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on behalf of the European Commission
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1. The EU Sustainable Tourism Strategy is currently undergoing an extensive targeted consultation with EU tourism stakeholders, and an open public consultation was launched in June 2025. Tourism stakeholders interested in camper vans and caravans have the possibility to contribute to the consultations by making their suggestions. The Commission takes note of the suggestion to develop parking and service infrastructure for camper vans and caravans in Member States. Nevertheless, the Commission's competence on tourism matters is limited in Article 195 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union¹ to support, coordinate or supplement the actions of Member States, which may limit the possibilities for Union action in this matter.
2. Establishing a framework of guidelines or common minimum standards for such infrastructure has not been considered, but if such an action is deemed relevant following appropriate analysis of the results of the consultation, it may be considered.
3. Under the 2021-2027 programming period, Cohesion Policy can support tourism infrastructure as part of measures that strengthen the resilience and sustainability of the sector and its role in socioeconomic and territorial development. However, Programmes supported by Cohesion Policy Funds that target Greece do not foresee specific actions for the development of parking infrastructure for camper vans and caravans.

¹ https://eur-lex.europa.eu/eli/treaty/tfeu_2016/art_195/oj/eng#:~:text=The%20European%20Parliament%20and%20the%20Council%2C%20acting%20in,the%20laws%20and%20regulations%20of%20the%20Member%20States.