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I updated Gallery 13 with smnithsonite, celestite after satin spar, malachite on tenorite, druzy quartz on chrysocolla, celestite, hemimorphite, crocoite, and others on 12/28/10. The larger pieces of smithsonite are nowmore difficult to find.

The smithsonite that I have comes from the mid 60's until 2007. The early pieces came from Claude Dawson, Susie Davis, Art Tatum, Bill Panczner, Mike New, Manuel Ontiveras, and various other dealers. Benny Fenn collected possibly the greatest amount of specimen grade smithsonite. I purchase approximately one ton of the specimens over the years from him.

Both Benny Fenn and Pete Megaw state that location is finished. The Lithographie Smithsonite book on page 34 states that the mine is now "mined" out and few additional finds will be made.

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