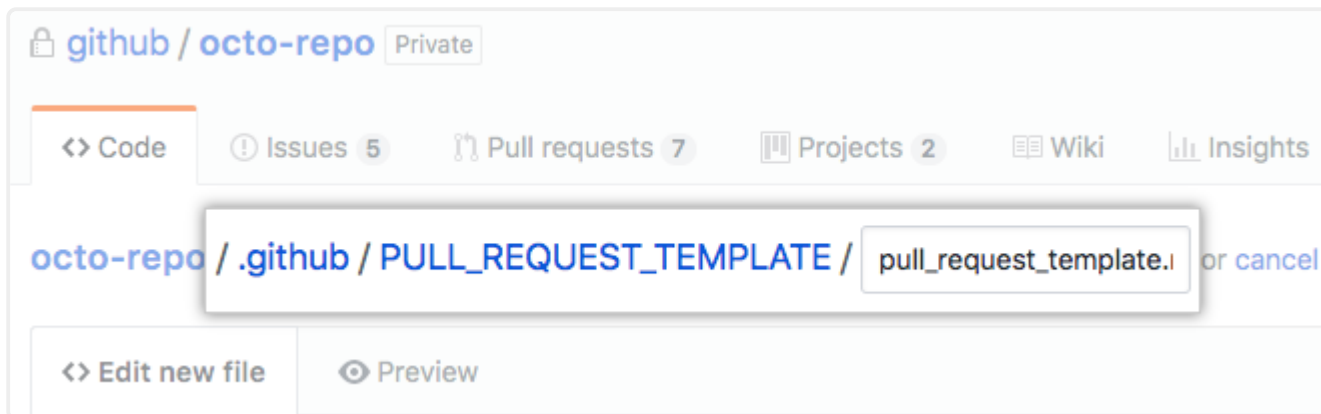
- To make your pull request template visible in the repository's `docs` directory, type `docs/`, then the name of your pull request template. For example, `docs/pull_request_template.md`.



- To store your file in a hidden directory, type `.github/`, then the name of your pull request template. For example, `.github/pull_request_template.md`.



- To create multiple pull request templates and use the `template` query parameter to specify a template to fill the pull request body, type `.github/PULL_REQUEST_TEMPLATE/`, then the name of your pull request template. For example, `.github/PULL_REQUEST_TEMPLATE/pull_request_template.md`. You can also store multiple pull request templates in a `PULL_REQUEST_TEMPLATE` subdirectory within the root or `docs/` directories. For more information, see "[About automation for issues and pull requests with query parameters](#)."



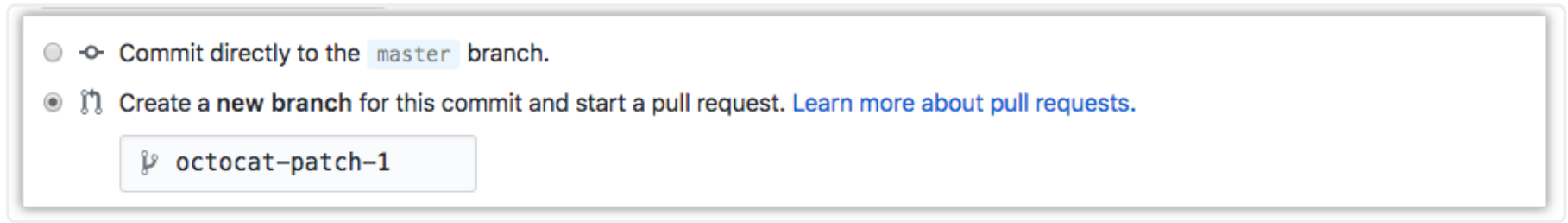
- 4 In the body of the new file, add your pull request template. This could include:
 - A [reference to a related issue](#) in your repository.
 - A description of the changes proposed in the pull request.
 - [@mentions](#) of the person or team responsible for reviewing proposed changes.
- 5 At the bottom of the page, type a short, meaningful commit message that describes the change you made to the file. You can attribute the commit to more than one author in the commit message. For more information, see "[Creating a commit with multiple co-authors](#)."

Commit changes

Update issue_template.md

Add an optional extended description...

- 6 Below the commit message fields, decide whether to add your commit to the current branch or to a new branch. If your current branch is `master`, you should choose to create a new branch for your commit and then create a pull request. For more information, see "[Creating a new pull request](#)."



☐ Commit directly to the `master` branch.

☒ Create a new branch for this commit and start a pull request. [Learn more about pull requests.](#)

Templates are available to collaborators when they are merged into the repository's default branch.

- 7 Click **Propose new file**.

Commit new file

Add .gitignore

Add an optional extended description...

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☐ Commit directly to the `master` branch.

☒ Create a new branch for this commit and start a pull request. [Learn more about pull requests.](#)

Propose new file

Cancel

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