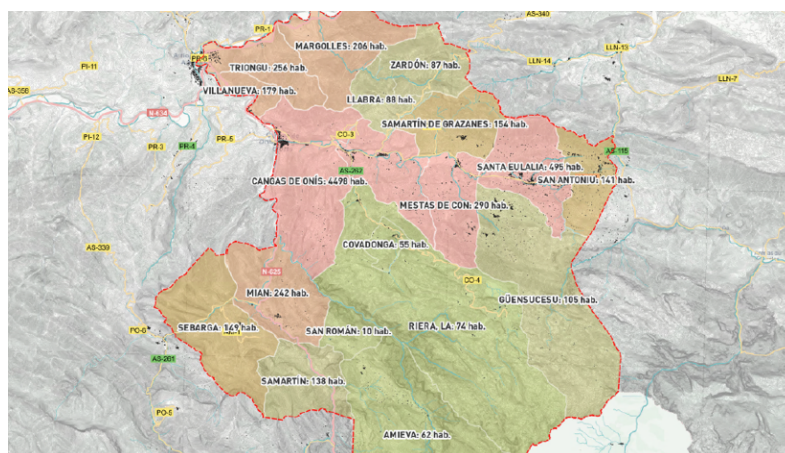


Sustainable Rural Mobility Plan for the Commonwealth of Cangas de Onís, Amieva and Onís

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The community of municipalities of Cangas de Onís, Onís and Amieva, is one of the main tourist destinations in Asturias. Its scenic value, its proximity to the Picos de Europa National Park and its rich heritage and culture make it an enclave of reference for both national and international tourism. This condition is especially intensified during the summer months, weekends and holidays such as Easter, generating a significant increase in mobility and pressure on existing infrastructure.

Since the COVID-19 pandemic, the influx of visitors has increased significantly, driven by an increased demand for natural areas, hiking trails and quiet rural environments. This phenomenon has caused recurrent traffic problems, parking saturation and congestion at the accesses to enclaves of great tourist value, such as Covadonga, the Lakes, the Dobra River area, the Olla de San Vicente or the Desfiladero de los Beyos, as well as in the urban centers of Cangas de Onís and Benia de Onís. In turn, these councils are home to scattered and aging rural populations, whose basic mobility needs require specific, accessible and inclusive solutions, beyond the tourist area.



Population of the Mancomunidad divided by parishes

In this context, it is necessary to draw up a Sustainable Mobility Plan to organize travel flows, promote more efficient public transportation, reduce dependence on private vehicles and preserve the balance between tourism development and the quality of life of the resident population. The key points of this project are the following:

- Improve internal accessibility and connectivity between the three councils.
- Reduce the pressure on the tourist and natural cores in high season.
- Promote sustainable, collective and non-motorized modes of transport.
- Manage parking more efficiently through dissuasive solutions.
- Increase road safety and protect the natural and cultural heritage of the territory.

With these measures, it is hoped that the Mancomunidad will consolidate its model as a sustainable tourist destination, compatible with the protection of its environment and with a more equitable, functional and respectful mobility, both for visitors and residents.

The technical study analyses how people move around the three councils that make up the Mancomunidad (Amieva, Cangas de Onís and Onís) and detects several problems that make it difficult for all residents to have equal access to basic services such as health, education and daily business. In addition, it is pointed out that traditional public transport does not work well in this type of dispersed territory with small and distant villages.



Location of the main centres and services in Amieva

In response, the plan proposes a battery of flexible, scalable measures adapted to the rural reality, which are divided into seven areas of action: everyday mobility, taxi network and transport on demand, interurban public transport, tourist mobility, infrastructures for sustainable mobility, school transport and educational accessibility. The proposed measures focus on the following points to be developed:

- Adapted and sustainable transport for the elderly
- School mobility for young people
- Regional taxi system
- Public transport
- Parking and electric charging
- Regulation at tourist points
- Improved pedestrian connection between services in Amieva



Image of the study of the absence of safe pedestrian crossings