



BlackHaven Security Audit Report

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1 Introduction

1.1 About BlackHaven

BlackHaven is a decentralized protocol that issues RBT (Reserve Backed Token), a token backed by multiple reserve assets. The protocol maintains a 1:1 backing ratio and captures premium when the market value exceeds the backing value ($mNAV > 1x$).



1.2 Source Code

The following source code was reviewed during the audit:

▶ <https://github.com/blackhaven-xyz/blackhaven-factory.git>

▶ Commit: bb1cdb7

And this is the final version representing all fixes implemented for the issues identified in the audit:

▶ <https://github.com/blackhaven-xyz/blackhaven-factory.git>

▶ Commit: bf8be82

Please note this audit covers the RBT.sol, Minter.sol, BAM.sol, BackingCalculator.sol, Bond.sol, RBTNote.sol and LiquidityManager.sol contracts.

This audit focuses on the security of the contracts themselves. The correctness and reasoning of the economic model itself are not within the scope of this audit. Moreover, we assume the price oracle is robust and reliable, and that asset prices are provided in a timely manner. The implementation of the price oracle itself is not included in the scope of this audit.

1.3 Revision History

Version	Date	Description
v1.0	February 27, 2026	Initial Audit

2 Overall Assessment

This report has been compiled to identify issues and vulnerabilities within the BlackHaven protocol. Throughout this audit, we identified a total of 4 issues spanning various severity levels. By employing auxiliary tool techniques to supplement our thorough manual code review, we have discovered the following findings.

Severity	Count	Acknowledged	Won't Do	Addressed
Critical	—	—	—	—
High	—	—	—	—
Medium	1	1	—	—
Low	3	2	—	1
Informational	—	—	—	—

3 Vulnerability Summary

3.1 Overview

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- [M-1](#) Potential Risks Associated with Centralization
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3.2 Security Level Reference

In web3 smart contract audits, vulnerabilities are typically classified into different severity levels based on the potential impact they can have on the security and functionality of the contract. Here are the definitions for critical-severity, high-severity, medium-severity, and low-severity vulnerabilities:

Severity	Acknowledged
C-X (Critical)	A severe security flaw with immediate and significant negative consequences. It poses high risks, such as unauthorized access, financial losses, or complete disruption of functionality. Requires immediate attention and remediation.
H-X (High)	Significant security issues that can lead to substantial risks. Although not as severe as critical vulnerabilities, they can still result in unauthorized access, manipulation of contract state, or financial losses. Prompt remediation is necessary.
M-X (Medium)	Moderately impactful security weaknesses that require attention and remediation. They may lead to limited unauthorized access, minor financial losses, or potential disruptions to functionality.
L-X (Low)	Minor security issues with limited impact. While they may not pose significant risks, it is still recommended to address them to maintain a robust and secure smart contract.
I-X (Informational)	Warnings and things to keep in mind when operating the protocol. No immediate action required.
U-X (Undetermined)	Identified security flaw requiring further investigation. Severity and impact need to be determined. Additional assessment and analysis are necessary.

3.3 Vulnerability Details

3.3.1 [M-1] Potential Risks Associated with Centralization

Target	Category	IMPACT	LIKELIHOOD	STATUS
Multiple Contracts	Security	High	Low	Acknowledged

The BlackHaven protocol relies on multiple privileged accounts that possess extensive control over critical operations, introducing notable centralization risks. These accounts, assigned distinct roles, can unilaterally influence the protocol's functionality and integrity. Below are key examples of privileged functions and their associated roles:

- ➔ **RBTBonding owner:** Controls bond pricing and limits, discount configuration, distribution of extra minted RBT between backing/POL/team/rewards, and key addresses such as rbtNote, liquidityManager, teamWallet, and rewardWallet.
- ➔ **Minter owner:** Whitelists and de-whitelists contracts that are allowed to mint RBT via allowMinter() / disallowMinter(), indirectly controlling all RBT minting through the Minter contract.
- ➔ **BackingCalculator owner:** Selects the backing storage address and oracles for RBT and backing tokens, thereby determining reported NAV/mNAV and backing accounting.
- ➔ **LiquidityManager owner / feeAddress:** Decides how protocol-owned Uniswap V3 liquidity is positioned or withdrawn, where trading fees are sent, and can move ERC20 tokens held by the manager.
- ➔ **RBTNote owner:** Governs the fixed-term note system that determines user yield and bond discount eligibility, and can withdraw non-RBT tokens from the Note contract.

```
blackhaven-factory-main - Bond.sol
355 function setAdjustment(bool _addition, uint256 _increment, uint256 _target, uint256 _buffer) external onlyOwner {
356     require(_increment <= (terms.controlVariable * 30) / 1000, "Increment too large");
357
358     adjustment = Adjust({
359         add: _addition,
360         rate: _increment,
361         target: _target,
362         buffer: _buffer,
363         lastBlockTimestamp: block.timestamp
364     });
365 }
```


blackhaven-factory-main - Minter.sol

```
34 /// @notice Allow a contract to mint
35 /// @param _minter Address of the contract to allow minting
36 function allowMinter(address _minter) external onlyOwner {
37     require(_minter != address(0), "Invalid minter address");
38     allowedMinters[_minter] = true;
39     emit MinterAllowed(_minter);
40 }
41
42 /// @notice Disallow a contract from minting (remove from whitelist)
43 /// @param _minter Address of the contract to disallow minting
44 function disallowMinter(address _minter) external onlyOwner {
45     allowedMinters[_minter] = false;
46     emit MinterDisallowed(_minter);
47 }
```

blackhaven-factory-main - BackingCalculator.sol

```
46 /// @notice Update `backedTokenOracle` to `_newOracle`
47 function updateBackedTokenOracle(address _newOracle) external onlyOwner {
48     address oldAddress = backedTokenOracle;
49     backedTokenOracle = _newOracle;
50
51     emit BackingTokenOracleUpdated(_newOracle, oldAddress);
52 }
53
54 /// @notice Update `backingStorage` to `_backingStorage`
55 function updateBackingStorage(address _backingStorage) external onlyOwner {
56     address oldAddress = backingStorage;
57     backingStorage = _backingStorage;
58
59     emit BackingStorageUpdated(_backingStorage, oldAddress);
60 }
```

Remediation To mitigate the identified issue, it is recommended to introduce multi-sig mechanism to undertake the role of the privileged account. Moreover, it is advisable to implement timelocks to govern all modifications to the privileged operations.

Response By Team This issue has been confirmed by the team.

3.3.2 [L-1] Potential Sandwich/MEV Attack for increaseLiquidityCurrentRange()

Target	Category	IMPACT	LIKELIHOOD	STATUS
LiquidityManager.sol	Time and State	Low	Medium	Acknowledged

The `increaseLiquidityCurrentRange()` function adds all `RBT` and `USDM` held by the contract as Uniswap V3 liquidity while setting `amount0Min` and `amount1Min` to 0. This removes any slippage protection: the trade will succeed even if the pool price is heavily manipulated. An attacker or MEV bot can front-run this call, push the price to an extreme level, let the contract add liquidity at a very poor rate, and then back-run to restore the price and capture the profit, causing potentially significant losses to the contract's funds.

```
blackhaven-factory-main - LiquidityManager.sol
89 // @notice Increases liquidity in the current range using all RBT and USDM held by this contract
90 function increaseLiquidityCurrentRange() external returns (uint128 liquidity, uint256 amount0, uint256 amount1) {
91     uint256 RBTBalance = IERC20(RBT).balanceOf(address(this));
92     uint256 USDMBalance = IERC20(USDM).balanceOf(address(this));
93
94     TransferHelper.safeApprove(RBT, address(nonfungiblePositionManager), RBTBalance); //@audit-info forceApprove
95     TransferHelper.safeApprove(USDM, address(nonfungiblePositionManager), USDMBalance); //@audit-info forceApprove
96
97     INonfungiblePositionManager.IncreaseLiquidityParams memory params = INonfungiblePositionManager
98         .IncreaseLiquidityParams({
99             tokenId: tokenId,
100             amount0Desired: RBTBalance,
101             amount1Desired: USDMBalance,
102             amount0Min: 0,
103             amount1Min: 0,
104             deadline: block.timestamp
105         });
106
107     (liquidity, amount0, amount1) = nonfungiblePositionManager.increaseLiquidity(params);
108     emit LiquidityIncreased(tokenId, liquidity, amount0, amount1, RBTBalance, USDMBalance);
109 }
```

Remediation Add appropriate slippage protection when providing liquidity to prevent unfavorable execution.

3.3.3 [L-2] Integration of Non-Standard ERC20 Tokens

Target	Category	IMPACT	LIKELIHOOD	STATUS
Multiple Contracts	Business Logic	Medium	Low	Addressed

In `LiquidityManager.increaseLiquidityCurrentRange()`, the contract calls `safeApprove()` for `RBT` and `USDM` with the full token balances before interacting with `nonfungiblePositionManager`. For USDT-like tokens that require allowance to be set to zero before being updated, invoking `safeApprove()` when a non-zero allowance already exists will revert, causing `increaseLiquidityCurrentRange()` to fail even when the operation would otherwise be valid. To ensure compatibility with such non-standard ERC20 tokens and avoid unintended reverts, these calls should be replaced with `forceApprove()`, and, more generally, raw `transfer()/transferFrom()` usages in the codebase should be replaced with `safeTransfer()/safeTransferFrom()` where applicable.

```
blackhaven-factory-main - LiquidityManager.sol
89 /// @notice Increases liquidity in the current range using all RBT and USDM held by this contract
90 function increaseLiquidityCurrentRange() external returns (uint128 liquidity, uint256 amount0, uint256 amount1) {
91     uint256 RBTBalance = IERC20(RBT).balanceOf(address(this));
92     uint256 USDMBalance = IERC20(USDM).balanceOf(address(this));
93
94     TransferHelper.safeApprove(RBT, address(nonfungiblePositionManager), RBTBalance); //@audit-info forceApprove
95     TransferHelper.safeApprove(USDM, address(nonfungiblePositionManager), USDMBalance); //@audit-info forceApprove
96
97     INonfungiblePositionManager.IncreaseLiquidityParams memory params = INonfungiblePositionManager
98         .IncreaseLiquidityParams({
99             tokenId: tokenId,
100             amount0Desired: RBTBalance,
101             amount1Desired: USDMBalance,
102             amount0Min: 0,
103             amount1Min: 0,
104             deadline: block.timestamp
105         });
106
107     (liquidity, amount0, amount1) = nonfungiblePositionManager.increaseLiquidity(params);
108     emit LiquidityIncreased(tokenId, liquidity, amount0, amount1, RBTBalance, USDMBalance);
109 }
```

Remediation Use `forceApprove()` instead of `safeApprove()` and replace all `transfer()/transferFrom()` calls with `safeTransfer()/safeTransferFrom()` to ensure compatibility with USDT-like non-standard ERC20 tokens and avoid unintended reverts

3.3.4 [L-3] Transferable Note NFT Allows Unlimited Bond Discount Sharing

Target	Category	IMPACT	LIKELIHOOD	STATUS
Bond.sol	Business Logic	Medium	Low	Acknowledged

The `bondPriceFor()` function applies a discount of up to 2.5% (250 bps) based on the caller's `RBT Note` holdings via `_calculateNoteDiscount(_user)`. However, because `RBT Notes` are transferable ERC-721 NFTs, a qualifying holder (e.g., Alice) can transfer the NFT to another address (e.g., Bob) immediately before Bob calls `deposit()`, allowing Bob to receive the full discount even if he does not personally qualify. Bob can then transfer the NFT back to Alice right after the deposit. This enables a simple and repeatable “discount rental” attack that lets the maximum discount be shared across an arbitrary number of bond purchases, undermining the intended incentive for long-term Note holders and causing material revenue/backing leakage to the protocol.

```
blackhaven-factory-main - Bond.sol

720 function bondPriceFor(address _user) public view returns (uint256 price_) {
721     price_ = (terms.controlVariable * debtRatio()) / 1e11;
722
723     // Calculate minimum price based on 1x mNAV (NAV-based)
724     // At 1x mNAV: FDV = NAV, so RBT_price = NAV / totalSupply
725     // Bond price = USDM per RBT, so minPrice = NAV / totalSupply
726     uint256 nav = backingCalculator.NAV();
727     uint256 supply = RBT.totalSupply();
728
729     // minPrice = NAV / totalSupply (USDM per RBT)
730     uint256 minPriceFor1x = (nav * 1e18) / supply;
731
732     // Enforce minimum price at 1x mNAV (bond price cannot be lower than 1x mNAV price)
733     if (price_ < minPriceFor1x) {
734         price_ = minPriceFor1x;
735     }
736
737     // Apply note discount if user qualifies
738     if (_user != address(0)) {
739         uint256 discountBps = _calculateNoteDiscount(_user);
740         if (discountBps > 0) {
741             // Decrease bond price by discount percentage (lower price = better discount)
742             // price_ = price_ * (1 - discountBps / BPS_DENOM)
743             price_ = (price_ * (BPS_DENOM - discountBps)) / BPS_DENOM;
744         }
745     }
746 }
```

Remediation Redesign the discount mechanism to prevent the discount eligibility checks from being bypassed.

4 Appendix

4.1 About AstraSec

AstraSec is a premier blockchain security firm dedicated to delivering high-quality auditing services for blockchain-based protocols. Composed of veteran security researchers with extensive experience across the DeFi landscape, our team maintains an unwavering commitment to excellence and precision. AstraSec’s comprehensive methodology and deep understanding of blockchain architecture enable us to ensure protocol resilience, making us a trusted partner for our clients.

4.2 Disclaimer

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