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## Security Audit Report for NEARx Smart Contract

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## Report Manifest

Item	Description
Client	Stader Labs
Target	NEARx Smart Contract

## Version History

Version	Date	Description
1.0	August 8, 2022	First Release
2.0	August 17, 2022	Second Release
3.0	September 9, 2022	Third Release

**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	Rust
Approach	Semi-automatic and manual verification

The repository that has been audited includes NEARx Smart Contract <sup>1</sup>.

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. Thus, there are multiple commit SHA values referred in this report. The commit SHA values before and after the audit are shown in the following.

Project		Commit SHA
NEARx Smart Contract	Version 1	<a href="#">89ee18b875adde6dd1a150c86f6d5a332d5e4404</a>
	Version 2	<a href="#">7203ff19101de9ba4af0b1a91bd4f4bf187e8da5</a>
	Version 3	<a href="#">108b4510305f8e4caf809b250db763f0b0e0f8a6</a>
	Version 4	<a href="#">edbbdcb04af6de10cd96f5a66c5ed081a6a1151c</a>

Note that, we did **NOT** audit all the modules in the repository. The modules covered by this audit report include **contracts/near-x/src** folder contract only. Specifically, the files covered in this audit include:

- contract/
  - empty\_storage\_spec.rs (moved to storage\_spec.rs since [Version 2](#) )
  - internal.rs
  - metadata.rs
  - operator.rs
  - public.rs
  - upgrade.rs
  - util.rs
- fungible\_token/
  - metadata.rs
  - nearx\_internal.rs
  - nearx\_token.rs
- constants.rs
- contract.rs
- errors.rs
- events.rs
- fungible\_token.rs
- lib.rs
- state.rs
- utils.rs

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<sup>1</sup><https://github.com/stader-labs/near-liquid-token>

## 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 <sup>2</sup> and Common Weakness Enumeration <sup>3</sup>. 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 1.1.

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.

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<sup>2</sup>[https://owasp.org/www-community/OWASP\\_Risk\\_Rating\\_Methodology](https://owasp.org/www-community/OWASP_Risk_Rating_Methodology)

<sup>3</sup><https://cwe.mitre.org/>

**Table 1.1:** Vulnerability Severity Classification

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

**Likelihood**

- **Fixed** The item has been confirmed and fixed by the client.



## Chapter 2 Findings

In total, we find **ten** potential issues. We have **fifteen** recommendations and **one** notes.

- High Risk: 1
- Medium Risk: 2
- Low Risk: 7
- Recommendations: 15
- Notes: 1

ID	Severity	Description	Category	Status
1	Low	Incorrect Usage of u128	Software Security	Fixed
2	Low	Precision Loss Caused by Improper Rounding Implementation	Software Security	Confirmed
3	Low	Lack of Lower Bound for min_deposit_amount	Software Security	Fixed
4	Medium	Improper Value of MIN_BALANCE_FOR_STORAGE	Software Security	Fixed
5	Medium	Lack of Check on Account's Balance	Software Security	Fixed
6	Low	Mismatched Gas Assignment	Software Security	Fixed
7	Low	Rewards Fee can Exceed 10% due to Precision Loss	DeFi Security	Fixed
8	Low	User's Deposited Storage Fee May be Locked	DeFi Security	Fixed
9	High	Repeatable Refund of the Storage Fee	DeFi Security	Fixed
10	Low	User's Withdrawable Epoch Height can be Advanced	DeFi Security	Fixed
11	-	Improper Usage of saturating_sub	Recommendation	Fixed
12	-	Lack of Checking on Privileged Accounts	Recommendation	Fixed
13	-	Incomplete Checking on Privileged Accounts	Recommendation	Fixed
14	-	Improper Marco Usage	Recommendation	Confirmed
15	-	Potential Centralization Problem	Recommendation	Fixed
16	-	Unused Code (I)	Recommendation	Fixed
17	-	Unused Code (II)	Recommendation	Fixed
18	-	Redundant Code (I)	Recommendation	Confirmed
19	-	Redundant Code (II)	Recommendation	Confirmed
20	-	Redundant Code (III)	Recommendation	Confirmed
21	-	Redundant Code (IV)	Recommendation	Confirmed
22	-	Redundant Code (V)	Recommendation	Confirmed
23	-	Redundant Log Emissions	Recommendation	Confirmed
24	-	Improper Gas Value	Recommendation	Fixed
25	-	Improper Calculation of Operator Fee Shares	Recommendation	Confirmed
26	-	Only Staked Balance is Used to Calculate Rewards	Note	Confirmed

The details are provided in the following sections.

### 2.1 Software Security

### 2.1.1 Incorrect Usage of u128

**Severity** Low

**Status** Fixed in [Version 2](#)

**Introduced by** [Version 1](#)

**Description** JSON standard, which is used in NEAR protocol, can only work with primitive integer up to 53 bits. However, the value of the parameters (e.g., amount) or the returned values in the functions (e.g., `set_min_deposit`) can be larger than  $2^{53} - 1$ . In this case, overflow can occur.

```
315  #[payable]
316  pub fn set_min_deposit(&mut self, min_deposit: u128) {
317      self.assert_owner_calling();
318      assert_one_yocto();
319
320      require!(min_deposit < 100 * ONE_NEAR, ERROR_MIN_DEPOSIT_TOO_HIGH);
321
322      let old_min_deposit = self.min_deposit_amount;
323      self.min_deposit_amount = min_deposit;
324
325      Event::SetMinDeposit {
326          old_min_deposit: U128(old_min_deposit),
327          new_min_deposit: U128(self.min_deposit_amount),
328      }
329      .emit();
330  }
```

**Listing 2.1:** contracts/near-x/src/contract/public.rs

**Impact** Integer overflow.

**Suggestion I** Use `U128` instead of `u128` as `U128` is a helper class for 128-bit integers provided by NEAR-SDK, which uses base-10 string.

### 2.1.2 Precision Loss Caused by Improper Rounding Implementation

**Severity** Low

**Status** Confirmed

**Introduced by** [Version 1](#)

**Description** Function `staked_amount_from_num_shares_rounded_up` is used when calculating `receive_amount`.

```
111  pub(crate) fn internal_unstake(&mut self, amount: u128) {
112      self.assert_unstaking_not_paused();
113
114      require!(amount > 0, ERROR_NON_POSITIVE_UNSTAKE_AMOUNT);
115
116      let account_id = env::predecessor_account_id();
117      let mut account = self.internal_get_account(&account_id);
118
119      require!(
```

```
120     self.total_staked > 0,
121     ERROR_NOT_ENOUGH_CONTRACT_STAKED_AMOUNT
122 );
123
124 let num_shares = self.num_shares_from_staked_amount_rounded_up(amount);
125 require!(num_shares > 0, ERROR_NON_POSITIVE_UNSTAKING_SHARES);
126 require!(
127     account.stake_shares >= num_shares,
128     ERROR_NOT_ENOUGH_STAKED_AMOUNT_TO_UNSTAKE
129 );
130
131 let receive_amount = self.staked_amount_from_num_shares_rounded_up(num_shares);
132 require!(
133     receive_amount > 0,
134     ERROR_NON_POSITIVE_UNSTAKE_RECEIVE_AMOUNT
135 );
136
137 account.stake_shares -= num_shares;
138 account.unstaked_amount += receive_amount;
139 account.withdrawable_epoch_height =
140     env::epoch_height() + self.get_unstake_release_epoch(amount);
141 if self.last_reconciliation_epoch == env::epoch_height() {
142     // The unstake request is received after epoch_reconciliation
143     // so actual unstake will happen in the next epoch,
144     // which will put withdraw off for one more epoch.
145     account.withdrawable_epoch_height += 1;
146 }
147
148 self.internal_update_account(&account_id, &account);
149
150 self.total_staked -= receive_amount;
151 self.total_stake_shares -= num_shares;
152
153 // Increase requested unstake amount within the current epoch
154 self.user_amount_to_unstake_in_epoch += receive_amount;
155
156 Event::Unstake {
157     account_id: account_id.clone(),
158     unstaked_amount: U128(amount),
159     burnt_stake_shares: U128(num_shares),
160     new_unstaked_balance: U128(account.unstaked_amount),
161     new_stake_shares: U128(account.stake_shares),
162     unstaked_available_epoch_height: account.withdrawable_epoch_height,
163 }
164 .emit();
165
166 Event::FtBurn {
167     account_id,
168     amount: U128(num_shares),
169 }
170 .emit();
171 }
```

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**Listing 2.2:** contracts/near-x/src/contract/internal.rs

**Impact** Due to precision loss, the user may get extra NEARs, and the project may suffer a loss.

**Suggestion I** It is recommended to use `staked_amount_from_num_shares_rounded_down` to calculate `receive_amount`.

**Feedback from the Project** We wanted to give a similar interface so that we can integrate with external parties who are already integrated with **staking pools**.

### 2.1.3 Lack of Lower Bound for `min_deposit_amount`

**Severity** Low

**Status** Fixed in [Version 2](#)

**Introduced by** [Version 1](#)

**Description** The contract doesn't require depositing storage fees. In this case, there should be a check for the lower bound of the `min_deposit_amount` in case it is rather small. Otherwise, the contract may be vulnerable to DoS attack as malicious users can run out of storage with low cost.

```
315  #[payable]
316  pub fn set_min_deposit(&mut self, min_deposit: u128) {
317      self.assert_owner_calling();
318      assert_one_yocto();
319
320      require!(min_deposit < 100 * ONE_NEAR, ERROR_MIN_DEPOSIT_TOO_HIGH);
321
322      let old_min_deposit = self.min_deposit_amount;
323      self.min_deposit_amount = min_deposit;
324
325      Event::SetMinDeposit {
326          old_min_deposit: U128(old_min_deposit),
327          new_min_deposit: U128(self.min_deposit_amount),
328      }
329      .emit();
330  }
```

**Listing 2.3:** contracts/near-x/src/contract/public.rs

**Impact** If the `min_deposit_amount` is rather small, the contract may be vulnerable to DoS attack.

**Suggestion I** Add a check for the lower bound of the `min_deposit_amount` in `set_min_deposit`.

### 2.1.4 Improper Value of `MIN_BALANCE_FOR_STORAGE`

**Severity** Medium

**Status** Fixed in [Version 2](#)

**Introduced by** [Version 1](#)

**Description** `MIN_BALANCE_FOR_STORAGE` may not be enough to support the storage fee with the increase of the users. In this case, `MIN_BALANCE_FOR_STORAGE` should not be a constant.

```
3/// The contract keeps at least 50 NEAR in the account to avoid being transferred out to cover
4/// contract code storage and some internal state.
5pub const MIN_BALANCE_FOR_STORAGE: u128 = 50_000_000_000_000_000_000_000;
```

**Listing 2.4:** contracts/near-x/src/constants.rs

```
173 // Make this return a promise
174 pub(crate) fn internal_withdraw(&mut self, amount: Balance) {
175     self.assert_withdraw_not_paused();
176
177     let account_id = env::predecessor_account_id();
178
179     require!(amount > 0, ERROR_NON_POSITIVE_WITHDRAWAL);
180
181     let account = self.internal_get_account(&account_id);
182     require!(
183         account.unstaked_amount >= amount,
184         ERROR_NOT_ENOUGH_UNSTAKED_AMOUNT_TO_WITHDRAW
185     );
186     require!(
187         account.withdrawable_epoch_height <= env::epoch_height(),
188         ERROR_UNSTAKED_AMOUNT_IN_UNBONDING_PERIOD
189     );
190
191     require!(
192         env::account_balance().saturating_sub(MIN_BALANCE_FOR_STORAGE) >= amount,
193         ERROR_NOT_ENOUGH_BALANCE_FOR_STORAGE
194     );
195
196     let mut account = self.internal_get_account(&account_id);
197     account.unstaked_amount -= amount;
198     self.internal_update_account(&account_id, &account);
199
200     Event::Withdraw {
201         account_id: account_id.clone(),
202         amount: U128(amount),
203         new_unstaked_balance: U128(account.unstaked_amount),
204     }
205     .emit();
206
207     Promise::new(account_id).transfer(amount);
208 }
```

**Listing 2.5:** contracts/near-x/src/contract/internal.rs

```
14 // keep calling this method until false is return
15 pub fn staking_epoch(&mut self) -> bool {
16     self.assert_staking_epoch_not_paused();
17
18     let min_gas = gas::STAKING_EPOCH
19         + gas::ON_STAKE_POOL_DEPOSIT_AND_STAKE
20         + gas::ON_STAKE_POOL_DEPOSIT_AND_STAKE_CB;
21     require!(
```

```
22     env::prepaid_gas() >= min_gas,
23     format!("{:. require at least {:?}", ERROR_NOT_ENOUGH_GAS, min_gas)
24 );
25
26 self.epoch_reconciliation();
27 // after cleanup, there might be no need to stake
28 if self.reconciled_epoch_stake_amount == 0 {
29     log!("no need to stake, amount to settle is zero");
30     return false;
31 }
32
33 let validator_to_stake_info =
34     self.get_validator_to_stake(self.reconciled_epoch_stake_amount);
35 require!(
36     validator_to_stake_info.0.is_some(),
37     ERROR_NO_VALIDATOR_AVAILABLE_TO_STAKE
38 );
39
40 let validator = validator_to_stake_info.0.unwrap();
41
42 let amount_to_stake = validator_to_stake_info.1;
43
44 log!("amount to stake is {:?}", amount_to_stake);
45
46 require!(
47     env::account_balance() >= amount_to_stake + MIN_BALANCE_FOR_STORAGE,
48     ERROR_MIN_BALANCE_FOR_CONTRACT_STORAGE
49 );
50
51 // update internal state
52 self.reconciled_epoch_stake_amount = self
53     .reconciled_epoch_stake_amount
54     .saturating_sub(amount_to_stake);
55
56 // do staking on selected validator
57 ext_staking_pool::ext(validator.account_id.clone())
58     .with_attached_deposit(amount_to_stake)
59     .with_static_gas(gas::DEPOSIT_AND_STAKE)
60     .deposit_and_stake()
61     .then(
62         ext_staking_pool_callback::ext(env::current_account_id())
63             .with_attached_deposit(NO_DEPOSIT)
64             .with_static_gas(gas::ON_STAKE_POOL_DEPOSIT_AND_STAKE)
65             .on_stake_pool_deposit_and_stake(validator.account_id.clone(), amount_to_stake),
66     );
67
68 Event::StakingEpochAttempt {
69     validator_id: validator.account_id,
70     amount: U128(amount_to_stake),
71 }
72 .emit();
73
74 true
```

75 }

**Listing 2.6:** contracts/near-x/src/contract/operator.rs

**Impact** When the number of users increases, `MIN_BALANCE_FOR_STORAGE` may not be enough for the storage fee, resulting the denial of service of this contract.

**Suggestion I** Revise the value of `MIN_BALANCE_FOR_STORAGE`.

### 2.1.5 Lack of Check on Account's Balance

**Severity** Medium

**Status** Fixed in [Version 2](#)

**Introduced by** [Version 1](#)

**Description** When withdrawing, if the user does not withdraw all the balance, the user needs to keep a certain amount (i.e., `min_deposit_amount`) for the storage fee of the account. In current implementation, the user can retain a small balance (e.g. 1 yocto NEAR) and the account will not be removed, resulting in additional storage cost for the contract.

```
173 // Make this return a promise
174 pub(crate) fn internal_withdraw(&mut self, amount: Balance) {
175     self.assert_withdraw_not_paused();
176
177     let account_id = env::predecessor_account_id();
178
179     require!(amount > 0, ERROR_NON_POSITIVE_WITHDRAWAL);
180
181     let account = self.internal_get_account(&account_id);
182     require!(
183         account.unstaked_amount >= amount,
184         ERROR_NOT_ENOUGH_UNSTAKED_AMOUNT_TO_WITHDRAW
185     );
186     require!(
187         account.withdrawable_epoch_height <= env::epoch_height(),
188         ERROR_UNSTAKED_AMOUNT_IN_UNBONDING_PERIOD
189     );
190
191     require!(
192         env::account_balance().saturating_sub(MIN_BALANCE_FOR_STORAGE) >= amount,
193         ERROR_NOT_ENOUGH_BALANCE_FOR_STORAGE
194     );
195
196     let mut account = self.internal_get_account(&account_id);
197     account.unstaked_amount -= amount;
198     self.internal_update_account(&account_id, &account);
199
200     Event::Withdraw {
201         account_id: account_id.clone(),
202         amount: U128(amount),
203         new_unstaked_balance: U128(account.unstaked_amount),
204     }
```

```
205     .emit();
206
207     Promise::new(account_id).transfer(amount);
208 }
```

**Listing 2.7:** contracts/near-x/src/contract/internal.rs

```
272 pub(crate) fn internal_update_account(&mut self, account_id: &AccountId, account: &Account) {
273     if account.is_empty() {
274         self.accounts.remove(account_id);
275     } else {
276         self.accounts.insert(account_id, account); //insert_or_update
277     }
278 }
```

**Listing 2.8:** contracts/near-x/src/contract/internal.rs

**Impact** The contract may be vulnerable to DoS attack, malicious users can run out of storage with low cost.

**Suggestion I** Check whether the left balance is larger than a specified value (e.g., `min_deposit_amount`) if not all the balance is withdrawn.

## 2.1.6 Mismatched Gas Assignment

**Severity** Low

**Status** Fixed in [Version 2](#)

**Introduced by** [Version 1](#)

**Description** The gas prepaid to `deposit_and_stake` and `on_stake_pool_deposit_and_stake` are mismatched. The correct ones should be `gas::ON_STAKE_POOL_DEPOSIT_AND_STAKE` and `gas::ON_STAKE_POOL_DEPOSIT_AND_STAKE_CB`, respectively.

```
14 // keep calling this method until false is return
15 pub fn staking_epoch(&mut self) -> bool {
16     self.assert_staking_epoch_not_paused();
17
18     let min_gas = gas::STAKING_EPOCH
19         + gas::ON_STAKE_POOL_DEPOSIT_AND_STAKE
20         + gas::ON_STAKE_POOL_DEPOSIT_AND_STAKE_CB;
21     require!(
22         env::prepaid_gas() >= min_gas,
23         format!("{}", require at least {:?}", ERROR_NOT_ENOUGH_GAS, min_gas)
24     );
25
26     self.epoch_reconciliation();
27     // after cleanup, there might be no need to stake
28     if self.reconciled_epoch_stake_amount == 0 {
29         log!("{}", no need to stake, amount to settle is zero");
30         return false;
31     }
32
33     let validator_to_stake_info =
```



```
34     self.get_validator_to_stake(self.reconciled_epoch_stake_amount);
35     require!(
36         validator_to_stake_info.0.is_some(),
37         ERROR_NO_VALIDATOR_AVAILABLE_TO_STAKE
38     );
39
40     let validator = validator_to_stake_info.0.unwrap();
41
42     let amount_to_stake = validator_to_stake_info.1;
43
44     log!("amount to stake is {:?}", amount_to_stake);
45
46     require!(
47         env::account_balance() >= amount_to_stake + MIN_BALANCE_FOR_STORAGE,
48         ERROR_MIN_BALANCE_FOR_CONTRACT_STORAGE
49     );
50
51     // update internal state
52     self.reconciled_epoch_stake_amount = self
53         .reconciled_epoch_stake_amount
54         .saturating_sub(amount_to_stake);
55
56     // do staking on selected validator
57     ext_staking_pool::ext(validator.account_id.clone())
58         .with_attached_deposit(amount_to_stake)
59         .with_static_gas(gas::DEPOSIT_AND_STAKE)
60         .deposit_and_stake()
61         .then(
62             ext_staking_pool_callback::ext(env::current_account_id())
63                 .with_attached_deposit(NO_DEPOSIT)
64                 .with_static_gas(gas::ON_STAKE_POOL_DEPOSIT_AND_STAKE)
65                 .on_stake_pool_deposit_and_stake(validator.account_id.clone(), amount_to_stake),
66         );
67
68     Event::StakingEpochAttempt {
69         validator_id: validator.account_id,
70         amount: U128(amount_to_stake),
71     }
72     .emit();
73
74     true
75 }
```

**Listing 2.9:** contracts/near-x/src/contract/operator.rs

**Impact** The gas fee assigned to cross-contract invocation may not be enough.

**Suggestion I** Set the gas prepaid to `deposit_and_stake` and `on_stake_pool_deposit_and_stake` to `gas::ON_STAKE_POOL_DEPOSIT_AND_STAKE` and `gas::ON_STAKE_POOL_DEPOSIT_AND_STAKE_CB`, respectively.

## 2.2 DeFi Security

## 2.2.1 Rewards Fee can Exceed 10% due to Precision Loss

**Severity** Low

**Status** Fixed in [Version 2](#)

**Introduced by** [Version 1](#)

**Description** The reward fee is expected no more than 10%. However, if `numerator` is 1\_099\_999 and `denominator` is 10\_000\_000, `(numerator * 100 / denominator)` is 10, but the rewards fee is actually 10.99999%, which is more than 10%.

```
299  #[payable]
300  pub fn set_reward_fee(&mut self, numerator: u32, denominator: u32) {
301      self.assert_owner_calling();
302      assert_one_yocto();
303      require!((numerator * 100 / denominator) <= 10); // less than or equal to 10%
304
305      let old_reward_fee = self.rewards_fee;
306      self.rewards_fee = Fraction::new(numerator, denominator);
307
308      Event::SetRewardFee {
309          old_reward_fee,
310          new_reward_fee: self.rewards_fee,
311      }
312      .emit();
313  }
```

**Listing 2.10:** contracts/near-x/src/contract/public.rs

**Impact** The rewards fee can be more than 10%.

**Suggestion I** Change `require!((numerator * 100 / denominator) <= 10);` to `require!(numerator * 10 <= denominator);`.

## 2.2.2 User's Deposited Storage Fee May be Locked

**Severity** Low

**Status** Fixed in [Version 3](#)

**Introduced by** [Version 2](#)

**Description** If the account is checked as empty when invoking the function `internal_update_account`, the account will be removed without refunding its storage fee.

```
313  pub(crate) fn internal_update_account(&mut self, account_id: &AccountId, account: &Account) {
314      if account.is_empty() {
315          self.accounts.remove(account_id);
316      } else {
317          self.accounts.insert(account_id, account); //insert_or_update
318      }
319  }
```

**Listing 2.11:** contracts/near-x/src/contract/internal.rs

```
149 pub fn is_empty(&self) -> bool {
150     self.stake_shares == 0 && self.unstaked_amount == 0
151 }
```

**Listing 2.12:** contracts/near-x/src/state.rs

**Impact** User's deposited storage fee may be locked and cannot be withdrawn.

**Suggestion I** Return user's deposited storage fee when the account is removed.

### 2.2.3 Repeatable Refund of the Storage Fee

**Severity** High

**Status** Fixed in [Version 4](#)

**Introduced by** [Version 3](#)

**Description** Assume that there are two accounts ([user\\_A](#) and [contract\\_B](#)) registered in this contract. If [user\\_A](#) invokes the function `ft_transfer_call()` to transfer all of his NEARx to [contract\\_B](#), then the cross-contract invocation `ft_on_transfer()` will be executed in the next block.

```
50 #[payable]
51 fn ft_transfer_call(
52     &mut self,
53     receiver_id: AccountId,
54     amount: U128,
55     #[allow(unused)] memo: Option<String>,
56     msg: String,
57 ) -> PromiseOrValue<U128> {
58     assert_one_yocto();
59     self.assert_ft_transfer_call_not_paused();
60     let min_gas = gas::FT_TRANSFER + gas::FT_TRANSFER_RESOLVE;
61     assert!(
62         env::prepaid_gas() > min_gas,
63         "require at least {:?} gas",
64         min_gas
65     );
66
67     Event::FtTransferCall {
68         receiver_id: receiver_id.clone(),
69         sender_id: env::predecessor_account_id(),
70         msg: msg.clone(),
71         amount,
72     }
73     .emit();
74
75     self.internal_nearx_transfer(&env::predecessor_account_id(), &receiver_id, amount.0);
76
77     ext_ft_receiver::ext(receiver_id.clone())
78         .with_attached_deposit(NO_DEPOSIT)
79         .with_static_gas(env::prepaid_gas() - gas::FT_TRANSFER - gas::FT_TRANSFER_RESOLVE)
80         .ft_on_transfer(env::predecessor_account_id(), amount, msg)
81         .then(
```

```
82         ext_self::ext(env::current_account_id())
83             .with_attached_deposit(NO_DEPOSIT)
84             .with_static_gas(gas::FT_TRANSFER_RESOLVE)
85             .ft_resolve_transfer(env::predecessor_account_id(), receiver_id, amount),
86     )
87     .into()
88 }
```

**Listing 2.13:** contracts/near-x/src/fungible\_token/nearx\_token.rs

After that, `user_A` can unregister his account immediately at the same block as his account is empty. The account's storage fee, which is about 0.0025 NEAR, will also be refunded to `user_A` in the next block.

```
95  #[payable]
96  fn storage_unregister(&mut self, force: Option<bool>) -> bool {
97      assert_one_yocto();
98
99      if let Some(f) = force {
100         if f {
101             panic!("We don't support force unregister");
102         }
103     }
104
105     let account_id = env::predecessor_account_id();
106
107     if self.accounts.get(&account_id).is_none() {
108         return false;
109     }
110
111     let account = self.internal_get_account(&account_id);
112
113     // if account registered check if amount staked and unstaked is 0
114     if account.is_empty() {
115         self.accounts.remove(&account_id);
116         Promise::new(account_id).transfer(self.storage_balance_bounds().min.0);
117     } else {
118         panic!("Account is not empty!");
119     }
120
121     true
122 }
```

**Listing 2.14:** contracts/near-x/src/contract/storage\_spec.rs

However, if `contract_B` does not implement the function `ft_on_transfer`, the `promise_result` will be returned as failed, and the account of `user_A` will be recovered in the callback function `ft_resolve_transfer` without depositing any storage fee (lines 59-61). In this case, `user_A` can unregister himself again and get the refund of storage fee again.

```
29  pub fn int_ft_resolve_transfer(
30      &mut self,
31      sender_id: &AccountId,
32      receiver_id: AccountId,
33      amount: U128,
```

```
34 ) -> (u128, u128) {
35     let receiver_id = receiver_id;
36     let amount: Balance = amount.into();
37
38     // Get the unused amount from the ft_on_transfer call result.
39     let unused_amount = match env::promise_result(0) {
40         PromiseResult::NotReady => unreachable!(),
41         PromiseResult::Successful(value) => {
42             if let Ok(unused_amount) = near_sdk::serde_json::from_slice::<U128>(&value) {
43                 std::cmp::min(amount, unused_amount.0)
44             } else {
45                 amount
46             }
47         }
48         PromiseResult::Failed => amount,
49     };
50
51     if unused_amount > 0 {
52         let mut receiver_acc = self.internal_get_account(&receiver_id);
53         let receiver_balance = receiver_acc.stake_shares;
54         if receiver_balance > 0 {
55             let refund_amount = std::cmp::min(receiver_balance, unused_amount);
56             receiver_acc.stake_shares -= refund_amount;
57             self.internal_update_account(&receiver_id, &receiver_acc);
58
59             let mut sender_acc = self.internal_get_account(sender_id);
60             sender_acc.stake_shares += refund_amount;
61             self.internal_update_account(sender_id, &sender_acc);
62
63             log!(
64                 "Refund {} from {} to {}",
65                 refund_amount,
66                 receiver_id,
67                 sender_id
68             );
69             return (amount - refund_amount, 0);
70         }
71     }
72     (amount, 0)
73 }
```

**Listing 2.15:** contracts/near-x/src/fungible\_token/nearx\_internal.rs

**Impact** All NEARs in the contract can be withdrawn by repeating the above steps as described.

**Suggestion I** Ensure that the account `sender_id` is not allowed to be unregistered while the cross contract invocation `ft_on_transfer` and the callback function `ft_resolve_transfer` are not finished.

## 2.2.4 User's Withdrawable Epoch Height can be Advanced

**Severity** Low

**Status** Fixed in [Version 4](#)

Introduced by [Version 1](#)

**Description** The `account.withdrawable_epoch_height` indicates when the user's unstaked NEARs will be available for withdrawal. If there are not enough NEARs as requested in current available validators, the `account.withdrawable_epoch_height` will be set to 8 epochs later in function `internal_unstake` (line 139).

However, the user's withdrawable epoch height can be advanced by unstaking a smaller amount of NEARs again. In this case, the `account.unstaked_amount` (line 138) will be accumulated, but the user's withdrawal time is reset to only 4 epochs later (line 139).

```
111 pub(crate) fn internal_unstake(&mut self, amount: u128) {
112     self.assert_unstaking_not_paused();
113
114     require!(amount > 0, ERROR_NON_POSITIVE_UNSTAKE_AMOUNT);
115
116     let account_id = env::predecessor_account_id();
117     let mut account = self.internal_get_account(&account_id);
118
119     require!(
120         self.total_staked > 0,
121         ERROR_NOT_ENOUGH_CONTRACT_STAKED_AMOUNT
122     );
123
124     let num_shares = self.num_shares_from_staked_amount_rounded_up(amount);
125     require!(num_shares > 0, ERROR_NON_POSITIVE_UNSTAKING_SHARES);
126     require!(
127         account.stake_shares >= num_shares,
128         ERROR_NOT_ENOUGH_STAKED_AMOUNT_TO_UNSTAKE
129     );
130
131     let receive_amount = self.staked_amount_from_num_shares_rounded_up(num_shares);
132     require!(
133         receive_amount > 0,
134         ERROR_NON_POSITIVE_UNSTAKE_RECEIVE_AMOUNT
135     );
136
137     account.stake_shares -= num_shares;
138     account.unstaked_amount += receive_amount;
139     account.withdrawable_epoch_height =
140         env::epoch_height() + self.get_unstake_release_epoch(amount);
141     if self.last_reconciliation_epoch == env::epoch_height() {
142         // The unstake request is received after epoch_reconciliation
143         // so actual unstake will happen in the next epoch,
144         // which will put withdraw off for one more epoch.
145         account.withdrawable_epoch_height += 1;
146     }
147
148     self.internal_update_account(&account_id, &account);
149
150     self.total_staked -= receive_amount;
151     self.total_stake_shares -= num_shares;
152
153     // Increase requested unstake amount within the current epoch
```

```
154     self.user_amount_to_unstake_in_epoch += receive_amount;
155
156     Event:: {
157         account_id: account_id.clone(),
158         unstaked_amount: U128(amount),
159         burnt_stake_shares: U128(num_shares),
160         new_unstaked_balance: U128(account.unstaked_amount),
161         new_stake_shares: U128(account.stake_shares),
162         unstaked_available_epoch_height: account.withdrawable_epoch_height,
163     }
164     .emit();
165
166     Event:: {
167         account_id,
168         amount: U128(num_shares),
169     }
170     .emit();
171 }
```

**Listing 2.16:** contracts/near-x/src/fungible\_token/nearx\_internal.rs

```
371     #[private]
372     pub fn get_unstake_release_epoch(&self, amount: u128) -> EpochHeight {
373         let mut available_amount: Balance = 0;
374         let mut total_staked_amount: Balance = 0;
375         for validator in self.validator_info_map.values() {
376             total_staked_amount += validator.staked;
377
378             if !validator.paused() && !validator.pending_unstake_release() && validator.staked > 0
379             {
380                 available_amount += validator.staked;
381             }
382
383             // found enough balance to unstake from available validators
384             if available_amount >= amount {
385                 return NUM_EPOCHS_TO_UNLOCK;
386             }
387
388             // nothing is actually staked, all balance should be available now
389             // still leave a buffer for the user
390             if total_staked_amount == 0 {
391                 return NUM_EPOCHS_TO_UNLOCK;
392             }
393
394             // no enough available validators to unstake
395             // double the unstake waiting time
396             2 * NUM_EPOCHS_TO_UNLOCK
397         }
398     }
```

**Listing 2.17:** contracts/near-x/src/contract/internal.rs

**Impact** The user's withdrawable epoch height can be advanced, which may result in a lack of liquidity for planned withdrawal.

**Suggestion I** Add a check to ensure that the user's withdrawable epoch height can only be postponed when the user tries to update the amount of unstaked tokens.

## 2.3 Additional Recommendation

### 2.3.1 Improper Usage of `saturating_sub`

**Status** Fixed in [Version 2](#)

**Introduced by** [Version 1](#)

**Description** It is recommended to change `saturating_sub` to `checked_sub` to ensure that `amount_to_stake` is larger than `self.reconciled_epoch_stake_amount`.

```
14 // keep calling this method until false is return
15 pub fn staking_epoch(&mut self) -> bool {
16     self.assert_staking_epoch_not_paused();
17
18     let min_gas = gas::STAKING_EPOCH
19         + gas::ON_STAKE_POOL_DEPOSIT_AND_STAKE
20         + gas::ON_STAKE_POOL_DEPOSIT_AND_STAKE_CB;
21     require!(
22         env::prepaid_gas() >= min_gas,
23         format!("{}", require at least {:?}", ERROR_NOT_ENOUGH_GAS, min_gas)
24     );
25
26     self.epoch_reconciliation();
27     // after cleanup, there might be no need to stake
28     if self.reconciled_epoch_stake_amount == 0 {
29         log!("no need to stake, amount to settle is zero");
30         return false;
31     }
32
33     let validator_to_stake_info =
34         self.get_validator_to_stake(self.reconciled_epoch_stake_amount);
35     require!(
36         validator_to_stake_info.0.is_some(),
37         ERROR_NO_VALIDATOR_AVAILABLE_TO_STAKE
38     );
39
40     let validator = validator_to_stake_info.0.unwrap();
41
42     let amount_to_stake = validator_to_stake_info.1;
43
44     log!("amount to stake is {:?}", amount_to_stake);
45
46     require!(
47         env::account_balance() >= amount_to_stake + MIN_BALANCE_FOR_STORAGE,
48         ERROR_MIN_BALANCE_FOR_CONTRACT_STORAGE
49     );
50
51     // update internal state
52     self.reconciled_epoch_stake_amount = self
```



```

53     .reconciled_epoch_stake_amount
54     .saturating_sub(amount_to_stake);
55
56     // do staking on selected validator
57     ext_staking_pool::ext(validator.account_id.clone())
58     .with_attached_deposit(amount_to_stake)
59     .with_static_gas(gas::DEPOSIT_AND_STAKE)
60     .deposit_and_stake()
61     .then(
62         ext_staking_pool_callback::ext(env::current_account_id())
63         .with_attached_deposit(NO_DEPOSIT)
64         .with_static_gas(gas::ON_STAKE_POOL_DEPOSIT_AND_STAKE)
65         .on_stake_pool_deposit_and_stake(validator.account_id.clone(), amount_to_stake),
66     );
67
68     Event::StakingEpochAttempt {
69         validator_id: validator.account_id,
70         amount: U128(amount_to_stake),
71     }
72     .emit();
73
74     true
75 }

```

**Listing 2.18:** contracts/near-x/src/contract/operator.rs

```

288     #[private]
289     pub fn get_validator_to_stake(&self, amount: Balance) -> (Option<ValidatorInfo>, Balance) {
290         let mut selected_validator = None;
291         let mut amount_to_stake: Balance = 0;
292
293         for validator in self.validator_info_map.values() {
294             let target_amount = self.get_validator_expected_stake(&validator);
295             if validator.staked < target_amount {
296                 let delta = std::cmp::min(target_amount - validator.staked, amount);
297                 if delta > amount_to_stake {
298                     amount_to_stake = delta;
299                     selected_validator = Some(validator);
300                 }
301             }
302         }
303
304         if amount_to_stake > 0 && amount - amount_to_stake <= ONE_NEAR {
305             amount_to_stake = amount;
306         }
307
308         // Note that it's possible that no validator is available
309         (selected_validator, amount_to_stake)
310     }

```

**Listing 2.19:** contracts/near-x/src/contract/internal.rs

**Suggestion I** Change `saturating_sub` to `checked_sub` in function `staking_epoch`.

### 2.3.2 Lack of Checking on Privileged Accounts

**Status** Fixed in [Version 2](#)

**Introduced by** [Version 1](#)

**Description** When setting `owner`, `operator_id`, or `treasury_id`, there is no check whether `env::current_account_id()`, `owner_account_id`, `operator_account_id` and `treasury_account_id` are different.

```
184 // Owner update methods
185 #[payable]
186 pub fn set_owner(&mut self, new_owner: AccountId) {
187     assert_one_yocto();
188     require!(
189         env::predecessor_account_id() == self.owner_account_id,
190         ERROR_UNAUTHORIZED
191     );
192     self.temp_owner = Some(new_owner.clone());
193     Event::SetOwner {
194         old_owner: self.owner_account_id.clone(),
195         new_owner,
196     }
197     .emit();
198 }
```

**Listing 2.20:** `contracts/near-x/src/contract/public.rs`

```
221 #[payable]
222 pub fn set_operator_id(&mut self, new_operator_account_id: AccountId) {
223     assert_one_yocto();
224     self.assert_owner_calling();
225
226     Event::UpdateOperator {
227         old_operator: self.operator_account_id.clone(),
228         new_operator: new_operator_account_id.clone(),
229     }
230     .emit();
231
232     self.operator_account_id = new_operator_account_id;
233 }
234
235 #[payable]
236 pub fn set_treasury_id(&mut self, new_treasury_account_id: AccountId) {
237     assert_one_yocto();
238     self.assert_owner_calling();
239
240     Event::UpdateTreasury {
241         old_treasury_account: self.treasury_account_id.clone(),
242         new_treasury_account: new_treasury_account_id.clone(),
243     }
244     .emit();
245
246     self.treasury_account_id = new_treasury_account_id;
```

```
247 }
```

**Listing 2.21:** contracts/near-x/src/contract/public.rs

**Impact** The privileged accounts can be the same, leading to centralization problem.

**Suggestion I** Add checks in functions `set_owner`, `set_operator_id` and `set_treasury_id` to ensure that `env::current_account_id()`, `owner_account_id`, `operator_account_id` and `treasury_account_id` will not be the same account.

### 2.3.3 Incomplete Checking on Privileged Accounts

**Status** Fixed in [Version 3](#)

**Introduced by** [Version 2](#)

**Description** For the initialization function `new`, there is no check whether the `env::current_account_id` differs from the other privileged accounts.

```

 9  #[near_bindgen]
10  impl NearxPool {
11      #[init]
12      pub fn new(
13          owner_account_id: AccountId,
14          operator_account_id: AccountId,
15          treasury_account_id: AccountId,
16      ) -> Self {
17          require!(
18              owner_account_id != operator_account_id,
19              ERROR_OWNER_OPERATOR_SAME
20          );
21          require!(
22              owner_account_id != treasury_account_id,
23              ERROR_OWNER_TREASURY_SAME
24          );
25          require!(
26              operator_account_id != treasury_account_id,
27              ERROR_OPERATOR_TREASURY_SAME
28          );

```

**Listing 2.22:** contracts/near-x/src/contract/public.rs

**Impact** The privileged accounts can be the same, leading to centralization problem.

**Suggestion I** Add checks in functions `new` to ensure that `env::current_account_id()`, `owner_account_id`, `operator_account_id` and `treasury_account_id` will not be the same account.

### 2.3.4 Improper Marco Usage

**Status** Confirmed

**Introduced by** [Version 1](#)

**Description** Macro `#[private]` is usually used by callback functions. Function `get_validator_to_stake`, `get_validator_to_unstake`, `get_unstake_release_epoch` and `epoch_reconciliation` are not callback functions and macro `#[private]` should not be used.

```
288  #[private]
289  pub fn get_validator_to_stake(&self, amount: Balance) -> (Option<ValidatorInfo>, Balance) {
290      let mut selected_validator = None;
291      let mut amount_to_stake: Balance = 0;
292
293      for validator in self.validator_info_map.values() {
294          let target_amount = self.get_validator_expected_stake(&validator);
295          if validator.staked < target_amount {
296              let delta = std::cmp::min(target_amount - validator.staked, amount);
297              if delta > amount_to_stake {
298                  amount_to_stake = delta;
299                  selected_validator = Some(validator);
300              }
301          }
302      }
303
304      if amount_to_stake > 0 && amount - amount_to_stake <= ONE_NEAR {
305          amount_to_stake = amount;
306      }
307
308      // Note that it's possible that no validator is available
309      (selected_validator, amount_to_stake)
310  }
311
312  #[private]
313  pub fn get_validator_to_unstake(&self) -> Option<ValidatorInfo> {
314      let mut max_validator_stake_amount: u128 = 0;
315      let mut current_validator: Option<ValidatorInfo> = None;
316
317      for validator in self.validator_info_map.values() {
318          if !validator.pending_unstake_release()
319              && !validator.paused()
320              && validator.staked.gt(&max_validator_stake_amount)
321          {
322              max_validator_stake_amount = validator.staked;
323              current_validator = Some(validator)
324          }
325      }
326
327      current_validator
328  }
329
330  #[private]
331  pub fn get_unstake_release_epoch(&self, amount: u128) -> EpochHeight {
332      let mut available_amount: Balance = 0;
333      let mut total_staked_amount: Balance = 0;
334      for validator in self.validator_info_map.values() {
335          total_staked_amount += validator.staked;
336
337          if !validator.paused() && !validator.pending_unstake_release() && validator.staked > 0
338          {
339              available_amount += validator.staked;

```

```
339     }
340
341     // found enough balance to unstake from available validators
342     if available_amount >= amount {
343         return NUM_EPOCHS_TO_UNLOCK;
344     }
345 }
346
347 // nothing is actually staked, all balance should be available now
348 // still leave a buffer for the user
349 if total_staked_amount == 0 {
350     return NUM_EPOCHS_TO_UNLOCK;
351 }
352
353 // no enough available validators to unstake
354 // double the unstake waiting time
355 2 * NUM_EPOCHS_TO_UNLOCK
356 }
```

**Listing 2.23:** contracts/near-x/src/contract/internal.rs

```
438 #[private]
439 pub fn epoch_reconciliation(&mut self) {
440     if self.last_reconciliation_epoch == env::epoch_height() {
441         return;
442     }
443     self.last_reconciliation_epoch = env::epoch_height();
444
445     // here we use += because cleanup amount might not be 0
446     self.reconciled_epoch_stake_amount += self.user_amount_to_stake_in_epoch;
447     self.reconciled_epoch_unstake_amount += self.user_amount_to_unstake_in_epoch;
448     self.user_amount_to_stake_in_epoch = 0;
449     self.user_amount_to_unstake_in_epoch = 0;
450
451     let reconciled_stake_amount = self
452         .reconciled_epoch_stake_amount
453         .saturating_sub(self.reconciled_epoch_unstake_amount);
454     let reconciled_unstake_amount = self
455         .reconciled_epoch_unstake_amount
456         .saturating_sub(self.reconciled_epoch_stake_amount);
457
458     self.reconciled_epoch_stake_amount = reconciled_stake_amount;
459     self.reconciled_epoch_unstake_amount = reconciled_unstake_amount;
460
461     Event::EpochReconcile {
462         actual_epoch_stake_amount: U128(self.user_amount_to_stake_in_epoch),
463         actual_epoch_unstake_amount: U128(self.user_amount_to_unstake_in_epoch),
464         reconciled_stake_amount: U128(self.reconciled_epoch_stake_amount),
465         reconciled_unstake_amount: U128(self.reconciled_epoch_unstake_amount),
466     }
467     .emit();
468 }
```

**Listing 2.24:** contracts/near-x/src/contract/operator.rs

**Suggestion I** Revise the code accordingly.

### 2.3.5 Potential Centralization Problem

**Status** Fixed in [Version 2](#)

**Introduced by** [Version 1](#)

**Description** This project has potential centralization problems. The project owner needs to ensure the security of the private key of `NearxPool.owner_account_id`, `NearxPool.operator_account_id` and `NearxPool.treasury_account_id`, and use a multi-signature scheme to reduce the risk of single-point failure.

**Suggestion I** It is recommended to introduce a decentralization design in the contract, such as a multi-signature or a public DAO.

**Feedback from the Project** The account will be multi-signature.

### 2.3.6 Unused Code (I)

**Status** Fixed in [Version 2](#)

**Introduced by** [Version 1](#)

**Description** There are some unused code in the contract. Some of them are listed below.

```
4pub fn assert_min_balance(amount: u128) {
5    require!(amount > 0, ERROR_DEPOSIT_SHOULD_BE_GREATER_THAN_ZERO);
6    require!(
7        env::account_balance() >= MIN_BALANCE_FOR_STORAGE
8        && env::account_balance() - MIN_BALANCE_FOR_STORAGE > amount,
9        ERROR_MIN_BALANCE_FOR_CONTRACT_STORAGE
10   );
11}
12
13pub fn assert_callback_calling() {
14    require!(env::predecessor_account_id() == env::current_account_id());
15}
```

**Listing 2.25:** contracts/near-x/src/utils.rs

```
37#[near_bindgen]
38#[derive(BorshDeserialize, BorshSerialize, PanicOnDefault)]
39pub struct Contract {
40    metadata: LazyOption<FungibleTokenMetadata>,
41
42    pub accounts: LookupMap<AccountId, Balance>,
43    pub total_supply: Balance,
44    pub account_storage_usage: StorageUsage,
45}
```

**Listing 2.26:** contracts/near-x/src/fungible\_token/nearx\_token.rs

**Suggestion I** It is recommended to tidy up all the unused code and variables.

### 2.3.7 Unused Code (II)

**Status** Fixed in [Version 3](#)

**Introduced by** [Version 2](#)

**Description** There are some unused code in the contract. Some of them are listed below.

```
22 pub fn assert_operator_calling(&self) {
23     require!(
24         env::predecessor_account_id() == self.operator_account_id,
25         ERROR_UNAUTHORIZED
26     );
27 }
28
29 pub fn assert_treasury_calling(&self) {
30     require!(
31         env::predecessor_account_id() == self.treasury_account_id,
32         ERROR_UNAUTHORIZED
33     );
34 }
```

**Listing 2.27:** contracts/near-x/src/utils.rs

```
39 pub const ERROR_INSUFFICIENT_FUNDS_FOR_STORAGE_RESERVE: &str =
40     "Need to send 50N for storage reserve";
```

**Listing 2.28:** contracts/near-x/src/errors.rs

**Suggestion I** It is recommended to remove the unused code and variables.

### 2.3.8 Redundant Code (I)

**Status** Confirmed

**Introduced by** [Version 1](#)

**Description** If `validator_info.is_empty()` is true, then `validator_info.weight` must be 0. Therefore, `self.total_validator_weight -= validator_info.weight;` is redundant.

```
123 #[payable]
124 pub fn remove_validator(&mut self, validator: AccountId) {
125     self.assert_operator_or_owner();
126     assert_one_yocto();
127
128     let validator_info = self.internal_get_validator(&validator);
129
130     require!(validator_info.is_empty(), ERROR_INVALID_VALIDATOR_REMOVAL);
131
132     self.total_validator_weight -= validator_info.weight;
133     self.validator_info_map.remove(&validator);
134
135     Event::ValidatorRemoved {
136         account_id: validator,
137     }
138     .emit();
```

```
139 }
```

**Listing 2.29:** contracts/near-x/src/contract/public.rs

```
94 pub fn is_empty(&self) -> bool {
95     self.paused()
96     && !self.pending_unstake_release()
97     && self.staked == 0
98     && self.unstaked_amount == 0
99 }
```

**Listing 2.30:** contracts/near-x/src/state.rs

```
117 pub fn paused(&self) -> bool {
118     self.weight == 0
119 }
```

**Listing 2.31:** contracts/near-x/src/state.rs

**Suggestion I** It is recommended to remove `self.total_validator_weight -= validator_info.weight;`.

**Feedback from the Project** Acknowledged. We will not go forward with this change as there are no user funds at stake and no user security at stake.

### 2.3.9 Redundant Code (II)

**Status** Confirmed

**Introduced by** Version 1

**Description** Function `staked_amount_from_num_shares_rounded_down` will check whether `self.total_staked` or `self.total_stake_shares` is 0. In this case, function `get_nearx_price` does not need to check repeatedly.

```
427 pub fn get_nearx_price(&self) -> U128 {
428     if self.total_staked == 0 || self.total_stake_shares == 0 {
429         return U128(ONE_NEAR);
430     }
431
432     let amount = self.staked_amount_from_num_shares_rounded_down(ONE_NEAR);
433     if amount == 0 {
434         U128(ONE_NEAR)
435     } else {
436         U128(amount)
437     }
438 }
```

**Listing 2.32:** contracts/near-x/src/contract/public.rs

```
247 pub(crate) fn staked_amount_from_num_shares_rounded_down(&self, num_shares: u128) -> Balance {
248     if self.total_staked == 0 || self.total_stake_shares == 0 {
249         return num_shares;
250     }
251 }
```



```
252     (U256::from(self.total_staked) * U256::from(num_shares)
253       / U256::from(self.total_stake_shares))
254     .as_u128()
255 }
```

**Listing 2.33:** contracts/near-x/src/contract/internal.rs

**Suggestion I** It is recommended to remove the check of whether `self.total_staked` or `self.total_stake_shares` is 0 in function `get_nearx_price`.

**Feedback from the Project** Acknowledged. We will not go forward with fixing this.

### 2.3.10 Redundant Code (III)

**Status** Confirmed

**Introduced by** [Version 1](#)

**Description** The `burned_amount` returned from `int_ft_resolve_transfer` is always 0. In this case, checking whether `burned_amount` is greater than 0 in function `ft_resolve_transfer` is redundant. In addition, since `burned_amount` is always 0, this item can be deleted in the return value of function `int_ft_resolve_transfer`.

```
29  pub fn int_ft_resolve_transfer(
30      &mut self,
31      sender_id: &AccountId,
32      receiver_id: AccountId,
33      amount: U128,
34  ) -> (u128, u128) {
35      let receiver_id = receiver_id;
36      let amount: Balance = amount.into();
37
38      // Get the unused amount from the 'ft_on_transfer' call result.
39      let unused_amount = match env::promise_result(0) {
40          PromiseResult::NotReady => unreachable!(),
41          PromiseResult::Successful(value) => {
42              if let Ok(unused_amount) = near_sdk::serde_json::from_slice::<U128>(&value) {
43                  std::cmp::min(amount, unused_amount.0)
44              } else {
45                  amount
46              }
47          }
48          PromiseResult::Failed => amount,
49      };
50
51      if unused_amount > 0 {
52          let mut receiver_acc = self.internal_get_account(&receiver_id);
53          let receiver_balance = receiver_acc.stake_shares;
54          if receiver_balance > 0 {
55              let refund_amount = std::cmp::min(receiver_balance, unused_amount);
56              receiver_acc.stake_shares -= refund_amount;
57              self.internal_update_account(&receiver_id, &receiver_acc);
58          }
59          let mut sender_acc = self.internal_get_account(sender_id);
```

```
60         sender_acc.stake_shares += refund_amount;
61         self.internal_update_account(sender_id, &sender_acc);
62
63         log!(
64             "Refund {} from {} to {}",
65             refund_amount,
66             receiver_id,
67             sender_id
68         );
69         return (amount - refund_amount, 0);
70     }
71 }
72 (amount, 0)
73 }
```

**Listing 2.34:** contracts/near-x/src/fungible\_token/nearx\_internal.rs

```
118 #[private]
119 fn ft_resolve_transfer(
120     &mut self,
121     sender_id: AccountId,
122     receiver_id: AccountId,
123     amount: U128,
124 ) -> U128 {
125     let (used_amount, burned_amount) =
126         self.int_ft_resolve_transfer(&sender_id, receiver_id, amount);
127     if burned_amount > 0 {
128         log!("{}", tokens burned", burned_amount);
129     }
130     used_amount.into()
131 }
```

**Listing 2.35:** contracts/near-x/src/fungible\_token/nearx\_token.rs

**Suggestion I** Revise the code accordingly.

**Feedback from the Project** Acknowledged. Since this is a very critical piece of code, we do not want to touch it. Since this recommendation has no impact on user funds and security of the smart contract, we acknowledge and appreciate the recommendation.

### 2.3.11 Redundant Code (IV)

**Status** Confirmed

**Introduced by** [Version 1](#)

**Description** In function `unstaking_epoch`, the `amount_to_unstake` is the minimum value of `validator_info.staked` and `self.reconciled_epoch_unstake_amount`. In this case, `amount_to_unstake` must be less than or equal to `validator_info.staked`. Therefore, checking whether `amount_to_unstake` is less than or equal to `validator_info.staked` (line 240 to line 243) is redundant.

```
210 pub fn unstaking_epoch(&mut self) -> bool {
211     self.assert_unstaking_epoch_not_paused();
212 }
```

```
213     let min_gas =
214         gas::UNSTAKING_EPOCH + gas::ON_STAKE_POOL_UNSTAKE + gas::ON_STAKE_POOL_UNSTAKE_CB;
215     require!(
216         env::prepaid_gas() >= min_gas,
217         format!("{:. require at least {:?}", ERROR_NOT_ENOUGH_GAS, min_gas)
218     );
219
220     self.epoch_reconciliation();
221
222     // after cleanup, there might be no need to unstake
223     if self.reconciled_epoch_unstake_amount == 0 {
224         log!("No amount to unstake");
225         return false;
226     }
227
228     let validator_to_unstake = self.get_validator_to_unstake();
229
230     require!(
231         validator_to_unstake.is_some(),
232         ERROR_NO_VALIDATOR_AVAILABLE_FOR_UNSTAKE
233     );
234
235     let mut validator_info = validator_to_unstake.unwrap();
236
237     let amount_to_unstake =
238         std::cmp::min(validator_info.staked, self.reconciled_epoch_unstake_amount);
239
240     require!(
241         amount_to_unstake <= validator_info.staked,
242         ERROR_CANNOT_UNSTAKED_MORE_THAN_STAKED_AMOUNT
243     );
244
245     self.reconciled_epoch_unstake_amount -= amount_to_unstake;
246     validator_info.staked -= amount_to_unstake;
247     validator_info.last_unstake_start_epoch = validator_info.unstake_start_epoch;
248     validator_info.unstake_start_epoch = env::epoch_height();
249
250     self.internal_update_validator(&validator_info.account_id, &validator_info);
251
252     ext_staking_pool::ext(validator_info.account_id.clone())
253         .with_static_gas(gas::ON_STAKE_POOL_UNSTAKE)
254         .with_attached_deposit(NO_DEPOSIT)
255         .unstake(U128(amount_to_unstake))
256         .then(
257             ext_staking_pool_callback::ext(env::current_account_id())
258                 .with_attached_deposit(NO_DEPOSIT)
259                 .with_static_gas(gas::ON_STAKE_POOL_UNSTAKE_CB)
260                 .on_stake_pool_unstake(validator_info.account_id.clone(), amount_to_unstake),
261         );
262
263     Event::UnstakingEpochAttempt {
264         validator_id: validator_info.account_id,
265         amount: U128(amount_to_unstake),
```

```
266     }
267     .emit();
268
269     true
270 }
```

**Listing 2.36:** contracts/near-x/src/contract/operator.rs

**Suggestion I** It is recommended to remove the code from line 240 to line 243 in function `unstaking_epoch`.

### 2.3.12 Redundant Code (V)

**Status** Confirmed

**Introduced by** [Version 1](#)

**Description** In function `on_stake_pool_get_account`, if the absolute difference between `account.staked_balance.0` and `validator.staked` is less than or equal to 5000 and the absolute difference between `account.unstaked_balance.0` and `validator.unstaked_amount` is also less than or equal to 5000, then the absolute difference between `new_total_balance` and `validator.total_balance()` must be less than or equal to 10000. Therefore, using `abs_diff_eq` to check `new_total_balance` and `validator.total_balance()` is redundant.

```
399  #[private]
400  pub fn on_stake_pool_get_account(
401      &mut self,
402      validator_id: AccountId,
403      #[callback] account: HumanReadableAccount,
404  ) {
405      let mut validator = self.internal_get_validator(&validator_id);
406
407      let new_total_balance = account.staked_balance.0 + account.unstaked_balance.0;
408      require!(
409          abs_diff_eq(new_total_balance, validator.total_balance(), 10000),
410          ERROR_VALIDATOR_TOTAL_BALANCE_OUT_OF_SYNC
411      );
412
413      require!(
414          abs_diff_eq(account.staked_balance.0, validator.staked, 5000),
415          ERROR_VALIDATOR_STAKED_BALANCE_OUT_OF_SYNC
416      );
417      require!(
418          abs_diff_eq(account.unstaked_balance.0, validator.unstaked_amount, 5000),
419          ERROR_VALIDATOR_UNSTAKED_BALANCE_OUT_OF_SYNC
420      );
421
422      Event::BalanceSyncedFromValidator {
423          validator_id: validator_id.clone(),
424          old_staked_balance: U128(validator.staked),
425          old_unstaked_balance: U128(validator.unstaked_amount),
426          staked_balance: account.staked_balance,
427          unstaked_balance: account.unstaked_balance,
428      }
```

```
429     .emit();
430
431     // update balance
432     validator.staked = account.staked_balance.0;
433     validator.unstaked_amount = account.unstaked_balance.0;
434
435     self.internal_update_validator(&validator_id, &validator);
436 }
```

**Listing 2.37:** contracts/near-x/src/contract/operator.rs

**Suggestion I** It is recommended to remove the code from line 407 to line 411 in function `on_stake_pool_get_account`.

### 2.3.13 Redundant Log Emissions

**Status** Confirmed

**Introduced by** [Version 1](#)

**Description** Function `log!` is used very often in the contract and some of them are redundant.

```
146  #[private]
147  pub fn on_get_sp_staked_balance_for_rewards(
148      &mut self,
149      #[allow(unused_mut)] mut validator_info: ValidatorInfo,
150      #[callback] total_staked_balance: U128,
151  ) -> PromiseOrValue<bool> {
152      validator_info.last_redeemed_rewards_epoch = env::epoch_height();
153
154      //new_total_balance has the new staked amount for this pool
155      let new_total_balance = total_staked_balance.0;
156      log!("total staked balance is {}", total_staked_balance.0);
157
158      //compute rewards, as new balance minus old balance
159      let rewards = new_total_balance.saturating_sub(validator_info.staked);
160
161      log!(
162          "validator account:{} old_balance:{} new_balance:{} rewards:{}",
163          validator_info.account_id,
164          validator_info.staked,
165          new_total_balance,
166          rewards
167      );
168
169      self.internal_update_validator(&validator_info.account_id, &validator_info);
170
171      Event::AutocompoundingEpochRewards {
172          validator_id: validator_info.account_id.clone(),
173          old_balance: U128(validator_info.staked),
174          new_balance: U128(new_total_balance),
175          rewards: U128(rewards),
176      }
177      .emit();
```

```
178
179     if rewards > 0 {
180         //updated accumulated_staked_rewards value for the contract
181         self.accumulated_staked_rewards += rewards;
182         //updated new "staked" value for this pool
183         validator_info.staked = new_total_balance;
184
185         let operator_fee = rewards * self.rewards_fee;
186         log!("operator fee is {})", operator_fee);
187         self.total_staked += rewards;
188         let treasury_account_shares =
189             self.num_shares_from_staked_amount_rounded_down(operator_fee);
190
191         self.internal_update_validator(&validator_info.account_id, &validator_info);
192
193         if treasury_account_shares > 0 {
194             // Mint shares for the treasury account
195             let treasury_account_id = self.treasury_account_id.clone();
196             let mut treasury_account = self.internal_get_account(&treasury_account_id);
197             treasury_account.stake_shares += treasury_account_shares;
198             self.total_stake_shares += treasury_account_shares;
199             self.internal_update_account(&treasury_account_id, &treasury_account);
200
201             PromiseOrValue::Value(true)
202         } else {
203             PromiseOrValue::Value(false)
204         }
205     } else {
206         PromiseOrValue::Value(false)
207     }
208 }
```

**Listing 2.38:** contracts/near-x/src/contract/operator.rs

**Suggestion I** It is recommended to use NEP-297 Events Standard instead of using `log!` function when logging.

**Feedback from the Project** It is useful for us in some places. We will leave it as it is as it doesn't harm user funds nor impacts gas fees.

### 2.3.14 Improper Gas Value

**Status** Fixed in [Version 2](#)

**Introduced by** [Version 1](#)

**Description** The values of `ONE_T_GAS`, `FIVE_T_GAS`, and `TEN_T_GAS` are not used. Furthermore, the return value of `base_gas(1)` is 25T, but it is thought as 1T by the contract. For example, the real values of `ONE_T_GAS`, `FIVE_T_GAS`, and `TEN_T_GAS` are 25T, 125T, 250T, which are incorrect.

```
91     pub const ONE_T_GAS: Gas = base_gas(1);
92
93     pub const FIVE_T_GAS: Gas = base_gas(5);
94
```

```
95 pub const TEN_T_GAS: Gas = base_gas(10);
96
97 const fn base_gas(n: u64) -> Gas {
98     Gas(1_000_000_000_000 * 25 * n)
99 }
100
101 const fn tera(n: u64) -> Gas {
102     Gas(1_000_000_000_000 * n)
103 }
```

Listing 2.39: contracts/near-x/src/constants.rs

**Suggestion I** Revise the value of the constants that are related to `base_gas()`.

### 2.3.15 Improper Calculation of Operator Fee Shares

**Status** Confirmed

**Introduced by** Version 1

**Description** According to the reward distribution implemented in function `on_get_sp_staked_balance_for_rewards`, the corresponding shares of operator fee (NEARx) minted to the treasury account are less than expected. This is because the `treasury_account_shares` (line 189) is calculated based on the `self.total_staked`, which already includes the amount of the newly added rewards (line 187).

```
146 #[private]
147 pub fn on_get_sp_staked_balance_for_rewards(
148     &mut self,
149     #[allow(unused_mut)] mut validator_info: ValidatorInfo,
150     #[callback] total_staked_balance: U128,
151 ) -> PromiseOrValue<bool> {
152     validator_info.last_redeemed_rewards_epoch = env::epoch_height();
153
154     //new_total_balance has the new staked amount for this pool
155     let new_total_balance = total_staked_balance.0;
156     log!("total staked balance is {}", total_staked_balance.0);
157
158     //compute rewards, as new balance minus old balance
159     let rewards = new_total_balance.saturating_sub(validator_info.staked);
160
161     log!(
162         "validator account:{} old_balance:{} new_balance:{} rewards:{}",
163         validator_info.account_id,
164         validator_info.staked,
165         new_total_balance,
166         rewards
167     );
168
169     self.internal_update_validator(&validator_info.account_id, &validator_info);
170
171     Event::AutocompoundingEpochRewards {
172         validator_id: validator_info.account_id.clone(),
173         old_balance: U128(validator_info.staked),
174         new_balance: U128(new_total_balance),
```

```
175     rewards: U128(rewards),
176   }
177   .emit();
178
179   if rewards > 0 {
180     //updated accumulated_staked_rewards value for the contract
181     self.accumulated_staked_rewards += rewards;
182     //updated new "staked" value for this pool
183     validator_info.staked = new_total_balance;
184
185     let operator_fee = rewards * self.rewards_fee;
186     log!("operator fee is {} ", operator_fee);
187     self.total_staked += rewards;
188     let treasury_account_shares =
189         self.num_shares_from_staked_amount_rounded_down(operator_fee);
190
191     self.internal_update_validator(&validator_info.account_id, &validator_info);
192
193     if treasury_account_shares > 0 {
194         // Mint shares for the treasury account
195         let treasury_account_id = self.treasury_account_id.clone();
196         let mut treasury_account = self.internal_get_account(&treasury_account_id);
197         treasury_account.stake_shares += treasury_account_shares;
198         self.total_stake_shares += treasury_account_shares;
199         self.internal_update_account(&treasury_account_id, &treasury_account);
200
201         PromiseOrValue::Value(true)
202     } else {
203         PromiseOrValue::Value(false)
204     }
205 } else {
206     PromiseOrValue::Value(false)
207 }
208 }
```

**Listing 2.40:** contracts/near-x/src/contract/operator.rs

**Suggestion I** Deduct the `operator_fee` from the pending rewards before it is added to the `self.total_staked` (line 187), and then calculate the `treasury_account_shares` separately.

**Feedback from the Project** We are mainly fine with it since the rewards are autocompounded.

## 2.4 Additional Notes

### 2.4.1 Only Staked Balance is Used to Calculate Rewards

**Status** Confirmed

**Introduced by** [Version 1](#)

**Description** In the validator staking pool contract, each account has two kinds of balances, which are staked balance and unstaked balance. Function `get_account_staked_balance` only returns the staked



balance of an account, while function `get_account_total_balance` returns the sum of staked balance and unstaked balance. The contract only uses staked balance to calculate rewards.

```
101 pub fn autocompounding_epoch(&mut self, validator: AccountId) {
102     self.assert_autocompounding_epoch_not_paused();
103
104     let min_gas = gas::AUTOCOMPOUNDING_EPOCH
105         + gas::ON_STAKE_POOL_GET_ACCOUNT_STAKED_BALANCE
106         + gas::ON_STAKE_POOL_GET_ACCOUNT_STAKED_BALANCE_CB;
107     require!(
108         env::prepaid_gas() >= min_gas,
109         format!("{:. require at least {:?}", ERROR_NOT_ENOUGH_GAS, min_gas)
110     );
111
112     let validator_info = self.internal_get_validator(&validator);
113
114     let epoch_height = env::epoch_height();
115
116     if validator_info.staked == 0 {
117         return;
118     }
119
120     if validator_info.last_redeemed_rewards_epoch == epoch_height {
121         return;
122     }
123
124     log!(
125         "Fetching total balance from the staking pool {}",
126         validator_info.account_id
127     );
128
129     ext_staking_pool::ext(validator_info.account_id.clone())
130         .with_attached_deposit(NO_DEPOSIT)
131         .with_static_gas(gas::ON_STAKE_POOL_GET_ACCOUNT_STAKED_BALANCE)
132         .get_account_staked_balance(env::current_account_id())
133         .then(
134             ext_staking_pool_callback::ext(env::current_account_id())
135                 .with_attached_deposit(NO_DEPOSIT)
136                 .with_static_gas(gas::ON_STAKE_POOL_GET_ACCOUNT_STAKED_BALANCE_CB)
137                 .on_get_sp_staked_balance_for_rewards(validator_info),
138         );
139
140     Event::AutocompoundingEpochRewardsAttempt {
141         validator_id: validator,
142     }
143     .emit();
144 }
```

**Listing 2.41:** contracts/near-x/src/contract/operator.rs

**Feedback from the Project** Autocompounding rewards in the validator stake pool contracts are only accrued to the staked balance of the account and not to the unstaked balance. Unstaked balance would be same in the stake pool contract and it would be redundant to fetch it.