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| Step |  | Dilution |
| 10 g soil (weight/volume) | 95 mL saline (solution A) | 10-1 |
| 1 mL solution A (volume/volume) | 9 mL saline (solution B) | 10-2 |
| 1 mL solution B (volume/volume) | 9 mL saline (solution C) | 10-3 |
| 1 mL solution C (volume/volume) | 9 mL saline (solution D) | 10-4 |
| 1 mL solution D (volume/volume) | 9 mL saline (solution E) | 10-5 |

**Dilution and Plating Calculations**