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New Zealand announces relief package worth \$186m, says cost of storm could rise above \$8bn.

New Zealand's government has extended the state of emergency it declared over Cyclone Gabrielle and announced an emergency relief package worth \$186m, as officials warned that the final cost of the deadly storm could rise above \$8bn.

Prime Minister Chris Hipkins told reporters on Monday that the storm, which has killed 11 people so far, has caused damage on a scale not seen in New Zealand for at least a generation.

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