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T8630 : massive serpentinite  
probably after dunite

This is a massive serpentinite composed of subpherulitic aggregates of serpentine (?antigorite) 10 - 50 microns across with accessory, scattered subhedral opaque grains (?chromite) 30 - 200 microns across.

A shear vein is composed of lenticular opaque aggregates and parallel-fibre serpentine. Dusty opaque grains up to 20 microns occur in networks and trails outlining grain boundaries and fractures in the original ultramafic which was probably a dunite.

Minor stringers of fine carbonate (0.4 mm), also carry minor fine opaques. These opaque grains in places exceed 1 mm in size, almost certainly they are magnetite.