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Report Manifest

Item	Description
Client	NOAH
Target	NOAH-DAO

Version History

Version	Date	Description
1.0	July 10, 2023	First Version

About BlockSec The **BlockSec Team** focuses on the security of the blockchain ecosystem, and collaborates with leading DeFi projects to secure their products. The team is founded by top-notch security researchers and experienced experts from both academia and industry. They have published multiple blockchain security papers in prestigious conferences, reported several zero-day attacks of DeFi applications, and released detailed analysis reports of high-impact security incidents. They can be reached at [Email](#), [Twitter](#) and [Medium](#).

Chapter 1 Introduction

1.1 About Target Contracts

Information	Description
Type	Smart Contract
Language	Solidity
Approach	Semi-automatic and manual verification

The repository that has been audited includes noah-dap-contacts.zip.

The auditing process is iterative. Specifically, we will audit the commits that fix the discovered issues. If there are new issues, we will continue this process. The MD5 values of the files during the audit are shown in the following. Our audit report is responsible for the only initial version (i.e., [Version 1](#)), as well as new codes (in the following versions) to fix issues in the audit report.

Version 1

File	md5
BaseGauge.sol	eaead534557d25bf6ba7a95b80cc42f3
Bribe.sol	4151633719b32f9e2a1a5feeb8f8b37
FeeVault.sol	d38fcee1dc997569e44759a8f1c55aa7
EsNoah.sol	b65dc788ba9d620bec3827ee28c66cea
Gauge.sol	fb11a8c138272fb22e2a99f3c5785e87
Minter.sol	9baee1acd31ccd03550fe749363a6817
Noah.sol	7c182db38b27c1d698081a4b24d749dc
RewardsDistributor.sol	e58e5bdcdbad246f8fd7522f4d999f7a
SmartWalletChecker.sol	f605b646835a417981c46d8a0ff56b7f
Vester.sol	a52f445260a58dbecb455580ccfebf81
Voter.sol	26a31c98bf72105de84aa8a94f094222
VotingEscrow.sol	4599ae7f4f9841682e439a1a5b3c9ac2
Governable.sol	fda68347f3c7603d4b8a233becc1c147
BribeFactory.sol	8c7fe6af0b58c865ec17c4d35fc0107f
GaugeFactory.sol	6bb83e2490a0984f14aa6ef2a5abebe9
IBribe.sol	4a54ff55155f57b5f170a96ee0aa6d76
IBribeFactory.sol	56172e2cff78fc78ab52200f286587f2
IEsNoah.sol	61b6058048254589462e90995699b39d
IFeeVault.sol	189774af2210c3bccc7ea83f8e29e916
IGauge.sol	9bc68d9f50ce66c5c3ab129dba06b494
IGaugeFactory.sol	021fb49c3957ef2e51126701abee7808
IMinter.sol	c7b17a1f31fa0852619b1615f108c407
INoah.sol	f46c3fcc01301f60b880474724dad25e
IPairFactory.sol	cccb14941fff68930545f58983d785d6
IPairInfo.sol	deeb1114b0b61049dc805ce4e8673329

IRewardsDistributor.sol	4399b98b6650597b52a8380f7ed9f967
ISmartWalletChecker.sol	5bb7218c380c77b5e958ac6333ddcb75
IVester.sol	354443365d2b31acb8d3e1e4123aa703
IVoter.sol	76cba4b77f2caf2772a4189c44702eec
IVotingEscrow.sol	1bae373a2055f6ce58237164deaf8c95
IVotingEscrowCallback.sol	5feecd2601929d72abc1f32d36319e84
Math.sol	28f2a9eb3b3403f5963b85f279c553c1

Version 2

File	md5
Bribe.sol	b7cea8854529473a962007e68c3223a8
FeeVault.sol	e9a66205d1a0ea3aa7f3abaf701e3aa2
EsNoah.sol	10dbe0109884d078f0a797bda0be8a72
Gauge.sol	435633fdb5d3fb2b4c50ca4514a15bc6
Minter.sol	49c8ee5f2bb9c109ae68a7aff4848158
Noah.sol	d13cbd610049962c841e62c54f083270
RewardsDistributor.sol	fa8c9a641f2a60a09779b10b9b63d885
SmartWalletChecker.sol	c4d911993029f15ba6df051ff8b3b401
Vester.sol	3c120a2487d4d87afd86fe03091b4581
Voter.sol	81d107c61f6d1fb1896b9f65ac8dbcce
VotingEscrow.sol	b0b1c3abe6e4a3de22f6ff0dc4aba6b4
Governable.sol	a25efd519bd9d030764d5f0b388e3e40
BribeFactory.sol	8e60c92ff0804f0dd7508a84df761f11
GaugeFactory.sol	b2d4cb930b5538e1e070846c27136610
IBribe.sol	a08f093027f02fb302fab54d1d6ff8c
IBribeFactory.sol	435da33a99d14cfa757ab7b35734ed57
IEsNoah.sol	86e21fa4b3f45b8727cf7cc847f48a61
IFeeVault.sol	94b42438bd0535f54a8ddc215b139b01
IGauge.sol	ff713c71c20b4e2ac3bf14bff7a7678a
IGaugeFactory.sol	ef1d4d06ee7ba37c514944deb07cb03d
IMinter.sol	e69b46e14f731f0dc7ef2d93e8d4d805
INoah.sol	426df85b079bbe9d0d6fe5a8122aa226
IPairFactory.sol	a391ffa04ae839c1d21625c2f39853a2
IPairInfo.sol	f4a4bd3a5d96c05678a7b76e3d156ac5
IRewardsDistributor.sol	3168b1f567643e11bbd2e236c9930f64
ISmartWalletChecker.sol	92a322cda42a60c708c10c7827762472
IVester.sol	958de38a88ffbf3e6ed409e46ba03b58
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IVotingEscrow.sol	21f6c40e53c18f08eb618b6c1dc00ae2
IVotingEscrowCallback.sol	d67bb583e8a5ae4ba894273e2045ab32
Math.sol	faddfc801d4c366d01595cbd368ecca9

Version 3

File	md5
Bribe.sol	3d1ca22669e82a3b70a569c18f53fe99
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EsNoah.sol	b65dc788ba9d620bec3827ee28c66cea
Gauge.sol	1e03b35a37d02c4e53b3709f504dcb6f
Minter.sol	df7a9e9525e3671f3c0c07f23f7f3f86
Noah.sol	7c182db38b27c1d698081a4b24d749dc
RewardsDistributor.sol	9ef07ce5fbf7a3270a4401de92f346b4
SmartWalletChecker.sol	85fb9a79ecf2b8237656a4fedbe8020b
Vester.sol	4e680a1d281f3aa64bed73efb15f7568
Voter.sol	a42c33ab6eaf683a80f3b3a4995aa83e
VotingEscrow.sol	fc42454dd7d81a6fef5a6409410f733e
Governable.sol	ed8a6447422edb04a369af39d9a17364
BribeFactory.sol	0510b25dd1c0a463625dfb41c93155f8
GaugeFactory.sol	ffa396aba19188cb4267cc531e4c9251
IBribe.sol	8962a247076481df0d9f7a574d95154d
IBribeFactory.sol	ab816dd15588c7b60cddcf7270bdabce
IEsNoah.sol	61b6058048254589462e90995699b39d
IFeeVault.sol	e371829da6bdcce25638fbde7f82c158
IGauge.sol	f7e927ed4e56b8d77054a6afe3ee74a7
IGaugeFactory.sol	021fb49c3957ef2e51126701abee7808
IMinter.sol	ab988381bb64f248318f7f358c4eeb52
INoah.sol	f46c3fcc01301f60b880474724dad25e
IPairFactory.sol	cccb14941fff68930545f58983d785d6
IPairInfo.sol	deeb1114b0b61049dc805ce4e8673329
IRewardsDistributor.sol	4399b98b6650597b52a8380f7ed9f967
ISmartWalletChecker.sol	5bb7218c380c77b5e958ac6333ddcb75
IVester.sol	b18d9c5acfb5e73719ec28e3e4fcd451
IVoter.sol	d33a78f54f3ae1fc3f8468b5cb7279b8
IVotingEscrow.sol	f3d6f952282a4fda942010acf166fbe0
IVotingEscrowCallback.sol	5feecd2601929d72abc1f32d36319e84
Math.sol	bafeb8c445ef4482e47865ac54aaf881

Version 4

File	md5
Bribe.sol	a871ec26f04f9c916abe058647d79458
FeeVault.sol	5ebe1655ff1bcc3e0922704474e1a65d
EsNoah.sol	b65dc788ba9d620bec3827ee28c66cea
Gauge.sol	1e03b35a37d02c4e53b3709f504dcb6f
Minter.sol	df7a9e9525e3671f3c0c07f23f7f3f86

Noah.sol	7c182db38b27c1d698081a4b24d749dc
RewardsDistributor.sol	9ef07ce5fbf7a3270a4401de92f346b4
SmartWalletChecker.sol	85fb9a79ecf2b8237656a4fedbe8020b
Vester.sol	9646ee240408c00c4a6d8ae58a86664e
Voter.sol	4fc8bb4ffdbb578b20be52a06bfca106
VotingEscrow.sol	fc42454dd7d81a6fef5a6409410f733e
Governable.sol	ed8a6447422edb04a369af39d9a17364
BribeFactory.sol	0510b25dd1c0a463625dfb41c93155f8
GaugeFactory.sol	ffa396aba19188cb4267cc531e4c9251
IBribe.sol	9c0d9f4ea8876ad3b3c3d3fb4651df75
IBribeFactory.sol	ab816dd15588c7b60cddcf7270bdabce
IEsNoah.sol	61b6058048254589462e90995699b39d
IFeeVault.sol	e371829da6bdcce25638fbde7f82c158
IGauge.sol	f7e927ed4e56b8d77054a6afe3ee74a7
IGaugeFactory.sol	021fb49c3957ef2e51126701abee7808
IMinter.sol	ab988381bb64f248318f7f358c4eeb52
INoah.sol	f46c3fcc01301f60b880474724dad25e
IPairFactory.sol	cccb14941fff68930545f58983d785d6
IPairInfo.sol	deeb1114b0b61049dc805ce4e8673329
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IVester.sol	b18d9c5acfb5e73719ec28e3e4fcd451
IVoter.sol	d33a78f54f3ae1fc3f8468b5cb7279b8
IVotingEscrow.sol	f3d6f952282a4fda942010acf166fbe0
IVotingEscrowCallback.sol	5feecd2601929d72abc1f32d36319e84
Math.sol	bafeb8c445ef4482e47865ac54aaf881

1.2 Disclaimer

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This audit report is not an endorsement of any particular project or team, and the report does not guarantee the security of any particular project. This audit does not give any warranties on discovering all security issues of the smart contracts, i.e., the evaluation result does not guarantee the nonexistence of any further findings of security issues. As one audit cannot be considered comprehensive, we always recommend proceeding with independent audits and a public bug bounty program to ensure the security of smart contracts.

The scope of this audit is limited to the code mentioned in Section 1.1. Unless explicitly specified, the security of the language itself (e.g., the solidity language), the underlying compiling toolchain and the computing infrastructure are out of the scope.

1.3 Procedure of Auditing

We perform the audit according to the following procedure.

- **Vulnerability Detection** We first scan smart contracts with automatic code analyzers, and then manually verify (reject or confirm) the issues reported by them.
- **Semantic Analysis** We study the business logic of smart contracts and conduct further investigation on the possible vulnerabilities using an automatic fuzzing tool (developed by our research team). We also manually analyze possible attack scenarios with independent auditors to cross-check the result.
- **Recommendation** We provide some useful advice to developers from the perspective of good programming practice, including gas optimization, code style, and etc.

We show the main concrete checkpoints in the following.

1.3.1 Software Security

- * Reentrancy
- * DoS
- * Access control
- * Data handling and data flow
- * Exception handling
- * Untrusted external call and control flow
- * Initialization consistency
- * Events operation
- * Error-prone randomness
- * Improper use of the proxy system

1.3.2 DeFi Security

- * Semantic consistency
- * Functionality consistency
- * Access control
- * Business logic
- * Token operation
- * Emergency mechanism
- * Oracle security
- * Whitelist and blacklist
- * Economic impact
- * Batch transfer

1.3.3 NFT Security

- * Duplicated item
- * Verification of the token receiver
- * Off-chain metadata security

1.3.4 Additional Recommendation

- * Gas optimization
- * Code quality and style



Note The previous checkpoints are the main ones. We may use more checkpoints during the auditing process according to the functionality of the project.

1.4 Security Model

To evaluate the risk, we follow the standards or suggestions that are widely adopted by both industry and academy, including OWASP Risk Rating Methodology ¹ and Common Weakness Enumeration ². The overall *severity* of the risk is determined by *likelihood* and *impact*. Specifically, likelihood is used to estimate how likely a particular vulnerability can be uncovered and exploited by an attacker, while impact is used to measure the consequences of a successful exploit.

In this report, both likelihood and impact are categorized into two ratings, i.e., *high* and *low* respectively, and their combinations are shown in Table 1.5.

Table 1.5: Vulnerability Severity Classification

Impact	<i>High</i>	High	Medium
	<i>Low</i>	Medium	Low
		<i>High</i>	<i>Low</i>
		Likelihood	

Accordingly, the severity measured in this report are classified into three categories: **High**, **Medium**, **Low**. For the sake of completeness, **Undetermined** is also used to cover circumstances when the risk cannot be well determined.

Furthermore, the status of a discovered item will fall into one of the following four categories:

- **Undetermined** No response yet.
- **Acknowledged** The item has been received by the client, but not confirmed yet.
- **Confirmed** The item has been recognized by the client, but not fixed yet.
- **Fixed** The item has been confirmed and fixed by the client.

¹https://owasp.org/www-community/OWASP_Risk_Rating_Methodology

²<https://cwe.mitre.org/>

Chapter 2 Findings

In total, we find **Twenty-one** potential issues. Besides, we have **seven** recommendations and **six** notes as follows:

- High Risk: 7
- Medium Risk: 11
- Low Risk: 3
- Recommendations: 7
- Notes: 6

ID	Severity	Description	Category	Status
1	High	Index out of Bounds for the Empty Array	Software Security	Fixed
2	Medium	Improper Use of the Keyword Memory	Software Security	Fixed
3	Low	Incorrect Index in getPriorSupplyIndex	Software Security	Fixed
4	Medium	Potential Loop from Self-Calling	Software Security	Fixed
5	Low	Incorrect Validation of Withdrawal Rate	Software Security	Fixed
6	High	Miscalculated Bribe Rewards (I)	DeFi Security	Fixed
7	High	Miscalculated Bribe Rewards (II)	DeFi Security	Fixed
8	Medium	Timely invocation of update_period() before setReleaseFactor() and setPledgeFactor()	DeFi Security	Acknowledged
9	Medium	Timely invocation of distribute() in notifyRewardAmount()	DeFi Security	Confirmed
10	Medium	Reward for Killed Gauge Being Locked	DeFi Security	Confirmed
11	Medium	Lack of Checks for Gauges that Do Not Support Voting	DeFi Security	Confirmed
12	Medium	Reward Token can be Managed by Users with Different Privileges	DeFi Security	Fixed
13	Medium	Timely invocation of claimfees() in Gauge	DeFi Security	Acknowledged
14	High	Failed to Notify Rewards due to the Reentrancy Lock	DeFi Security	Fixed
15	High	Swap Fee Rewards cannotDistribution Mechanism does not Work	DeFi Security	Fixed
16	High	Manipulated Unlocking Duration	DeFi Security	Fixed
17	Medium	Risk of Voting Power Manipulation when is_unlock is True	DeFi Security	Acknowledged
18	Medium	Lack of Check of Function withdrawToken	DeFi Security	Fixed
19	Low	Inconsistent Status Update during Voting Process	DeFi Security	Fixed
20	Medium	Miscalculated poolWeight with Duplicated Pool Voting	DeFi Security	Fixed
21	High	Incorrect Reward Calculations from Inappropriate Check	DeFi Security	Fixed
22	-	Lack of Zero Address Check	Recommendation	Confirmed
23	-	Redundant Functions	Recommendation	Fixed
24	-	Redundant Invocation of Function _updateFor	Recommendation	Fixed
25	-	Meaningless Usage of max	Recommendation	Fixed
26	-	Inappropriate Variable Naming	Recommendation	Confirmed
27	-	Lack of Check for releaseFactor and pledgeFactor	Recommendation	Confirmed
28	-	Redundant Check in Function mint_marketing	Recommendation	Fixed
29	-	Potential Centralization Problem	Note	Confirmed
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31	-	Non-Linear Unlocking in Multiple Claims	Note	Confirmed
32	-	Token Release for Team and VC without Time Restrictions	Note	Confirmed
33	-	Potential Inequity Function poke() of the Contract Voter	Note	Confirmed
34	-	Incompatible Tokens	Note	Confirmed

The details are provided in the following sections.

2.1 Software Security

2.1.1 Index out of Bounds for the Empty Array

Severity High

Status Fixed in [Version 2](#)

Introduced by [Version 1](#)

Description In the contract [Gauge](#), the array `fees` are initialized to an empty array in the constructor. The function `_claimFees()` caches the global fees into the empty array `fees[0]` and loads the last value from it directly, which results in a revert due to an index-out-of-bounds error.

```
18  constructor(  
19      address _stake,  
20      address _bribe,  
21      address _ve,  
22      address _voter,  
23      bool _forPair,  
24      address[] memory _allowedRewardTokens  
25  ) BaseGauge(_stake, _bribe, _ve, _voter, _forPair, _allowedRewardTokens) {  
26      fees = new uint[] (0);  
27  }
```

Listing 2.1: Gauge.sol

Impact Fees can not be claimed as the invocation of function `notifyRewardAmount()` will revert by the index-out-of-bounds error.

Suggestion Revise the length of the array accordingly.

2.1.2 Improper Use of the Keyword Memory

Severity Medium

Status Fixed in [Version 2](#)

Introduced by [Version 1](#)

Description In Solidity, assignments made from memory to memory only create references. This means that changing the value of one memory pointer will also update any other references to that same memory location. In the function `_checkpoint` of the contract [VotingEscrow](#), a memory pointer `initial_last_point` is created as a reference to the variable `last_point`. The `initial_last_point` variable is intended to be used as a bias to calculate the block number of subsequent checkpoints. However, due to the memory reference problem, the result of `last_point.blk` is incorrect. Specifically, the value of `initial_last_point.ts` is modified to `t_i` when `last_point.ts` is assigned as `t_i` in the loop. As a result, the assignment `last_point.blk = initial_last_point.blk + (block_slope * (t_i - initial_last_point.ts) / MULTIPLIER)` is equivalent to `last_point.blk = initial_last_point.blk`. This causes the value of each `checkpoint` to be the same as the value of the first one.

```
175 function _checkpoint(address _account, LockedBalance memory old_locked, LockedBalance memory
    new_locked) internal {
176 Point memory u_old;
177 Point memory u_new;
178 int128 old_dslope = 0;
179 int128 new_dslope = 0;
180 uint _epoch = epoch;
181
182
183 if (_account != address(0)) {
184     // Calculate slopes and biases
185     // Kept at zero when they have to
186     if (old_locked.end > block.timestamp && old_locked.amount > 0) {
187         u_old.slope = old_locked.amount / iMAXTIME;
188         u_old.bias = u_old.slope * int128(int256(old_locked.end - block.timestamp));
189     }
190     if (new_locked.end > block.timestamp && new_locked.amount > 0) {
191         u_new.slope = new_locked.amount / iMAXTIME;
192         u_new.bias = u_new.slope * int128(int256(new_locked.end - block.timestamp));
193     }
194
195
196     // Read values of scheduled changes in the slope
197     // old_locked.end can be in the past and in the future
198     // new_locked.end can ONLY be in the FUTURE unless everything expired: than zeros
199     old_dslope = slope_changes[old_locked.end];
200     if (new_locked.end != 0) {
201         if (new_locked.end == old_locked.end) {
202             new_dslope = old_dslope;
203         } else {
204             new_dslope = slope_changes[new_locked.end];
205         }
206     }
207 }
208
209
210 Point memory last_point = Point({bias: 0, slope: 0, ts: block.timestamp, blk: block.number});
211 if (_epoch > 0) {
212     last_point = point_history[_epoch];
213 }
214 uint last_checkpoint = last_point.ts;
215 // initial_last_point is used for extrapolation to calculate block number
216 // (approximately, for *At methods) and save them
217 // as we cannot figure that out exactly from inside the contract
218 Point memory initial_last_point = last_point;
219 uint block_slope = 0; // dblock/dt
220 if (block.timestamp > last_point.ts) {
221     block_slope = (MULTIPLIER * (block.number - last_point.blk)) / (block.timestamp -
        last_point.ts);
222 }
223 // If last point is already recorded in this block, slope=0
224 // But that's ok b/c we know the block in such case
```

```
225
226
227 // Go over weeks to fill history and calculate what the current point is
228 {
229     uint t_i = (last_checkpoint / WEEK) * WEEK;
230     for (uint i; i < 255; ++i) {
231         // Hopefully it won't happen that this won't get used in 5 years!
232         // If it does, users will be able to withdraw but vote weight will be broken
233         t_i += WEEK;
234         int128 d_slope = 0;
235         if (t_i > block.timestamp) {
236             t_i = block.timestamp;
237         } else {
238             d_slope = slope_changes[t_i];
239         }
240         last_point.bias -= last_point.slope * int128(int256(t_i - last_checkpoint));
241         last_point.slope += d_slope;
242         if (last_point.bias < 0) {
243             // This can happen
244             last_point.bias = 0;
245         }
246         if (last_point.slope < 0) {
247             // This cannot happen - just in case
248             last_point.slope = 0;
249         }
250         last_checkpoint = t_i;
251         last_point.ts = t_i;
252         last_point.blk = initial_last_point.blk + (block_slope * (t_i - initial_last_point.ts))
                / MULTIPLIER;
253         _epoch += 1;
254         if (t_i == block.timestamp) {
255             last_point.blk = block.number;
256             break;
257         } else {
258             point_history[_epoch] = last_point;
259         }
260     }
261 }
262
263
264 ...
265 }
```

Listing 2.2: VotingEscrow.sol

Impact Some functions that rely on the block number of the `point_history` may get unexpected results, such as the function `balanceOfAtB()`.

Suggestion Use deep copy for `initial_last_point` assignment.

2.1.3 Incorrect Index in `getPriorSupplyIndex`

Severity Low

Status Fixed in [Version 3](#)

Introduced by [Version 2](#)

Description In the function `getPriorSupplyIndex()` of the contract `Bribe`, the check statement `if (supplyCheckpoint > timestamp)` is incorrect. In the current implementation, the start index for the array `supplyCheckpoints[]` begins from 1, so the check for the point at the index 0 is meaningless.

```
126 function getPriorSupplyIndex(uint timestamp) public view returns (uint) {
127     uint nCheckpoints = supplyNumCheckpoints;
128     if (nCheckpoints == 0) {
129         return 0;
130     }
131
132
133     // First check most recent balance
134     if (supplyCheckpoints[nCheckpoints].timestamp <= timestamp) {
135         return (nCheckpoints);
136     }
137
138
139     // Next check implicit zero balance
140     if (supplyCheckpoints[0].timestamp > timestamp) {
141         return 0;
142     }
143
144
145     uint lower = 0;
146     uint upper = nCheckpoints;
147     while (upper > lower) {
148         uint center = upper - (upper - lower) / 2; // ceil, avoiding overflow
149         SupplyCheckpoint memory cp = supplyCheckpoints[center];
150         if (cp.timestamp == timestamp) {
151             return center;
152         } else if (cp.timestamp < timestamp) {
153             lower = center;
154         } else {
155             upper = center - 1;
156         }
157     }
158     return lower;
159 }
```

Listing 2.3: Bribe.sol

```
233 function _writeSupplyCheckpoint() internal {
234     uint _nCheckPoints = supplyNumCheckpoints;
235     uint _timestamp = block.timestamp;
236
237
238     if (_nCheckPoints > 0 && supplyCheckpoints[_nCheckPoints].timestamp == _timestamp) {
239         supplyCheckpoints[_nCheckPoints].supply = totalSupply;
240     } else {
241         _nCheckPoints += 1;
```



```
242     supplyCheckpoints[_nCheckPoints] = SupplyCheckpoint(_timestamp, totalSupply);
243     supplyNumCheckpoints = _nCheckPoints;
244 }
245 }
```

Listing 2.4: Bribe.sol

Impact The check will always be false, which is meaningless.

Suggestion Use `supplyCheckpoints[1].timestamp` instead of `supplyCheckpoints[0].timestamp`.

2.1.4 Potential Loop from Self-Calling

Severity Medium

Status Fixed in [Version 3](#)

Introduced by [Version 2](#)

Description In the function `check()` of the contract `SmartWalletChecker`, there's a function call to the checker that implements the function `check()` interface. However, only the contract `SmartWalletChecker` implements the function `check()`. In this case, if the called contract is the contract `SmartWalletChecker` itself, it will result in a self-call loop and a revert due to out of gas.

```
48     function check(address _wallet) external view returns (bool) {
49         if (!isWhitelistEnabled) {
50             return true;
51         }
52
53
54         bool _check = wallets[_wallet];
55         if (_check) {
56             return _check;
57         } else {
58             if (checker != address(0)) {
59                 return SmartWalletChecker(checker).check(_wallet);
60             }
61         }
62         return false;
63     }
```

Listing 2.5: SmartWalletChecker.sol

Impact The invocation of the function `check()` may revert.

Suggestion Add a check to prevent the `checker` from being the contract `SmartWalletChecker` itself.

2.1.5 Incorrect Validation of Withdrawal Rate

Severity Low

Status Fixed in [Version 4](#)

Introduced by [Version 3](#)

Description In the function `withdraw()` of the contract `Vester`, the validation of `require(rate > 0 || rate <= PRECISION, "Vester: rate invalid")` is incorrect, it should ensure both conditions are satisfied, or the check will be meaningless.

```
70 function withdraw(uint rate) external nonReentrant {
71     require(rate > 0 || rate <= PRECISION, "Vester: rate invalid");
72     _updateVesting(msg.sender, OperationType.WITHDRAW_TYPE);
73
74
75     uint balance = balances[msg.sender];
76     require(balance > 0, "Vester: vested amount is zero");
77
78
79     uint amount = (balance * rate) / PRECISION;
80     if (amount == balance) {
81         ve.unvesting(msg.sender);
82     }
83
84
85     balances[msg.sender] = balance - amount;
86     totalVesting -= amount;
87
88
89     IERC20(esToken).safeTransfer(msg.sender, amount);
90
91
92     emit Withdraw(msg.sender, amount);
93 }
```

Listing 2.6: Vester.sol

Impact The check is meaningless.

Suggestion Change `rate > 0 || rate <= PRECISION` to `rate > 0 && rate <= PRECISION`.

2.2 DeFi Security

2.2.1 Miscalculated Bribe Rewards (I)

Severity High

Status Fixed in [Version 2](#)

Introduced by [Version 1](#)

Description The function `earned()` in the contract `Bribe` is used to calculate the user's rewards in the current epoch. It will synchronize rewards starting from the `checkpoint` where the user last claimed the reward, traversing to the latest `checkpoint`. This process is divided into two steps. In the first step, the traversal only goes up to the second-to-last `checkpoint`, while the second step updates only the last `checkpoint`.

However, based on the current implementation, we have observed that the first step always misses the accumulation of rewards for the second-to-last `checkpoint`. Specifically, the calculation of reward quantity is based on the voting amount recorded for the user in the last `checkpoint` of each epoch. Each iteration

calculates the rewards for the corresponding epoch and then adds them to the total rewards the user should receive in the next iteration. This results in the rewards for the epoch corresponding to the second-to-last `checkpoint` being calculated but not included in the rewards available to the user.

```
235 function earned(address token, address account) public view returns (uint) {
236     uint _startTimestamp = lastEarn[token][account];
237     if (numCheckpoints[account] == 0) {
238         return 0;
239     }
240
241
242     uint _startIndex = getPriorBalanceIndex(account, _startTimestamp);
243     uint _endIndex = numCheckpoints[account] - 1;
244
245
246     uint reward = 0;
247     // you only earn once per epoch (after it's over)
248     Checkpoint memory prevRewards; // reuse struct to avoid stack too deep
249     prevRewards.timestamp = _bribeStart(_startTimestamp);
250     uint _prevSupply = 1;
251
252
253     if (_endIndex > 0) {
254         for (uint i = _startIndex; i <= _endIndex - 1; i++) {
255             Checkpoint memory cp0 = checkpoints[account][i];
256             uint _nextEpochStart = _bribeStart(cp0.timestamp);
257             // check that you've earned it
258             // this won't happen until a week has passed
259             if (_nextEpochStart > prevRewards.timestamp) {
260                 reward += prevRewards.balanceOf;
261             }
262
263
264             prevRewards.timestamp = _nextEpochStart;
265             _prevSupply = supplyCheckpoints[getPriorSupplyIndex(_nextEpochStart + DURATION)].supply
                ;
266             prevRewards.balanceOf = (cp0.balanceOf * tokenRewardsPerEpoch[token][_nextEpochStart])
                / _prevSupply;
267         }
268     }
269
270
271     Checkpoint memory cp = checkpoints[account][_endIndex];
272     uint _lastEpochStart = _bribeStart(cp.timestamp);
273     uint t_i = _bribeStart(Math.max(_startTimestamp, _lastEpochStart));
274     {
275         while (true) {
276             t_i += DURATION;
277             if (t_i > block.timestamp) {
278                 break;
279             }
280             reward +=
281                 (cp.balanceOf * tokenRewardsPerEpoch[token][t_i - DURATION]) /
```

```
282         supplyCheckpoints[getPriorSupplyIndex(t_i)].supply;
283     }
284 }
285 return reward;
286 }
```

Listing 2.7: Bribe.sol

Impact The rewards for the second-to-last `checkpoint` of the user will never be claimed.

Suggestion Include the rewards of the second-to-last `checkpoint`.

2.2.2 Miscalculated Bribe Rewards (II)

Severity High

Status Fixed in in [Version 2](#)

Introduced by [Version 1](#)

Description As mentioned in [Issue-1](#), the function calculates rewards for voting users in two steps. In the first step, it traverses from the `checkpoint` where the user last claimed the reward to the latest `checkpoint`. However, this implementation does not take into account the possibility of epochs between two checkpoints where no `checkpoint` exists.

Specifically, the loop only calculates rewards for each epoch based on the `checkpoint` it belongs to, and any epochs without a corresponding checkpoint are skipped altogether, which results in the loss of rewards for users in epochs without a corresponding `checkpoint`.

```
181 function earned(address token, address account) public view returns (uint) {
182     uint _startTimestamp = lastEarn[token][account];
183     if (numCheckpoints[account] == 0) {
184         return 0;
185     }
186
187
188     uint _startIndex = getPriorBalanceIndex(account, _startTimestamp);
189     uint _endIndex = numCheckpoints[account] - 1;
190
191
192     uint reward = 0;
193     // you only earn once per epoch (after it's over)
194     Checkpoint memory prevRewards; // reuse struct to avoid stack too deep
195     prevRewards.timestamp = _bribeStart(_startTimestamp);
196     uint _prevSupply = 1;
197
198
199     if (_endIndex > 0) {
200         for (uint i = _startIndex; i <= _endIndex - 1; i++) {
201             Checkpoint memory cp0 = checkpoints[account][i];
202             uint _nextEpochStart = _bribeStart(cp0.timestamp);
203             // check that you've earned it
204             // this won't happen until a week has passed
205             if (_nextEpochStart > prevRewards.timestamp) {
206                 reward += prevRewards.balanceOf;
```

```
207     }
208
209
210     prevRewards.timestamp = _nextEpochStart;
211     _prevSupply = supplyCheckpoints[getPriorSupplyIndex(_nextEpochStart + DURATION)].supply
        ;
212     prevRewards.balanceOf = (cp0.balanceOf * tokenRewardsPerEpoch[token][_nextEpochStart])
        / _prevSupply;
213 }
214 }
215
216
217 Checkpoint memory cp = checkpoints[account][_endIndex];
218 uint _lastEpochStart = _bribeStart(cp.timestamp);
219 uint t_i = _bribeStart(Math.max(_startTimestamp, _lastEpochStart));
220 {
221     while (true) {
222         t_i += DURATION;
223         if (t_i > block.timestamp) {
224             break;
225         }
226         reward +=
227             (cp.balanceOf * tokenRewardsPerEpoch[token][t_i - DURATION]) /
228             supplyCheckpoints[getPriorSupplyIndex(t_i)].supply;
229     }
230 }
231 return reward;
232 }
```

Listing 2.8: Bribe.sol

Impact Users will receive less rewards than expected.

Suggestion Implement corresponding logic to sum up the rewards of epochs that have no corresponding checkpoints.

2.2.3 Timely invocation of update_period() before setReleaseFactor() and setPledgeFactor()

Severity Medium

Status Acknowledged

Introduced by Version 1

Description The contract `Minter` is designed to periodically mint and distribute system rewards (i.e. `NOAH` and `esNOAH` tokens). The amount of weekly rewards of `esNOAH` is calculated based on the constant `releaseFactor`, `totalSupply` of `NOAH` and `esNOAH`. These rewards will be allocated to the LPs of various `Gauges`, while the remaining rewards will be distributed as incentives for users who lock their `NOAHs` in the contract `VotingEscrow`. For the rewards of LPs, it's also calculated based on `totalSupply` of `NOAH` and `esNOAH`, but using another constant `pledgeFactor`.

The aforementioned two constants `releaseFactor` and `pledgeFactor` are allowed to be modified by the team through privileged functions `setReleaseFactor()` and `setPledgeFactor()`. However, before the update, the contract will not invoke the function `update_period()` to update and distribute rewards of the last epoch, which could result in the previous epoch's rewards being directly changed. It's unfair to the contract users.

```
163 function update_period() external returns (uint) {
164     uint _period = esnoah_mining_active_period;
165     uint _esnoah_minted = esnoah_minted;
166     uint _esnoah_mining_weekly = esnoah_mining_weekly;
167     if (_esnoah_mining_weekly == 0) return _period;
168
169
170     if (block.timestamp >= _period + WEEK && initializer == address(0)) {
171         // only trigger if new week
172         _period = (block.timestamp / WEEK) * WEEK;
173         esnoah_mining_active_period = _period;
174
175
176         uint _left = ESNOAH_MINING_CAP - _esnoah_minted;
177         if (_esnoah_mining_weekly > _left) {
178             _esnoah_mining_weekly = _left;
179             esnoah_mining_weekly = 0;
180         } else {
181             esnoah_mining_weekly = (_esnoah_mining_weekly * EMISSION) / PRECISION;
182         }
183
184
185         // minted
186         esnoah_minted = _esnoah_minted + _esnoah_mining_weekly;
187
188
189         uint _balanceOf = _esNoah.balanceOf(address(this));
190         if (_balanceOf < _esnoah_mining_weekly) {
191             _esNoah.mint(address(this), _esnoah_mining_weekly - _balanceOf);
192         }
193
194
195         uint weekly_reward = calculate_reward(_esnoah_mining_weekly);
196         uint weekly_burn = _esnoah_mining_weekly - weekly_reward;
197         uint weekly_liquidity = calculate_liquidity(weekly_reward);
198         uint weekly_reward_distributor = weekly_reward - weekly_liquidity;
199
200
201         // burn
202         require(_esNoah.transfer(BLACK_HOLE, weekly_burn));
203         // reward stake noah
204         require(_esNoah.transfer(address(_rewards_distributor), weekly_reward_distributor));
205         _rewards_distributor.checkpoint_token(); // checkpoint token balance that was just
                minted in rewards distributor
206         _rewards_distributor.checkpoint_total_supply(); // checkpoint supply
207         // liquidity
```

```
208     _voter.notifyRewardAmount(weekly_liquidity);
209
210
211     emit Mint(msg.sender, _esnoah_mining_weekly, weekly_liquidity,
                weekly_reward_distributor, weekly_burn);
212 }
213 return _period;
214 }
```

Listing 2.9: Minter.sol

```
102 function setReleaseFactor(uint _releaseFactor) external override {
103     require(msg.sender == team, "not team");
104     releaseFactor = _releaseFactor;
105 }
```

Listing 2.10: Minter.sol

```
107 function setPledgeFactor(uint _pledgeFactor) external override {
108     require(msg.sender == team, "not team");
109     pledgeFactor = _pledgeFactor;
110 }
```

Listing 2.11: Minter.sol

Impact Users may receive less rewards than expected.

Suggestion Invoke the function `update_period()` before modifying the `releaseFactor` and `pledgeFactor`.

Feedback from the Project The logic of the function `update_period()` determines the number of mining and staking rewards in esNOAH for the week, and it will be executed at the start of each epoch (i.e., after 0:00 on every Thursday UTC). Executing this function at other times during the same epoch will not take effect. While adjustments to the parameters are typically made within the current epoch, the new parameters will only take effect after the start of the next epoch (i.e., the next Thursday). It is not necessary to execute the function `update_period()` every time the parameters are adjusted.

2.2.4 Timely invocation of `distribute()` in `notifyRewardAmount()`

Severity Medium

Status Confirmed

Introduced by [Version 1](#)

Description According to the design, the distribution of esNOAHs among various `Gauges` is determined by the voting results of users holding `veNOAH` in the contract `Voter`. This portion of rewards is transferred by the contract `Minter` via the function `notifyRewardAmount()`. However, based on the current implementation, these rewards are not directly settled and distributed to each `Gauge` based on the current votes after being transferred to the contract `Voter`. In this case, a malicious user is able to frontrun the invocation of the function `distribute()` to distribute the rewards to a specific `Gauge`, and vote for another `Gauge` right after that, which votes twice with one ballot. Besides, although the function `distribute()` will be triggered when the user claims rewards, the rewards may be delayed.

```
338 function distribute(address _gauge) public lock {
339     IMinter(minter).update_period();
340     _updateFor(_gauge); // should set claimable to 0 if killed
341     uint _claimable = claimable[_gauge];
342     if (_claimable > IGauge(_gauge).left(base) && _claimable / DURATION > 0) {
343         claimable[_gauge] = 0;
344         IGauge(_gauge).notifyRewardAmount(base, _claimable);
345         emit DistributeReward(msg.sender, _gauge, _claimable);
346     }
347 }
```

Listing 2.12: Voter.sol

```
320 function notifyRewardAmount(uint amount) external {
321     _safeTransferFrom(base, msg.sender, address(this), amount); // transfer the distro in
322     uint _ratio = (amount * 1e18) / totalWeight; // 1e18 adjustment is removed during claim
323     if (_ratio > 0) {
324         index += _ratio;
325     }
326     emit NotifyReward(msg.sender, base, amount);
327 }
```

Listing 2.13: Voter.sol

Impact The reward distribution may be delayed, resulting in loss of rewards for certain users to experience loss.

Suggestion Invoke the function `distribute()` directly after the original logic in the function `notifyRewardAmount()` is executed.

Feedback from the Project In order to reduce the gas costs incurred by users when invoking the function, the team will also promptly call the function `distribute()` after the start of each epoch, in the same manner as regular users.

2.2.5 Reward for Killed Gauge Being Locked

Severity Medium

Status Confirmed

Introduced by [Version 1](#)

Description In contract `Voter`, users can vote for each `Gauge`. The reward of each epoch will be allocated to the corresponding gauge according to the proportion of votes in each pool. The `Gauge` can be disabled and enabled through the function `killGauge()` and `reviveGauge()` by the privileged account `emergencyCouncil`. However, a disabled `Gauge` is still votable, and is included in the calculation of the reward distribution, but not claimable.

```
359 function _updateFor(address _gauge) internal {
360     address _pool = poolForGauge[_gauge];
361     uint _supplied = weights[_pool];
362     if (_supplied > 0) {
363         uint _supplyIndex = supplyIndex[_gauge];
```



```
364     uint _index = index; // get global index0 for accumulated distro
365     supplyIndex[_gauge] = _index; // update _gauge current position to global position
366     uint _delta = _index - _supplyIndex; // see if there is any difference that need to be
        accrued
367     if (_delta > 0) {
368         uint _share = (uint(_supplied) * _delta) / 1e18; // add accrued difference for each
            supplied token
369         if (isAlive[_gauge]) {
370             claimable[_gauge] += _share;
371         }
372     }
373 } else {
374     supplyIndex[_gauge] = index; // new users are set to the default global state
375 }
376 }
```

Listing 2.14: Voter.sol

Impact Users who vote for “killed” [Gauges](#) will receive no rewards.

Suggestion Restrict users from voting for “killed” [Gauges](#).

Feedback from the Project Which [pool](#) to vote for is entirely decided by the users, and the [team](#) will not restrict users’ voting behavior. However, the frontend page will provide information on whether a [pool](#) is voteable, to prevent users from voting for [pools](#) that are not voteable.

2.2.6 Lack of Checks for Gauges that Do Not Support Voting

Severity Medium

Status Confirmed

Introduced by [Version 1](#)

Description In the contract [Voter](#), the user is allowed to vote for various [Gauges](#) via the function `vote()`. The function will allocate the user’s existing [veNOAH](#) based on the voting weights set by the user for [Gauges](#). If a [Gauge](#) does not support voting, the function will skip it, resulting in the votes of this portion of [veNOAH](#) not being utilized. The user has to wait until the next epoch (up to a maximum of 7 days) to vote for the other pools. In this case, it’s suggested to revert when the user tries to vote on the [Gauge](#) that is not supporting voting.

```
218     function _vote(address _account, address[] memory _poolVote, uint[] memory _weights) internal
        {
219         _reset(_account);
220         uint _poolCnt = _poolVote.length;
221         uint _weight = IVotingEscrow(_ve).balanceOf(_account);
222         uint _totalVoteWeight = 0;
223         uint _totalWeight = 0;
224         uint _usedWeight = 0;
225
226
227         for (uint i = 0; i < _poolCnt; i++) {
228             _totalVoteWeight += _weights[i];
229         }
```

```
230
231
232  for (uint i = 0; i < _poolCnt; i++) {
233      address _pool = _poolVote[i];
234      address _gauge = gauges[_pool];
235      if (isVotableGauge[_gauge]) {
236          uint _poolWeight = (_weights[i] * _weight) / _totalVoteWeight;
237          require(votes[_account][_pool] == 0);
238          require(_poolWeight != 0);
239          _updateFor(_gauge);
240
241
242          poolVote[_account].push(_pool);
243
244
245          uint _newWeights = weights[_pool] + _poolWeight;
246          weights[_pool] = _newWeights;
247          votes[_account][_pool] += _poolWeight;
248          IBribe(bribes[_gauge])._deposit(uint(_poolWeight), _account);
249          _usedWeight += _poolWeight;
250          _totalWeight += _poolWeight;
251          emit Voted(_account, _poolWeight);
252          emit PoolVoted(_pool, _newWeights);
253      }
254  }
255  if (_usedWeight > 0) IVotingEscrow(_ve).voting(_account);
256  uint newTotalWeight = totalWeight + uint(_totalWeight);
257  totalWeight = newTotalWeight;
258  usedWeights[_account] = uint(_usedWeight);
259  emit TotalWeight(newTotalWeight);
260 }
```

Listing 2.15: Voter.sol

Impact Users have to wait for 7 days before they can vote again to correct any erroneous votes.

Suggestion Restrict users from voting for non votable [Gauge](#).

Feedback from the Project Voting for project [Gauges](#) is controlled by a whitelist, if the code prevents [Gauge](#) that are not in the whitelist from voting, it may cause anomalies when updating users who have already voted. For example, if [Gauge](#) A is open for voting for the first three weeks, but disables voting for the fourth week, users who have already voted for [Gauge](#) A will encounter errors when the function `poke()` is triggered.

2.2.7 Reward Token can be Managed by Users with Different Privileges

Severity Medium

Status Fixed in [Version 2](#)

Introduced by [Version 1](#)

Description The contract [Bribe](#) plays a role in recording and distributing rewards to the voting users for incentivizing more users to participate in voting. The rewards can be any token listed on the whitelist set by

the `gov`. After each distribution of a new type of token as a reward through the function `notifyRewardAmount()`, the function will record it in the mapping `isReward[]`. This allows skipping unnecessary whitelist checks in the future. However, the team is able to directly modify the mapping `isReward[]` via the privileged function `swapOutRewardToken()`, without the need for whitelist checks for newly added reward tokens.

```
313 function swapOutRewardToken(uint i, address oldToken, address newToken) external {
314     require(msg.sender == IVotingEscrow(_ve).team(), "only team");
315     require(rewards[i] == oldToken);
316     isReward[oldToken] = false;
317     isReward[newToken] = true;
318     rewards[i] = newToken;
319 }
```

Listing 2.16: Bribe.sol

```
249 function whitelist(address _token) public onlyGov {
250     _whitelist(_token);
251 }
```

Listing 2.17: Voter.sol

```
253 function _whitelist(address _token) internal {
254     require(!isWhitelisted[_token]);
255     isWhitelisted[_token] = true;
256     emit Whitelisted(msg.sender, _token);
257 }
```

Listing 2.18: Voter.sol

```
290 function notifyRewardAmount(address token, uint amount) external lock {
291     require(amount > 0);
292     if (!isReward[token]) {
293         require(IVoter(voter).isWhitelisted(token), "bribe tokens must be whitelisted");
294         require(rewards.length < MAX_REWARD_TOKENS, "too many rewards tokens");
295     }
296     // bribes kick in at the start of next bribe period
297     uint adjustedTstamp = getEpochStart(block.timestamp);
298     uint epochRewards = tokenRewardsPerEpoch[token][adjustedTstamp];
299
300
301     _safeTransferFrom(token, msg.sender, address(this), amount);
302     tokenRewardsPerEpoch[token][adjustedTstamp] = epochRewards + amount;
303
304
305     periodFinish[token] = adjustedTstamp + DURATION;
306
307
308     if (!isReward[token]) {
309         isReward[token] = true;
310         rewards.push(token);
311     }
312
313 }
```

```
314     emit NotifyReward(msg.sender, token, adjustedTstamp, amount);
315 }
```

Listing 2.19: Bribe.sol

Impact The team can bypass the check of whitelist by modifying the mapping `isReward[]` via the privileged function `swapOutRewardToken()`.

Suggestion Add the check to ensure the newly added reward token is included in the whitelist.

2.2.8 Timely invocation of `claimfees()` in Gauge

Severity Medium

Status Acknowledged

Introduced by Version 1

Description According to the design, a portion of transaction fee will be distributed to the contract `Bribe` to incentivize the voting. However, this has to be manually triggered by someone via the function `claimFees()`. In this case, the users may receive less rewards than expected.

```
21     function _claimFees() internal virtual override returns (uint[] memory claimed) {
22         claimed = new uint[](1);
23         if (!isForPair) {
24             return claimed;
25         }
26         IVoter _voter = IVoter(voter);
27         IFeeVault _feeVault = IFeeVault(_voter.feeVault());
28
29
30         claimed[0] = _feeVault.claimFees(stake);
31         if (claimed[0] == 0) {
32             return claimed;
33         }
34
35
36         address _bribe = bribe;
37         // no body vote
38         if (IBribe(_bribe).totalSupply() == 0 || !_voter.isVotableGauge(address(this))) {
39             _safeTransferFrom(stake, address(this), _feeVault.feeTo(), claimed[0]);
40         } else {
41             uint _fees0 = fees[0] + claimed[0];
42             address _token0 = stake;
43             if (_fees0 > IBribe(_bribe).left(_token0) && _fees0 / DURATION > 0) {
44                 fees[0] = 0;
45                 _safeApprove(_token0, _bribe, _fees0);
46                 IBribe(_bribe).notifyRewardAmount(_token0, _fees0);
47             } else {
48                 fees[0] = _fees0;
49             }
50         }
51
52
53         emit ClaimFees(msg.sender, claimed);
```

```
54 }
```

Listing 2.20: Gauge.sol

Impact Rewards for voters are delayed, and what's worse, voters may lose the rewards.

Suggestion Ensure the function `claimFees()` will be triggered by the team periodically and timely.

Feedback from the Project To reduce the gas costs incurred by users when invoking the function, the team will promptly call the function `claimFees()` in the same manner as regular users after the start of each epoch.

2.2.9 Failed to Notify Rewards due to the Reentrancy Lock

Severity High

Status Fixed in [Version 2](#)

Introduced by [Version 1](#)

Description The function `notifyRewardAmount()` in the contract `Gauge` contains a reentrancy guard (i.e. the modifier `lock`), and it claims swap fees from the contract `FeeVault` via the call stack `notifyRewardAmount -> _claimFees -> _feeVault.claimFees`. However, the function `claimFees()` in the contract `FeeVault` re-enters the original function `notifyRewardAmount()` in the caller `Gauge` when sufficient swap fees accumulated. This can result in the revert of transaction as the original function `notifyRewardAmount()` is in a lock state.

```
545 function notifyRewardAmount(address token, uint amount) external lock {
546     IVoter _voter = IVoter(voter);
547     require(!_voter.isGaugeHandler(msg.sender));
548     require(token != stake);
549     require(amount > 0);
550     if (!isReward[token]) {
551         require(rewards.length < MAX_REWARD_TOKENS, "too many rewards tokens");
552     }
553     if (rewardRate[token] == 0) _writeRewardPerTokenCheckpoint(token, 0, block.timestamp);
554     (rewardPerTokenStored[token], lastUpdateTime[token]) = _updateRewardPerToken(token, type(uint)
        .max, true);
555     _claimFees();
556
557
558     if (block.timestamp >= periodFinish[token]) {
559         _safeTransferFrom(token, msg.sender, address(this), amount);
560         rewardRate[token] = amount / DURATION;
561     } else {
562         uint _remaining = periodFinish[token] - block.timestamp;
563         uint _left = _remaining * rewardRate[token];
564         require(amount > _left);
565         _safeTransferFrom(token, msg.sender, address(this), amount);
566         rewardRate[token] = (amount + _left) / DURATION;
567     }
568     require(rewardRate[token] > 0);
569     uint balance = IERC20(token).balanceOf(address(this));
570     require(rewardRate[token] <= balance / DURATION, "Provided reward too high");
```

```
571 periodFinish[token] = block.timestamp + DURATION;
572 if (!isReward[token]) {
573     isReward[token] = true;
574     rewards.push(token);
575 }
576
577
578 emit NotifyReward(msg.sender, token, amount);
579 }
```

Listing 2.21: BaseGauge.sol

```
29 function _claimFees() internal virtual override returns (uint[] memory claimed) {
30     claimed = new uint[](1);
31     if (!isForPair) {
32         return claimed;
33     }
34     IVoter _voter = IVoter(voter);
35     IFeeVault _feeVault = IFeeVault(_voter.feeVault());
36
37
38     claimed[0] = _feeVault.claimFees(stake);
39     if (claimed[0] == 0) {
40         return claimed;
41     }
42
43
44     address _bribe = bribe;
45     // no body vote
46     if (IBribe(_bribe).totalSupply() == 0 || !_voter.isVotableGauge(address(this))) {
47         _safeTransferFrom(stake, address(this), _feeVault.feeTo(), claimed[0]);
48     } else {
49         uint _fees0 = fees[0] + claimed[0];
50         address _token0 = stake;
51         if (_fees0 > IBribe(_bribe).left(_token0) && _fees0 / DURATION > 0) {
52             fees[0] = 0;
53             _safeApprove(_token0, _bribe, _fees0);
54             IBribe(_bribe).notifyRewardAmount(_token0, _fees0);
55         } else {
56             fees[0] = _fees0;
57         }
58     }
59
60
61     emit ClaimFees(msg.sender, claimed);
62 }
```

Listing 2.22: Gauge.sol

```
45 function claimFees(address token) external returns (uint forVote) {
46     require(voter.poolForGauge(msg.sender) == token);
47     uint balance = IERC20(token).balanceOf(address(this));
48     if (balance > 0) {
```

```
49     forVote = (balance * (PRECISION - teamRate)) / PRECISION;
50
51
52     if (forVote > 0) {
53         IERC20(token).approve(msg.sender, forVote);
54         IGauge(msg.sender).notifyRewardAmount(token, forVote);
55     }
56
57
58     IERC20(token).safeTransfer(feeTo, balance - forVote);
59 }
60}
```

Listing 2.23: FeeVault.sol

Impact Invoking the function `notifyRewardAmount()` within the `Gauge` will result in a revert due to the inappropriate reentrancy lock, thus preventing the distribution of rewards to the `Gauge`.

Suggestion Ensure proper use of the re-entrancy lock.

2.2.10 Swap Fee Rewards cannotDistribution Mechanism does not Work

Severity High

Status Fixed in [Version 2](#)

Introduced by [Version 1](#)

Description The contract `Gauge` claims fees from the contract `FeeVault` via the external call `_feeVault.claimFees(stake)` in the function `_claimFees()`. The contract `FeeVault` will then invoke the function `notifyRewardAmount()` to send the reward. However, in the function `notifyRewardAmount()` of contract `Gauge`, there is a requirement `token != stake` that will lead to revert of the transaction.

```
29     function _claimFees() internal virtual override returns (uint[] memory claimed) {
30         claimed = new uint[](1);
31         if (!isForPair) {
32             return claimed;
33         }
34         IVoter _voter = IVoter(voter);
35         IFeeVault _feeVault = IFeeVault(_voter.feeVault());
36
37
38         claimed[0] = _feeVault.claimFees(stake);
39         if (claimed[0] == 0) {
40             return claimed;
41         }
42
43
44         address _bribe = bribe;
45         // no body vote
46         if (IBribe(_bribe).totalSupply() == 0 || !_voter.isVotableGauge(address(this))) {
47             _safeTransferFrom(stake, address(this), _feeVault.feeTo(), claimed[0]);
48         } else {
49             uint _fees0 = fees[0] + claimed[0];
```

```
50     address _token0 = stake;
51     if (_fees0 > IBribe(_bribe).left(_token0) && _fees0 / DURATION > 0) {
52         fees[0] = 0;
53         _safeApprove(_token0, _bribe, _fees0);
54         IBribe(_bribe).notifyRewardAmount(_token0, _fees0);
55     } else {
56         fees[0] = _fees0;
57     }
58 }
59
60
61     emit ClaimFees(msg.sender, claimed);
62 }
```

Listing 2.24: Gauge.sol

```
45     function claimFees(address token) external returns (uint forVote) {
46         require(voter.poolForGauge(msg.sender) == token);
47         uint balance = IERC20(token).balanceOf(address(this));
48         if (balance > 0) {
49             forVote = (balance * (PRECISION - teamRate)) / PRECISION;
50
51
52             if (forVote > 0) {
53                 IERC20(token).approve(msg.sender, forVote);
54                 IGauge(msg.sender).notifyRewardAmount(token, forVote);
55             }
56
57
58             IERC20(token).safeTransfer(feeTo, balance - forVote);
59         }
60 }
```

Listing 2.25: FeeVault.sol

```
548     function notifyRewardAmount(address token, uint amount) external lock {
549         IVoter _voter = IVoter(voter);
550         require(_voter.isGaugeHandler(msg.sender));
551         require(token != stake);
552         require(amount > 0);
553         if (!isReward[token]) {
554             require(rewards.length < MAX_REWARD_TOKENS, "too many rewards tokens");
555         }
556         if (rewardRate[token] == 0) _writeRewardPerTokenCheckpoint(token, 0, block.timestamp);
557         (rewardPerTokenStored[token], lastUpdateTime[token]) = _updateRewardPerToken(token, type(uint)
558             .max, true);
559         _claimFees();
560
561         if (block.timestamp >= periodFinish[token]) {
562             _safeTransferFrom(token, msg.sender, address(this), amount);
563             rewardRate[token] = amount / DURATION;
564         } else {
```



```
565     uint _remaining = periodFinish[token] - block.timestamp;
566     uint _left = _remaining * rewardRate[token];
567     require(amount > _left);
568     _safeTransferFrom(token, msg.sender, address(this), amount);
569     rewardRate[token] = (amount + _left) / DURATION;
570 }
571 require(rewardRate[token] > 0);
572 uint balance = IERC20(token).balanceOf(address(this));
573 require(rewardRate[token] <= balance / DURATION, "Provided reward too high");
574 periodFinish[token] = block.timestamp + DURATION;
575 if (!isReward[token]) {
576     isReward[token] = true;
577     rewards.push(token);
578 }
579
580
581 emit NotifyReward(msg.sender, token, amount);
582 }
```

Listing 2.26: BaseGauge.sol

Impact The rewards cannot be distributed to the `Gauge` due to the revert caused by improper `require` statement.

Suggestion Ensure proper use of the re-entrancy lock.

2.2.11 Manipulated Unlocking Duration

Severity High

Status Fixed in [Version 3](#)

Introduced by [Version 2](#)

Description The function `_updateVesting()` within the contract `Vester` is implemented to record and update the status of user-locked assets. If the `OperationType` is `DEPOSIT_TYPE` or `SYNC_TYPE`, the unlocking duration will be updated with the current `timestamp` correspondingly. This design is intended to synchronize the changes in the amount of `veNOAH` of the user caused by the user-related actions in the contract `VotingEscrow`.

However, the function `deposit_for()` allows other users to increase the locking amount of a specific user, thereby updating the unlocking duration for that user. Since the unlocking duration is calculated based on the latest `timestamp`, the unlocking duration will be extended. In this case, a malicious user can simply deposit 1 `wei` for others to manipulate their unlocking duration.

```
134 function _updateVesting(address account, OperationType _type) private {
135     uint amount = _getNextClaimableAmount(account);
136     Vesting storage _vesting = _lastVesting[account];
137     IVotingEscrow.LockedBalance memory lockedBalance = ve.locked(account);
138     _vesting.lastTime = block.timestamp;
139     _vesting.lockedAmount = uint(int256(lockedBalance.amount));
140     if (_type == OperationType.DEPOSIT_TYPE || _type == OperationType.SYNC_TYPE) {
141         uint unlock_duration = YEAR;
142         if (lockedBalance.end > block.timestamp) {
```

```
143     unlock_duration = YEAR - (lockedBalance.end - block.timestamp) / 6;
144     }
145     // The maximum unlocking duration is 1 year. The minimum unlocking duration is 6 months
146     _vesting.duration = unlock_duration;
147 }
148
149
150 if (amount == 0) {
151     return;
152 }
153
154
155 balances[account] -= amount;
156 totalVesting -= amount;
157
158
159 claimableAmounts[account] += amount;
160 IEsNoah(esToken).burn(amount);
161 }
```

Listing 2.27: Vester.sol

```
111 function syncWithVotingEscrow(address account) external {
112     require(msg.sender == address(ve), "no voting escrow");
113     _updateVesting(account, OperationType.SYNC_TYPE);
114 }
```

Listing 2.28: Vester.sol

```
408 function increase_amount(uint _value) external nonreentrant {
409     assert_not_contract(msg.sender);
410     LockedBalance memory _locked = locked[msg.sender];
411
412
413     assert(_value > 0); // dev: need non-zero value
414     require(_locked.amount > 0, "No existing lock found");
415     require(_locked.end > block.timestamp, "Cannot add to expired lock. Withdraw");
416
417
418     _deposit_for(msg.sender, _value, 0, _locked, DepositType.INCREASE_LOCK_AMOUNT);
419 }
```

Listing 2.29: VotingEscrow.sol

```
314 function _deposit_for(
315     address _account,
316     uint _value,
317     uint unlock_time,
318     LockedBalance memory locked_balance,
319     DepositType deposit_type
320 ) internal {
321     LockedBalance memory _locked = locked_balance;
322     uint supply_before = supply;
```

```
323
324
325 supply = supply_before + _value;
326 LockedBalance memory old_locked;
327 (old_locked.amount, old_locked.end) = (_locked.amount, _locked.end);
328 // Adding to existing lock, or if a lock is expired - creating a new one
329 _locked.amount += int128(int256(_value));
330 if (unlock_time != 0) {
331     _locked.end = unlock_time;
332 }
333 locked[_account] = _locked;
334
335
336 // Possibilities:
337 // Both old_locked.end could be current or expired (>/< block.timestamp)
338 // value == 0 (extend lock) or value > 0 (add to lock or extend lock)
339 // _locked.end > block.timestamp (always)
340 _checkpoint(_account, old_locked, _locked);
341
342
343 address from = msg.sender;
344 if (_value != 0) {
345     assert(IERC20(token).transferFrom(from, address(this), _value));
346 }
347
348
349 _syncWithVotingEscrow(_account);
350
351
352 emit Deposit(from, _account, _value, _locked.end, deposit_type, block.timestamp);
353 emit Supply(supply_before, supply_before + _value);
354 }
```

Listing 2.30: VotingEscrow.sol

```
351 function _syncWithVotingEscrow(address _account) internal {
352     EnumerableSet.AddressSet storage gauges = _attachments[_account];
353     uint _count = gauges.length();
354     for (uint i; i < _count; i++) {
355         IVotingEscrowCallback(gauges.at(i)).syncWithVotingEscrow(_account);
356     }
357     if (vest[_account]) {
358         IVotingEscrowCallback(vester).syncWithVotingEscrow(_account);
359     }
360     if (voted[_account]) {
361         IVoter(voter).poke(_account);
362     }
363 }
```

Listing 2.31: VotingEscrow.sol

Impact The user's unlocking duration can be extended by a malicious user.

Suggestion Set a minimum deposit value in the function `deposit_for()`.

2.2.12 Risk of Voting Power Manipulation when `is_unlock` is True

Severity Medium

Status Acknowledged

Introduced by [Version 2](#)

Description In the current implementation, the user is allowed to withdraw their locked tokens before the lock end time if the global variable `is_unlocked` is set as true. However, the user is also allowed to lock their tokens in this situation, which poses a risk of potential manipulation of the user's voting power.

```
437 function withdraw(address _account) external nonreentrant {
438     LockedBalance memory _locked = locked[_account];
439     require(block.timestamp >= _locked.end || is_unlocked, "The lock didn't expire and funds are
         not unlocked");
440     uint value = uint(int256(_locked.amount));
441
442
443     locked[_account] = LockedBalance(0, 0);
444     uint supply_before = supply;
445     supply = supply_before - value;
446
447
448     // old_locked can have either expired <= timestamp or zero end
449     // _locked has only 0 end
450     // Both can have >= 0 amount
451     _checkpoint(_account, _locked, LockedBalance(0, 0));
452
453
454     uint time_expire = msg.sender != _account && block.timestamp >= _locked.end + WEEK
455         ? block.timestamp - _locked.end - WEEK
456         : 0;
457     uint penalty_ratio = Math.min(
458         (MULTIPLIER * penalty_factor) / 1000,
459         (MULTIPLIER * time_expire) / MAX_PENALTY_TIME
460     );
461     uint penalty = (value * penalty_ratio) / MULTIPLIER;
462     if (penalty != 0) assert(IERC20(token).transfer(msg.sender, penalty));
463
464
465     assert(IERC20(token).transfer(_account, value - penalty));
466
467
468     _syncWithVotingEscrow(_account);
469
470
471     emit Withdraw(msg.sender, _account, value, penalty, block.timestamp);
472     emit Supply(supply_before, supply_before - value);
473 }
```

Listing 2.32: VotingEscrow.sol

Impact If `is_unlock` is set as true, a malicious user could manipulate their own voting power via [Flashloan](#).

Suggestion Set all users' voting power to zero when `is_unlock` is true.

Feedback from the Project Function `is_unlocked` can only be modified by the privileged role `admin`. The purpose of setting this state variable is to provide an actionable plan for the `admin` during emergencies or exceptional situations, allowing users who have staked for a long period of time to retrieve their assets. Once this state is activated, the project will consider migrating to a new contract.

2.2.13 Lack of Check of Function `withdrawToken`

Severity Medium

Status Fixed in [Version 4](#)

Introduced by [Version 3](#)

Description The function `withdrawToken()` allows the privileged role `team` to rescue the stuck tokens of the contract for users who accidentally transfer their tokens in. However, as the staking token, `esNOAH` is also allowed to be withdrawn in this function, which is risky for the stakers.

```
47 // to help users who accidentally send their tokens to this contract
48 function withdrawToken(address _token, address account, uint amount) external {
49     require(msg.sender == ve.team(), "only team");
50     IERC20(_token).safeTransfer(account, amount);
51 }
```

Listing 2.33: Vester.sol

Impact Team can transfer all the staked `esNOAH` tokens via the function `withdrawToken()`.

Suggestion Add check to ensure `esNOAH` can not be withdrawn via the function `withdrawToken()`.

2.2.14 Inconsistent Status Update during Voting Process

Severity Low

Status Fixed in [Version 4](#)

Introduced by [Version 3](#)

Description The internal function `_vote()` of the contract `Voter` is designed to synchronize the voting weight based on the changing `veNOAH` balance of users and the predefined voting weights for each pool. If the balance of `veNOAH` decreases to zero, the internal function `_reset()` will be invoked to clear all the voting weights from the user to all pools. In this case, the function `abstain()` should also be invoked to update the status of the account.

```
207 function _vote(address _account, address[] memory _poolVote, uint[] memory _weights) internal
208     {
209     IVotingEscrow ve = IVotingEscrow(_ve);
210     uint _weight = ve.balanceOf(_account);
211     if (_weight == 0) {
212         _reset(_account);
213         return;
214     }
215
216     _update_period();
217     uint _poolCnt = _poolVote.length;
```

```
218 uint _totalVoteWeight;
219 uint _usedWeight;
220 uint _oldVotingWeight;
221
222
223 for (uint i; i < _poolCnt; i++) {
224     _totalVoteWeight += _weights[i];
225 }
226
227
228 delete poolVote[_account];
229 address account = _account; //stack too deep
230 for (uint i; i < _poolCnt; i++) {
231     address _pool = _poolVote[i];
232     uint _oldVotes = votes[msg.sender][_pool];
233     if (isVotablePool[_pool]) {
234         uint _poolWeight = (_weights[i] * _weight) / _totalVoteWeight;
235         require(_poolWeight != 0);
236
237
238         poolVote[account].push(_pool);
239
240
241         if (_oldVotes == _poolWeight) continue;
242
243
244         _usedWeight += _poolWeight;
245         _oldVotingWeight += _oldVotes;
246
247
248         address _gauge = gauges[_pool];
249         _updateFor(_gauge);
250
251
252         uint _newWeights = weights[_pool] - _oldVotes + _poolWeight;
253         weights[_pool] = _newWeights;
254         votes[account][_pool] = _poolWeight;
255
256
257         IBribe(IGauge(_gauge).bribe())._voted(_poolWeight, account);
258
259
260         emit Voted(account, _pool, _poolWeight);
261         emit PoolVoted(_pool, _newWeights);
262     } else {
263         votes[account][_pool] = 0;
264         emit Abstained(account, _oldVotes);
265     }
266 }
267 if (_oldVotingWeight == 0 && _usedWeight > 0) ve.voting(_account);
268 uint newTotalWeight = totalWeight + _usedWeight - _oldVotingWeight;
269 totalWeight = newTotalWeight;
270 emit TotalWeight(newTotalWeight);
```

```
271 }
```

Listing 2.34: Voter.sol

```
152 function reset() external onlyNewEpoch {
153     lastVoted[msg.sender] = block.timestamp;
154     _reset(msg.sender);
155     IVotingEscrow(_ve).abstain(msg.sender);
156 }
```

Listing 2.35: Voter.sol

Impact The statuses of users may be incorrect.

Suggestion Invoke the function `abstain()` after `_reset()` in the function `_vote()`.

2.2.15 Miscalculated poolWeight with Duplicated Pool Voting

Severity Medium

Status Fixed in [Version 4](#)

Introduced by [Version 3](#)

Description In the function `_vote()`, the voting weights for users in the pool are not assigned cumulatively. This leads to inaccuracies when a user casts multiple votes for the same pool during the voting process, resulting in an incorrect voting weight for that pool.

```
207 function _vote(address _account, address[] memory _poolVote, uint[] memory _weights) internal
    {
208     IVotingEscrow ve = IVotingEscrow(_ve);
209     uint _weight = ve.balanceOf(_account);
210     if (_weight == 0) {
211         _reset(_account);
212         return;
213     }
214
215
216     _update_period();
217     uint _poolCnt = _poolVote.length;
218     uint _totalVoteWeight;
219     uint _usedWeight;
220     uint _oldVotingWeight;
221
222
223     for (uint i; i < _poolCnt; i++) {
224         _totalVoteWeight += _weights[i];
225     }
226
227
228     delete poolVote[_account];
229     address account = _account; //stack too deep
230     for (uint i; i < _poolCnt; i++) {
231         address _pool = _poolVote[i];
232         uint _oldVotes = votes[msg.sender][_pool];
```

```
233     if (isVotablePool[_pool]) {
234         uint _poolWeight = (_weights[i] * _weight) / _totalVoteWeight;
235         require(_poolWeight != 0);
236
237
238         poolVote[account].push(_pool);
239
240
241         if (_oldVotes == _poolWeight) continue;
242
243
244         _usedWeight += _poolWeight;
245         _oldVotingWeight += _oldVotes;
246
247
248         address _gauge = gauges[_pool];
249         _updateFor(_gauge);
250
251
252         uint _newWeights = weights[_pool] - _oldVotes + _poolWeight;
253         weights[_pool] = _newWeights;
254         votes[account][_pool] = _poolWeight;
255
256
257         IBribe(IGauge(_gauge).bribe())._voted(_poolWeight, account);
258
259
260         emit Voted(account, _pool, _poolWeight);
261         emit PoolVoted(_pool, _newWeights);
262     } else {
263         votes[account][_pool] = 0;
264         emit Abstained(account, _oldVotes);
265     }
266 }
267 if (_oldVotingWeight == 0 && _usedWeight > 0) ve.voting(_account);
268 uint newTotalWeight = totalWeight + _usedWeight - _oldVotingWeight;
269 totalWeight = newTotalWeight;
270 emit TotalWeight(newTotalWeight);
271 }
```

Listing 2.36: Voter.sol

Impact User's vote weight may be incorrect.

Suggestion Update the vote weight cumulatively instead of the direct assignment.

2.2.16 Incorrect Reward Calculations from Inappropriate Check

Severity High

Status Fixed in [Version 4](#)

Introduced by [Version 3](#)

Description In the function `_vote()` of the contract `Voter`, the `_poolWeight` may be 0 due to arithmetic round down. In this scenario, any attempt to invoke the function `_vote()` for this account will result in a failure. A malicious user can craft a `_poolWeight` that decreases to zero during the voting process, thereby ensuring that `poke()` (which invokes `_vote()`) calls can not be made to his/her account until the voting power decreases to zero.

As a result, the user's voting record within the contract `Bribe` will remain static across multiple epochs, which allows him/her to gain more rewards than anticipated.

```
207 function _vote(address _account, address[] memory _poolVote, uint[] memory _weights) internal
    {
208     IVotingEscrow ve = IVotingEscrow(_ve);
209     uint _weight = ve.balanceOf(_account);
210     if (_weight == 0) {
211         _reset(_account);
212         return;
213     }
214
215
216     _update_period();
217     uint _poolCnt = _poolVote.length;
218     uint _totalVoteWeight;
219     uint _usedWeight;
220     uint _oldVotingWeight;
221
222
223     for (uint i; i < _poolCnt; i++) {
224         _totalVoteWeight += _weights[i];
225     }
226
227
228     delete poolVote[_account];
229     address account = _account; //stack too deep
230     for (uint i; i < _poolCnt; i++) {
231         address _pool = _poolVote[i];
232         uint _oldVotes = votes[msg.sender][_pool];
233         if (isVotablePool[_pool]) {
234             uint _poolWeight = (_weights[i] * _weight) / _totalVoteWeight;
235             require(_poolWeight != 0);
236
237
238             poolVote[account].push(_pool);
239
240
241             if (_oldVotes == _poolWeight) continue;
242
243
244             _usedWeight += _poolWeight;
245             _oldVotingWeight += _oldVotes;
246
247
248             address _gauge = gauges[_pool];
249             _updateFor(_gauge);
```

```
250
251
252     uint _newWeights = weights[_pool] - _oldVotes + _poolWeight;
253     weights[_pool] = _newWeights;
254     votes[account][_pool] = _poolWeight;
255
256
257     IBribe(IGauge(_gauge).bribe())._voted(_poolWeight, account);
258
259
260     emit Voted(account, _pool, _poolWeight);
261     emit PoolVoted(_pool, _newWeights);
262 } else {
263     votes[account][_pool] = 0;
264     emit Abstained(account, _oldVotes);
265 }
266 }
267 if (_oldVotingWeight == 0 && _usedWeight > 0) ve.voting(_account);
268 uint newTotalWeight = totalWeight + _usedWeight - _oldVotingWeight;
269 totalWeight = newTotalWeight;
270 emit TotalWeight(newTotalWeight);
271 }
```

Listing 2.37: Voter.sol

```
195 function poke(address _account) external {
196     address[] memory _poolVote = poolVote[_account];
197     uint _poolCnt = _poolVote.length;
198     uint[] memory _weights = new uint[](_poolCnt);
199
200
201     for (uint i; i < _poolCnt; i++) {
202         _weights[i] = votes[_account][_poolVote[i]];
203     }
204
205
206     _vote(_account, _poolVote, _weights);
207 }
```

Listing 2.38: Voter.sol

```
250 function getReward(address account, address[] memory tokens) external lock {
251     address _voter = voter;
252     require(msg.sender == account || msg.sender == _voter);
253
254
255     IVoter(_voter).poke(account);
256     _claimFees();
257
258
259     uint length = tokens.length;
260     for (uint i; i < length; i++) {
261         _claim(tokens[i], account);

```

```
262   }  
263 }
```

Listing 2.39: Bribe.sol

Impact Malicious users are able to earn more rewards than expected.

Suggestion Remove the redundant check.

2.3 Additional Recommendation

2.3.1 Lack of Zero Address Check

Status Confirmed

Introduced by [Version 1](#)

Description Lack of zero address check before updating address variables in multiple places, such as function `setEmergencyCouncil()` and `constructor()` in contract `Voter`.

```
100  function setEmergencyCouncil(address _council) public {  
101  require(msg.sender == emergencyCouncil);  
102  emergencyCouncil = _council;  
103 }
```

Listing 2.40: Voter.sol

```
161  constructor(address __ve, address _base) {  
162  _ve = __ve;  
163  base = _base;  
164  minter = msg.sender;  
165  emergencyCouncil = msg.sender;  
166  isGaugeHandler[address(this)] = true;  
167 }
```

Listing 2.41: Voter.sol

Suggestion Add zero address checks accordingly.

2.3.2 Redundant Functions

Status Fixed in [Version 2](#)

Introduced by [Version 1](#)

Description In the contract `Voter`, there are two identical functions with different names, one named `distro()` while the other named `distribute()`.

```
399  function distro() external {  
400  distribute(0, pools.length);  
401 }
```

Listing 2.42: Voter.sol

```
403 function distribute() external {
404     distribute(0, pools.length);
405 }
```

Listing 2.43: Voter.sol

Suggestion Remove the redundant function.

2.3.3 Redundant Invocation of Function `_updateFor`

Status Fixed in [Version 2](#)

Introduced by [Version 1](#)

Description The function `setVotableGauge()` allows the privileged `gov` to enable a `Gauge` that can not be voted for, or disable a votable `Gauge`. When the `gov` tries to disable a votable `Gauge`, the function will first distribute unreleased rewards by invoking the function `distribute()`, and invoke the function `_updateFor()` after that to update the reward of the `Gauge`. However, the function `distribute()` itself has already invoked the function `_updateFor()`, thus the function `_updateFor()` in line 126 is redundant.

```
119 function setVotableGauge(address _gauge, bool _isActive) external onlyGov {
120     require(isGauge[_gauge]);
121     require(isVotableGauge[_gauge] != _isActive);
122     isVotableGauge[_gauge] = _isActive;
123     if (!_isActive) {
124         distribute(_gauge);
125
126         _updateFor(_gauge);
127         address _pool = poolForGauge[_gauge];
128         uint newTotalWeight = totalWeight - weights[_pool];
129         totalWeight = newTotalWeight;
130         weights[_pool] = 0;
131
132
133         emit PoolVoted(_pool, 0);
134         emit TotalWeight(newTotalWeight);
135     }
136     emit SetVotableGauge(_gauge, _isActive);
137 }
```

Listing 2.44: Voter.sol

```
388 function distribute(address _gauge) public lock {
389     IMinter(minter).update_period();
390     _updateFor(_gauge); // should set claimable to 0 if killed
391     uint _claimable = claimable[_gauge];
392     if (_claimable > IGauge(_gauge).left(base) && _claimable / DURATION > 0) {
393         claimable[_gauge] = 0;
394         IGauge(_gauge).notifyRewardAmount(base, _claimable);
395         emit DistributeReward(msg.sender, _gauge, _claimable);
396     }
397 }
```

Listing 2.45: Voter.sol

Suggestion Remove the redundant function.

2.3.4 Meaningless Usage of max

Status Fixed in [Version 2](#)

Introduced by [Version 1](#)

Description There are several meaningless usages of function `Max()` in the contract `RewardDistributor`. The return value of `Max(uint(X), 0)` will always be `X` itself.

```
134 return Math.max(uint(int256(pt.bias - pt.slope * (int128(int256(_timestamp - pt.ts))))), 0);
```

Listing 2.46: RewardDistributor.sol

```
153 ve_supply[t] = Math.max(uint(int256(pt.bias - pt.slope * dt)), 0);
```

Listing 2.47: RewardDistributor.sol

```
203 uint balance_of = Math.max(uint(int256(old_user_point.bias - dt * old_user_point.slope)), 0);
```

Listing 2.48: RewardDistributor.sol

```
260 uint balance_of = Math.max(uint(int256(old_user_point.bias - dt * old_user_point.slope)), 0);
```

Listing 2.49: RewardDistributor.sol

Suggestion Return the `X` directly instead of invoking the function `Max()`.

2.3.5 Inappropriate Variable Naming

Status Confirmed

Introduced by [Version 1](#)

Description The name of variable `bribeForGauge` in the contract `Voter` is confusing because it uses the key of `bribe` to index the `gauge` in the function `registerGauge`. This is semantically inconsistent with the variable `poolForGauge`, which uses `gauge` as the key to index the `pool`.

Suggestion Change `bribeForGauge` to `gaugeForBribe`.

2.3.6 Lack of Check for releaseFactor and pledgeFactor

Status Confirmed

Introduced by [Version 1](#)

Description In the contract `Minter`, the increase of `releaseFactor` and `pledgeFactor` will increase the number of tokens minted in each epoch. They can be updated via the function `setReleaseFactor()` and `setPledgeFactor()` respectively by the privileged role `Owner`. However, there is no check to limit the maximum value of them.

```
130 function setReleaseFactor(uint _releaseFactor) external override onlyOwner {
131     releaseFactor = _releaseFactor;
132 }
```

Listing 2.50: Minter.sol

```
134 function setPledgeFactor(uint _pledgeFactor) external override onlyOwner {
135     pledgeFactor = _pledgeFactor;
136 }
```

Listing 2.51: Minter.sol

Suggestion Add a check to ensure the `releaseFactor` and `pledgeFactor` will never exceed a reasonable maximum value.

2.3.7 Redundant Check in Function `mint_marketing`

Status Fixed in [Version 2](#)

Introduced by [Version 1](#)

Description In the function `mint_marketing()` of the contract `Minter`, there are two identical checks (i.e., `require(amount > 0)`; and `require(amount > 0, "fully minted")`), which are redundant.

```
138 function mint_marketing(uint amount, address receiver) external override {
139     require(msg.sender == marketer, "not marketer");
140     require(receiver != address(0), "zero address");
141     require(amount > 0);
142
143
144     uint _marketing_minted = marketing_minted;
145     uint _left = MARKETING - _marketing_minted;
146     if (amount > _left) {
147         amount = _left;
148     }
149     require(amount > 0, "fully minted");
150     marketing_minted = _marketing_minted + amount;
151     _noah.mint(receiver, amount);
152     emit MarketingMint(msg.sender, amount);
153 }
```

Listing 2.52: Minter.sol

Suggestion Remove the redundant check.

2.4 Notes

2.4.1 Potential Centralization Problem

Status Confirmed

Introduced by [version 1](#)

Description This project has potential centralization problems. The privileged role `team` can change the `releaseFactor` and `pledgeFactor` impacts the volume of `esNoah` minted in each epoch. Meanwhile, it can also change the `teamRate` affects the transaction fee rewards received by users. The privileged role `gov` can change the whitelist token, which changes the reward token users receive in the contract `Bribe`. We suggest these roles should be in multi-signature. and they are out of scope for auditing.

2.4.2 Timely deployment contracts

Status Confirmed

Introduced by [version 1](#)

Description The contract `VotingEscrow`, `FeeVault`, `Minter`, and `RewardDistributor` within the project all initialize the relevant variables in the contracts using the current `block.timestamp` at the time of deployment. The system's token minting and distribution depend on the time variables in these contracts being synchronized within the same week. If they are not consistent, users may receive an incorrect number of rewards.

2.4.3 Non-Linear Unlocking in Multiple Claims

Status Confirmed

Introduced by [version 1](#)

Description The function `_getNextClaimableAmount()` in the contract `vester` is designed to compute the amount of tokens that a user can unlock at the moment. As per the system's design, linear unlocking operates in a linear fashion for a single claim cycle, but it does not maintain this linearity when the user makes multiple claims. It unlocks linearly based on the quantity of remaining `esNOAH` that are yet to be unlocked.

2.4.4 Token Release for Team and VC without Time Restrictions

Status Confirmed

Introduced by [version 2](#)

Description In the contract `Minter`, the function `mint_team()` and `mint_vc()` are utilized to mint `NOAH` and `esNOAH` tokens for the `team` and the `vc` respectively. However, these functions lack time-staggered batches unlocking checks. Consequently, the corresponding privileged role `team` has the ability to mint `NOAH` and `esNOAH` tokens to anyone at any time.

2.4.5 Potential Inequity Function `poke()` of the Contract Voter

Status Confirmed

Introduced by [version 1](#)

Description The public function `poke()` in the contract `Voter` allows anyone to update votes of any account according to the original proportion as `veNOAH` decreases linearly over time. It will also update the voting amount of the account in the contract `Bribe`. Since the contract `Bribe` calculates the rewards of the voter based on the latest votes in the epoch, the final voting rewards that the voter can receive depend on not only their `veNOAH` amount but also on whether they have been "poked" by others in that epoch.

This mechanism may indeed appear unfair to ordinary users who are unaware of its workings, as they may be poked by others before the end of an epoch while some others are not. It introduces an additional layer of subjectivity and potential bias. The fairness and transparency of the mechanism could be compromised if it relies on manual intervention.

2.4.6 Incompatible Tokens

Status Confirmed

Introduced by [version 1](#)

Description Elastic supply tokens are not compatible with the protocol. They could dynamically adjust their price, supply, user's balance, etc. Such as inflation tokens, deflation tokens, rebasing tokens, and so forth. The inconsistency could result in security impacts if some critical operations are based on the recorded amount of transferred tokens.