

*Las saucedas en las riberas meandriformes del Nora en Priañes y del Deva en Buelles (Asturias)*

**Nora and Deva's riverside willow forests in Priañes and Buelles, Asturias**

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Nora and Deva's riverside groves namely Priañes and Buelles' willow forests are analyzed through an integrated methodology. Both willow forest are considered as the greatest landscape value in Asturias and are protected as Natural Monument. The objectives of this research focus on the study of the structure, composition and spatial-temporal distribution of vegetal communities. The hydrological behaviour evolution, morphodynamic change experienced by these rivers and anthropic pressure exerted by cultivation the river fertile lowlands and the regulating flow rates through hydraulic works are also studied. The diachronic analysis was carried out using the AMS aerial photographs (1956- 1957) and of the known in Principado de Asturias as Catalan flight (1999).

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