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We will present the design of a Li<sup>+</sup> ion source and injector for the Neutralized Drift Compression Experiment-II (NDCX-II) for warm dense matter experiments. The injector has been designed to use a large diameter ( $\approx 11$  cm) Li<sup>+</sup>-doped alumino-silicate source with an injected ion kinetic energy of 100 keV, pulse duration of 0.5µs, and beam current of 100mA. Using small prototype emitters, at a temperature of approximately 1275° C, the space charge limited Li<sup>+</sup> beam current density of J  $\approx 1$  mA/cm<sup>2</sup> was obtained for a 0.64 cm diameter emitting area. The lifetime of the ion source is  $\geq 50$  hours while pulsing the extraction voltage at 2 to 3 times per minute (a rate expected in NDCX-II). We are designing and fabricating a larger diameter source, in parallel with continuing R & D effort to increase the life time of the ion source.

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