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1 Overview

This report has been prepared for Trader Joe's MasterChef and Rewarder contracts on the Avalanche network. Paladin provides a user-centred examination of the smart contracts to look for vulnerabilities, logic errors or other issues from both an internal and external perspective.

1.1 Summary

Project Name	Trader Joe
URL	https://traderjoexyz.com
Platform	Avalanche
Language	Solidity

1.2 Contracts Assessed

Name	Contract	Live Code Match
SimpleRewarderPerSec	https://github.com/traderjoe-xyz/joe-core/blob/2a9f4887d0a7b591f879e16a4c29181bd8466f54/contracts/rewarders/SimpleRewarderPerSec.sol	
MasterChefJoeV3	https://github.com/traderjoe-xyz/joe-core/blob/2a9f4887d0a7b591f879e16a4c29181bd8466f54/contracts/MasterChefJoeV3.sol	

1.3 Findings Summary

Severity	Found	Resolved	Partially Resolved	Acknowledged (no change made)
● High	2	2	-	-
● Medium	2	2	-	-
● Low	4	4	-	-
● Informational	8	3	1	4
Total	16	11	1	4

Classification of Issues

Severity	Description
● High	Exploits, vulnerabilities or errors that will certainly or probabilistically lead towards loss of funds, control, or impairment of the contract and its functions. Issues under this classification are recommended to be fixed with utmost urgency.
● Medium	Bugs or issues with that may be subject to exploit, though their impact is somewhat limited. Issues under this classification are recommended to be fixed as soon as possible.
● Low	Effects are minimal in isolation and do not pose a significant danger to the project or its users. Issues under this classification are recommended to be fixed nonetheless.
● Informational	Consistency, syntax or style best practices. Generally pose a negligible level of risk, if any.

1.3.1 SimpleRewarderPerSec

ID	Severity	Summary	Status
01	INFO	Contract uses raw division	PARTIAL
02	INFO	IpSupply is based on Masterchef contract balance	ACKNOWLEDGED
03	INFO	setRewardRate lacks upper limit safeguards	ACKNOWLEDGED
04	INFO	emergencyWithdraw can be used to take out all reward tokens prematurely	ACKNOWLEDGED

1.3.2 MasterChefJoeV3

ID	Severity	Summary	Status
05	HIGH	Severely excessive rewards issue when a token with a transfer tax is added	RESOLVED
06	HIGH	rewardDebt is miscalculated in deposit and withdraw	RESOLVED
07	MEDIUM	Functions are not secure from reentrancy	RESOLVED
08	MEDIUM	Insufficient Joe tokens may cause deposits and withdrawals to revert	RESOLVED
09	LOW	Deposits and withdrawals may fail if an invalid Rewarder contract is used	RESOLVED
10	LOW	Adding an EOA or non-token contract as a pool will break updatePool, massUpdatePools and updateEmissionRate	RESOLVED
11	LOW	Excess minting of dummy tokens may result in skewed reward emissions	RESOLVED
12	LOW	Duplicated pools may be added to the Masterchef	RESOLVED
13	INFO	Contract uses raw subtraction and division	RESOLVED
14	INFO	Pools use the contract balance to figure out the total deposits	ACKNOWLEDGED
15	INFO	add, set, deposit, withdraw, harvestFromMasterChef and emergencyWithdraw functions can be made external	RESOLVED
16	INFO	Rounding vulnerability to tokens with a very large supply can cause large supply tokens to receive zero emissions	RESOLVED

2 Findings

2.1 SimpleRewardPerSec

The SimpleRewarderPerSec contract allows for stakers in certain boosted-rewards pools in the MasterchefV3 to receive additional third-party partner tokens whenever a user deposits or withdraws from the Masterchef contract. The reward rate can be set to any amount, and so allow for the owner to set varying reward rates to incentivize stakers.

Reward tokens are transferred directly to the user via the onJoeReward function. It should be noted that sufficient reward tokens have to be transferred to this contract to allow for rewards to be given out to stakers, and can be topped up at any time in the future if the continuation of boosted rewards is desired.

2.1.1 Privileged Operations

The following functions can be called by the owner of the contract:

- `setRewardRate`
- `emergencyWithdraw`



2.1.2 Issues & Recommendations

Issue #01	Contract uses raw division
Severity	INFORMATIONAL
Description	<p>Lines with raw division operator: 117, 146, 156, 174, 177</p> <p>Although the risks of a division by zero is almost non-existent, it is generally considered best practice to use SafeMath's div rather than raw division.</p>
Recommendation	Consider using SafeMath's div instead.
Resolution	PARTIALLY RESOLVED Some functions still use raw division.
Issue #02	lpSupply is based on Masterchef contract balance
Severity	INFORMATIONAL
Location	<p><u>Lines 112 and 169</u></p> <pre>uint256 lpSupply = lpToken.balanceOf(address(MC_V2));</pre>
Description	<p>The Rewarder contract calculates lpSupply by querying the MasterchefV2 contract balance. This can cause dilution of rewards when people accidentally send tokens to the Masterchef. A more accurate method would be to have lpSupply being calculated from user deposits and withdrawals instead of token balance in the Masterchef contract.</p>
Recommendation	Consider adding an lpSupply variable to the PoolInfo of the Masterchef that keeps track of the total deposits. Each lpToken.balanceOf(address(MC_V2)) query can then be replaced with this lpSupply as well.
Resolution	ACKNOWLEDGED

Issue #03	setRewardRate lacks upper limit safeguards
Severity	INFORMATIONAL
Description	Currently, the tokenPerSec can be set to any amount by the owner of the contract, allowing for (if they wish) the token reward rate to be set to an unreasonably high amount.
Recommendation	Consider adding a reasonable upper limit using a maxTokenPerSec variable and safeguarding the setRewardRate function like so: <code>require(_tokenPerSec <= maxTokenPerSec, "Too high");</code>
Resolution	ACKNOWLEDGED

Issue #04	emergencyWithdraw can be used to take out all reward tokens prematurely
Severity	INFORMATIONAL
Description	Although there would clearly be a lack of incentives for the owner to do so, they nonetheless have the ability to remove reward tokens from the Rewarder contract by calling emergencyWithdraw. Note that this does not put user funds at risk, and merely affects the reward token to be paid out to stakers.
Recommendation	Simply setting this contract behind a 1 day Timelock should be sufficient in allowing users to see that the reward tokens are being withdrawn.
Resolution	ACKNOWLEDGED The client has stated that this will only ever be used if the rewarder should end reward distributions prematurely, and refund the reward tokens back to the partner protocol.

2.2 MasterChefJoeV3

A dummy token will be deployed, which will be deposited into this V3 Masterchef. This token will then be deposited into a specific pool in the V2 Masterchef, such that this contract would then be the recipient of all Joe staking rewards and can then distribute that to V3 stakers accordingly. This is done because the Joe token is owned by the V2 Masterchef, and token ownership cannot be transferred to the V3 Masterchef.

This contract would also allow for an external Rewarder contract to provide additional non-Joe tokens to users, essentially providing an APY boost to the farms. Finally, there are no deposit or withdrawal fees in the V3 Masterchef contract.

2.2.1 Privileged Operations

The following functions can be called by the owner of the contract:

- add
- set



2.2.2 Issues & Recommendations

Issue #05 **Severely excessive rewards issue when a token with a transfer tax is added**

Severity

 HIGH SEVERITY

Description

When tokens with a transfer tax are added to the pools, this will result in significant excessive rewards. Due to the way the Masterchef handles rewards, rewards can be heavily inflated when the balance of the Masterchef no longer matches that of user deposits. This happens for example with transfer tax tokens.

This flaw of the Masterchef has recently been exploited on a significant number of projects, all of which their native tokens went to \$0 afterwards because the exploit resulted in a large number of native tokens being minted and dumped.

This issue was also present in SushiSwap (the original Masterchef). Since they were never meant to have any tokens but LP tokens, it was not a problem there but has become a problem to projects who have started forking it for usage with less standard tokens.

Recommendation

Consider using the current standard of handling deposits, which is based on how Uniswap handles transfer fees:

```
uint256 balanceBefore = pool.lpToken.balanceOf(address(this));
pool.lpToken.transferFrom(msg.sender, address(this), _amount);
_amount = pool.lpToken.balanceOf(address(this)).sub(balanceBefore);
```

Note that by using this method, you can also add the specific transfer tax logic for the native token.

Resolution

 RESOLVED

Issue #06**rewardDebt is miscalculated in deposit and withdraw****Severity** HIGH SEVERITY**Description**Line 269

```
user.rewardDebt =  
user.rewardDebt.add(amount.mul(pool.accJoePerShare) /  
ACC_JOE_PRECISION);
```

The rewardDebt calculation in the deposit function is mis-specified, and goes against the normal rewardDebt calculation in other Masterchefs. In its current state, this calculation results in excessively high rewardDebt, which ultimately causes users to receive reduced harvest rewards in the future.

Line 298

```
user.rewardDebt =  
user.rewardDebt.sub(amount.mul(pool.accJoePerShare) /  
ACC_JOE_PRECISION);
```

As before, the rewardDebt calculation in the withdraw function is mis-specified. In its current state, this calculation results in reducing rewardDebt, which causes users to receive more harvest rewards in the future.

Recommendation

Consider implementing the following fixes:

For deposit

```
user.amount = user.amount.add(amount);  
user.rewardDebt =  
user.amount.mul(pool.accJoePerShare).div(ACC_JOE_PRECISION)  
;
```

For withdraw

```
user.amount = user.amount.sub(amount);  
user.rewardDebt =  
user.amount.mul(pool.accJoePerShare).div(ACC_JOE_PRECISION)  
;
```

This ensures that user.amount accurately accounts for deposits and withdrawals, and that rewardDebt calculation is correctly specified.

Resolution RESOLVED

Issue #07**Functions are not secure from reentrancy****Severity** MEDIUM SEVERITY**Description**

The `deposit`, `withdraw` and `emergencyWithdraw` functions are susceptible to reentrancy, especially if ERC777 tokens are added to the contract. This may result in the contract being inadvertently exploitable, as was the case with the AMP token in Cream Finance just recently.

Recommendation

Consider adding the `nonReentrant` modifier to the `deposit`, `withdraw`, `emergencyWithdraw` functions, and reordering line items in the `deposit` (ensuring that tokens are transferred into the `Masterchef` before `user.amount` is updated) and withdrawal-related functions to ensure best safety practices are adhered to per the Check Effects Interactions pattern.

Resolution RESOLVED

Issue #08**Insufficient Joe tokens may cause deposits and withdrawals to revert****Severity** MEDIUM SEVERITY**Location**

Lines 260-265, 290-295

```
if (user.amount > 0) {  
    // Harvest JOE  
    uint256 pending =  
user.amount.mul(pool.accJoePerShare).div(1e12).sub(user.rewardDebt);  
    JOE.safeTransfer(msg.sender, pending);  
    emit Harvest(msg.sender, pid, pending);  
}
```

Description

Currently, there are only ever Joe tokens if the `harvestFromMasterChef` function is manually called. Should there be insufficient Joe tokens to pay out pending rewards, then the deposit and withdraw functions may revert (see code snippet above).

Recommendation

Consider calling the `harvestFromMasterChef` function at the start of deposit and withdraw, like so:

```
function deposit(uint256 pid, uint256 amount) public {  
    harvestFromMasterChef();  
    updatePool(pid);  
}
```

```
function withdraw(uint256 pid, uint256 amount) public {  
    harvestFromMasterChef();  
    updatePool(pid);  
}
```

This will ensure that Joe tokens are harvested from the V2 Masterchef in order to pay out pending rewards.

Resolution RESOLVED

Issue #09**Deposits and withdrawals may fail if an invalid Rewarder contract is used****Severity** LOW SEVERITY**Location**

Lines 272-274, 302-304, 326-328
IRewarder _rewarder = pool.rewarder;
if (address(_rewarder) != address(0)) {
 _rewarder.onJoeReward(msg.sender, user.amount);
}

Description

In the deposit, withdraw and emergencyWithdraw functions, external calls are made to the Rewarder contract. Should that be an invalid contract, then the external call and thus these functions (as well as pendingTokens) would fail.

Recommendation

Kindly ensure that only valid, non-malicious Rewarder contracts will be used, as there is the ability to swap out the Rewarder contract in the set function. Additionally, if for whatever reason an invalid Rewarder contract was used, the aforementioned set function can be used to correct this.

This issue will be marked as Resolved once the client acknowledges this.

Resolution RESOLVED

The client will ensure that only valid, non-malicious, audited Rewarder contracts are used.

Issue #10**Adding an EOA or non-token contract as a pool will break updatePool, massUpdatePools and updateEmissionRate****Severity** LOW SEVERITY**Description**

updatePool will always call `balanceOf(address(this))` on the token of the pool, and will fail if the token is not an actual token contract address.

Recommendation

Consider simply adding a test line in the add function. If the token does not exist, this will make sure the add function fails.

```
_lpToken.balanceOf(address(this));
```

Resolution RESOLVED

Issue #11**Excess minting of dummy tokens may result in skewed reward emissions****Severity** LOW SEVERITY**Description**

The dummy token is to be deposited into a specific, pre-determined pool in the V2 Masterchef, which will funnel all emission rewards from that pool to the stakers in V3 Masterchef. When the `init` function is called, dummy tokens are transferred from `msg.sender` to the V3 Masterchef, and then on to the V2 Masterchef.

If there are absolutely no other dummy tokens in circulation, then the V3 Masterchef would receive 100% of the dummy token pool's emissions in the V2 contract. However, if for whatever reason, an additional party also has dummy tokens, then they will be able to deposit that into the V2 Masterchef and thus receive staking rewards, diluting the yields available to V3.

The `init` function may also be called by any user, though there is no harm in doing so other than reverting, unless they too have dummy tokens.

Recommendation

Consider ensuring that there are no additional dummy tokens minted, apart from what will be used to call the `init` function. The simplest solution to this would be to renounce ownership of the dummy token contract after the appropriate minting amount has been done.

Additionally, the `init` function should only be called by the owner, and thus should have the `onlyOwner` modifier implemented in the function.

Resolution RESOLVED

The `init` function is now only callable by the Owner, and the client will also ensure that no excess dummy tokens are minted.

Issue #12**Duplicated pools may be added to the Masterchef****Severity** LOW SEVERITY**Description**

The add function allows for duplicate pools to be added, which would lead to dilution of rewards for stakers.

Recommendation

The addition of a modifier that checks for duplicate pools could help prevent this incident from occurring.

```
mapping(IBEP20 => bool) public poolExistence;  
modifier nonDuplicated(IBEP20 _lpToken) {  
    require(poolExistence[_lpToken] == false,  
        "nonDuplicated: duplicated");  
    -;  
}
```

Alternatively, you could account for this by adding in an lpSupply variable under poolInfo. This has the benefit of accounting for accurately accounting for deposits in the Masterchef.

Resolution RESOLVED

Issue #13**Contract uses raw subtraction and division****Severity** INFORMATIONAL**Description**Lines 227-230

```
uint256 lpPercent = 1000 -  
    MASTER_CHEF_V2.devPercent() -  
    MASTER_CHEF_V2.treasuryPercent() -  
    MASTER_CHEF_V2.investorPercent();
```

Although the risk of underflows occurring is very low, it is generally considered best practice to use SafeMath's sub rather than raw subtraction.

Lines with raw division operator:

203, 204, 206, 231, 232, 243, 244, 269, 298

Although the risks of a division by zero is almost non-existent, it is generally considered best practice to use SafeMath's div rather than raw division.

Recommendation

Consider using SafeMath's sub and div instead.

Resolution RESOLVED

Issue #14 **Pools use the contract balance to figure out the total deposits**

Severity INFORMATIONAL

Description As with pretty much all Masterchefs, the total number of tokens in the Masterchef contract is used to determine the total number of deposits. This can cause dilution of rewards when people accidentally send tokens to the Masterchef. More severely, because the native token is constantly minted, this will cause severe dilution on the native token pool.

Recommendation Consider adding an `lpSupply` variable to the `PoolInfo` that keeps track of the total deposits.

Each `lpToken.balanceOf(address(this))` query can then be replaced with this `lpSupply` as well.

Resolution ACKNOWLEDGED

Issue #15 **`add`, `set`, `deposit`, `withdraw`, `harvestFromMasterChef` and `emergencyWithdraw` functions can be made external**

Severity INFORMATIONAL

Description The above functions can be changed from `public` to `external`. Apart from being a best practice when the function is not used within the contract, this can lead to a lower gas usage in certain cases.

Recommendation Consider making these functions external.

Resolution RESOLVED

Issue #16**Rounding vulnerability to tokens with a very large supply can cause large supply tokens to receive zero emissions****Severity** INFORMATIONAL**Description**

Within `updatePool`, `accJoePerShare` is based on the `lpSupply` variable.

```
accJoePerShare =  
accJoePerShare.add(joeReward.mul(ACC_JOE_PRECISION) /  
lpSupply);
```

However, if this `lpSupply` becomes a severely large value, precision errors may occur due to rounding. This is famously seen when pools decide to add meme-tokens which usually have huge supplies and no decimals.

Additionally, there are various instances in the contract where either `ACC_JOE_PRECISION` or `1e12` is used. For consistency purposes, either one of the other should be used exclusively within the contract.

Recommendation

Consider increasing the precision of `ACC_JOE_PRECISION` to `1e18`, and using that across the contract.

Resolution RESOLVED



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