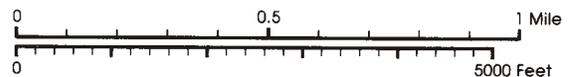


Heikkinen Quarry

Town: Greenwood, Oxford County
Base map: Greenwood 7.5' quadrangle
Contour interval: 20 feet



Type of deposit: Granite pegmatite.

Collecting status: Open for hobby mineral collecting; permission not required. Mineral rights currently owned by Frank Perham, West Paris, ME 04289 (207-674-2921).

Minerals observed: albite (feldspar), almandine (garnet), autunite, beryl, biotite, columbite, kasolite, microcline (feldspar), muscovite, opal (var. hyalite), pyrite, schorl (tourmaline), zircon.

Comments: According to Perham (1987) the Heikkinen Quarry was operated for feldspar on several occasions beginning in the 1930's. It is known for fluorescent minerals (autunite and hyalite), and produced a beryl crystal 10 feet long. There has not

been much activity here recently, but a careful search of the dumps might turn up some interesting minerals.

Directions: *Driving:* From the jct. of Rtes. 26 and 219 in West Paris, drive west for 5.60 miles to the end of Rte. 219 in Greenwood. Turn left (south), continue 0.10 mile, and turn left onto Hayes Hill Road. Drive 0.95 mile to end of improved road. Check at house for permission to park. If owner isn't home, continue a few feet onto woods road and park so as not to block school bus turnaround in yard. Parking space is suitable for only one or two collector vehicles at a time.

Walking: Walk south on old woods road for about 1500 paces (4500 feet) to the Heikkinen Quarry. The quarry pit is a long narrow cut into the hillside on the left side of road. Dumps are mainly on the right side of the road.