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## AUDIT REPORT

Phoenix

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# Introduction

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A time-boxed security review of the **Phoenix** protocol was done by **CD Security**, with a focus on the security aspects of the application's implementation.

## Disclaimer

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A smart contract security review can never verify the complete absence of vulnerabilities. This is a time, resource, and expertise-bound effort where we try to find as many vulnerabilities as possible. We can not guarantee 100% security after the review or even if the review will find any problems with your smart contracts. Subsequent security reviews, bug bounty programs, and on-chain monitoring are strongly recommended.

## About Phoenix

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The Phoenix protocol ecosystem is centered around **\$Phoenix** tokens, incorporating mechanisms for staking, auctions, minting, and controlling supply. Users can participate in daily auctions with **\$TitanX** to acquire **\$Phoenix** tokens, and they can also mint **\$Phoenix** tokens by depositing **\$TitanX** during defined cycles.

Staking contracts receive portions of the deposits from the **Minting** and **Auction** contracts and implement mechanisms to swap these tokens and stake them. This involves staking **\$Blaze** & **\$TitanX** tokens to earn ETH rewards, and stake **\$Flux** tokens to earn **\$TitanX** rewards, which are reinvested into the system to buy more tokens for further staking.

The protocol integrates Uniswap V3 for liquidity and swaps, automates a token buy-and-burn process to reduce the **\$Phoenix** supply, and fuels the auction contract with **\$Phoenix**. 50% of the **\$Phoenix** tokens bought are transferred to the auction contract, while the remaining **\$Phoenix** tokens are burned. This approach helps maintain token supply and incentivizes ecosystem growth.

## Severity classification

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Severity	Impact: High	Impact: Medium	Impact: Low
Likelihood: High	Critical	High	Medium
Likelihood: Medium	High	Medium	Low
Likelihood: Low	Medium	Low	Low

**Impact** - the technical, economic, and reputation damage of a successful attack

**Likelihood** - the chance that a particular vulnerability gets discovered and exploited

**Severity** - the overall criticality of the risk

# Security Assessment Summary

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## Scope

The following smart contracts were in scope of the audit:

- `src/actions/*`
- `src/const/*`
- `src/interfaces/*`
- `src/staking/*`
- `src/Auction.sol`
- `src/AuctionTreasury.sol`
- `src/BuyAndBurn.sol`
- `src/Minting.sol`
- `src/Phoenix.sol`
- `src/TitanXStakingManager.sol.sol`

The following number of issues were found, categorized by their severity:

- Critical & High: 0 issues
- Medium: 4 issues
- Low: 5 issues

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## Findings Summary

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ID	Title	Severity	Status
[M-01]	<code>stake()</code> functions calculate the incentive based on the token balance not with the amount to be staked	Medium	Fixed
[M-02]	<code>Minting._sortAmountsForLP()</code> implements a high slippage percentages on the minimum accepted tokens of the liquidity position	Medium	Fixed
[M-03]	<code>SwapAction.getTwapAmountV3()</code> : the implemented fallback mechanism for <code>secondsAgo</code> is vulnerable to price manipulation	Medium	Fixed
[M-04]	Loss of phoenix fee collections from initial liquidity	Medium	Acknowledged
[L-01]	<code>BlazeStakingVault.stakeBlaze()</code> : incorrect check for cooldown and minimum stake amount	Low	Fixed
[L-02]	Dust amounts deposited can allow claim without deposits	Low	Acknowledged
[L-03]	Unnecessary delay in phoenix token claims	Low	Acknowledged



ID	Title	Severity	Status
[L-04]	<code>depositId</code> overflow can cause funds in <code>AuctionTreasury</code> to be stuck	Low	Fixed
[L-05]	Consider allowing flexible slippage for swap actions	Low	Acknowledged

## Detailed Findings

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### [M-01] `stake()` functions calculate the incentive based on the token balance not with the amount to be staked

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#### Severity

**Impact:** Medium

**Likelihood:** High

#### Description

- `stake()` function in the three staking vaults calculates the incentive based on the total balance of the tokens instead of the actual balance that is going to be staked.
- For example: in `BlazeStakingVault.stakeBlaze()`: the incentive is calculated based on the available blaze balance, then this incentive is deducted from the available balance to get the `blazeToStake`, then this value is checked to be greater than `minStakeAmount` and **less** than `maxStakeAmount`, so if it's less than the maximum limit; `blazeToStake` is updated to equal that maximum limit:

```
function stakeBlaze() external onlyByOwnerInPrivateMode {
    State storage _state = state;

    uint256 blazeToStake = blaze.balanceOf(_this());

    uint256 incentive = wmul(blazeToStake, state.incentive);
    blazeToStake -= incentive;

    require(_state.lastStakeTs != 0 || blazeToStake >=
_state.minStakeAmount, CooldownNotPassed());
    require(
        block.timestamp - _state.lastStakeTs >= _state.stakingCooldown
        || blazeToStake >= _state.minStakeAmount,
        CooldownNotPassed()
    );

    if (blazeToStake > _state.maxStakeAmount) blazeToStake =
```

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_state.maxStakeAmount;

    blazeStaking.stakeBlaze(blazeToStake, BLAZE_MAX_STAKE);

    blaze.transfer(msg.sender, incentive);

    emit Staked(++_state.lastStakingPosition, blazeToStake);

    _state.lastStakeTs = uint32(block.timestamp);
}

```

- So as can be noticed, the incentive sent to the user for calling `blazeStake()` can be much larger than intended **if the initial `blazeToStake` is greater than `maxStakeAmount`** as the incentive is calculated based on the total balance and not based on the updated `blazeToStake` amount; resulting in sending the user a large incentive than intended.
- Same issue in `FluxStakingVault.stake()` & `TitanXStakingVault.stake()` functions.

## Recommendations

Calculate the incentive based on the final `blazeToStake` that's going to be staked :

```

function stakeBlaze() external onlyByOwnerInPrivateMode {
    State storage _state = state;

    uint256 blazeToStake = blaze.balanceOf(_this());

-    uint256 incentive = wmul(blazeToStake, state.incentive);
-    blazeToStake -= incentive;

    require(_state.lastStakeTs != 0 || blazeToStake >=
_state.minStakeAmount, CooldownNotPassed());

    require(
        block.timestamp - _state.lastStakeTs >= _state.stakingCooldown
|| blazeToStake >= _state.minStakeAmount,
        CooldownNotPassed()
    );

    if (blazeToStake > _state.maxStakeAmount) blazeToStake =
_state.maxStakeAmount;

+    uint256 incentive = wmul(blazeToStake, state.incentive);
+    blazeToStake -= incentive;
+    require(blazeToStake >= _state.minStakeAmount);

    blazeStaking.stakeBlaze(blazeToStake, BLAZE_MAX_STAKE);

    blaze.transfer(msg.sender, incentive);
}

```

```

        emit Staked(++_state.lastStakingPosition, blazeToStake);

        _state.lastStakeTs = uint32(block.timestamp);
    }

```

## [M-02] `Minting._sortAmountsForLP()` implements a high slippage percentages on the minimum accepted tokens of the liquidity position

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### Severity

**Impact:** Medium

**Likelihood:** Medium

### Description

- `Minting._sortAmountsForLP()` is called to sort tokens and calculate the accepted minimum amounts when the owner of the contract adds liquidity to the inferno-phoenix Uni-v3 pool via `Minting.addLiquidityToInfernoPhoenixPool()`:

```

function _sortAmountsForLP(uint256 _infernoAmount, uint256 _phoenixAmount)
    internal
    view
    returns (
        uint256 amount0,
        uint256 amount1,
        uint256 amount0Min,
        uint256 amount1Min,
        address token0,
        address token1
    )
{
    address _phoenix = address(phoenix);
    address _inferno = address(inferno);

    (token0, token1) = _phoenix < _inferno ? (_phoenix, _inferno) :
(_inferno, _phoenix);
    (amount0, amount1) = token0 == _phoenix ? (_phoenixAmount,
_infernoAmount) : (_infernoAmount, _phoenixAmount);

    (amount0Min, amount1Min) = (wmul(amount0, uint256(0.2e18)),
wmul(amount1, uint256(0.2e18)));
}

```

- As can be noticed, the minimum amounts calculated as 20% of the amounts that are going to be added as a liquidity, which means accepting a 80% slippage.

- In case of market volatility during liquidity addition; this would result in accepting low amounts of tokens for the created position, which will result in collecting less fees (\$Phoenix & \$Inferno) for that position; thus affecting the amounts of \$Inferno tokens that are going to be sent to the fluxStakingVault for staking (after swapping to \$Flux).

## Recommendations

```
function _sortAmountsForLP(uint256 _infernoAmount, uint256 _phoenixAmount)
    internal
    view
    returns (
        uint256 amount0,
        uint256 amount1,
        uint256 amount0Min,
        uint256 amount1Min,
        address token0,
        address token1
    )
{
    //...

    -      (amount0Min, amount1Min) = (wmul(amount0, uint256(0.2e18)),
    wmul(amount1, uint256(0.2e18)));

    +      (amount0Min, amount1Min) = (wmul(amount0, uint256(0.8e18)),
    wmul(amount1, uint256(0.8e18)));
}
```

## [M-03] SwapAction.getTwapAmountV3(): the implemented fallback mechanism for secondsAgo is vulnerable to price manipulation

### Severity

**Impact:** Medium

**Likelihood:** Medium

### Description

SwapAction.getTwapAmountV3() function is called whenever a swap action is invoked via swapExactInputV3(), where it uses twap to ensure the swap is performed within the slippage tolerance:

```
function getTwapAmountV3(address tokenIn, address tokenOut, uint256
amount)
    public
```

```

    view
    returns (uint256 twapAmount, uint224 slippage)
    {
        address poolAddress = PoolAddress.computeAddress(v3Factory,
PoolAddress.getPoolKey(tokenIn, tokenOut, POOL_FEE));

        Slippage memory slippageConfig = slippageConfigs[poolAddress];

        if (slippageConfig.twapLookback == 0 && slippageConfig.slippage ==
0) {
            slippageConfig = Slippage({twapLookback: 15, slippage: WAD -
0.2e18});
        }

        uint32 secondsAgo = slippageConfig.twapLookback * 60;

        uint32 oldestObservation =
OracleLibrary.getOldestObservationSecondsAgo(poolAddress);

        if (oldestObservation < secondsAgo) secondsAgo =
oldestObservation;

        (int24 arithmeticMeanTick,) = OracleLibrary.consult(poolAddress,
secondsAgo);

        uint160 sqrtPriceX96 =
TickMath.getSqrtRatioAtTick(arithmeticMeanTick);

        slippage = slippageConfig.slippage;

        twapAmount = OracleLibrary.getQuoteForSqrtRatioX96(sqrtPriceX96,
amount, tokenIn, tokenOut);
    }

```

where the `oldestObservation` represents the timestamp difference between the oldest recorded observation and the current time.

- If `secondsAgo` (the TWAP window) exceeds `oldestObservation`, the function defaults `secondsAgo` to `oldestObservation` as a fallback mechanism instead of reverting:

```

if (oldestObservation < secondsAgo) secondsAgo = oldestObservation;

```

- But `oldestObservation < secondsAgo` means that the pool doesn't have enough historical data (low cardinality), and the available data will be used regardless of its correctness.
- In UNI-V3, the oldest observation can be updated when the first trade occurs in a new block, and if the pool has low cardinality (initialized to 1 for example) and the fallback mechanism uses `oldestObservation` as `secondsAgo`, then any malicious actor can frontrun the `swapExactInputV3()` with a malicious trade before the TWAP is calculated to manipulate the price



(inflate it) which will result in returning low calculated `twapAmount` that wouldn't protect against slippage.

## Recommendations

- revert the txn if `oldestObservation < secondsAgo`.
- ensure that the used pools have a sufficient number of cardinality.
- use Chainlink oracles as a fallback in case twap fails.

## [M-04] Loss of phoenix fee collections from initial liquidity

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**Impact:** Medium

**Likelihood:** Medium

### Description

In `Minting.addLiquidityToInfernoPhoenixPool`, it allows the admin to invoke a one-time initial liquidity addition of `INITIAL_TITAN_X_FOR_LIQ` to the INF/PHONIEX pool, with a subsequent position minted to the Minting contract.

The fees obtained for contributing to the initial liquidity of the INF/PHOENIX pool can be collected via an admin only `collectFees` function. Notice how the obtained inferno is transferred to the `fluxStakingVault` to be staked, whereas the `phoenix` obtained is simply burned, essentially representing a loss of fees.

```
function collectFees() external returns (uint256 amount0, uint256
amount1) {
    LP memory _lp = lp;

    INonfungiblePositionManager.CollectParams memory params =
    INonfungiblePositionManager.CollectParams({
        tokenId: _lp.tokenId,
        recipient: address(this),
        amount0Max: type(uint128).max,
        amount1Max: type(uint128).max
    });

    (amount0, amount1) =
    INonfungiblePositionManager(positionManager).collect(params);

    (uint256 phoenixAmount, uint256 infernoAmount) =
    _lp.isPhoenixToken0 ? (amount0, amount1) : (amount1, amount0);

    @> phoenix.burn(phoenixAmount);
        inferno.transfer(address(fluxStakingVault), infernoAmount);
}
```

## Recommendation

Consider a 50:50 split similar to the [BuyAndBurn](#) contract, where 50% is burned and 50% is transferred to the auctionTreasury to be auctioned off to provide fuel for the daily auctions which in turn provides value back to the buy&bid / buy&burn.

### [L-01] [BlazeStakingVault.stakeBlaze\(\)](#) : incorrect check for cooldown **and** minimum stake amount

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#### Description

[stakeBlaze\(\)](#) [incorrectly](#) checks for the minimum amount and cool down period, as it allows staking if the cooldown period passed **or** if the [blazeToStake](#) amount is greater than the [minStakeAmount](#), but the function Natspec clearly states that **both** conditions should be met before staking:

```
/**
 * @notice Stakes all accumulated Blaze tokens in the Blaze staking
 contract.
 * @dev Requires the cooldown period to have passed since the last
 stake and that the balance
 * of Blaze tokens is above the threshold for the first stake. This
 function increments
 * the staking position counter upon successful staking.
 */
function stakeBlaze() external onlyByOwnerInPrivateMode {
    //...
    require(
        _state.lastStakeTs != 0 || blazeToStake >=
        _state.minStakeAmount,
        CooldownNotPassed()
    );

    require(
        block.timestamp - _state.lastStakeTs >= _state.stakingCooldown
        || blazeToStake >= _state.minStakeAmount,
        CooldownNotPassed()
    );
    //...
}
```

- Same issue in [FluxStakingVault.stake\(\)](#) & [TitanXStakingVault.stake\(\)](#) functions.

## Recommendations

Check for the cooldown period **and** minimum amount to be staked:

```

function stakeBlaze() external onlyByOwnerInPrivateMode {
    //...
    require(
-         block.timestamp - _state.lastStakeTs >= _state.stakingCooldown
|| blazeToStake >= _state.minStakeAmount,
+         block.timestamp - _state.lastStakeTs >= _state.stakingCooldown
&& blazeToStake >= _state.minStakeAmount,
        CooldownNotPassed()
    );
    //...
}

```

## [L-02] Dust amounts deposited can allow claim without deposits

### Description

In `Minting.mint`, the user deposits `amount` worth of TitanX tokens to eventually mint phoenix tokens depending on which period of the 28 day cycle he deposited in. The distribution of these tokens are performed through the `_distribute` function.

```

function _distribute(uint256 _amount) internal {
    uint256 titanXBalance = titanX.balanceOf(address(this));
    // @note - If there is no added liquidity, but the balance exceeds
the initial for liquidity, we should distribute the difference
    if (!lp.hasLP) {
        if (titanXBalance <= INITIAL_TITAN_X_FOR_LIQ) return;
        _amount = uint192(titanXBalance - INITIAL_TITAN_X_FOR_LIQ);
    }

    titanX.transfer(address(fluxStakingVault), wmul(_amount,
uint256(0.28e18)));
    titanX.transfer(titanXVault, wmul(_amount, uint256(0.2e18)));
    titanX.transfer(address(buyAndBurn), wmul(_amount,
uint256(0.35e18)));
    titanX.transfer(address(blazeStakingVault), wmul(_amount,
uint256(0.09e18)));
    titanX.transfer(GENESIS, wmul(_amount, TO_GENESIS));
}

```

Notice even though all values are scaled to 18 decimals, if a small enough `amount` value is utilized, it can cause a round down (e.g, 2 wei would work here), essentially not distributing any tokens to the relevant addresses.

### Note

- The same issue exists in `Auction`, although a smaller value such as 1 wei needs to be utilized

- This issue is set as low severity given this contracts are expected to be integrated on mainnet and gas costs would likely not incentivize this behavior.

## Recommendation

Consider a minimum deposit amount (e.g. 100 wei), this will immediately disallow any sort of rounding down to zero

## [L-03] Unnecessary delay in phoenix token claims

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### Description

In `Minting.mint`, the delay is fixed at 24 hours after the time of deposit. This essentially means that early depositors of a specific cycle can claim faster than later depositors (up to a maximum of 24 hours apart)

```
function claim(uint96 _depositId) public {
    UserDeposit memory userDep = userDeposit[msg.sender][_depositId];

    @> require(block.timestamp > userDep.depositedAt + 24 hours,
CycleStillOngoing());

    (uint32 cycle,,) = getCycleAt(userDep.depositedAt);

    uint256 toClaim = wmul(userDep.amount, getRatioForCycle(cycle));

    delete userDeposit[msg.sender][_depositId];

    emit ClaimExecuted(msg.sender, toClaim, _depositId);

    totalPhoenixClaimed = totalPhoenixClaimed + toClaim;

    phoenix.mint(msg.sender, toClaim);
}
```

However, this is not necessary since any deposit before the end of the cycle is still a legitimate deposit, and the minting ratio would be fixed to that specific cycle.

### Recommendation

Consider utilizing the following check instead

```
function claim(uint96 _depositId) public {
    UserDeposit memory userDep = userDeposit[msg.sender][_depositId];
+   require(getCycleAt(block.timestamp) > getCycleAt(depositedAt),
CycleStillOngoing());
-   require(block.timestamp > userDep.depositedAt + 24 hours,
CycleStillOngoing());
```

```

        (uint32 cycle,,) = getCycleAt(userDep.depositedAt);

        uint256 toClaim = wmul(userDep.amount, getRatioForCycle(cycle));

        delete userDeposit[msg.sender][_depositId];

        emit ClaimExecuted(msg.sender, toClaim, _depositId);

        totalPhoenixClaimed = totalPhoenixClaimed + toClaim;

        phoenix.mint(msg.sender, toClaim);
    }

```

## [L-04] **depositId** overflow can cause funds in **AuctionTreasury** to be stuck

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### Description

In **Auction.deposit**, each time a users deposit a global **depositId** is incremented and assigned to the user.

```

function deposit(uint192 _amount) external notAmount0(_amount) {
    require(block.timestamp >= startTimestamp,
PhoenixAuction__NotStartedYet());

    _updateAuction();

    uint32 daySinceStart = _daySinceStart();

    @> UserAuction storage userDeposit = depositOf[msg.sender]
[++depositId];

    DailyStatistic storage stats = dailyStats[daySinceStart];

    userDeposit.ts = uint32(block.timestamp);
    userDeposit.amount = _amount;
    userDeposit.day = daySinceStart;

    stats.titanXDeposited += uint128(_amount);

    _distribute(_amount);

    emit UserDeposit(msg.sender, _amount, daySinceStart);
}

```

Notice that this is also the only function where the internal **\_updateAuction** is called, where the daily phoenix (currently at 1%), is emitted from the **AuctionTreasury** to the **Auction** contract. If a malicious user cause an overflow in **depositId** by performing huge amounts of 1 wei deposits (since TitanX is a 18



decimal token, it would only require 19 tokens), this can lead to permanently stuck funds within the `AuctionTreasury` contract since there is no other way to pull funds out.

Note: Since this contract is likely deployed on mainnet, gas costs will likely disincentivize this attack. However, if future cheaper L2 chains is to be integrated, this could be of concern.

## Recommendation

Consider:

- Declaring the global `depositId` to `uint256`

## [L-05] Consider allowing flexible slippage for swap actions

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### Description

In all contracts that inherits the abstract contract `SwapActions`, the slippage is a fixed parameter set by the admin via `changeSlippageConfig` within the `slippageConfigs` mapping variable.

```
function swapExactInputV3(address tokenIn, address tokenOut, uint256
tokenInAmount, uint32 deadline)
    internal
    returns (uint256 amountReceived)
{
    (uint256 twapAmount, uint224 slippage) = getTwapAmountV3(tokenIn,
tokenOut, tokenInAmount);

    IERC20(tokenIn).approve(v3Router, tokenInAmount);

    ISwapRouter.ExactInputParams memory params =
ISwapRouter.ExactInputParams({
        path: abi.encodePacked(tokenIn, POOL_FEE, tokenOut),
        recipient: address(this),
        deadline: deadline,
        amountIn: tokenInAmount,
        amountOutMinimum: wmul(twapAmount, slippage)
    });

    return ISwapRouter(v3Router).exactInput(params);
}
```

This means that if a slippage adjustment is intended, even during times of high price volatility, it would take a two step change of invoking `changeSlippageConfig` first before invoking any intended actions, which can involve higher gas costs and user experience. This impacts the following functions:

- `BuyAndBurn.buyNBurn`
- `Minting.addLiquidityToInfernoPhoenixPool`

- `TitanXStakingVault.buyTitanX`
- `FluxStakingVault.buyinferno`
- `FluxStakingVault.buyFlux`
- `BlazeStakingVault.buyinferno`
- `BlazeStakingVault.buyBlaze`

## Recommendation

Consider allowing a direct slippage input within the relevant swap actions.