

Bank Your Claims Check

Now that you have your land claims check, what are you planning to do with it? One suggestion RurAl CAP would like to

make is to place it in a savings bank. Savings and Loan Banks are now paying interest on savings accounts from 5.25% to 7.5% depending on what kind of account that you have.

The 5.25% is paid on regular accounts. This account allows you to deposit and withdraw your money simply by walking into the bank, and many banks will also do this by mail.

The higher interest rates are paid on savings certificates. Savings certificates require that you deposit a minimum amount of money and cannot withdraw it until the certificate expires. The lower interest paying certificates require a smaller deposit and have a shorter period of duration than the higher interest paying certificates. If you have to cash in a certificate before it expires, the bank is required by federal law to penalize you several months of interest and only pay you interest at the same rate as a regular, also called pass-book, account.

An Anchorage Savings and Loan Bank has computed that if you put \$600 in the bank each year and it earns interest at 5.25% compounded daily, at the end of 13 years your account will have \$11,453.08 in it.

These banks also offer trust accounts. You would use a trust account to deposit money for your children. The account is controlled by you until your children reach adulthood.

If you want more information, please contact a bank in your area. They will be glad to give you any information that you wish.