

# off the fence.

## Planet California

2 x 60'

EPISODIC BREAKDOWN

### 1. Rivers of Gold

It is a land of extremes - tallest, deepest, highest, hottest - and home to the richest concentration of biodiversity in the Americas. California sea lions pursue king salmon down the California Current and into their freshwater spawning grounds. Mountain lions stalk majestic bighorn sheep into the forbidding reaches of the Sierra Nevada and its vital snow-packs, and giant redwoods harvest precious water right out of the air. In a rapidly changing - and thirsty - world, drought, dams and fire pose dire threats to a vibrant ecosystem connected by rivers on land, in the sky and in the sea.

### 2. Close Encounters

From the majesty of blue whales and the menace of great white sharks to the curious habits of the kangaroo rat and playful kit foxes, rare and spectacular footage brings California's wildlife into sharp focus. Cataclysmic events like earthquakes and El Nino's storms rock and shape the land, yet some species - like Methuselah, one of the oldest organisms in the world - persist, constantly adapting to a rapidly changing world. Still, in a space shared with 40 million people, is there room for all? The pressure heats up in dramatic and challenging habitats. Move over Hollywood. Planet California's wildlife stars are ready for their close-up.